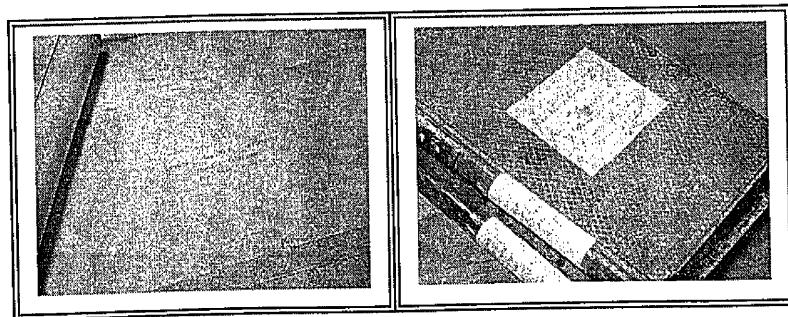


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## Introduction

This collection of archives consists of two volumes of minutes of proceedings of the Governors of the County of Galway Infirmary (1802-1892), marked No.1 and No. 3. In Volume 'No. 1' (GH2/1) the minutes between 1864 and 1876 simply records the amount that bills were presented for. However, volume 'No.3' has slightly more complete minutes for the period 1865-1866. This volume (GH2/3) also include details of tenders received, 1866-1870. The collection also includes plans and drawings of the Infirmary 1858 and 1862.

### Summary History of the Hospital, 1802-1892

WHAT FOLLOWS IS A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE HOSPITAL AS EXTRACTED FROM THE MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE MEETINGS OF GOVERNORS OF THE COUNTY GALWAY INFIRMARY, 1802-1892.

James Hardiman in *The History of the Town and County of the Town of Galway from the Earliest Period to the Present Time*, 1820, writes that in 1638 Wentworth, the Lord Deputy, directed that a public infirmary be erected in and for the county of Galway. However, it was more than 50 years later before a small building in Woodquay was provided for that purpose. This infirmary was later moved to a house in Abbeygate Street<sup>1</sup>.

An Act of the Irish Parliament in 1765 called for 'erecting and establishing public infirmaries and hospitals in this kingdom'<sup>2</sup>, after which a meeting of the Galway Corporation was convened on 17<sup>th</sup> April 1766 which ordered '*that a committee consisting of the principal gentlemen of the town be, and are, accordingly appointed, to inquire and find out a proper place within the county of the town of Galway for erecting a public infirmary or hospital for the reception of poor, sick and disabled persons*'<sup>3</sup>. The Governors of the Erasmus Smith School shortly afterwards donated a two acre site at Prospect Hill for the Infirmary<sup>4</sup>. However, it was many years later before building was actually constructed and completed. In 1802 the Infirmary at Abbeygate Street was finally moved to the new accommodation in Prospect Hill.

<sup>1</sup> Hardiman, James (reprint 1958) *The History of the Town and County of the Town of Galway from the Earliest Period to the Present Time*, 1820, Reprint 1958, Connacht Tribune Printing and Publishing Company, Galway, p315

<sup>2</sup> *Ibid.*, p315

<sup>3</sup> *Ibid.*, p315

<sup>4</sup> A note on a front page of the first volume of minutes (GH2/1) of proceedings of the Governor's meetings records that in Hardiman's *History of Galway*, it is written that '1765 Board of Erasmus Smith granted 2 acres of ground forever' on which to build a County Infirmary' (GH2/1, p2).



The maintenance of the new Infirmary was primarily supported by the Grand Jury presentments from the County cess and partly by Parliamentary grants<sup>5</sup>.

Membership to the Board of Governors was simply attained by payment of a subscription. A Life Governor, for instance, paid a subscription of £20, while the subscription of annual membership was, in 1880, £3.3.0 (GH2/3, p46). There was also a small body of Official Governors, which included the Archbishop of Armagh, the Lord Chancellor of Ireland, the bishop of the diocese and the rector or vicar of the parish in which the infirmary was situated<sup>6</sup>. In 1889 there was 64 Governors. The Governors' attendance at meetings was constantly low, with generally no more than ten Governors attending.

The Infirmary treated many thousands of patients between 1802 and 1892. Admission to the hospital was permitted upon presentation of a letter from a Governor, and was available primarily for the inhabitants of the county of Galway, rather than the town of Galway. In 1844 the Governors, *'with a view of making the present county Infirmary available to the poor sick inhabitants of the county of the Town of Galway'* resolved to send a deputation to the Grand Jury to ascertain what assistance it would offer to *'accomplish this desirable object'* (GH2/1, p61). However, nothing appeared to come of this deputation.

The finances and administration of the hospital was the responsibility of the Treasury, a Governor elected to the position, and the Surgeon. The management of the hospital appeared for the most part, particularly up until the 1880's, to be very satisfactory. A Report in 1821 by a Committee approved by the Grand Jury to examine and report on the County Infirmary accounts found *'them very regular and perfectly correct'* (GH2/1).

The Infirmary suffered constantly from lack of funds, particularly from the 1880s onward, and as a result it was closed on a number of occasions. Also during this period, following the death of the Hospital's long serving Surgeon-in-Charge, Dr Browne, a protracted dispute arose relating to the election of a new Surgeon (see below), which also disrupted its management.

Due to the ongoing financial and managerial difficulties the Governors petitioned government to introduce a Bill into Parliament which would re-constitute the hospital as a General Hospital for both the county and town of Galway.

In 1892 the Galway Hospital's Act was introduced into legislation, under which the administration and management of the Infirmary was more formally established. Between 1892 and 1922 it was managed by a Board of Management, comprised of 52 members elected

<sup>5</sup> Murray, Dr James, P *Galway: A Medico-Social History*, Kenny's Bookshop & Art Galleries Ltd, Galway, (n.d. c 1994)

<sup>6</sup> *ibid.*, pp60-61



from the representatives for the Poor Law Unions of county Galway. The Board reported to the Local Government Board, and required its sanction before the implementation of many decisions.

From 1<sup>st</sup> January 1922 the Hospital was taken over by the Hospital, Homes and Homes Assistance Committee<sup>7</sup>. The Galway Hospital, formerly known as the Infirmary, was phased out from 1922 and closed in December 1924. The building on Prospect Hill was later enlarged and refurbished and used as office accommodation by Galway County Council<sup>8</sup>. The Workhouse was developed as a Central Hospital to serve both the City and the County<sup>9</sup>.

The minutes of proceedings of the Governors' meetings indicate that no meetings were held between the Spring Assizes of 1805 and the Lent Assizes of 1807. There is also a gap in the minutes between 1807 and April 1816, though it was ordered then that quarterly meetings be held in the months of October, January, April, and July (GH2/1, p18). However, the meetings continued to be held on an irregular basis for some years. The minutes for 1837 include the signature of attendees. In 1843 the Governors resolved that they should meet on the first Wednesday of each month (GH2/1, p53). However, often as only one, two or three Governors attended on the appointed date no meetings were held. In 1888 the Governors decided to hold a meeting on the first Thursday of each month and for their quarterly meetings to continue (GH2/3, p108).

There is another substantial gap in the minutes between January 1848 (when the Institution was in debt to the amount of £133.11.2) and April 1859. Furthermore, in the volume referred to as 'No. 1' (GH2/1) the minutes between 1864 and 1876 simply record the total amount of bills that were presented for payment. However, the volume referred to as 'No.3' has slightly more complete minutes for the 1865-1866 period, but then has a gap until March 1877. The Galway Weekly Advertiser and Galway Vindicator newspapers however do carry reports of weekly admissions, discharges, death and beds occupied.

<sup>7</sup> Galway Hospital, 1892-1922 archive collection GH1/2, 21 December 1921

<sup>8</sup> The building, originally constructed in 1802 and subsequently enlarged, was demolished in circa 1996, and replaced by Galway County Council in 1998 with a newly constructed modern building.

<sup>9</sup> The Workhouse complex of buildings was demolished in the 1950s, with a new Regional Hospital constructed close by. The Regional Hospital changed its title in the early 21<sup>st</sup> to University College Hospital Galway (UCHG).





At its meeting of new Governors held in Ballinasloe on 6<sup>th</sup> October 1802 it was resolved that Lord Luke Clonbrock be President of the Infirmary. A Vice-President was also decided upon. In addition the Governors resolved that five '*Governors shall be necessary to draw any bill upon the Treasurer of whom the President or Vice President as the case may be, to be one*' (GH2/1, p4). It was also decided to appoint a Clerk to take the minutes of proceedings of the Governors' meetings, keep accounts and preserve the books and '*do such other acts as he shall be required to do by the Governors at meetings, or in the interval of Meetings...*' (GH2/1, p4).

The Governors also ordered at this meeting to have a drawing made of the plan of the different stories of the present shell of the building and a report be made on the current status of it. This was then to be forward to London for the attention of Mr Hardwicke, who would then be required to give his opinion on the '*best means of completing the shell so as to make an Hospital hereof as healthy and convenient as the nature of the thing will admit*' (GH2/1, p5).

At the meeting of 8 April 1803 it was noted that a Mr Roger O'Connor gave up possession of the Infirmary to the Governors, who then ordered its repair (GH2/1, p6).

In July 1803 the Governors approved the plans proposed by Mr Richard Fahy, architect, for raising the heights of the windows on the first and second floors and also in the attic of the Infirmary. (GH2/1, p7).

In 1805 it was noted that '*one half of the Infirmary is capable of containing thirty beds independent of an Operation room, a surgery, Committee room and all proper offices for attendance. Ordered that the remaining half be given up for the resident of accommodation of Doctor Veitch Surgeon to the Institution ...*' subject to various conditions (GH2/1, pp11-12)

It was also ordered that the number of beds be increased from eleven to eighteen, '*it appearing that the funds of the Institution will admit thereof and that an additional nurse be employed*' (GH2/1, p12).

*We have also examined the Rooms and found them perfectly clean and in excellent order and having examined the patients in the Institution find them perfectly satisfied with their food and general treatment having exactly conformable to the Printed Regulations; on the whole we have to express our highest satisfaction with the General conduct of the Institution by Doctor Veitch*' (GH2/1, p22).

In 1837 the Governors noted the passing in the House of Commons of legislation for the regulation of the Medical Charities of Ireland. The Governors resolved that they did not object



to the legislation '*providing for the adequate support of such medical charities, and to secure the proper and judicious application of funds thereof.* ...' (GH2/1, p36). They welcomed the establishment of an independent Board of Inspectors of Medical Charities, while at the same time expressing concern about its own status, considering that the hospital was legally vested in them and by their subscriptions supported it for many years previous. In addition, it recommended that provision be made by the Board for the adequate payment of salaries for the Infirmary's Medical Officers (GH2/1, pp36-37). The Governors also placed on record the fact that it had for many years inspected the institution and always found it be managed, by the Medical Attendants, in accordance with the rules and regulations established for its governance. It finally resolved that it trusted the government would not '*interfere with our vested rights of managing our own property and that of the county institution to us, without dissent for near a century, that on the contrary same will be recognised as well as own rights of the recommendation of patients*' (GH2/1, p37).

In February 1845 the Governors felt that they did not have sufficient funds to support a greater number of patients than 45 daily (GH2/1, p66).

In November 1845 over £500 was '*expended in the Infirmary up to the 5<sup>th</sup> of October, and that the balance in the Treasurers hands would not be sufficient to maintain the Institution to the 5 of January next. Resolved that the number of patients in the Infirmary be reduced to an average of twenty per day and that no more than three nurses be kept in the Hospital*' (GH2/1, p68). At the commencement of 1847 the Infirmary was in debt to the amount of £133.11.2, with the expenditure for the year ending 5<sup>th</sup> January 1848 was £757.8.7. (GH2/1, p79).

In 1889 the minutes record that a sum of £866.7.7 was standing to the credit of the Governors (GH2/3, p129). The Infirmary suffered severely from lack of fund on many occasions, particularly between the 1880s and 1892, closing on several occasions as a result.

General repairs, including the painting, white washing and glazing of the entire hospital, were carried out in 1846. In addition, tenders were requested for the construction of three water closets (GH2/1, p70).

In 1859 it was estimated it would cost £555 to put the Infirmary in a proper state of order (GH2/1, p86). In October 1859 the tender of John Semple and Patrick Nugent for £574 sterling was accepted by the Governors for the repairs to the Institution (GH2/1, p92).

In October 1859 Dr Veitch, Surgeon submitted a report to the Governors regarding the better management of the Infirmary and recommended '*that there be two nurses able to read and write at fair wages say ten pounds per year with rations coal and candle. That there should be*



*two ward maids to do the washing and cleaning of the House and assist in sitting up at night when required...that there should be a Laundry maid ....and that there should be a proper laundry erected with airing presses etc; that there should be a good cook say at six pounds per annum with rations; ...*. Following which the Governors decided to appoint, for the present, a Nurse and Cook only (GH2/1, pp94-95). In December 1859 the Governors were advised that no application *'was received for the situation of a nurse who could read and write'* (GH2/1, p97).

In 1865 the Governors ordered that a Laundry was necessary and ordered that one be *'fitted up according to plans and specifications to be prepared...'* (GH2/3, p1).

From 1877 it was directed that the accounts of the hospital be laid before the Local Government Board's auditor on an annual basis. From this point forward the minutes also record that various books, such as the Infirmary Ledger and Bank Pass Book were examined and compared at each meeting.

In 1879 an estimate in the amount of £14.10.0 from Michael Burke was accepted for the painting the internal wood work of the Infirmary, with the oils and colours to be supplied by the Governors (GH2/3, p34).

In 1877 the Governors resolved that the Local Government Board *'have the Infirmary's account annually audited by Government auditor'* (GH2/3, p7). It also directed that a Gentleman in each Barony, who is not a Governor, be appointed to grant admission to the Infirmary subject to the condition that each *'patient recommended by such Gentleman shall pay a sum of one shilling per day to be guaranteed by the Gentleman...'* (GH2/3, p10). Mr Robert Bodkin of Annagh, Ballygluinin, who was appointed to act for the Barony of Clare, declined the position stating, *'I am unable to avail myself of this as it is encumbered with conditions to which I should object as being at variance with every principle on which a charitable Institution is founded, more especially one largely subsidised by County rates to which every cess payer contributes'* (GH3/2, p12). In April 1878 the Governors recommended to the Grand Jury that this arrangement be amended, and to *'notify that patients will in future be admitted without this charge on a letter of recommendation from a Magistrate of the County, subject to the opinion of the Surgeon that the case is suitable and that the Governors consent'* (GH2/3, p24).

Following the death of Dr Browne, who had been Surgeon in the Hospital for over 40 years, notices were posted in the local and national newspapers of the election of a new resident surgeon to be held by the Governors on 10<sup>th</sup> December 1887. Life Governors had the right to



vote in the election. On 10<sup>th</sup> December prior to the commencement of the election, nine additional gentlemen presented themselves at the meeting together with a cheque of £21 each payable to the Governors, *'thus constituting themselves Life Governors'* of the Institution (GH2/3, pp90-91). There then appears to have followed a protracted meeting, with some members objecting to the newly paid up Governors being entitled to a vote, and also an objection on the basis that some other members were not fully paid up members. However, an election of the applicants followed resulting in the election of Dr Nicholas Colahan (GH2/3, pp90-95).

Following this meeting, and several objections regarding the status of Life membership, and the voting entitlement of the newly paid up and other Governors, it appears that a legal case ensued between Dr. Kinkead and Governors of the Infirmary, challenging the legality of the election. As a result the Registrar, Mr James Loftus, was served with a notice from the Queen's Bench Division of the High Court of Justice to appear before it with all Books and Papers in connection with the case (GH2/3, p97). A lengthy meeting was held in July 1888 where a solicitor for Dr Kinkead presented several documents to the Governors which stated that *'Dr Colahan was not legally elected, and that Dr Kinkead had filed a Petition showing cause that his election was valid, and claiming a right to be recognised as Surgeon of the Infirmary'* (GH2/3, p111). It was decided at a vote of 36 to 23 that pending receipt of the Court decision on the legality of the election of the Surgeon, that Dr Colahan be left in charge of the Infirmary.

In November 1888 the Governors received the Court's opinion where the Institution was ordered to *'admit to the place and office of Surgeon to said Infirmary'* Dr Richard Kinkead (GH2/3, p123). However, the Governors decided to defend the action.

In February 1889 the Governors were advised by their Solicitor, Mr John Kilkelly, that the Court gave a *'unanimous decision in favour of the Governors of the Co. Galway Infirmary – and that each party should bear their own costs'* (GH2/3, p133). Nevertheless, some of the Governors wanted another election, in particular Colonel James O'Hara who brought a case against the Governors. In June 1889 an Order from the High Court was read at a meeting which effectively ordered *'that they the Said Governors...forthwith proceed to the Election of and to elect a Surgeon to, and of, and for the said Infirmary ...'* (GH2/3, p151), which the Governors then decided to appeal.



Upon receipt, in September 1890, of a 'Mandamus' from the Court to proceed to hold an election for a Surgeon a date of 12<sup>th</sup> October was set for the election (GH2/3, 16 September 1890). A quorum of Governors did not attend and so no election took place on that date.

Meanwhile, Dr Colahan remained in the post until the Galway Hospitals Act of 1892, which assigned the appointment of permanent medical staff in Galway Hospital to the Local Government Board in Dublin<sup>10</sup>.

In 1889 a public meeting was to be called *'for the purpose of considering the necessity and importance of maintaining and developing the County Galway Infirmary which is so very valuable a public institution'* (GH2/3, p144). At the meeting on 17<sup>th</sup> June 1889 a resolution adopted at Baronial Session in Athenry was read which stated *'We the Magistrates and Cess Payers of the Athenry Barony assembled here to-day at Baronial Sessions have learned with regret that some of the Grand Jurors at the last Assizes voted the closing of the County Infirmary was closed the driving into the Workhouse Hospital all the cess-payers who would require Hospital Treatment. We need hardly say this would be repulsive to the feelings of the cess-payers at large, and we on their behalf ask the Grand Jurors as a body, not to be a party to a course which would in the end give dissatisfaction to all, and be detrimental to the interests of the poor'* (GH2/3, p146). Similar resolutions were also passed at other Baronial sessions.

At a meeting on 18 July 1889 the Governors resolved that the Infirmary be closed *'for the present as there was no money to carry on the Institution'*. The Registrar was ordered to issue circulars to all Governors advising that no further patients could be admitted until further notice (GH2/3, pp156-157). It was decided in August that the Governor's Law Adviser be asked to correspond with the Chief Secretary with *'the view of urging on a Bill in Parliament expected to be introduced regarding the Infirmary and of drafting details if necessary'* (GH2/3, p158). A month's notice was ordered to be issued on all Officers of the Infirmary advising that their services cease.

At a Special meeting held on 22 August 1889 the Chairman Mr Henry S. Persse requested the resolution closing the Infirmary be rescinded on the basis that he would fund the Hospital: *'...he would take upon himself the responsibility of arranging for any funds required for the maintenance expenses, until other funds are obtained – probably next March'*. The Governors accepted this offer thanking the Chairman for *'the liberal manner in which he had come forward to relieve the Infirmary from the difficulty under which it was placed – and that his*

<sup>10</sup> *ibid.* p6.



*action in this instance as in many others, was noble and generous....Mr Persse was always foremost in every action that was calculated to benefit the people of Galway'* (GH2/3, p162-163).

In November 1889 an application was made for a Presentment of £700 to maintain the institution for the half year from 5 July 1890 to 5 January 1891 (GH2/3, p170).

A Commission of Inquiry into the management and maintenance of the Infirmary was held in 1889 which reported to the Lord Lieutenant in February 1890. The Governors considered the report at a Special Meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> September 1890, where it resolved that they desire the funding of the Hospital to continue to be paid by Baronial rate, rather than poor rate. The issue was further discussed at a meeting on 10<sup>th</sup> March, when this decision was reversed and it was decided *'that the funds for maintenance of the Institution be derived from the Poor Rates, instead of the Baronial rating'* (GH2/3, p184).

At the same meeting the Governors also resolved *'That we the Governors here assembled regret extremely that the Governors who are entitled by Act of Parliament to issue advertisement for the election of a Medical Officer have never attended since the death of Dr Brown in sufficient numbers to form a quorum, to issue said Notice, and that we consider the deadlock in the finances of the Infirmary entirely due to their want of action in this regard'* (GH2/3, p185).

At a Special Meeting held on 11 July 1890 the Governors resolved, once again, to close the Hospital due to lack of funds and resolved that the property of the hospital be placed in the hands of a Committee. One month's notice was again to be served on the staff (GH2/3, 11 July 1890).

During October 1890 and for several months afterwards there was negotiation between the Governors and the Queen's College<sup>11</sup> Council on the re-opening of the Hospital of the Infirmary and the use of it for clinical teaching. The College Council proposed giving funds to facilitate the re-opening of the institution, *'The Council in the interest of the College and of the public at large propose to supply funds – not exceeding £500 – for keeping the County Infirmary open during the ensuing Winter and Spring, and they beg to invite the Governors to appoint a Committee of four of their Members to meet a Committee of the Council to make arrangements for carrying out the above proposal'*, (GH2/3, p25 October 1890), several other conditions were also imposed (6 November 1890). The matter was subsequently debated and

<sup>11</sup> Subsequently re-established as the part of the National University of Ireland, and titled University College Galway and later National University College, Galway.



though the Governors were prepared to accept the funding they were not prepared to have Dr Colahan relinquish control over the hospital or its patients in favour of the College's five medical professors. They resolved *'That Dr Colahan, who has been Surgeon in charge for 3 years will arrange for the opening of the Hospital providing nurses etc and will be responsible to the Governors, for the proper management and admission of patients and report on all matters regarding diet of patients, medicine etc. He will communicate with the College Council as to the appointing of a staff of Clinical teachers, and report same to the Governors'* (GH2/3, 6 November 1890).

At a Special Meeting of 22 November Dr Allman, of the College Council, advised the Governors that they had no authority over the Medical Professors, who attended at the Infirmary on a voluntary basis and further stated that *'The [College] Council applied for liberty to the Government to expend a sum of £500 and having got that privilege, the Council now merely ask that Dr Colahan and the Medical Professors of the College should be on equal terms – and if this were not done he feared the other Professors would not act...'* (GH2/3, 22 November 1890). By December arrangements were agreed upon which appeared to suit both parties. It was agreed that three of the Medical professors would carry out clinical teaching in the Hospital, with each having their own duties and being responsible for their own work but being responsible to the Governors of the Infirmary. In addition, it was agreed that two unpaid resident pupils would be *'received'* to assist Dr Colahan (GH2/3, 27 December 1890).

In 1890 the Governors then set a new scale of charges for patients, with Admiralty Patients to be charged 2 shilling per day, and Constabulary patients 1 shilling per day. All other classes of patients were to be charged at a rate not exceeding 7 shilling or less than 3 shillings a week, with payments to be made in advance.

In Spring 1891 the Governors then set about approaching the Chief Secretary again, to request that a Bill be brought before Parliament which would re-organise and better establish the Infirmary (see GH2/3, 6 February, and 2<sup>nd</sup> April 1891, for instance), as had been recommended by the Commission of Inquiry into the Institution in 1889. A Petition was collected which included the signatures of *'one Archbishop, and three Bishops'* (GH2/3, 2 April 1891). The petition was passed to the Lord Lieutenant during a visit to Galway the May 1891.

Also in May 1891 the Governors resolved that *'As on and after 1<sup>st</sup> July next, there shall be no Funds available for the maintenance of the County Galway Infirmary, the Governors, unwilling to close the Institution without trying every expedient, unanimously resolved to appeal to the charity of the County and County of the Town of Galway, and the public generally, for*



*Subscriptions to enable them to keep the Infirmary open, pending legislation for its Permanent Re-construction, as a General Hospital for the West of Ireland, which legislation the Governor have reason to hope will be carried into effect within the present year'* (GH2/3, 29 May 1891).

Following receipt of subscriptions from the public the Hospital then remained opened until December 1891, though clinical teaching continued at the institution funded by the College. Thereafter the hospital remained opened for paying patients.

At the final meeting for which minutes exist, held on 6<sup>th</sup> January 1892, the Governors resolved *'That the Infirmary be kept open for paying patients, but the Governors are not prepared to admit students of the Queen's College for Clinical teaching unless on the same terms as already acted upon in December 1890 and decline accepting the terms of the Resolution of the College Council of the 19<sup>th</sup> December 1891'*. The Council's resolution proposed that the College would financial support the Hospital by means of a grant, on the condition that its five Professors of the Faculty of Medicine were placed in charge of the Patients, as had been recommended in the Commission of Inquiry's Report (1889).

The Galway Hospital Act was shortly afterwards brought into effect, which established a new Board of Management for the Hospital. The Board held its first meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> August 1892. The Board reported to the Local Government Board and required its sanction before the implementation of many decisions. Mr Henry S. Persse, former Chairman of the Governors of the Infirmary, was elected Chairman for one year, and Mr James Loftus who had acted as Hospital Registrar for the Infirmary since 1877, was appointed Registrar to the Board at a salary of £30 per annum. Dr Colahan remained on the medical staff supported by several other doctors. The minutes of this Board between 1892 and 1922 form the archive collection GH1/.

## Arrangement

This collection consists of two main categories of records, minutes of the Governors of the County Infirmary, and plans and drawings of the building. At the back of one volume of minutes (GH2/3) details of some tenders received are given.

The item reference number (e.g. GH2/1) should be used in full when citing documents or records, and each reference cited should be preceded by the initial GCCA (Galway County Council Archives, e.g. GCCA GH2/1).





Overall this collection illustrates aspects of the early administration of the County Infirmary. It should be of interest to administrative, social, medical, and local historians. The minutes are rather sparse, giving very little detail on the working or living conditions of the time.

The extracts from the various Minute books listed herewith are intended as a representation of the proceedings. The purpose of their inclusion is to give the reader an indication of the Governors' areas of concern and responsibility. It is hoped that the extracts will clearly and fairly reflect their work and involvement with the administration of the Hospital.

Readers are advised if interested in the subsequent management and administration of the Hospital to also consult the archive collections for Galway Hospital, 1892-1922 (GH1/), and the County Galway Board of Health & Public Assistance, 1922-1941, (GC5/). These collections are held by Galway County Council Archives.

In addition, readers are asked not to view as definitive the appended list of Hospital staff or list of Governors.

Overall the collection is in relatively good condition. The minutes are recorded in bound volumes, on good quality paper which carry a water mark bearing the dates 1798 (GH2/1) and 1862 (GH2/3).

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## Related Collections

Records held by Galway County Council Archives:

- Galway Hospital, 1892-1922, (GH1/)
- County Galway Board of Health & Public Assistance, 1922-1941, (GC5/)
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# Appendices



## 1. LIST OF SOME OF THE HOSPITAL STAFF

### Hospital Registrar

Reed, Thomas (1843 – 1877)

Loftus, James (1877 – 1892)

### Apothecary

Braughalle, (1843 - +?1863)

### House Keeper / Matron

Mooney, Mrs (1840 - 1881) (submitted resignation due to ill health, GH2/3, p51, & GH2/3, p114)

Read - Acting Matron (1881 - 1888)

Stafford (1888 – ?)

### Head Nurse

Lambert (18?? – 1888)

Mooney, B. (1888 - 1889)

### Doctor / Surgeon

Veitch, James (1802 – 1833)

Veitch, Andrew (1833 – 1862)

Brown, James V. (1862 – + 2 November 1887) (GH2/3, p83)

Colahan, Nicholas (1887 – 1892)

### Porter / Gate Keeper

Pierce, Robert (1807 – +1823)

Walsh, Pat (? – 1888)

Kennedy, Joseph (1889 – 1891) (acting Head Bailiff to Mr Redington's estate, GH2/3, 2 April 1891)

Kenney, Mrs (1891 – 1892)

### Hospital Sergeant

Glynn, Michael (?1858 – 1892)



## 2. LIST OF SOME OF THE GOVERNORS

- Ashborn, Lord – Lord Chancellor of Ireland  
Athy, James  
Bernard, Percy B., Castlehacket  
Blake, John of Windfield  
Blake, Valentine, Baronet  
Blake, Francis, Bayview  
Blake, Errol J. (+1890) Creg Castle  
Clarke, Richard  
Clarke, R. A.  
Enright, N.  
Lynch, Marcus  
Cullinane, P.  
Blake, Richard  
Blakeney, John  
Bodkin, John, of Annagh  
Brown, John of Moyne  
Burke, John  
Clonbrock. Lord Luke (President 1802 – 1807)  
Comerford, Isaac  
Cuff, G  
D'arcy, Rev. John  
D'arcy, Richard  
Delahunt, M.J.  
Laine, J.J.  
Grant, J  
Dillon Bellow, Christopher  
Dunlo, Viscount  
Ffrench St George, Arthur, of Tyrone +1844) of the  
Old Governors  
Ffrench, Honourable Richard, of the New  
Governors  
Ffrench, Robert, Monivea (President 1807 – 1816)  
Gregroy, Robert  
Griffith, W.D.  
Hynes, B.  
Joyce, Pierce (+1883)
- Joyce, Walter  
Joyce, John  
Kelly, James, Newtown  
Kirwan, Andrew  
Kirwan, Denis  
Lambert, Walter, Cregclare  
Lambert, Thomas Dillon, Cregg Clan  
Lambert, James Staunton, Cugg Clan  
Lynch, Patrick M.  
Lynch, Philip, Athy Renvyle  
Lynch, Wilson Major (resigned as Governor on the grounds  
that his right to vote at an election is questioned and that  
his claim as Life Governor was not established (GH2/3,  
29 May 191)  
Madden, J.J.  
Mahon, Ross  
Martin, Edward, Tullnya  
Martyn, Robert, Ross  
McCormack, Rev. Dr  
McNamara, John  
O'Hara, Robert  
O'Hara, Captain James  
O'Flaherty, C.P.  
O'Sullivan, Very Revd. Provost of Tuam  
Persse, Henry. S. , Glenarde  
Persse, Thomas  
Power, B O.  
Redington, J.  
Roche, J. R.  
Ryan, James  
Ryan, Malachy Joseph  
Robinson, George  
St. George, Christopher, Tyrone  
Taylor, Col.  
Wallscourt, Lord



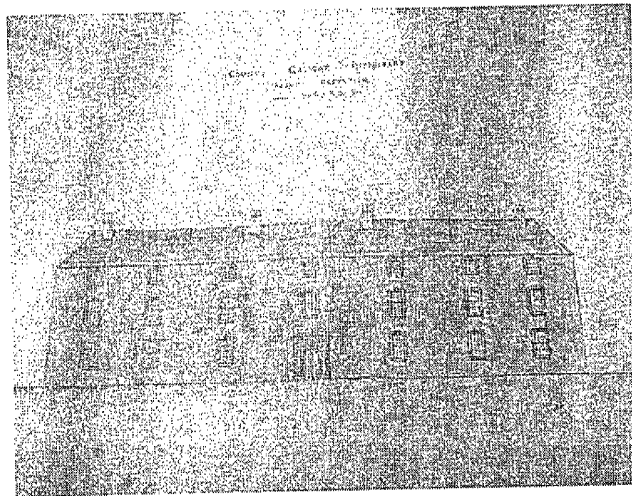
### 3. ABBREVIATIONS

Co.Co.	County Council
C.D.B.	Congested Districts Board
D.C.	District Councillor
G.J.	Grand Jury
J.P.	Justice of Peace
L.G.B.	Local Government Board
M.P.	Member of Parliament



**COUNTY OF GALWAY INFIRMARY,  
1802-1892  
ARCHIVE COLLECTION**

**GH2/**







## A. Minutes of Governors of the County of Galway Infirmary, 1802-1892

Bound volumes of manuscript minutes recording details of attendance and proceedings of meetings, held on an irregular basis, but generally quarterly, of the Governors of the County of Galway Hospital relating to the management, maintenance and repair, administration and financing of the hospital. The minutes record the appointment of its President, Treasurer and various other officers and staff.

The minutes include details of tenders for repair works to the Institution and supply of goods such as bread, soap, candles, tea and sugar (GH2/1, p93), occasional reports from the Surgeon and Registrar.

Minutes from *circa* 1839 are slightly more structured and regular than the earlier minutes, though there is a gap between 1848 and 1859, and rather incomplete minutes for the period 1864-1877.

From about 1877 the minutes also include confirmation that various books, such as the Bank Pass Book and Infirmary Ledger, were examined, together with details of orders and letters received from or written to the Local Government Board and others, such as the Queen's College Council, and details of subsequent resolutions passed and instructions issued authorising required action.

The minutes from the mid 1840's are generally dated, and signed by the Chairman of the Board, and the Hospital Registrar or Clerk.

Average size approximately 180pp

1. 6 October 1802 – Includes:- On several pages an annotation noting that reference was made to a particular resolution in an Affidavit of James Loftus (Hospital Registrar) in 1888 (see (GH2/3, p97). Also includes:-
  - 'Resolved That the Present do forthwith give directions for the repairs of the roof of the Building so that the same be made immediately watertight' (p5).
  - 'Resolved That Doctor Veitch be directed to receive No Patients except such as come properly recommended by the Governors, a list of whom the Clerk is hereby directed to send him' (p5).
  - 'Mr Roger O'Connor attended the Board and having declared that he was then ready to give up to the Governors the possession of the Infirmary' (p6).



- 'That the sum of one hundred pounds sterling be placed in the hands of Doctor Veitch to provide bedding etc for the Infirmary, and to answer for such repairs' (p6).
- 'Mr French of Monivea pays in his subscription of Twenty-two pounds fifteen shillings sterling into the hands of the President' (p9).
- 'Ordered that Robert Perriss be appointed Porter to the Infirmary and that his former salary of three Guineas be raised to ten pounds yearly' (p14).
- On resigning from the Board of Governors, Lord Clonbrock was honoured thus, 'That the grateful thanks of the Governors of this Institution be returned to Lord Clonbrock for the repeated instances of his kindness, attention, and humanity during the course of his long and troublesome attendance upon the formation of this Institution... the [inestimable] blessings of life and health have been restored and prolonged to so many hundred of our fellow creatures whose prayers and blessings will never fail to accompany him in public or in private life (pp15-16).
- 'Resolved that in future no person except an inhabitant of the County be admitted into the hospital except upon cases of the most urgent necessity from accident and at the discretion of the Surgeon' (p21).
- 'Resolved That the stable and Coach House lately occupied by Dr Veitch and which was built at his own expense be turned into a Turf and Wash House for the use of the Infirmary ... (p23)
- 'Doctor James Veitch having resigned the situation of Surgeon to the Institution and it having been proposed by Lord Wallscourt and seconded by Walter Joyce Esq. ... that Doctor Andrew J Veitch should fill the situation of Surgeon of the Infirmary established at Galway for the County of Galway...' (p33).
- Resolved. That we do hereby give directions to the Architects Messrs Cusack and Brady to furnish us with plans and estimates ... of a house etc for our Surgeon which they will undertake to execute at an expense not exceeding eight hundred pounds to be built on the site of the North Garden near the present Porter's lodge...' (pp38-39).
- 'Resolved that a synopsis of the relief afforded by this Institution and the expenses incurred be made out quarterly by the Register and submitted to the Governors' (p60).
- 'Resolved that the Registrar be directed to procure an order Book in which whatever may be required by either the Physician, Apothecary or Housekeeper must be entered with a requisition signed by them respectively for the supply and also an order signed by one or more of the Governors for obtaining them...' (p63).



- 'Resolved that in future a Journal be kept similar to that kept in the County Prison in which each Officer shall enter his name each day he attends and make any remarks that he may deem necessary and that all persons visiting the Institution be requested to enter their names etc in same' (p66).
- '...it was ordered that Mrs Mooney's (Matron) salary be increased to twenty five pounds a year with usual rations' (p107).

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3. 18 May 1865 – 27 September 1866; Includes:-
- 16 March 1877 – 6 January 1892
- 'Resolved that we adopt the suggestion of the Committee in reference to admissions, and will at the earliest possible date appoint Gentlemen in each Barony who are not Governors to grant admission subject to the conditions suggested by the Grand Jury Committee....' (p7)
  - 'The Registrar submitted a cheque for £489 Grand Jury Presentment, for endorsement by the Governors, and which was accordingly lodged in Bank of Ireland to their credit' (p22).
  - 'Letters were read from Mr Maxwell of St. Clerans (Craughwell) and Mr B. Bernard, Tuam declining to continue in future their annual subscription to the Infirmary' (p27).
  - 'Tenders for the usual annual supplies in accordance with advertisement were read and considered, and the following were accepted...' (p29).
  - 'The Surgeon handed in a cheque for £3 from the Dowager Countess Clancarty, towards her Annual Subscription to the Infirmary' (p36).
  - 'That the salaries of the Under Nurses now only £5 per annum, be raised to £6, being an increase of £1 and that the Cook's wages be also advanced from £6 to £7 per annum' (p41).
  - 'A letter was read from P.B. Bernard Esq., Castlehacket, requesting to be permitted to become a Governor of the Infirmary.  
The Registrar was directed to inform him that the Board of Governors shall be happy to comply with his request, and that the subscription payable by a Life Governor is £20 and that of an annual Governor £3.3.0' (p46).
  - '...approved, that no Books or papers be removed in future from the Board room without the permission of the Governors and that the Registrar be responsible for the safe-keeping of all Books and Documents belonging to the Institution now in his charge' (p96).



- '1. We understand that a very general wish exists amongst the Members of the Grand Jury of the County, that the presentment to this County of Galway Infirmary should be discontinued.
  2. Before adopting such a course, we the Governors beg the Grand Jury to consider the great loss that would be sustained by this large county, and the Town of Galway, itself by the closing up of this fine Hospital, with its ample accommodation.
  3. We are of opinion that by changing the preset constitution of the Co. Infirmary Act Geo. 3, Cap. 20 which Act renders the Infirmary practically useless as a public Hospital, and establishing it on a broader bases, extending its advantages to both Town and County alike a great blessing would be conferred upon a large section of the community who are at present excluded from the advantages of Hospital treatment.
  4. We are aware that at present, the only Hospital accommodation for the suffering poor of this large town, and the surrounding Union is the overcrowded sheds or wards of the Galway Workhouse, which have been recently condemned by a Government Commission, and we cannot close our eyes to the fact, that hundreds of respectable people, urgently requiring Hospital treatment, object under any circumstances entering a Workhouse Hospital at all.
  5. We are of opinion therefore that with a continuance of the Grant from the County Grand Jury, and the allocation of a certain fixed sum, from the rates, the County Infirmary in its altered condition as a General Hospital would confer an immense benefit in the town and county of the Town, without increasing by one farthing the present taxation, on the contrary we believe that the workhouse expenditure would be greatly diminished, while the poor infirm inmates, would have more accommodation and more attention.
  6. We find, that Act 25 to 26 Victoria, Chap 83, Sec. 7 authorises Workhouse patients being treated, in any Hospital or Infirmary, the cost of same being borne by the rates.
  7. We also believe that under the new system numerous patients would enter the Infirmary who are willing and able to pay for their support while under treatment, and who are now obliged to pay for their maintenance, while under treatment of the Workhouse Hospital' (pp98-100)
- It was also resolved unanimously, that an application be made at next Presentment Sessions for the Town of Galway, for a sum of £100 towards the maintenance of the Infirmary and that the Town Cess payers be requested to co-operate with the Governor's in maintaining its usefulness' (pp108-109).
- Report from the Surgeon advising 'that since the date of last monthly meeting to the present, 61 Patients were admitted to the Co. Infirmary for treatment during the same period 70 Patients were treated as a extern patients giving a total of 131 for March. Of the 61 patients admitted to Hospital 12 were from the Town of Galway, the remaining 49 were sent in from almost all parts of the County...



Amongst the Town cases were some sever accidents – a severe case of strangulated hernia sent in by one of the dispensary Medical Officers.

A patient was sent in from Mountbellew to be operated upon for cancer of the hand.....'  
(pp147-148).

- 'The Registrar upon the table the statement of the Liabilities due on the Institution as furnished amounted to £892.0.0 which sum be stated accrued owing to the Presentments for the Infirmary having been stopped amount to £1,300.0.0 (11 July 1890).
- 'Dr Colahan explained that when he had an interview with the Committee of the College Council on the 16<sup>th</sup> May, he did not then expect the Governors would pass the foregoing Resolution, and now that the Governors are disposed to keep the Institution open, he would suggest that Patients be admitted as usual from the 1<sup>st</sup> June' (29 May 1891).
- 'The Lord Bishop of Galway remarked that it was proposed to make the Infirmary a general hospital for the West of Ireland, the Governors of the Institution and the public were endeavouring to keep this Hospital open on its present footing out of their own pockets and when the Government see that it will show them that such an Hospital is much required. Other hospitals are getting grants towards their maintenance and the Galway Hospital is just as deserving as any of them' (6 July 1891).



## B. Tenders for Supplies, 1866-1870

- (3). 1866-1870 Detailed list of tenders submitted recording the name of the person(s) tendering, items tendered for, such as 'best bread per 4 lb', sugar, and turf per box. Often includes details of the result of the tenders, such as 'tender for all accepted or rejected.

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## B. Plans and Drawings of Galway Infirmary 1859

4. August 1859 Colour drawing of the front elevation of the County Infirmary; a three storey building, with three windows either side of the main door. Annotated 'Samuel Roberts Aug. 1859'.  
Scale ten feet to one inch.  
Size: 45.5 x 63 cm
5. [August 1859] Colour ground plan of County Galway infirmary, showing the hall, with the waiting room, kitchen and scullery to the right, and flanked on the outside by a flagged passage leading to several outbuildings. On the left of the hall is the Board Room, House Keeper's Room, and Nurse's bedroom. On the left side of the building is the plan of several outbuildings.  
Size: 45.5 x 63 cm
6. [August 1859] Colour ground plans of County Galway infirmary, showing the hall, with the waiting room, kitchen and scullery to the right, and flanked on the outside by a flagged passage leading to the Dead House, Coal Store, Straw House, Ash-pit and Manure yard to the rear. On the left of the hall is the Board Room, House Keeper's Room, and the Nurse's bedroom. On the left side of the building is the Stable and Coach House, with a section of the Cess pool to the rear of the stables. Includes the position of down pipes, and broken lines showing the direction of the sewers for the drainage of the yard, and sewers from the water closets.  
Two items  
Scale 10 feet to an inch  
Size: 45.5 x 63 cm



7. [August 1859] Colour plan of the first and second floor of the County Infirmary. The first floor includes the two small wards, and two other sleeping wards, one being the Men's and the other the Female ward. It also includes the surgery, nurses' room and sergeant's room.
- Scale 10 feet to an inch  
Size: 45.5 x 63 cm
8. June 1862 Ground plan of the Doctor's House with annotations '*Referred to in Agreement dated 9<sup>th</sup> June 1862*' signed by John J Brady (architect) and [J.B] Merrick. The House has a porch, a hall, dining room with kitchen under and bedroom over, closet which has a spare room under, this is adjacent to the pantry which together with the closet has a bedroom above them, a stair way, drawing room, with the dairy under and bedroom over, a library with a store room under and bedroom over. It also has an outdoor W.C., yard, ash-pit, piggeries, cow house and yard.
- Scale 6 feet to an inch  
Size: 45.5 x 63 cm

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# **GALWAY INFIRMARY**

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**Minutes of Governors of the County of Galway Infirmary**

**6 October 1802 – 5 April 1807**

**3 April 1816 – 29 January 1848 and**

**9 April 1859 – 14 October 1876**

Minute Book No. 1  
from 6<sup>th</sup> Oct. 1802  
to 14<sup>th</sup> Oct. 1876

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15<sup>th</sup> November 1839

Sir, Dr. Weston being unavoidably absent for a few days  
 I take the liberty of explaining to your letter being in  
 Medical charge of the Gaol during his absence  
 I could not procure a copy of his Certificate  
 The prisoner Mannion is discharged from Arrest. Cured  
 and Bigley is convalescent from gonorrhoea  
 I think he could proceed to Dublin without  
 injury to himself

I have the honor to remain  
 Yours very truly  
 Jas Palmer Esq. J. W. Brown M.D.

~~James Palmer Esq.~~  
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15<sup>th</sup> Novemb<sup>r</sup>. 1839

As Dr. Vesitch being unavoidably absent for a few days  
 and the ability of Captain Cooper being in  
 Medical charge of the Hospital during his absence  
 I could not procure a copy of his Certificate  
 The prisoner Mannion is discharged from Hospital cured  
 and Bigley is convalescent from gonorrhoea  
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James V. Brown April 12. 1862.  
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 " Mr. Deane April 10 1860 \*  
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 Mich. Glynn Oct 1. 1853.  
 Nurse Catharine Burke Jan 10. 1860  
 Cook. Margt. Lyons Aug 29. 1859.  
 Wardmaid Eliza Foster Feb 20. 1846  
 do ~~John Keilly April 4. 1859.~~  
 do Mary Lyons May 4. 1861.  
 do Anne O'Brien July 1 1856  
 do Margt. Lyons Jan 10. 1860  
 do John Keilly ~~Oct 5. 1845.~~ 1845.  
 Porter. ~~Benjamin Dwyer Oct 1860~~  
 Mrs Glynn Dec 5. 1861.  
 Pat. Owens March Jan 5. 1863.

Extract from Hardwicke's History of Galway

1765

Board of Erasmus Smith granted 2 acres of ground for ever to four gentlemen on which to build a County Infirmary

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Proceedings of the Governors of the County of Galway Infirmary

A General Meeting held Pursuant to Public Advertisement at Ballinascop. On Wednesday Oct. 6, 1802

Present

- Viscount Dunlo
- Robert Gregory
- Christ. St. George
- Andrew Kinnaird
- Arthur French St. George Esq. of the Old Governors.
- Christ. Dillon Bellow
- John Blake of Windfield
- John Browne of Moyne
- John Bodkin of Annagh Esq.
- Lord Clonbrock
- Lord Walkermont
- Lord Ashford
- Honble Richard French of the New Governors.
- Christ. Dillon Bellow Esq. in the Chair.

The Resignation of Mr. St. George as Treasurer to the Infirmary being presented Resolved,

That the Resignation of Mr. St. George as Treasurer of the County Infirmary be accepted of. Resolved,

That the Right Honble David Lalouch and Co. be, and they are hereby appointed Treasurers of the Infirmary Mr. Bellow, Mr. Blake of Windfield, Mr. Browne of Moyne, Mr. Bodkin of Annagh, The Lords Clonbrock,

Wallscount and Ashdown and The Honble Richard French  
having produced Receipts for Twenty Pounds and upwards from  
the Treasurer on Account of the Infirmary, and becoming thereby  
intitled to be Governours for Life of the Institution.

Resolved,

That Names of the above Noblemen and Gentlemen  
be inserted in the List of the Governours of the County of Galway  
Infirmary.

Resolved. Nam: Dips:

That the Right Honble Luke Lord Clonbrock do take  
upon himself the Office of President of the Infirmary.

Resolved,

That in the absence of the President out of Ireland, he  
shall appoint a Vice-President to Act during his absence.

Resolved,

That at such Meetings from which the President shall  
be absent (he being however in Ireland) a Chairman shall  
be appointed for that Term only, who shall report the pro-  
ceedings of the Meeting to the President.

Resolved,

That five Governours shall be necessary to draw any bill  
upon the Treasurer of whom the President or Vice President,  
as the case may be, to be one.

Resolved,

That a Book be kept in which the  
Proceedings of the Governours at their Meetings shall be  
regularly entered, and a Book likewise in which all  
entries of the receipt and Expenditure shall be correctly made.

Resolved,

That the President do appoint a Clerk to enter the  
Proceedings, keep the Accounts, Preserve the Books, & do  
such other Acts as he shall be required to do by the Govern-  
ours at meeting, or in the interval of Meetings by the  
President or Vice President.

Resolved. That an accurate drawing be made of

The Plan of the different Stories of the present Shell of the Building  
and a Statement made of the present Situation of it, and that the  
Plan be transmitted to London, and laid before Mr. Hardwick,  
with directions that he should give his opinion, as well by drawing  
as by Statement of the best means of completing the Shell so as to  
make an Hospital thereof as healthy and convenient as the nature  
of the thing will admit.

Resolved,

That the President do forthwith give directions for the  
repairs of the roof of the Building so that the same be made  
immediately Watertight.

Resolved,

That the late Treasurer do hand over to the President  
all Books and Papers relative to the Infirmary.

Adjourned to Wednesday the 24<sup>th</sup> day of November  
at Galway. Present Wednesday the 24<sup>th</sup>

Lord Clonbrock Presid, Christ: D. Bellon,  
John Blake W. Field, Lord Wallace, W. J. George

Resolved, That Doctor Veitch be directed to receive No-  
Patients except such as come properly recommended by the  
Governours, a list of whom the Clerk is hereby directed to send  
him.

Resolved,

That the Consideration of all other business  
relative to the Infirmary be postponed to the next meeting  
in hopes of a fuller attendance of Governours.

Adjourned to Wednesday the 15<sup>th</sup> Dec: next at Galway.



Wednesday Decem<sup>r</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> 1802.  
 Board met accordingly, Present  
 Christ. D. Bellin, | Wall. Lambert Esq. Secy.  
 John Browne Moyne, | And<sup>r</sup> Kinway.  
 Edward Martin.

Resolved,  
 That the Board do Adjourn to the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of the ensuing  
 Spring Assizes at Galway.

Friday April 8<sup>th</sup> 1803.  
 Governors met Pursuant to Adjournment

Present  
 Lord Clonbrock, President  
 M<sup>r</sup> Christ. D. Bellin  
 M<sup>r</sup> John Browne, Moyne  
 M<sup>r</sup> John H. Dunke,  
 M<sup>r</sup> Robt Mahon,  
 M<sup>r</sup> Richard D'Arcy  
 M<sup>r</sup> Edw<sup>d</sup> Martyn Sully  
 M<sup>r</sup> Robert O'Hara

M<sup>r</sup> Roger O'Connor attended the Board, & having  
 declared that he was then ready to give up to the Governors,  
 the possession of the Infirmary.

Resolved - That five Governors do proceed  
 with the President forthwith and take possession, and  
 report to the Board the present state of the Infirmary,  
 and what Repairs are most immediately necessary  
 Which was done accordingly, and on the report of the above  
 Committee it was,

Resolved - That the President be empowered  
 to Order the repairs so reported to be perfected as soon as  
 possible.

Resolved, That the Sum of One Hundred pounds  
 Ster<sup>l</sup> be placed in the Hands of Doctor Vetch to provide  
 Bedding &c. for the Infirmary, and to Answer for such  
 repairs

Repairs as the President should Order - which was then done  
 by a draft drawn on Mess<sup>rs</sup> Landonie duly signed by the Pres-  
 ident and Governors.

Resolved - That the Sum of Ten Guineas  
 be paid the Clerk, for Travelling and other Expences, by attending  
 Meetings of the Governors; he Waiving all Consideration of  
 Salary, in consequence of the present Low Funds of the  
 Institution.

Charges Accounts Examined and passed,  
 Minits approved -  
 Adjourned to the 1<sup>st</sup> July at Galway.

Friday July 1<sup>st</sup> Governors met Pursuant to Adjournment,  
 Present

Lord Clonbrock President  
 Walter Lambert  
 Christ. F. St George,  
 Arthur F. St George,  
 James S. Lambert,

Resolved, that the Sum of Two hundred & fifty Pounds  
 be placed in the Hands of Doct<sup>r</sup> Vetch on Account of the  
 Infirmary - which was done by Bill on Mess<sup>rs</sup> Landonie  
 duly signed by President and Governors.

Ordered, That Doctor Vetch do provide twelve Cast Metal  
 Beds for the Use of the Infirmary.

Resolved, That We approve of the Plan proposed by M<sup>r</sup>  
 Falry for raising the Height of the Windows in the first & second  
 Story, from six feet, to six feet ten inches; and in the Attic,  
 from three feet nine inches, to four feet six inches, and for placing  
 them within & for moving the upper and lower sashes by pulleys.

Resolved, that M<sup>r</sup> Falry be, and is hereby directed to make  
 the above Alterations Accordingly.

Adjourned to Galway to the 9<sup>th</sup> of August

Galway 9<sup>th</sup> August 1803

Governors met pursuant to Adjournment

Present

Lord Clonbrock ..... President

Lord Duns

John Blake of Windfield

John Taylor

Arthur St. George

Robt Mahon

Andrew Kinsan

Resolved, That our President do pay Walter Lambert Esq<sup>r</sup>, for the use of Doctor Wilkins Fifty three pounds two Shillings Sterling, which appears to be due to the Doctor,

Ordered, That Advertisements be inserted in the Galway & Fream Papers, giving Notice that Doct. Veitch, and Walter Lambert Esq<sup>r</sup> should receive Subscriptions

Ordered, That the Clerk do Write to Mess<sup>rs</sup> Latouche, to Request that they will from time to time, signify what Sum. they have received from different persons, that the State of the Funds, may at all times be known,

Ordered, Clerk to be paid Four pounds fourteen Shillings, as by his Bill presented & approved of

Resolved, That Governors do Inspect the Works Charged by Mr. Tully, and Report their Opinion on on the Same

Resolved, That the President do Procure an Accurate Account from Mr. Roger Connor of his Charges

Resolved, That the present House Keeper Eliz<sup>th</sup> Perain, be Discharged, first paying Wages, and Arrears of Wages, due to her to this date. Amounting to Fifteen pounds two Shillings Sterling

Report being made That the Repairs of the Roof promised by Mr. Connor, were not Completed Mr. Walter Lambert one of the Governors, pledged himself to the Board, that the same should be perform forthwith

Adjournment to Spring Assizes 1804 at Galway.

Galway 8<sup>th</sup> April 1804

Governors met accordingly

Present

Lord Clonbrock President

Mr. Mahon

Viscount Duns

Mr. French

Mr. Presid<sup>t</sup> Smyth

Mr. Bellamy

Mr. Mich<sup>l</sup> Burke

Mr. French Monivae

Mr. R. D'Arcy

Mr. Montagu Tullery

Mr. O'Hara

Mr. Lambert

Resolved, That Mr. Latouche's Balance be paid, Twenty two pounds two Shillings & eight pence.

That Mess<sup>rs</sup> Joyce and Lynch Bankers be future Treasur<sup>rs</sup> That a Letter be written to Mess<sup>rs</sup> Latouche with their Balance, by President in the name of Governors, thanking them for the trouble they have been good enough to take, and informing them of their Appointment of Mess<sup>rs</sup> Joyce and Lynch for the sake of Local Convenience.

Mr. French of Monivae pays in his Subscription of Twenty two Pounds fifteen Shillings Ster into the hands of the President

Lord Dunsie pays in the Sum of Ten pounds the Annual Subscription of Lady Dunsie - One of the Governesses.

M<sup>r</sup>. Veitch's report of the State of the funds and condition of the Hospital received and Approved.

Lord Clanbrock's Report (describing it) received. To be taken into consideration at next half yearly meeting.

A Hall Door to be erected.

M<sup>r</sup>. Taby Architect directed to make an Estimate of the Works now to be done, Supported by Affidavit, in order thereon to apply to the Grand Jury for a presentment to the Amount thereof at Summer Assizes 1804.

M<sup>r</sup>. Taby pay in to the President the Sum of Five Pounds thirteen shillings and nine pence.

Col<sup>l</sup>. Smyth, one of the Old Governours, Subscribes in Addition, the Sum of Fifty pounds Sterling.

Adjourned to Summer Assizes 1804.

& Spring Assizes 1805. Governours met & present.

Lord Clanbrock's Report that M<sup>r</sup>. Kelly, M<sup>r</sup>. Kelly, M<sup>r</sup>. Bellew, M<sup>r</sup>. French, Maurice, M<sup>r</sup>. George, French, M<sup>r</sup>. Halburtoyer, M<sup>r</sup>. Mich. French, M<sup>r</sup>. French, Macdonald, M<sup>r</sup>. W. Nancy, Col<sup>l</sup>. Smyth.

Doctor Veitch's abstract of the State and Report of the Hospital for the year ending the 25<sup>th</sup> of March 1805, examined and approved: Doctor Veitch's Cash account to said date examined.

Ordered, that the Ballance of £42. 2. 7 now in his hands be appropriated to

(including the same to Treasurers except by him Exclusive of M<sup>r</sup>. Kelly's share.)

It appearing that some sum have been paid for the works, the Governours having examined the books executed by M<sup>r</sup>. Taby Res<sup>d</sup>. that it is expedient that no more money be paid to M<sup>r</sup>. Taby until the works are examined valued and approved of by M<sup>r</sup>. Morris for the Superintending Architect of the new Gaol Wall.

M<sup>r</sup>. Taby being called in and the above resolution read to him, he agreed to the same and bound himself by a bond in which the following is a copy to exhibit to such valuation and approval:

I do hereby bind myself and engage to admit the several works done by me for the County of Galway Infirmery to the Measurement valuation & approbation of M<sup>r</sup>. Morris for the Superintending Architect of the Gaol Wall as witness my hand this 26<sup>th</sup> day of April 1805

present Rich<sup>d</sup>. Taby

Clanbrock, M<sup>r</sup>. Kelly, M<sup>r</sup>. A. Macdonald - Res<sup>d</sup>. that as the Presentment for £103, granted in aid of the Infirmery last Summer Assizes, cannot now be received by Gov<sup>r</sup>. the works not being completed so as to admit of the above presentment being now accounted for, that the Treasurer of the County be requested to pay out of said money to Mess<sup>rs</sup>.

Soyce and Lynch Bankers the sum of £163, 5, which it appears is a ballance due to said Bankers of the monies advanced by them for the use of the Infirmery.

Res<sup>d</sup>. that it appearing that one half of the Infirmery is capable of containing thirty beds independent of an

Operation room, a Surgery, Committee room and all proper  
Offices for attendants. And that the remaining half be  
given up for the residence & accommodation of Doctor Veitch  
Surgeon to the Institution. Subject to the following conditions viz

That it be distinctly understood between Doctor Veitch and  
the Gov<sup>rs</sup> that he shall give up to the Gov<sup>rs</sup> the occupation & proprie-  
tion of the said premises whenever any regulations prescribed  
by the Legislature may require the use thereof, or whenever the  
funds of the Institution may become sufficiently augmented  
to fit & admit for such additional number of Patients as the  
increasing Population of the County may call for, and in  
case any such circumstances should occur as might under the  
agreement oblige Doctor Veitch to quit the part of the Infir-  
mary now assigned to him within the space of two years from  
the date of his occupancy the Governors engage to repay Dr.  
Veitch for any expenses incurred by him in altering the Doors  
Grates & Window shutters in that part of the Hospital to be inhabi-  
ted by him provided the same shall not exceed the sum of two  
hundred guineas, and Doctor Veitch engages on his part to give up  
the rooms in the same state of repair in which he received them,  
from the Gov<sup>rs</sup> he being at liberty to remove any fixtures put up  
by him.

And that the number of Beds be increased from Eleven to  
Twelve, it appearing that the funds of the Institution will admit  
thereof, and that an additional Nurse be employed.  
Minutes read & approved. Adjourned to  
Summer Assizes

No meeting took place at Summer Assizes 1805.

No Meeting took place at Spring Assizes 1806.

Doctor Veitch's Abstract and all accounts examined by Audit Board by  
Governor the new Comptroler entry for Lord Montbrooke and  
I signed and duly

County of Galway Infirmary  
Sept Assizes 1807

Lord Montbrooke Treasurer

L. D. Billin	John Bodkin
P. French	B. D'Arcy
W. Lambert	W. Joyce
J. T. Madden	J. B. French Esq <sup>r</sup>

Treasurer

Doctor Veitch's accounts of the No. of Patients  
then expended &c read & approved  
for the year ending March 29<sup>th</sup> 1807 read  
& approved.

It appearing to us that a balance  
of £47.1.2 remains in the Treasurers hand

Ordered That the said balance together with any future subscriptions to be received be applied to the following purposes  
 Repairing repairs to the roof & furnishing the house with gutters.

Employing a gardener for culinary purposes  
 Building a Porter's lodge at the Principal Entrance.

Ordered, that compensation be made to Dr. Vitch for his estate which we consider necessary to the Infirmary to be used as a day house. The same having been erected by Dr. Vitch at his own expense.

Ordered that Robert Perrin be appointed Porter to the Infirmary & that his former Salary of Three Guineas be raised to Ten Pounds yearly.

Ordered that the Salaries of the Nurses be raised from Two Pounds Sixteen Shillings & six pence Halfpenny to

Three Pounds ten Shillings per Annum

Resolved that the attendance of a Clergyman is indispensably necessary to this Institution & that a sum of Ten Guineas is a reasonable compensation for the same per Annum.

Ordered that the Rev. Valentine Protheroe D. D. be requested to undertake the above attendance.

Lord Montbrooke having stated to this meeting his reasons for resigning the Situation of Treasurer.

Resolved that his reasons be approved of, his resignation accepted, & that at his request Robert French of Norwich Esq. be appointed to succeed him.

Lord Montbrooke having retired & Mr. Peller being called to the Chair

Resolved that the grateful Thanks of the Governors of this Institution be returned to Lord Montbrooke for the repeated instances of his kind and attentive

& humanity during the course of a long & troublesome attendance upon the foundation of this Institution as well as its subsequent direction. Rich to his exertions under Providence the incalculable blessings of life & health have been bestowed & prolonged to so many hundreds of our fellow creatures whose prayers & blessings will never fail to accompany him in public or in private life

Resolved that the foregoing Resolution be communicated to the Grand Jury of this County now assembled & published in the Dublin Papers

Signed by Order

April 5<sup>th</sup> 1816

J. Lambert Treasurer

April 3<sup>rd</sup> 1816

L. St. George Esq. J.

W. Lambert Esq.

A. St. George

D. Brodwin Esq.

Agreed to ~~Friday~~ Saturday next at 12 o'clock

July 1<sup>st</sup> 1816

J. Lambert

W. Lambert

Thos. Lambert

A. St. George

to Phake

Ordered that the Treasurer of the Infirmary do write to the County Treasurer to furnish forthwith an account of the still fines imposed upon the County of Galway during Lent & Summer Weeks 1814 & Lent 1815 & that in case the order be not forthwith complied with the Treasurer be directed to take proceedings for the recovery of the amount

Resolved that from the statement laid before us by our Treasurer it appears that

The number of still fines imposed at Lent & Linn  
since 1814 amount to 233 & those of Lent 1815  
to 176.

Ordered that the boundary walls of the County  
Infirmary (according to an estimate submitted  
to us by the Treasurer) be repaired & where ne-  
cessary rebuilt & a culinary yard with a  
gate & privy be contracted for according to  
an estimate submitted to us by the Treasurer

Ordered that this meeting do adjourn  
to the Summer Assizes 1816 & that in future  
Quarterly meetings of the Governors be held  
in the months of October January April  
& July

Resolved Unanimously that the Thanks of  
the Governors be due & are hereby given to Messrs. of Monia  
Castle Treasurer for the clear & conspicuous  
manner in which the accounts of the Infir-  
mary have been produced to us & also for  
his unwearied exertions & attention to the  
benefits of the Infirmary

Resolved Unanimously that by the day

19.  
that he has adopted & by the regular & judicious  
management of the funds many thousands  
of individuals have been rescued from mi-  
sery & disease which reflects much honor  
on himself & merits the warmest thanks &  
approbation of this meeting & of the public  
at large

Resolved Unanimously that the Thanks  
of the Governors be due & are hereby given  
to James Victer Esq. M.D. for his unwearied  
exertions zeal & attention to the sick under  
his care & by whom medical & surgical abili-  
ties many thousands of our fellow creatures  
have been restored from wretchedness & disease  
to a state of health & comfort

Resolved Unanimously that we view with  
pleasure & satisfaction the regular scientific  
& successful mode of treatment that has been  
adopted in the cases under his care which  
have called forth from them the most  
grateful acknowledgements & public thanks

Approbation of the Governors

Resolved unanimously that their own resolutions be entered on our journals.

Published in the Galway newspapers

July 1<sup>st</sup> 1816 Christ M<sup>r</sup> George

At a Meeting of the Governors of the County of Galway Infirmary, held pursuant to Public Notice on the 7<sup>th</sup> October 1816, two Governors only being present and after <sup>their</sup> inspecting the boundary wall and other works attached thereto they are of opinion that the same are finished in a strong and permanent manner and they do adjourn the Meeting to Monday the 6<sup>th</sup> of January 1817. Dated 7<sup>th</sup> October 1816

Christ M<sup>r</sup> George  
John French Warden

Jan<sup>y</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> 1817 adjourned to the 21<sup>st</sup>

A French  
Treasurer

April 15<sup>th</sup> 1817 adjourned for want of Governors  
A French

M<sup>r</sup> Bollen

Col Taylor

M<sup>r</sup> Burke

M<sup>r</sup> Mahoney

M<sup>r</sup> French

Resolved that in future no person except an inhabitant of the County be admitted into the hospital except upon cases of the most urgent necessity, from accident, or at the discretion of the ~~Surgeon~~ <sup>Surgeon</sup>

That two additional beds to be paid for out of the interest money accruing to the Infirmary be forthwith prepared

Ordered that whenever the Surgeon has occasion to refuse a patient properly recommended by a Governor, he shall write by post to such Governor ~~off~~ stating the reason of such refusal





and paid out  
of money in the  
Treasurer  
hands or  
of other money

The amount to be paid out of the sum of Two thousand and Fifty  
Eight pounds fourteen Shillings and Three pence halfpenny  
now in the Treasurer's hands or the money presented, Summer  
expenses

Resolved

Government  
will in its  
own behalf  
of the Treasury

That the Treasurer be forthwith requested to take legal means  
and use his utmost exertions to call in all monies due  
to the Institution and placed in Government Security  
pursuant to the Lord's letter of the 12<sup>th</sup> Decem  
1820 -

Resolved

That as there are several of the old books in such a state of  
decay having been converted previous to the Hospital  
being occupied 100 years ago it is necessary that they  
should be immediately repaired or new ones put in  
their place and all necessary repairs to them  
requiring it, the expense of which to be (as usual)  
taken from the years support

Resolved

That we have examined the New Stable & Coach (or Trap)  
House and find it a permanent and substantial  
Building, the same to be occupied as such by the  
Surgeon he having given up the former one for the  
use of the Hospital

Resolved

Resolved

That the next meeting be held on the 31<sup>st</sup> of May  
for which due notice is to be given in the  
News Papers -

Wm. George  
W. C. Joyce  
P. M. M.  
F. M. M.  
B. M. M.

County Infirmary  
24<sup>th</sup> July 1822

Several of the Governors met this day pursuant to notice & found  
the Minutes found all right and correct but not being sufficient  
to form a committee did adjourn to attend the 12<sup>th</sup> August -  
by order of the Committee

County Infirmary 24<sup>th</sup> July  
1822

I have this day received the following letter -  
of the Committee

We the undersigned Governors of the County Infirmary

expressing sending it highly inconvenient to attend at the meeting  
of the Governors of the said Infirmary called by Public advertisement  
for the 24<sup>th</sup> July Inst. request an adjournment of said meeting  
to Monday the 12<sup>th</sup> of August to be held at 12 o'clock of that day  
in the meeting Room of the County Grand Jury -

Signed Thomas Martin  
Christ. D. Bellin  
J. M. Blinney  
John Fredkin  
James Cuth  
A. J. Mearns S. H. Joyce -

W. M. D.  
Surgeon to the Hospital

1822. 26 August 12<sup>th</sup> 1822

C. D. Bellis Esq. in the Chair

C. F. St. George  
Walter Joyce  
James Coffe  
Philip Atty

James S. Lambert  
John Bodkin  
John H. O'Blakney  
John Lyster

Thomas Motter

The Chairman having read a letter from Robert French Esq. resigning his Situation as Treasurer to this Institution Mr. French St. George was proposed to succeed to that office by Philip Atty Esq. seconded by Walter Joyce Esq. and elected accordingly —

The following Resolutions were unanimously agreed to —

Resolved — That the Thanks of the Governors of this Institution be conveyed to Robert French Esq. our late Treasurer for his unremitting attention to the arduous Duties of that office during the long Period which he held it and they sincerely regret his Absence the only Cause which could have induced these Governors to seek for the Appointment of a new Treasurer —

Resolved — That our Treasurer be requested to take such Steps as he shall deem

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deem expedient for the Recovery of the Sums due by private Individuals to this Institution, and to place the same with the least possible Delay in the publick Funds, & that he be also requested to report to the Governors at the next Quarterly Meeting what Steps he may have taken in Pursuance of this Resolution —

Resolved that John Melly Barber to the Institution, that his Salary be raised to Ten Pounds per Annum from the 5<sup>th</sup> of July last 1822.

Resolved that such Resolutions as appear not to have been heretofore executed, be carried forth with into Effect.

J. D. Nollen Chairman

Resolved that the best Thanks of this Meeting be presented to Jas. Smith Esq. M. D. Surgeon to the Establishment for his exemplary Care and attention to it at all times

J. D. Nollen Chairman

County Down August 15<sup>th</sup> 1822

Transmitted to Robert French Esq. our late Treasurer a Copy of these Resolutions dated the 15<sup>th</sup> August 1822 and adv<sup>d</sup> to him from where his last letter was dated from

Giuseppe Loran

by order of J. D. Nollen M.D. Surgeon to the Establishment

28 Doctor Vitch has this day handed over the Bonds of Thomas Boucher & Michl Burke Esqrs to the Governours of the Co of Galway Hospital - Am<sup>t</sup> of Thomas Boucher Esqrs Bond 657: 3: 6, of Michl Burke 500: - - Doctor Vitch handed over likewise the Case and Opinion of M<sup>r</sup> Brampton on M<sup>r</sup> Burkes Bond - Done Sept 25<sup>th</sup> 1822  
 M<sup>r</sup> W<sup>m</sup> J<sup>r</sup>

As it is remembered that on the 2<sup>d</sup> day of May in the year One thousand Eight Hundred and Twenty three I received the Amount of Thomas Boucher's Bond with the Interest then due thereon, and transferred the same into the 4<sup>th</sup> Cent Government Stock or Annuities as follows -

£496:4:6	at 96:15	-----	£480:1:1
	Interest 117 days	-----	6:7:3
	Commission	-----	12:6
		-----	£487:1:8
of May (1823)	200 - at 96 1/2	-----	193:--:--
47 <sup>th</sup> Cent	£696:4:6	-----	2:10:10
	Int 116 days	-----	5 -
	Commission	-----	£195:15:10
		-----	487:1:8
		-----	£682:17:6

in the name of my self as Treasurer to the County of Galway Infirmary and of the Governours of said Infirmary -  
 M<sup>r</sup> W<sup>m</sup> J<sup>r</sup>  
 Treasurer Co of Galway Infirmary

Received from Doctor Vitch two Guineas, being a fee paid by me to M<sup>r</sup> David on a Case prepared to him relative to M<sup>r</sup> Michael Burkes Bonds - Doctor Vitch is to charge same to the Acct of the Governours of the County of Galway Infirmary - July 19<sup>th</sup> 1823  
 M<sup>r</sup> W<sup>m</sup> J<sup>r</sup> Treasurer  
 Which I will refer to the County of Galway Hospital having died on Saturday last, in very indigent circumstances, & taking into consideration his long services during upwards of fifty years I direct that he be interred at the expense of the Hospital, provided the Expenses of the interment do not exceed three pounds -  
 July 19<sup>th</sup> 1824  
 M<sup>r</sup> W<sup>m</sup> J<sup>r</sup> Treasurer

I hereby direct, that a Road be made from the Infirmary to the County of Galway Infirmary to the Quay at the Bounds of the Hospital Ground for the better carriage of the Infirmary for the use of the said Hospital - & I further direct that a Walk six feet broad be made round the Boundary Walls of the Hospital Ground, & where the said Road will not run, as I conceive it necessary for the Health of the Patients to have a Walk to exercise in, I mean only those, to whom the Surgeon may think it advisable to order such for -  
 The Road to be 14 feet broad  
 at the Hill who cut down -  
 M<sup>r</sup> W<sup>m</sup> J<sup>r</sup>  
 Treasurer  
 July 11<sup>th</sup> 1825

Present  
 Arthur F. George Treasurer  
 Walter Joyce  
 Robert Martin  
 P. M. Lynch  
 John O'Hara -

It appearing necessary, ordered that the Female Patients be removed to the Wards in the new building as soon as possible -

Ordered that the Room in which the Female Patients now are be fitted up as a Medicine Room -

It appearing necessary ordered that a Pillory Lodge be built at the entrance Gate pursuant to the Resolution entered into at our Apices 1807, and that the Treasurer shall get a plan & estimate for same to be laid before a Meeting of the Governors, and for same to be held at the next Apices -

Arthur F. George  
 Walter Joyce  
 Robert Martin  
 John O'Hara  
 P. M. Lynch

By order

Present

Arthur F. George Treasurer  
 Walter Joyce  
 John O'Hara  
 P. M. Lynch  
 Robert Martin

It appearing necessary in consequence of the increased duties that the following Officers & Servants have respectively to his charge

ordered that the Salary of Andrew J. Vetch <sup>and Compounder of Medicines</sup> be increased from 36:18:6 to Forty p<sup>ts</sup> British -

Ordered that the Salary of J. Vetch Register be increased from £18:9:24 to Twenty p<sup>ts</sup> British

Ordered that the Wages of the first Nurse be increased from £9:4:7<sup>2</sup> to five p<sup>ts</sup> British of the 2<sup>d</sup> Nurse from 3:4:7<sup>2</sup> to four p<sup>ts</sup> British of the 3<sup>d</sup> Nurse from 3:4:7<sup>2</sup> to four p<sup>ts</sup> British -

Arthur F. George Treasurer  
 Walter Joyce  
 John O'Hara  
 P. M. Lynch  
 Robert Martin

At a Quarterly meeting of the Governors of the County Galway Infirmary held by Public advertisement on Friday the 15<sup>th</sup> day of January 1830 -

Resolved.

The Treasurers Accounts for the year ending the 5<sup>th</sup> of January 1830 having been laid before us and examined found them all regular and correct in every respect. We have hereby signed the same pursuant to Act of Parliament and Copies of which order to be forwarded to the Commissioners of Publick Accounts and to the Board of Health -

That our thanks are due and are hereby given to the Treasurer Arthur F. St. George Esq. for his constant attention and assiduity to promote the interests of the Institution

## Resolved

That the best thanks of this meeting be presented to James Vetch Esq. M. D. for his constant attention to his duties and to his zeal in promoting the comforts and relief of the Patients under his care by which the cleanliness and regularity of the institution are so conspicuous — By order of the meeting

J. D. Vetch. regist.

At a General Meeting of the Governors of the County of Galway Infirmary held by public advertisement at their Board Room on Saturday the 15<sup>th</sup> day of June 1833. Thus

## Present

Arthur F. St. George Esq. Treasurer

Lord Wallscourt

James Staunton Lambert Esq. Galway

Thomas Dillon Lambert Esq. Galway

Edward Martyn Tillyra

Patrick Mack Lynch Penmae Lodge

Walter Joyce Merrin

Philip Lynch Atty Penmae

James Kelly Newtown

Robert Martyn Prop.

Christopher F. George Tyrone

Edward Martin Esq. in the Chair

Doctor James Vetch having resigned the situation of Surgeon to the Institution and it having <sup>been</sup> proposed by Lord Wallscourt and seconded by Walter Joyce Esq. of Merrin that Doctor Andrew J. Vetch should fill the situation of Surgeon to the Infirmary established at Galway for the County of Galway resolved that the said Andrew J. Vetch M. D. be and is hereby elected Surgeon to said Institution

34 Resolved that the thanks of the Governors and Governors  
of this institution are due and are hereby given to Doctor James  
Vetch our late Surgeon for his zealous attention to it for  
years

A. W. 30th Treasurer  
Wallisworth  
Edmund  
Thomas Sharkey  
James Martin  
C. M. Lynch  
Walter Joyce  
Philip Lynch Atty  
James Shelly  
Robt Martin  
Christopher & George

At the request of the Commissioners Sir  
David Barry & J. N. Corrie on behalf of  
Enquiry - write to the following Governors  
to attend they being the same as the  
neighbourhood

Arthur J. George  
Christ J. George  
Walter Joyce  
P. L. Atty  
Robt Martin  
P. M. Lynch

Act 25<sup>th</sup> 1834

At a Meeting of the Governors of the Galway County Infirmary  
held at their Board Room on Monday the 19<sup>th</sup> June 1834  
Present Lord Wallscourt in the Chair

Arthur J. George Treasurer  
P. M. Lynch  
John Bodkin  
P. L. Atty  
Thos. J. Lambert  
John Hara

Resolved That having seen this day and clearly  
perceived the different words of our Hospital  
and having taken into our consideration the  
Numerous influential applications for admission  
in consequence of the want of sufficient room & having  
also considered the numerous complaints for fees paid  
made by the Public of the inefficient foundation  
that now existing various parts of sufficient funds  
to defray the expenses of education, attendance &  
improvements in our premises we do hereby  
authorize the following Committee of three of  
our Governors to draw on our Treasurer for the  
sum or any part of a sum of Six hundred and  
forty two pounds - thirteen shillings & four pence  
invested in the 3<sup>rd</sup> new Government stock for the above purpose  
and that five of said Committee be constituted a  
quorum and do sign such orders or papers  
as may be necessary for the above purpose

Resolved That the above Committee of three

36 being paid of them constituting a quorum as before mentioned  
 to lay out such orders, alterations & improvements & receive fees  
 plates & specifications &c for same and that they do lay  
 same before said committee of time of present or of any  
 year of them - as well as before a general meeting of the  
 Governours duly convened for the purpose of taking into  
 consideration said plans, proposals, specifications &c &

Committee of nine five  
 to form a quorum

- Lord Walsworth
- Walter Joyce
- C. M. Lynch
- Robert Martin
- P. L. Atty
- R. M. George
- James Lambert
- John O'Brien

- Walsworth Chairman
- Thomas Lambert
- John Martin
- John B. P. P. P.
- Philip Lynch Atty
- J. M. P. P. P. Treasurer

At a meeting of the Governours of the Galway County  
 Infirmary held at their Board room on Monday the 14th day of  
 Decr 1837 present Lord Walsworth Chairman

- Arthur St. George Treasurer
- C. M. Lynch
- John B. P. P.
- John Lambert
- John O'Brien
- P. L. Atty

That having seen the heads of an act of  
 Parliament in progress through the House of  
 Commons for the regulation of the Medical  
 Charities of Ireland - Resolved that  
 we do not object to be legalised enactment  
 for providing for the adequate support of  
 such medical charities, and to desire the  
 proper and judicious application of  
 the funds thereof to their legitimate objects

It conceives such a measure to be greatly desirable & deserving of our  
 concurrence - Resolved that we highly approve of the establishment  
 of a board of inspectors of Medical Charities of competent & well  
 educated, independent & experienced members of the Profession, and that we  
 conceive some to be well calculated to conduct these charities still more

valuable than at present - as also to improve the situation of the Medical  
 students by protecting them in the exercise of their duties and securing  
 and adequate remuneration for their services -

Resolved that we consider the power proposed to be given to such  
 general inspectors under the head of their making such other rules & regulations for the  
 general management of such institutions as they shall think fit, to vary upon and  
 independent and so liable to our constitution and arbitrary exercise that we  
 deem it essentially necessary to protect against it as an encroachment on the  
 recognized right of the Governours & Governours of the Hospitals in whom the property  
 is legally invested and who have by their subscriptions & donations supported same

Resolved that we observe that the laws with surprise & regret  
 of the laws which secured the payment of the salaries of the Medical attendants  
 of Infirmary & other Hospitals &c in proposed to be repealed without the  
 substitution of any provision to secure an equivalent or specific  
 remuneration, and that the sum of £100 per annum paid for nearly  
 seventy years from the Treasury to the surgeons of County Infirmary  
 proposed to be withdrawn from them and £1000 to the payment of the  
 proposed board of inspectors, a measure peculiarly unjust when the  
 previous Education professional claims & experience of these gentlemen are  
 considered -

Resolved that it is the firm opinion of this meeting that ample security  
 for the regular payment of a specific salary of remunerating out - should be  
 provided for the Medical officers, to secure their independence & well in the  
 faithful discharge of their arduous duties - Resolved that we have for  
 many years present to our duty as Governours of this Hospital constantly inspected same  
 that we have found the rules & regulations established for the Governours thereof  
 worth will & to be highly strictly attended to by our present Medical attendants  
 in their professional, & that we never heard of any fault being found there with  
 that the benefit to the public by this Institution has been admitted by the opposition  
 of the Public & rate payers of this county -

Resolved that we trust that the  
 Government in the measure now before  
 the House will not interfere with  
 our vested rights of managing our  
 own property and that of the  
 County entrusted to us without  
 regard to for near a century, & that our  
 to contrary some will be recognized  
 as well as our rights of the  
 recommendation of the

- Walsworth Chairman
- John B. P. P.
- John Martin
- Philip Lynch Atty
- Thomas Lambert
- J. M. P. P. Treasurer
- Robert Martin
- Arthur St. George
- John O'Brien

Resolved that copies of this our  
 resolution be forwarded to our County  
 & Town members for their support - in  
 the form of Resolutions, as well as the  
 said Resolutions & Resolutions for  
 them in the House of Commons -  
 Resolved that copies of this our  
 resolution be forwarded to every  
 Governour



At a Meeting of the Governors of the Galway County Infirmary held at their Board Room on Monday the 26<sup>th</sup> day of June 1837 seven Present

Lord Walscourt in the Chair

John Bostken

James Kelly

John O'Hara

Robert Martin

C. M. Lynch

P. L. Atty

Having seen the plans, estimates &c presented us by Messrs Cusack and Brady and on considering the cost of said plans &c and comparing same with the probable expenses of building a new house for our surgeon and converting the present part of the Hospital inhabited by him into wards, and considering that the proposed alterations would not give anything like equal accommodations to the building a new house as before stated

Resolved

That we do hereby give direction to the Architects Messrs Cusack and Brady to furnish us with plans & estimates at our next meeting of a house for our surgeon which they will undertake to execute at an expense not exceeding eight hundred pounds to be built on the

site of the North Garden near the present Post Office as this day shown to those Gentlemen

Resolved

That from the necessity and we conceive very prudent change in our opinions as to the improvements and alterations of the Hospital and the trouble we have given those Architects before named resolved that we do hold a meeting on Saturday next the 1<sup>st</sup> July for the purpose of considering the plans, estimates &c before named and that we do then draw on our Treasurer for ten pounds to remunerate the architect for his trouble in executing the plans for the improvements proposed by the meeting of the 19<sup>th</sup> June but whose plans as to the intended new building may not meet our views -

Resolved

That having heard read a letter from R. M. St. George Esq<sup>r</sup> of Headfort Castle to this Board - and to our Treasurer approving of our measures that we do hereby indent his name

Walscourt Chairman  
Philip Lynch Atty

Wm. George Gillis of  
24 West

James Kelly  
John Bostken  
Robert Martin  
C. M. Lynch

At a meeting of the Governors of the Calvary  
County Infirmary held at their Board  
Room on Saturday the 7<sup>th</sup> July 1837

Present

John Bodkin in the Chair

P. M. Lynch

Walter Joyce

John O'Hara

Robert Martin

Resolved that having viewed the plans submitted by Messrs  
Cusack & Brady that we approve of the Plan of the former,  
making the changes as pointed out viz - Appointing  
the house placing the Chimneys in the center &  
placing a Porch to the House same as that to  
Mr. Brady's plan - the ridge covered with Lead  
instead of Tiles - that the Mortar & Plaster be of the  
best materials the house of Granite & no sea  
sand to be used - Revolving Coirns and French  
windows

Resolved that our Registrar be requested to  
take security from the Contractor for the due & proper  
performance of the work and that the work be  
executed & completed on or before the last day  
in October next -

Resolved that our said beloved Contractor

not entering into his contract and giving  $\text{£}10$   
due security for some that our unsuccessful  
Candidate should if he please have it on  
entering into <sup>security</sup> for the due performance as  
before stated with the alterations in the approved  
plan before named -

Resolved that our Registrar be requested to  
take good and approved security in the usual  
manner and for such sum as is  
usual under the circumstances

Resolved that the Architect whose plans for the improvement  
proposed by the Meeting of the 19<sup>th</sup> June last were approved  
of, be paid the sum of Ten pounds Sterl. for some -  
& that the Architect whose plans for the proposed  
new Building has not been accepted of so receive  
the sum of Ten pounds for inspecting & reporting  
on the work, that is two reports five pounds

for each - that the cost of the Contract be pay?  
by three instalments viz - one third in advance on  
Security one third on half the work being executed  
and one third on the entire being completed

John Bodkin Chairman  
John O'Hara  
P. M. Lynch  
Robert Martin

At a Meeting of the Governors of the County Galway  
Infirmary held at their Board Rooms on  
Monday the 24<sup>th</sup> Sept<sup>r</sup> 1838. Eight

Present  
Walter Joyce in the Chair  
Robert Martin Esq  
John O'Hara Esq

Mr. Brady the Architect of the Surgeons  
Cause having produced to us the certificate  
of the Superintending Architect and stating  
the work to be finished according to the specified  
contracts &c, and moreover having inspected same and finding  
them to be <sup>well</sup> according to the best of our Judgements  
we do hereby direct James Veitch Esq. M.D. to pay the  
balance appearing due to Mr. Brady being the 3<sup>rd</sup>  
last instalment amounting to £26.13.4 Sterling  
and we do further direct Doctor James Veitch to pay the  
sum of £10-0-0 to Mr. Lincach being the last instalment  
due him for his reports. Doctor James Veitch  
having informed us that there were some Extra  
works not included in the above Estimate and having  
seen some of those works, which appeared necessary  
& not having the Bill of particulars produced to us  
in consequence of the absence of Doctor  
J. Veitch It being also reported to us  
by the superintending Architect that

that such Extra works were most  
necessary we hereby resolve that such  
Accounts are to be examined and settled  
on some convenient day after the  
10<sup>th</sup> Day of January next

Signed

Walter Joyce  
John O'Hara  
Robert Martin

44. At a meeting of the Governors of the County  
Galway Infirmary held at their Board Room  
on Wednesday the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April 1839

J. McLaughlin  
Walter Joyce  
John O'Hara  
Robt. Martin

Resolved that not concerning ourselves  
authorized by our charter to make orders  
or transact such other matters as might  
be pending on the Governors in conse-  
-quence of our numbers not amounting  
at least five monthly feeling that  
the Curator (who certainly expended  
considerable sums of money on the  
works of the Hospital as well as  
in repairing the dilapidations &c.  
committed by the late storm) should  
be hady used if not reimbursed at  
all events in part for the sums expended  
by them. Resolved that

That though we do

not think proper to take on ourselves  
to tax them, bills or parts thereof to be paid  
without taking the same of the Curator  
we would wish to be by order the Curator  
to pay Mr. Maddy on account of his bills  
the sum of £50 - 0 - 0 To Mr. Carroll  
the sum of £150 - 0 - 0

J. McLaughlin  
Walter Joyce  
John O'Hara  
Robt. Martin

Sent out Summons for this day July 24<sup>th</sup> to the Governor  
in Town during the absence only two attended viz  
Walter Joyce & Robert Martin

Walter Joyce  
Robert Martin

At a Meeting of the Governors of the County Galway  
Infirmary held at their Board Room on  
Monday the 12<sup>th</sup> August 1839 were  
Resolved

That a Presentment having been  
granted to J. F. Joyce, Robert Martin



Return to Dublin on business

Archibald Mc  
Sergeant

Meeting of the Governors  
August 3<sup>rd</sup> 1843

Local Valiant

Dr. McQueen & Messrs. The Trustees  
of the Hospital

The Physician stated that he had  
called the Governors to be called  
together in pursuance of a direction  
given by the Judge to them some  
expressions had been made in  
respect to the state of the Hospital  
requesting they would consider & report  
upon the state of the Institution and he  
submitted the account required by the  
Trustees and the accounts being  
then considered and the resolutions  
made by the Judge as to the appointment  
of an apothecary & Registrar and the  
necessity of more frequent meetings of the  
Governors

Resolved that the account  
presented be read & examined the fees for  
the apothecary articles supplied & other charges  
be on full of opinion that the account is fair  
& correct & establishes the integrity of the officers  
of the Institution

That the appointment of an apothecary be  
postponed to a next meeting & that one  
Physician be requested with reference to

engage about an eligible person  
to fill that office and upon basis  
the next best alternative to be considered  
in the institution these chambers will  
be provided for him <sup>in adequate</sup> with an allowance  
of costs & charges and a salary of Twenty  
pounds per annum

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And that there is appointed Thomas  
Need Register at a salary of Twenty  
pounds per annum

That in future as the said Statute  
in the first Meetings in August  
November February and May

That the undersigned Gentlemen  
being resident in the <sup>vicinity</sup> vicinities  
may above head of the Hospital  
be appointed a <sup>standing</sup> visiting committee  
with full powers to make all orders  
for the conduct of the Institution  
in the relations between our Society  
of the Governors & ourselves

That in due to our view to do  
advisors to study the 4 chapters the purpose  
of appointing an apothecary

That the chairman & members present  
with any other that may be it seems  
to accompany them to visit in the  
justice <sup>with</sup> ~~of~~ <sup>to</sup> be in custody to  
the terms of their own resolution  
and at the same time request be  
made considered & advised as to the  
persons entitled to be officers governing  
of the Hospital the Board be in the  
hands of a corporation <sup>appointed</sup>  
consisting of one Bishop & two Bishops

That we do now adjourn

Visiting Committee

- 1 Lord Willoughby
- 2 J J Lewis Baker
- 3 Rob Martin
- 4 P M Hyde
- 5 W Joyce
- 6 Mr Moore
- 7 J Kerwin
- 8 Rev Wm D. King

Wallerwort

At a Meeting of the Governors on the 4<sup>th</sup> of August 1843.

Denis Kirwan

Walter Joyce Patrick M Lynch, Thomas B. Mentim M.P.  
and John O'Hara.

Resolved that we appoint the Rev<sup>d</sup> John D'Sey  
Secretary to the Corporation for term.

Mr D'Sey stated he had waited on the Judge with  
the Resolutions entered into yesterday, and that his Lordship  
had requested him to endeavour to procure a meeting  
this day, and if possible appoint an Apothecary which  
he was very anxious should be done before he left town,  
and that he would wait the result to fix the Presentment  
in consequence of which he had called the present  
Meeting; and upon enquiry being made it appeared  
that there were two candidates viz Messrs Braughall  
and Mahon — and their qualifications having  
been looked into:

Resolved that we appoint Mr Braughall  
Apothecary to the Infirmary, at a Salary of thirty pounds  
per Annum with chambers in the Infirmary, in which  
he is to reside, and an adequate allowance of fuel  
and light.

Resolved that our Chairman be requested  
to report the Election to the Judge.

That we do now adjourn to 3 o'clock P. M.  
on Friday next; and that in the interim our Registrar  
be directed to advertise for Tenders for supplying  
the Infirmary with necessaries for the next three months.

Denis Kirwan  
Chairman

Thos Need Registrar

At a Meeting of the Governors of the County of Galway Infirmary  
held at their Board Room on Wednesday the 16<sup>th</sup> day of  
August 1843

Present.

Walter Joyce Esq. in the Chair

Robert Martin

Denis Kirwan

Patrick M Lynch Esq. and

The Rev<sup>d</sup> John D'Sey

Doctor Veitch submitted a Letter from A. J. St. George  
Esq.

Resolved that we are very happy to find  
that Mr. St. George does not resign his office as Treasurer.

That we approve of the appointment of  
Officers made by the Governors on the 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>  
Instant, subject to the order of the next General  
Quarterly meeting

That in future there shall be a meeting  
of the Governors at three o'clock P. M. on the  
first Wednesday in each month, of which  
due notice in Writing shall be given to each  
Governor and Governess by the Registrar; and  
also four Quarterly meetings in each year, of  
which like notice shall be given, stating generally  
the business to be transacted.

The Tenders were opened and the following  
persons declared contractors until the 11<sup>th</sup> of October next.

For new milk -	John Curran	at 1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> per quart.
"	Buttermilk	the same at 3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> per do.
"	Bread.	Dominick Mc Dermot, at 1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> per lb.
"	Potatoes	No Contract
"	Beef and Mutton -	John Walsh at 3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> per lb.



For Tea	James Lynn	at 3 <sup>s</sup> 10 per lb.
" Sugar	John Mc Namara	at 7: 10 per Stone
" Rice	John Costello	at 3 <sup>s</sup> per lb.
" Barley	The same	at 3 per lb.
" Wine	John Mc Namara	at 2: 6 per bottle.
" Ale	The same	at 2 1/2 per quart.
" Porter	The same	at 2 1/4 per do.
" Plummers	Margaret Finin	at 1 <sup>s</sup> per quart.
" Coal	James Lynn	at 15: 6 per Ton.
" Turf	No Contract	
" Candles	Michael Walsh	6: 5 per Stone
" Soap	Catherine Flattery	3: 0 per do.
" Butineed	Mr. Lynch	9: 0 per Cwt.

Walter Joyce  
Chamberlain

Thos. Reed  
Registrar

Board Room. Wednesday September 6 1843.

Sent out circulars to the Governors and Governesses calling a General Monthly Meeting for this day, in pursuance of the Resolution entered into on the 16<sup>th</sup> ultimo; but there only two Governors having attended viz Lord Mallescourt and Walter Joyce Esq, there was no Board. The late Contractor's consent to supply necessaries at the late rate until the Board meets. Thos. Reed Registrar

Board Room ~~Wednesday~~ <sup>Thursday</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> October 1843.

Sent out circulars for a Meeting of the Governors for this day for the purpose of taking contracts for the Institution there being only three members in attendance, namely Lord Mallescourt, Patrick M Lynch and Walter Joyce Esq in attendance there was no Board held. The Contractor's will continue to supply necessaries at the late contract prices. Thos. Reed Registrar

Board Room Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 1843.

Sent out circulars to the Governors and Governesses of the Institution calling a Meeting for this day, at the recommendation of the Gentlemen who attended on the 11<sup>th</sup> Instant, but the only Governor who attended was Walter Joyce Esq. - Contractors supply the Institution still at the prices agreed upon at the Meeting of the 16<sup>th</sup> of August last. Thos. Reed Registrar

General Quarterly Meeting

At a Meeting of the Governors held at their Board Room on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of November 1843. Robert Mentin Esq in the Chair. Patrick M Lynch, Denis Kirwan the Revd John Darcy and Walter Joyce Esq

Resolved that

The Registrar submitted Bills to the amount of Fifty one pounds and three pence, which were audited, and passed and it was Resolved that a Check be drawn on the Treasurer for the above amount.

Resolved that the appointment of Registrar and Apothecary to the Institution made at the last Assizes be now confirmed and that Mr Reed be and is our Registrar and Mr Braughall our Apothecary.

Mr Braughall applied for leave of absence to go to Dublin in order to proceed to Dublin to procure his Licence and it was accorded.

Doctor Keitch reported that certain articles of Bedding and furniture as specified at foot are more indispensably necessary and it was ordered that <sup>they</sup> should be procured and laid in at cost prices.

Mr Braughall represented the inconveniences he sustained in consequence of his apartments not being prepared for his reception; and it was ordered that same should be forthwith made ready for him costs not to exceed ten pounds.

The Physician represented that the House requires repairs and painting generally and it was ordered that the County Surveyor should be called on to examine it and give a specification of what is necessary to be done.

Resolved that the Governors of the Institution do form a House Committee - three of whom to form a quorum; and that so much of a Resolution passed at the meeting of the 16<sup>th</sup> of August last as requires a meeting of the Governors to be held on the first Wednesday in every month be rescinded; and that two o'clock instead of three be the hour at which we shall meet in future. -

The Tenders being opened the following persons were declared contractors until the 5<sup>th</sup> day of January next.

For new Milk	Martin Mealey	At 7 <sup>s</sup> per quart
For oatmeal	Dominick McDermott	At 9 <sup>s</sup> per cwt.
For Bread	Dominick McDermott	At 1 <sup>s</sup> 1/2 per lb.
For Meat	Michael P. Walsh	At 3 <sup>s</sup> 7/4 per lb.
For Tea	James Fynn	At 3 <sup>s</sup> 10 per lb.
For Sugar	James Fynn	At 8 <sup>s</sup> per stone
For Rice	John Costello	At 3 <sup>s</sup> per lb.
For Pearley	The same	At 3 <sup>s</sup> per lb.
For Sherry Wine	The same	At 2 <sup>s</sup> 9 per bottle.
For Porter & Ale	? Mr. Stammers	At 5 per quart
For Coals	James Fynn	At 16 <sup>s</sup> 6 per ton.
For Candles	Michael P. Walsh	At 6 <sup>s</sup> 3 per stone.
For Soap	The same	At 3 <sup>s</sup> 5 per stone.
For Lump potato	Hugh Morris	At 1 <sup>s</sup> 3/4 per stone of 16 lb.
For Curr Ditto	The same	At 2 <sup>s</sup> 1/2 per do do
For Oaten Straw	The same	At 7 <sup>s</sup> per cwt.
For Sour Milk	Martin Mealey	At 1 <sup>s</sup> 1/2 per quart.

Robt Martin Chairman

Adjourned.

Thos Reed Registrar

The following are the articles of Bedding and furniture ordered to be procured.

15 Pairs of Blankets

55 Pairs of Sheets.

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37 Quarts

1 Milk Can

1 Pot and 2 lids

2 Sauce pans

2 Dozen of Chambers

1 Large Washing tub.

A meeting of the Governors held in the Board Room on Wednesday the 10 day of January 1844

James J. Lambert Esq in the Chair

For Robert Martin - Pat<sup>r</sup> M Lynch Esq

Tenders for supplying the Infirmary with provisions and necessaries being opened

Resolved that we accept of the tender of John Curran for supplying new Milk at 3<sup>rs</sup> per Imperial Gallon and Butter milk at 2 - The Contract to be from the 10<sup>th</sup> of January Inst. to the 5<sup>th</sup> of October next.

Resolved that we postpone the consideration of all other tenders until Wednesday the 17<sup>th</sup> Inst. at 3 o'clock P.M.

Having looked into the act of Parliament and only three Governors have been in attendance we find that we cannot proceed to the election of a Treasurer and we therefore postpone until the next April the appointment of that officer

Resolved that we call the attention of the Surgeon to the Resolution of the 14<sup>th</sup> of August 1817 of which the following is a copy:

Resolved that in future no person except an inhabitant of the County be admitted into the Hospital except upon cases of the most urgent necessity from accident and at the discretion of the Surgeon.

Adjourned

*[Signature]*  
Thos. Reid Registrar

Board Room Wednesday 17 January 1844.

No Board the Governor's not having attended

Thos Reid Registrar

Quarterly Meeting Monday <sup>February</sup> January 5<sup>th</sup> 1844

Two Governors only attended on this day namely Patrick M Lynch Esq and the Rev<sup>d</sup> John D'Arcy

The tenders being opened the following persons were declared Contractors for supplying the Institution with provisions and necessaries until the next 5<sup>th</sup> day of October 1844.

John Curran for new milk at 3<sup>rs</sup> per great Gallon

Dominick Mc Dermott for Bread at 2<sup>rs</sup> per lb.

John Walsh for best Beef & mutton 3<sup>rs</sup> per lb.

Pat M Lynch for best Newcastle Coal 16.6 per ton

Catherine Flattery for Candles at 6. per stone.

Same for English brown Soap 3. per do

Same for Irish do do 4. per do

Hugh Moriarty for best potatoes 3<sup>rs</sup> per bushels 2<sup>rs</sup> per do

John Curran for butter milk 2 per Gallon

Thos Reid Registrar

At a special General Meeting of the Governors of the County of Galway Infirmary held in their Board Room at 3 o'clock P.M. on the Wednesday the 13<sup>th</sup> day of March 1844.

Present.

Sir John Burke Bart in the Chair.

James S. Lambert      Walter Joyce &  
Denis Kirwan      Patrick M Lynch Esq and  
The Revd John Dickey

The Physician officially reported that the office of Treasurer is vacant by the lamented death of Arthur French St George Esq late of Tyrone.

Resolved that Patrick M Lynch Esq be appointed Treasurer to the County of Galway Infirmary in the room of Arthur French St George Esq deceased, and requested to act in that capacity.

Resolved that all monies belonging to this Institution be paid to the Treasurer and drawn by checks signed by the Chairman of the Meeting at which any order for payment is made, and countersigned by the Registrar

Resolved that a weekly Return of the number of patients admitted discharged and remaining in Hospital be prepared by the Registrar and published.

Resolved that a Synopsis of the Relief afforded by this Institution and the expenses incurred be made out quarterly by the Registrar and submitted to the Governors.

The Minutes of the Meeting of the 5<sup>th</sup> of February last were read and the course taken by the Governors who attended was approved of and their acts confirmed

*J. G. L. Esq*

Refer to an affidavit sworn before the Clerk of the Court of Galway on the 18<sup>th</sup> of November 1888

With a view of making the present County Infirmary available to the poor sick Inhabitants of the County of the Town of Galway - Resolved that a Deputation of the Governors do wait on the Town Grand Jury and ascertain in the event of making the present Infirmary open to the County and Town by making it a County & Town Infirmary what pecuniary or other assistance they would afford to accomplish this desirable object; and such Deputation to report to a Meeting of the Governors to be held at 3 o'clock on Friday the 15<sup>th</sup> Instant to which day at our rising we do adjourn.

Resolved that Sir John Burke Walter Joyce James S. Lambert and Denis Kirwan Esqrs do form the Deputation.

*Walter Joyce*  
The Clerk Registrar

Adjourned Meeting March 15. 1844.

Sir John Burke Bart in the Chair

Denis Kirwan      Robert Martin &  
Walter Joyce      John O'Hara  
Rev. John Dickey

The Physician attended and the admission and Discharge Book was produced.

Resolved that a form of ticket of admission be prepared & printed; and that the Physician be directed to communicate to the Governors that the Meeting will require the above form of certificate to be adopted, when patients are recommended to the Infirmary.

A Letter having been read from the Reverend B. J. Roche stating that the remuneration he receives at present for attending patients in the Infirmary is inadequate. Resolved that it is the opinion of this Board that the yearly allowance to Mr. Roche be increased to the sum of £20. a year, but that they cannot grant this or any sum at the present meeting, and that this Resolution be taken into consideration on the next quarterly meeting pursuant to 5 & 6 Geo 3<sup>d</sup> Section 7 for approval or rejection.

Adjourned.

Form of Certificate Thos. Reed Registrar

County of Galway  
 The day of \_\_\_\_\_ 184  
 Admit A B by Trade \_\_\_\_\_ Residing  
 at \_\_\_\_\_ in the Barony of \_\_\_\_\_ Parish  
 of \_\_\_\_\_ in this County, if you consider the  
 case a proper one to be received into the County Hospital

Reverend Mr. Roche's Letter.

Having many duties to discharge in administering spiritual consolation to the Patients in the C<sup>d</sup> Infirmary - saying Mass every Sunday, and giving religious instruction - having frequently to attend the dying in the Infirmary and these not comprising any portion of my Flocks. - I hereby respectfully submit to the Chairman and Board of Governors that I am at least entitled to at least twenty Pounds per annum for such services

Galway March 15. 1844.  
 To the Chairman & Gentlemen  
 of the Board of Governors

Signed B. J. Roche P.P.  
 of Bohernmore.

Board Room May 6<sup>th</sup> 1844.

I sent out Circulars to all the Governors calling a quarterly meeting for this day but there being but three Governors in attendance namely Patrick M. Lynch, Walter Joyce and The Rev. John D. Argy there was no Board.

Thos. Reed Registrar

Meeting of the Committee held on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of August 1844. Present

Denis Kieran Esq. in the Chair

Patrick M. Lynch Esq. & The Rev. John D. Argy

Mr. Lynch submitted an abstract of the Bank account showing £517 <sup>7</sup>/<sub>10</sub> in Bank; and the Registrar submitted sundry bills which were examined, passed and ordered to be paid.

Resolved that the Registrar be directed to procure an order Book in which whatever may be required by either the Physician, Apothecary or Housekeeper must be entered with a requisition signed by them respectively for the supply and also an order signed by one or more of the Governors for obtaining them; such order so signed to be submitted with the Bill when payment is required.

Resolved that the attention of the Physician be directed to the consumption of Fuel which appears to be excessive, as well as the general expence of the Establishment which we expect and trust he will use his exertion to keep within bounds.

That we do adjourn.

Denis Kieran Chairman

Thos. Reed  
 Registrar

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> August - sent out circulars calling a quarterly meeting for this day. none of the Gov<sup>s</sup> attended. Thos. Reed Reg<sup>r</sup>

At a Meeting of the Governors held on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of October 1844 - Present.

Robert Martin Esq. in the Chair  
Denis Kerwan  
Pat<sup>r</sup> M Lynch  
Walter Joyce Esq. and The Rev<sup>d</sup> John D'Arcy

The Registrar produced sundry bills which being examined and found correct were ordered to be paid; and checks were accordingly signed.

The Hospital being in a very bad state of repair - Resolved that our County Surveyor be requested to inspect same and prepare a specification including all necessary repairs, <sup>including the</sup> inside and outside the house - painting

The Rev<sup>d</sup> Mr. Roche Chaplain to the Institution having applied to the Board for an increase of his salary. Resolved that the Chaplain's salary be fixed at twenty Pounds per annum, as recommended by the Governors at their meeting held on the 15<sup>th</sup> of March last.

The subject of lighting the Hospital with Gas having been discussed - Resolved that the Gas company be requested to put up the necessary Gas fittings and <sup>to have</sup> the House lighted with Gas - which the Rev<sup>d</sup> Mr. D'Arcy undertakes to have done at the lowest possible prices

Tenders being opened, the following persons are declared Contractors

John Morris for new milk at 6<sup>d</sup> per Gallon  
P. M Lynch Esq. for oatmeal at 17/- per Cwt.  
Pat<sup>r</sup> M Kelly for Bread at 1 3/4 per lb.  
John Walsh for Meat at 3<sup>d</sup> per lb.  
Pat<sup>r</sup> M Lynch Esq. for Coal at 17/- per Ton -  
Catherine Flattery for Candles at 6/- per stone.  
John Morris for soap at - 3/6 per ds  
Michael Fallon for Cup potatoes at 3<sup>d</sup> per stone -

Thos D. Needy Registrar

Board Room November 1<sup>st</sup> 1844.

I sent a circular by Post to each Governor & Governor of the Institution requesting their attendance at the Quarterly Meeting on this day but none of them attended

Thos D. Needy Registrar

Board Room February 3<sup>rd</sup> 1845.

I sent circulars to all the Governors of the Institution requesting their attendance on this day at the Quarterly Meeting but the only persons who attended was Walter Joyce and Patrick M Lynch Esq. in consequence of which the meeting was adjourned to 2 o'clock P.M. on Wednesday the 4<sup>th</sup> of Feb<sup>y</sup> inst.

Thos D. Needy Registrar

Board Room February 4<sup>th</sup> 1845

Walter Joyce - Denis Kerwan and Patrick M Lynch Esq. attended today but the Mr Joyce having left before Mr Kerwan or Mr Lynch arrived the meeting was further adjourned to one o'clock on tomorrow - the 5<sup>th</sup> inst

Thos D. Needy Registrar

Board Room. February 5<sup>th</sup> 1845.

Present.

Denis Minwan Esq. in the Chair

Walter Joyce and Patrick M Lynch Esqs &amp;

The Rev<sup>d</sup> John D'Arcy

The Registrar produced various bills for provisions and necessaries supplied up to and for the 5<sup>th</sup> of January 1845 amounting in the whole to the sum of one hundred and ninety one pounds fifteen shillings and nine pence which were papered and checks to that amount drawn on the Treasurer.

Resolved that in future a Journal be kept similar to that kept in the County Prison in which each officer shall enter his name each day he attends and make any remarks that he may deem necessary and that all persons visiting the Institution be requested to enter their names & in same.

Resolved that being of opinion that our funds will not at present support a greater number of patients than 45 daily and that our Surgeon be requested to keep as near that number as he possibly can.

Resolved that the attention of the surgeon be called to the wish of the Board to oblige all convalescent patients to remain in the day room and that no fires be lighted in their wards <sup>unless when necessary in the</sup> evening and that the Hospital Sergeant be desired to have the surgeon's directions in this respect fully carried out. The Hospital Sergeant is also to be held strictly responsible for order and regularity among the male patients.

That we do now adjourn

Denis Minwan  
ChairmanThos. J. Neede  
Registrar

Board Room. May 5. 1845.

I sent Circulars by Post to each of the Governors calling a Quarterly Meeting for this day but none of them attended

Thos. J. Neede Registrar

Board Room July 5. 1845. —

Present - Robert Martin Esq. in the Chair  
Walter Joyce and Pat<sup>h</sup> M Lynch Esq.

The Registrar produced several Bills for provisions and necessaries supplied to the Infirmary amounting in the whole to the sum of £304 - 11s - 1d which were examined and papered and checks drawn for that amount on the Treasurer.

Thos. J. Neede  
Registrar

R. Martin

Board Room. August 25. 1845.

I sent out circulars to the Governor's calling a meeting for this day for the purpose of taking into consideration the repairs to be done to the Infirmary - the only person who attended was Patrick M Lynch Esq the Treasurer.

Thos. J. Neede  
Registrar

<sup>Board Room, 20 October 1845</sup>  
I sent out Circulars to the Governor's calling a meeting for this <sup>day</sup> for the purpose of taking contracts for provisions for the ensuing year, and also for the purpose of determining upon the Repairs to be done to the Infirmary. There was no Board there being but two Governors namely Walter Joyce and Pat<sup>h</sup> M Lynch Esqs in attendance

Thos. J. Neede  
Registrar

Board Room. Quarterly Meeting October  
November 3<sup>o</sup> 1845.

Present William Kelly Esq. in the Chair  
The Reverend John D'Arcy P. M. Lynch  
and Walter Joyce Esq. - Mr Joyce left  
before the other Governors attended.

Resolved that we Contract with John Reilly  
to sweep the County Infirmary Chimney  
and also the Chimneys of the Surgeons House  
for thirty shillings a year.

The Registrar produced several bills for  
provisions and necessaries supplied to the  
Infirmary, amounting in the whole to the  
sum of £215-9-3 - and the bills being found  
Correct, it was ordered that checks for that  
amount be drawn on the Treasurer. -

It being represented to us ~~by the Registrar~~  
by the Registrar that over Five Hundred Pounds  
was expended in the Infirmary up to the 5<sup>th</sup>  
of October last, and that the balance in  
the Treasurers hands would not be suffi-  
cient to maintain the Institution to the 5<sup>th</sup>  
of January next. Resolved that the number  
of patients in the Infirmary be reduced to  
an average of twenty ~~per~~ per day and that  
no more than three Nurses be kept in the Hospital

Wm Kelly  
Registrar

Wm Kelly  
Chairman

Board Room. February. 2. 1846

I sent out Circulars by Post to each Governor  
and Governors of the Infirmary calling a Quarterly  
meeting for this day but only Pat<sup>r</sup> M Lynch  
and Walter Joyce Esq. attended

Wm Kelly  
Registrar

Board Room. March 18. 1846.

I sent Circulars by Post on the 11<sup>th</sup> Inst. to each  
of the Governors of the Infirmary calling a  
meeting for this day to take into consideration  
the Medical Charities bills and also to dispose  
of other business connected with this Institution  
but only Pat<sup>r</sup> M Lynch Esq attended. -

Wm Kelly  
Registrar



Meeting of the Board  
March, 21<sup>st</sup> 1846.

Present. In the Chair

- Thomas B. Martin Esq.
- Sir Michl. Dillon Beller
- William Kelly.
- Patrick M Lynch.
- Christopher St. George

The County Surveyor attended with  
the ~~new~~ tenders for Repairing the Infirmary  
and it was first resolved that three  
Water Closets be erected, ~~in the~~ two  
on the male side and one on the female  
side the expenses not to exceed fifty pounds

The Registrar was ordered to advertise  
again for tenders for the Water Closets as  
the original plan has been changed.

Resolved that the tender of Mr.  
Belton for painting and white washing  
and glazing the entire Hospital according  
to the plan and specification of the County  
surveyor be accepted at £

Resolved that the tender of Daniel  
~~Belton~~ Murray, be received for the general  
repairs of the Hospital, except as to the  
Water Closets, painting, <sup>glazing</sup> and white washing which  
are contracted for by Mr. Belton and Mr.  
Murray. Resolved that it be referred to the Treasurer & Mr.  
Kelly Esq to examine & pass the accounts

Michl. Dillon  
Wm Kelly  
Chas. St. George

Went out circulars to all the Governors  
calling a meeting for this day but only  
Patrick M Lynch Esq. attended

May 2<sup>nd</sup> 1846.

<sup>Wm Kelly for and on account of the year 1845.</sup>  
The Registrar this day produced Bills to the  
amount of one Hundred and ninety one  
pounds two shillings and eleven pence  
which having been examined & found correct  
checks were drawn for payment in favour  
of the different parties

Wm Kelly  
Chas. St. George

Same Day

The Registrar also produced on this day various  
Bills for Provisions, necessaries & Fares  
5<sup>th</sup> January 1846 up to 5 April last  
amounting to the sum of one hundred  
and sixty nine pounds sixteen shillings  
and four pence and same having been  
examined and found correct checks were  
drawn in favour of the different parties  
for Payment

Wm Kelly  
Chas. St. George

Board Room. August 24. 1846.

I sent out Circulars calling a Quarterly Meeting for this day for the purpose of receiving the ~~Resolution~~ Resignation of ~~Dr. Martin~~ The Treasurer and passing the accounts. The only Governors who attended were The Treasurer Robert Martin, and Walter Joyce Esq. The Treasurer resigned his office of Treasurer which was accepted of by Robert Martin Esq of Prop until the next Apizes.

The Surgeon called the attention of the Governors present to the allowance of Fuel for the House which appears to him to be extravagant. He also stated that it would be advisable to have an Insurance effected upon the Surgeons House & to have the Infirmary lighted with Gas as recommended by ~~the Board~~ him & sanctioned by the Board on a former occasion.

September 10. 1846.

Present - In the Chair Wm Kelly Esq.  
Patrick M Lynch & Walter Joyce Esqs.

The Registrar submitted various Bills from Contractors and others for Repairing the Infirmary & for Provision and necessaries supplied to the Institution amounting in the whole to the sum of Three Hundred and Ninety six pounds nine shillings and eight pence - and the bills being examined and found correct - checks were drawn on the Treasurer in favour of the different parties to that amount - ~~W. Kelly~~

P. M. Lynch  
W. Joyce

Board Room November 2. 1846.

Present Patrick M Lynch Esq in the Chair  
Walter Joyce & William Kelly Esqes.

Tenders for Provisions being opened the following persons are hereby declared Contractors for the following articles

Richard Francis New Milk at 6<sup>d</sup> per Galn &  
Butter milk at 4<sup>d</sup> per Gallon for 6 months.  
Patrick ~~Brown~~ John Walsh for best Beef &  
and Mutton without bone for 12 months at 4<sup>d</sup> per lb.  
Mrs Catherine Flatley for Dipt Candles 6:5<sup>d</sup> and  
for Brown Soup 4<sup>d</sup> per stone for 12 months.

The Registrar produced various Bills for provisions and necessaries supplied to the Infirmary amounting in the whole to £144:17:11 and same having been examined and found correct. Checks were drawn in favour of the different parties for payment.

Mr Broughal applied for leave of absence to go to Dublin in order to procure his Certificate as an Apothecary - and the Surgeon having been consulted by the Board upon the matter and he having acquiesced in the application Mr Broughal's request was granted.

D. M. Lynch  
Chairman

Meeting of Governors of the County of  
Galway Infirmary

March 26. 1847.

Governors present -

John O'Hara Esq.  
The Right Honble Lord Wallscourt  
James Sturton Lambert.  
Robert Martin and  
Walter Joyce Esqes.

Mr Robert Martin represented to the Board that Mr Lynch late Treasurer having resigned his office and that no person being willing to take it - he had undertaken & discharged the duties of the office up to this day but that he was now anxious that an other person should be appointed Treasurer. The Governors requested that Mr Martin would accept of the office of Treasurer.

Resolved therefore that Robert Martin Esq. be and he is hereby appointed Treasurer of the County of Galway Infirmary he having consented to act.

John Walsh meat Contractor and Richard Francis Milk Contractor applied to the Board to give an increase of price for meat & milk. The Governors having considered their applications deemed it most prudent to make no order at present upon them but to postpone their decision until the contracts shall have expired.

The Board having taken into consideration the subject of supplying the Surgeon's House with Fuel and light Resolved that a sum of twenty pounds per annum be given to the Surgeon for the purpose of providing same in lieu of coals and candles <sup>lamps</sup> supplied by the Infirmary for that purpose.

The Registrar produced various bills for provisions and necessaries provided for the Infirmary amounting in the whole to the sum of two Hundred and ten Pounds fifteen shillings and eight pence and same having been examined & found correct, checks were signed in favour of the different parties for payment.

Thos Reed  
Registrar

John Thorne  
Chairman

Meeting of Governors July 27. 1847.

Present, in the Chair

Patrick M Lynch Esq.

Other Governors.

Robert Martin and Walter Joyce Esqs.

The Registrar submitted to the Board the Bills for Provisions Necessaries &c for the Quarters ended the 31<sup>st</sup> of March and 30<sup>th</sup> of June last, amounting for the first Quarter to the sum of £167:19:10 and for the latter to £200:3:7 both sums amounting to £368:3:5, and same having been examined and found correct were ordered to be paid.

The attention of the Board being called to the great saving likely to be effected by keeping on a supply of turf Resolved that Fifty Bouts of turf be laid in at the lowest rate and best quality.

The Governors direct that all Medicines be procured from Dublin and not purchased from Apothecaries in Galway unless in cases that cannot be avoided.

The Registrar applied to the Board for an order to reimburse him in the sum of one Pound being the amount for which a check was under draught in favour of John Belton on the 10<sup>th</sup> Sept 1846 N<sup>o</sup> 32, and which he paid to Mr. Belton. — Resolved that a cheque be drawn in Mr. Reed's favour for one Pound.

Tenders

Tenders being opened for supplying the Infirmary with Provisions, & the Governors conceiving the sums demanded to be too high postponed the consideration of them

C. M. Lynch Chairman  
W. H. Martin

Board Room January 29<sup>th</sup> 1848.

The Registrar laid before the Board Bills for the quarter ended 30<sup>th</sup> September 1847 amounting to one hundred and seventy five pounds seven shillings and six pence, and for the quarter ended 5<sup>th</sup> January 1848 amounting to two hundred and thirteen pounds sixteen shillings and eight pence both sums amounting to making £389:5:2

The Board examined the accounts & bills  
said.

laid before them and finding them correct ordered cheques to be drawn on the Treasury to pay the several parties to whom the money was due.

The Registrar submitted an abstract of the Account of the Infirmary for the year ended 5<sup>th</sup> January 1848 by which it appeared that at the commencement of the year 1847 the disbursement was in debt to the amt. of £133:11:2. The expenditure for the year ending 5<sup>th</sup> Jan'y 1848 was £757:8:7

both sums making £890:19:9  
Receipts for the year — 665 19:3  
Debt due by diff. at Jan 1848. £ 225 - - :6

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Articles to be advertised for as referred to  
on the opposite margin.

Blankets	—	fifty pairs
Sheets	—	one Hundred pairs
Rugs		one Hundred
Pillcases		Fifty
Bolsters	—	Fifty
Trivells	—	Twelve.
Rollers.	—	

County of Sulway Informary April 9<sup>th</sup> 1859.

Governors present. J. H. K. Chairman  
Anthony O'Flaherty Esq.

Mr. Roberts C.E. having attended at the request  
of the Governors he was <sup>directed</sup> requested to inspect the  
Informary and to furnish the Board with plans  
estimates and specifications for such works  
as he may consider necessary to place the  
Institution in such a state of repair as would  
meet the wishes of the Grand Jury and the  
requirements of the Establishment; and the Governors  
assembled this day beg to express their concurrence  
with the views <sup>stated</sup> expressed in the Report of the Committee  
of the Grand Jury at the last Assizes.

It appearing that the following articles  
as named on the opposite page <sup>are</sup> necessary for the immediate use of the Hospital  
it is ordered that same be advertised for and  
that the Registrar shall convene a meeting of the  
Governors to decide upon contracts and to receive  
Mr Roberts Report when the same shall <sup>have been</sup> furnished.

Bills for the past Quarter were submitted  
Examined and paid to the amount of One  
Hundred and fifty four Pounds nine Shillings  
and five Pence for which Cheques were drawn  
upon Robert Martin Esq.

Oliver H. H. Esq.  
A. O'Flaherty



County Informary June 30<sup>th</sup> 1859.

The Registrar reported that on the 29<sup>th</sup> Inst he received a communication from David A Roberts Esq. C. E. stating that the works necessary to put the Informary in a proper state of order would cost £555: 0-0 and that on receipt of same he noticed the following Governors to attend at three o'clock on this day at a Committee Meeting in order to make the necessary application at the Special Sessions on the 1<sup>st</sup> July viz P. M. Lynch, Pierce Joyce, Davis, Kirwan & Wm. M. Dupe L. who attended accordingly except Mr. Joyce.

It was resolved that an Application should be made to the Special Sessions for £400 to be raised by two instalments of £200 each to carry out the above works.

It was also Resolved for the ordinary Presentment be applied for £389 for the support of the Informary for six months from the 5<sup>th</sup> January 1860 to the 5<sup>th</sup> July following.

Mr Roberts attended the meeting and entered into a full explanation of the

state of the Informary - He was of opinion that the works could best be carried out next Spring.

Oliver P. Lynch  
Chairman  
P. M. Lynch  
Wm. M. Dupe L.

Board Room July 19<sup>th</sup> 1859.

Quarterly Meeting:

Governors in Attendance.

P. M. Lynch Esq. Chairman

Wm. M. Dupe L.

The Registrar reported that the Application for £589 had been passed by the Special Sessions subject to the approval of the Grand. and that that sum included £200 towards the repairs of the Informary - the ordinary Presentment being £389. and that a second moiety of £200 was to be applied for at the Special Sessions preparatory to Spring of 1860. - Dr. Vestch reported his House to be out of Repair, and that a new Gate was required at the entrance to the Mills on the last Quarter amounting to £221: 11: 7 having been examined and found correct Cheques for that amount were drawn upon the Treasurer, except as regard Dr. Vestch's Salary amt. £44: 10: 11 already paid to him by Govt but included in the above amount to balance the accounts.

P. M. Lynch  
Chairman

Meeting of Governors. August 6<sup>th</sup> 1859.

Jabuck M Lynch Esq. Chairman

Other Governors

Dennis Kirwan Esq.

Pierce Joyce Esq.

Thomas M Drape

Christopher M Drape

The Minutes of the last meeting having been read.

Resolved that Mr Roberts be requested to furnish the his specification of the works to be executed and that upon its receipt by the Registrar he is to cause hand bills and placards to be distributed through the town inviting tenders from Contractors and that such tenders be considered at a meeting of the governors to be specially convened on the 20<sup>th</sup> instant.

Read a letter from Robert Martin Esq. Treasurer Resigning his Office. Resolved that his resignation be accepted and that the marked thanks of the governors be tendered to Mr Martin for his anxious attention to the affairs of the Infirmary for the number of years he has held the office of Treasurer to

to the Institution.

Resolved that Denis Kirwan Esq. be and he is hereby appointed Treasurer to this Infirmary in room of Robert Martin Esq. resigned.

Resolved that Mr Martin be informed in reply to his letter that Denis Kirwan Esq. our present Treasurer will take up the balance now in Mr Martin's hands belonging to the Infirmary.

Mr Kirwan handed in the grand Survey Presentment Cheque Amount £389 - papered at the last Summer Assizes which was endorsed by the governors and handed over to Mr Kirwan

Resolved that for the future all moneys belonging to the Infirmary be lodged in the Bank of Ireland to the credit of our Treasurer and that all payments be made by Cheques drawn upon the Treasurer and signed by the Chairman and two Governors of the Infirmary and Countersigned by the Registrar

The Registrar reported that he had advertised for Tenders for bedding as directed at a former meeting - The only tender sent in was from Messrs Joseph Roche & Co.

The Surgeon Dr. Veitch attended and referring to the Report of the Grand Jury stated that in consequence of ill health he has been <sup>much</sup> absent from the Infirmary for a considerable time

Reference to an affidavit of James Duffin sworn before me this 9<sup>th</sup> day of Nov. 1858

J. Duffin

Robert Martin Esq. Treasurer

for the last year or 18 months. but that for the future he would give constant attendance and that he would not absent himself under any circumstances for any length of time

Resolved that P. M. Lynch <sup>Esq.</sup>, Pierce Joyce <sup>Esq.</sup>, Denis Kirwan, Christopher St. George & Thomas M. Deane <sup>Esq.</sup> do form a Committee and that they be empowered to do all acts & things on behalf of the Informing and that three of them do form a Quorum.

The Tender of Messrs Joseph Roche was having been duly considered, it was accepted for the following articles at the prices set opposite same.

50 Pairs Superfine Blankets - 6 <sup>lb</sup> - 14 <sup>oz</sup> each weight	
each pair at _____	£ 14. 6
100 Pairs knitted Cotton Sheets at per pair	" 6
100 Counterpane Quips hemmed at	" 3. 6 each
50 Pallcup Covers made of best linen ticks	" 7. 6 do
50 Bolster covers made of do do	" 1. 6 do
36 Towels	" 6 do
24 Linen Rollers 2 1/2 yard long each.	1-4 do

P. M. Lynch

Board Room September 5<sup>th</sup> 1859.

The Managing Committee was summoned to meet on this day at 2 o'clock to receive Tenders for Repairs of the Informing - Denis Kirwan and Pierce Joyce Esq. were the only persons who attended and there being but one Tender sent in, the consideration of the matter was adjourned to Saturday the 8<sup>th</sup> October next at one o'clock P.M. - The adjournment for the work to be continued, but altered to the above date.

Thos. M. Deane

Board Room County of Galway Infirmary  
October 8<sup>th</sup> 1859.

Governors Present

In the Chair P. M. Lynch Esq.

Other Governors. Pierce Joyce Esq.  
Dennis Kivonan Esq.  
Thos M. Perpe Esq.

Tenders for Repairs of the Infirmary  
in accordance with the Plans and Specification  
of Samuel W. Roberts Esq. having been read  
from four <sup>parties</sup> ~~persons~~, that of John Skingle Esq.  
and Pat<sup>r</sup> Nugent. for five hundred and seventy  
four pounds Sterling was accepted. The works  
to be executed under the directions of Samuel  
W. Roberts Esq. and payments to be made  
upon his certificate only, but no greater sum <sup>or sums</sup> in the  
whole than three hundred pounds is to be  
paid between this and the next Appizes.

Dr. Veitch reported that his House required  
repairs, and it was thereupon Resolved that Mr.  
Roberts be requested to inspect it and report the  
result of such inspection by the next Appizes.

Tenders.

To the Governors of the Infirmary

Gentlemen

I Master Malley of Abbey Gate Street  
Galway do hereby propose to supply you at the  
price herein stated with Turf Milk and Straw  
and will deliver them at the County of Galway Infirmary  
for Eleven Months from the 1<sup>st</sup> day of November  
1859 to the 1 day of September 1860 -

Turf <sup>at</sup> 10% per statute Box  
Sweet Milk do 5% per Gallon  
Straw 2-2% per cut

Should you accept the above proposals I engage to  
give as my sureties Michael Fallon of Two Mill ditch  
Mr. Catherine Flattery of Castle Galway  
for the due performance of the several matters and  
things contained in this Tender

Gentlemen

I have the honour to  
be your obt. servant  
Master Malley

Dated this 8<sup>th</sup> day of October 1859

Board Room County of Galway Infirmary  
October 8<sup>th</sup> 1859.

Governors Present

In the Chair P. M. Lynch Esq.

Other Governors. Pierce Joyce Esq.  
Denis Kivonan Esq.  
Thos M. Perpe Esq.

Tenders for Repairs of the Infirmary  
in accordance with the Plans and Specification  
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and Pat<sup>o</sup> Nugent. for five hundred and seventy  
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to be executed under the directions of Saml.  
W. Roberts Esq and payments to be made  
upon his certificate only, but no greater <sup>or more</sup> sum in the  
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paid between this and the next Assizes.

Dr. Veitch reported that his House required  
repairs, and it was thereupon Resolved that Mr.  
Roberts be requested to inspect it and report the  
result of such inspection by the next Assizes.

Tenders.

Tenders for the supply of provisions and  
necessaries for the use of the Hospital for eleven  
months from the 1<sup>st</sup> November next having  
been opened the following persons were  
declared contractors for the articles named.

Viz:

John Odier for Bread per 4 lb loaf	5 5/2
John Morris Milk per Gallon	5
Same Soap per Stone	3:4
Same Candles per Do	7:6
John O'Flynn Meat per lb	4
P. McDermott Oatmeal per Ton	£ 11:14 - "
Same Coals per do	18 -
Meas <sup>r</sup> Sullivan & Co Tea per lb	3-2
" " Sugar per Stone	5:3
" " Port and Sherry wine per bottle	2-6
" Arrow root per lb	1 :
" Mountain Bellalloy Straw per Cart	2-2
" " Turf	- 10 1/2

The Registrar laid before the Board Bills  
for the Quarter ended 30<sup>th</sup> Sept<sup>r</sup> amounting in the  
whole to the sum of £ which having been  
examined and found correct, Checks for  
payment in favour of the various parties  
were drawn upon the Bank of Ireland, where  
our Treasurer has opened his account in the

same

of the Governors of the County of Jersey Informing

The Surgeon - Dr. Vetch - read his Report of which the following is a Copy.

I have to report that since the last Meeting of the Governors my attention has been directed to some matters concerning the better Management of the Infirmary and first with regard to the Nurses. I would recommend that there be two Nurses able to read and write at fair wages say ten pounds per year with Rations Coal and Candle. That there should be two Ward Maids to do the washing and clearing of the House & assist in setting up at night when required say the present wages four pounds and Rations &c; that there should be a Laundry Maid at similar wages to be assisted by the Ward Maid & that there should be a proper Laundry erected with airing presses; that there should be a good Cook say at six pounds per Annum with Rations; that there be a box or large Chair placed in the Hall that the Hospital Sergeant should sit there during the day except when required in the wards to answer all enquiries & that there be a fire kept in the Hall during the winter - The Gate Porter consider his wages too small. I would

Recommend

I would recommend him to have twenty Pounds per Annum or eight Pounds and Rations with coal and candle as the rest of the Servants I would recommend that all the Officers of the Infirmary should visit before twelve o'clock at noon and that the Registrar should send the Surgeon word on his arrival in order that if he has any communication relative to the Infirmary or for the Governors may have an opportunity of doing so. I would recommend that there be a shed erected with a moveable Riddle where the Coal ashes would be sifted daily and thereby cause a great saving in Coal.

It was resolved by the Board that for the present the Nurse and Cook only should be appointed in addition to the present staff & that the Gate Porter should receive £20 per Annum with Rations the head Nurse at a Salary of Ten Pounds a year and the Cook at six with Rations to each of them.

The Registrar stated he would attend on Monday and Thursday between 10 & 11 o'clock a.m. and communicate with Dr. Vetch

D. M. Sykes

Board Room. Worcester 29<sup>th</sup> 1859.

P. M. Lynch Esq. in the Chair.

Other Governors.

~~John Lynch~~

Pierce Joyce Esq.

The Registrar Reported that he advertised for a Head Nurse and Cook in pursuance of the directions of the Board. There

There was no tender for the office of Head Nurse, but tenders were sent in by Mrs. Hughes and Mary Lynskey for that of Cook.

Resolved that Mary Lynskey be appointed Cook at £6 a year with Rations.

Resolved that Mr. Roberts be written to by the Registrar to know if two water closets could be erected on the ground floor at an expense not exceeding five pounds. If it should exceed that amount Mr. Roberts will please please say what one closet would cost.

Resolved that a Nurse and Wardsmaid be admitted for, the former at ten pounds and the latter at five at with Rations - the Board to meet for the above purpose at 2 o'clock P.M. on Tuesday the 13<sup>th</sup> December next.

Resolved that the publication of the weekly State of the Hospital in the Worcester be discontinued from this date.

Board Room. December 13. 1859.

Meeting of Governors.

In the Chair

P. M. Lynch Esq.

Other Governors:

Anthony O'Flaherty &

Thomas M. Perpe Esq.

No Application was received for the situation of a Nurse who could read and write. Resolved that Dr. Veitch be requested to procure a suitable person at the wages allowed say ten pounds a year with Rations. It was also resolved that and to Report same at the next Meeting of the Board for Approval.

Resolved that at the next <sup>Quarterly</sup> Meeting of the Board an additional Wardsmaid be appointed at five pounds a year with Rations.

Resolved that the other Wardsmaid of the Infirmary be allowed five pounds a year to commence from the 5<sup>th</sup> January next.

Mr Roberts report as to the Cost of two Extra water closets was read by which it appeared that the Cost of two such closets would be £20 including flooring, doors, windows wall plastering and plumbers work.

Resolved that one closet only be erected for the use of the Female Servants off the West Corridor at ten Pounds.

*P. M. Lynch*  
Chairman

Board Room. January 10<sup>th</sup> 1860.

Governors Present.

In the Chair - P. M. Lynch Esq.

Other Governors.

Pierce Joyce

Anthony O'Flaherty &

Thomas M. Perpe Esq.

The Revd Mr. Deamer applied to the Board for remuneration for his services as Protestant Clergyman in attending patients while confined in Hospitals and the Board having taken the subject into consideration it was Resolved that the matter be postponed to afford time for enquiring

Resolved that Catherine Burke be and she is hereby appointed Nurse to the Hospital at ten pounds a year with Rations

Resolved that Peggy Lydon be appointed Wardsmaid at five pounds a year with Rations.

Resolved that the Board sanction the Residence of a Medical pupil in this Hospital to be selected by the Council of the Queen's College and for that purpose the Board sanction direct that the rooms he occupies be properly made up and furnished.



£48. 8. 6.  
is lodged  
in Bank  
by Dr. Vetch

Doctor Vetch reported to the Board that he has in his hands Forty eight pounds eight Shillings and six pence. received by him for the support of Policemen and others in Hospital and it was ordered by the Board that that amount be lodged in Bank to the credit of the Governors of the Infirmary.

£200 to  
Messrs  
Sempole &  
Drigent

A certificate from Mr. Roberts County Surveyor being read to the effect that "Messrs Sempole and Drigent are entitled to payment of a sum of Two Hundred Pounds on account of their contract for works of Repair at the County Infirmary" It was ordered that a cheque for two Hundred Pounds be given to Messrs Sempole and Drigent in pursuance of Mr. Roberts Certificate and the Cheque was accordingly drawn and paid for that amount.

The Revd  
Mr. Deane  
appointed  
Protestant  
Chaplain  
at £5 a year.

£200 to  
Messrs  
Sempole & Drigent  
making in  
all £400 on  
account of  
their contract

General Meeting of Governors convened by Circular and held at the Board Room of the Infirmary on the 10<sup>th</sup> April 1860.

Patrick de Lynde Esq. Chairman.  
Anthony O'Flaherty Esq.  
Thomas de Pape Esq.

The Governors having considered the Application of the Revd John Deane Protestant Clergyman for remuneration for his services in attending Protestant patients in this Infirmary, it was resolved that a sum of five pounds per annum be paid to him from the commencement of the current year.

The Contractors for Repairs Messrs Sempole & Drigent applied for a second instalment of two Hundred Pounds on account of their contract for Repair and work in the Infirmary and the Certificate of Samuel H. Roberts Esq. having been produced in favour of such payment it was resolved that a Cheque for £200 be drawn in favour of said Contractors which was drawn and signed accordingly, the said sum with a further amount paid on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of January last making four Hundred Pounds in all paid on account of the Contract to the present date.

The Registrar Mr. Neill applied to the Board for an increase of salary and produced Returns from other Infirmaries where the Salary paid ranges from thirty pounds to fifty pounds per annum and the Governors having duly considered the matter it was resolved that Mr. Neill's Salary be fixed at thirty pounds a year that being the Registrar's Salary in the adjoining County of Down.

Doctor Veitch laid before the Governors a letter from Michael Flynn the Hospital Sergeant praying for an increase of his Salary in accordance with that granted to the Matrons and other servants and which Application was supported by the written recommendation of Dr. King, Dr. Roberts and Dr. Veitch:

Resolved that the Hospital Sergeant's Salary be increased to fifteen pounds a year with the usual rations

*J. Lynch*  
Chairman

At a meeting of Governors held on the 20<sup>th</sup>  
June 1860

Present:

J. M. Lynch Esq. Chairman.

James Joyce

Anthony O'Flaherty Esq.

The Registrar stated that he had convened the present meeting at the request of Doctor Veitch to determine the date <sup>upon</sup> at which the subscriptions of the present Annual Governors are paid up to and the Act of Parliament having been referred to it was found that every Annual Subscription paid in any year shall be for one year next following from the 24<sup>th</sup> day of June next following the payment of such subscription and therefore the present Annual Subscribers are paid up to the 24<sup>th</sup> day of June 1861 except Miss Digby who is now three years in arrears.

*J. M. Lynch*  
Chairman

Meeting of Governors held the 5<sup>th</sup> day of  
July 1860.

D. M. Lynch Esq. Chairman.

Anthony O'Flaherty +  
Pierce Joyce Esq.

The accounts for the quarter ended 30<sup>th</sup>  
June 1860 having been examined and found  
correct, cheques to the amount of Three Hundred  
and Seventy <sup>seven</sup> pounds thirteen shillings and  
two pence were drawn upon the Bank of  
Ireland for payment of same.

Board Room October 10<sup>th</sup> 1860

P. M. Lynch Esq. Chairman.

Pierce Joyce Esq.

The Registrar submitted the accounts for the  
last quarter amounting to One Hundred  
and Ninety three pounds three shillings  
and seven pence and same having  
been examined and found correct, it  
was ordered that cheques for payment thereof  
be drawn upon the Bank of Ireland which  
was accordingly done.

Tenders for the supply of provisions  
and necessaries were opened for supplying  
the Hospital to the 1<sup>st</sup> October 1861 ~~was~~  
and the <sup>persons named</sup> Contractors at foot were declared  
contractors for that period.

January 16<sup>th</sup> 1861.

J. M. Lynch Esq. Chairman  
 Anthony O'Flaherty Esq.  
 Pierre Joyce Esq.  
 Thomas M. Perpe Esq.

The Registrar submitted the Bils for the Quarter ended 5<sup>th</sup> January instant which upon <sup>being</sup> examined and found correct Cheques for payment of same were drawn & signed upon the Bank of Ireland amounting, in the whole to the sum of £409:10:4 including a sum of £89-1-9 - the Surgeons Salary already paid to him by the Government and for which no Cheque has been drawn.

The proposal of John Byrne Plumber to keep the Plumbers work of the Hospital - the Pump & water works in repair for five Pounds for ~~one~~ year was accepted. -

Mr. Mooney, Matron applied to the Board for an increase of Salary. - the Governors directed the Registrar to inform the Matron that her case would be considered at the next meeting of the Board when

The Salary of the Revd. Pat<sup>r</sup> Kearney Roman Catholic Chaplain, was on his application, increased from twenty to thirty Pounds a year. -

J. M. Lynch  
 Chairman

April 17. 1861. Quarterly Meeting

Patrick M. Lynch Esq. Chairman  
 Thomas M. Perpe Esq.  
 Henry Comerford Esq.  
 Captain Wale R.N.

A letter from Mrs. Mooney Matron was read applying for an increase of Salary and the subject having been considered by the Board it was ordered that Mrs. Mooney's Salary be increased to twenty five Pounds a year with the usual Rations -

The New Clergyman Protestant Chaplain also applied for an increase of his Salary and it was ordered that the same be fixed at ten Pounds a year for the future. -

The Bils of the Quarter amounting to £249-12:7 were examined and having been found correct, Cheques for Payment of same were drawn upon the Bank of Ireland and duly signed.

Catherine Burke, Nurse, applied to the Board for an increase of her wages, was fixed at ten Pounds a year with Rations and upon consideration of the subject it was ordered that twelve Pounds a year be paid her in future with Rations

J. M. Lynch  
 Chairman

January 22. 1862.

P de Lynch E. in the Chair.

Pierce Joyce E.

The subject of Pumping water for the use of the water closets and the House generally having been taken into consideration. It was ordered that no more than ten pounds per annum be allowed for this purpose and William Glynn having undertaken to do the work for that sum he was declared Contractor at that amount to commence from the ~~beginning~~ commencement of the present Account.

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Committee Meeting, held on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of  
March 1862.

Members Present: P. M. Lynch Esq in the Chair  
 Jesse Joyce                                  James Browne Esq.  
 Denis Keenan                                Thomas M. Peafe Esq  
 Anthony O'Flaherty  
 John Shalford Keenan.  
 Edward Browne

The Registrar read a letter which was  
 handed to him by Doctor Vetch on the  
 13<sup>th</sup> Instant addressed to the Governors  
 of this Infirmary and signed by Doctor  
 Vetch resigning his Office of Surgeon  
 to the Infirmary on account of ill health  
 and inability in consequence thereof to  
 discharge the duties any longer.

Resolved that Doctor Vetch's resignation  
 of his Office be accepted, and until a successor to  
 Dr. Vetch be appointed that Doctor James  
 Browne be appointed to act as Surgeon  
 to the Infirmary.

Resolved that legal notice  
 be given to the Governors to meet on  
 the 12<sup>th</sup> day of April next at two  
 o'clock P. M. at the Board Room  
 of the Infirmary to elect a Surgeon

in

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in favor of Doctor Vetch

J. M. Lynch  
 Chairman

Meeting of Governors of the County of Galway  
 Informary held pursuant to public notice  
 in the Dublin Evening Post and Dublin Evening  
 Mail newspapers of the 18<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> March  
 last, for holding an Election on this 12<sup>th</sup> day of  
 April 1862. to Elect a Surgeon to this Informary  
 in room of Dr. Andrew Weitch Surgeon who has  
 Resigned -

Governors Present.

Robert Martin Esq. Chairman.

Pierce Joyce Esq.

Denis Kerwan Esq.

Anthony O'Flaherty Esq.

Thomas de Pierce Esq.

James Beane Esq.

Edward Beane Esq.

Wm Stratford Kerwan Esq.

George Robinson Esq.

The Resignation of Dr. Weitch having been  
 read.

Proposed by P. de Lynch Esq.

Second Denis Kerwan Esq. +

Resolved Unanimously that James P. Beane  
 Esq. M. D. Surgeon be appointed Surgeon  
 to the County of Galway Informary.

Dr. Beane produced Letters Testimonial from  
 the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland to Practice  
 as Surgeon as also other Diplomas of M. D. Certificate

of the Army Medical Board, and Certificate  
 of the Army of Dublin being as Hospital.

Robt Martin  
 Chairman



Committee Meeting of Governors held on the  
7<sup>th</sup> June 1862 to Consider Tenders for the  
Repairs of the Surgeons House.

Pierce Joyce Esq. In the Chair

Anthony O'Flaherty Esq.

Thomas M. Purpe Esq.

The tenders of Wm. F. Brady and  
John Scumple being opened and read  
the first at £110 — and the latter at  
£146 —

Resolved that Mr. Brady's tender  
be accepted he giving security or executing  
a Contract deed. *Wm. Joyce Esq.*

I have employed Mr. Stucco as Mr. Jones  
to do the duties of Apothecary since  
the death of Mr. Braccelli.

*J. M. Esq.*

Quarterly Meeting October 30<sup>th</sup> 1863.

P. M. Lynch Esq. Chairman

Wm. Comerford Esq.

Resolved that the tender submitted by the  
Gas Company for putting up all necessary  
Gas fittings in the Infirmary and Surgeons  
House for lighting same with gas. For thirty  
Pounds be accepted. No extra charges to  
be allowed.

Resolved that Mr. Stucco be continued  
to act as Apothecary until an appointment  
of a permanent nature be made by the Board. —

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Quarterly Meeting held 27 January 1863.

P. M. Lynch Esq. In the Chair

Isaac Comberford Esq.

Read a letter from Mrs Broughall  
widow to the late Mr. Patrick J. Broughall  
Apothecary claiming compensation for fuel  
light and furnished apartments which were  
promised to him on his appointment to  
his situation in addition to his salary in  
1843 but which were never given him. —

Ordered that the consideration of the  
subject matter of Mrs Broughall's letter  
be postponed to the next meeting of the Board

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Quarterly Meeting of Governors held in the Board Room  
on the 16th day of April 1863.

Present in the Chair

P. M. Lynch Esq.

Other Governors

Anthony O'Flaherty Esq.

Isaac Comberford Esq.

The letter of Mrs Broughall widow to Mr Broughall  
late Apothecary having been read & considered  
It was resolved to recommend a sum of one Hundred  
Pounds to be allowed to Mrs Broughall as compensation  
in lieu of fuel candlelight and furnished apartments  
for nineteen years during which her late husband  
held the office of Apothecary to the County of Galway &  
Infirmaries and that a sum of twenty pounds be now  
paid on account of said one Hundred Pounds. —

July 27<sup>th</sup> 1863.

Pierce Joyce Esq.  
Thomas M. Wolfe Esq.  
Isaac Comford Esq.

The bills for the Quarter accounting to £171. 3. 8  
having been examined & found correct  
according to an per Detail in Board Book  
Cheques for payment were duly signed

~~to the widow of the late Mr. Broughall~~  
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~~to the widow of the late Mr. Broughall~~

The above includes £20 to Mrs Broughall.

Sept 4<sup>th</sup> 1865  
Sept 4<sup>th</sup> 1865 It appearing that a small stone  
room is necessary to be built as an  
addition to the Dispensary House it is  
ordered that the same be built according  
to the plan & specification from J. W. Roberts Esq  
and it further appearing that the tender  
of Austin Sample for executing said work is  
very moderate and reasonable we agree  
to accept the same and that the work  
be carried out as convenient.

July 27<sup>th</sup> 1863.

Pierce Joyce Esq.  
Thomas M. Wolfe Esq.  
Isaac Comford Esq.

The Board Audited the Quarter accounts  
amt. £171. 3. 8 for Board Book & ordered  
same to be paid

October 1<sup>st</sup> 1863.

P. M. Lynch Esq.  
Pierce Joyce Esq.

The Board Examined the Quarterly accounts  
amounting to £318. 17. 11 including £43. 6. 10 Balance  
of works <sup>and the ready</sup> by Isaac W. Roberts Esq. and £30 to  
the widow of the late Apothecary Mr Broughall and  
ordered same to be paid

8<sup>th</sup> January 1864

Per Mr. Smith & Pice Esqrs

The Quarterly Accounts having been examined amounting to £282.0.8 as per detail in Board Book & same having been examined and found correct Cheques for payments were ordered and signed

8<sup>th</sup> June 1864

Present: Dr the Chair Wm W. Lippock Esq

Other Governors

Dem. Rowan

Mr. Wood & Mr. Dray

The Register submitted to the Board Bills amounting to £311.13.8 Three Hundred and Eleven Pounds Thirteen Shillings and two pence and same having been examined and found correct Cheques in favour of the parties to whom the money was due were signed and ordered to be delivered to them but a cheque for £67 in favour of Anton Simple is not to be given herein until the ~~works~~ Mr Roberts certifies the Account to be correct and the works fully & properly executed

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It is ordered that a Chaplains Book be provided and that the Chaplains be requested to record their names therein at each visit

The Rev. Mr. Darcy stated that being by the Dissolution of the of the Wardenship's Incumbent of this Parish, he alone is responsible for the discharge of the duties to the Sick of his Communion in the Infirmary and he therefore requested that the Governors would recognize him ~~alone~~ as Chaplain the Hospital being in his Parish

The Board consisting of but three members of which Mr Darcy was one did not consider it advisable to act upon Mr Darcy's Application today but directed the Registrar to convene a special meeting of the Governors for Thursday the 12<sup>th</sup> Instant at 2 O'clock P.M. to take the subject into consideration

Board Room April 12<sup>th</sup> 1866

5. April 1864

Thos. M. Perce

Isaac Comford

J. W. Lynch - Esq.

Bills submitted to the Board examined and passed, amounting in the whole to £344. 2. 7. for which cheques were signed and paid to the parties, per Board Book

15. July 1864

Perce Joyce Esq.

Isaac Comford Esq.

Thomas M. Perce Esq.

Bills submitted to the Board examined and passed, amounting in the whole to £226. 0. 11. for which cheques were signed.

5 October 1864

Isaac Comford  
Thomas M. Hesse Esq

Bills submitted to the Board examined  
and passed amounting to £155 8. 2<sup>d</sup>  
for which cheques were duly signed in  
favor of the parties

17 January 1865

Pierce Joyce Esq  
John Darcy  
Isaac Comford  
T. M. Hesse Esq

Bills submitted to the Board examined  
and passed amounting to £346. 9. 1  
for which cheques were signed in favor of  
the parties. per detailed Account in Board  
Book

6<sup>th</sup> April 1865

George Robinson

Isaac Comford

John Darcy Esq

Bill submitted to the Board, Examined  
and passed amounting to £282.9.2 for  
which Cheques were signed in favor of the  
parties as per detail in Board Book

4<sup>th</sup> July 1865

Isaac Comford

John Darcy Esq

Bill submitted to the Board, Examined  
and passed amounting to £223.1.11 for  
which Cheques were signed in favor of  
parties as per detail in Board Book



5 October 1865

Thos M Perse

John Darcy

Isaac Comford Esq

Bills submitted to the Board, Examined  
and passed amounting to £305.16.9  
for which Cheques were signed in favor  
of the parties as per detail in Bond Book.

9 January 1866

Thos M Perse

Isaac Comford

John Darcy Esq

Bills submitted to the Board, Examined  
and passed, amounting to £291.6.9 for  
which Cheques were signed in favor of the  
parties as per detail in Bond Book

5 April 1866

John W Lynch

Denis Howan Esq

Bills submitted to Board. Examined  
and passed. Amounting to £311. 13. 2 for which  
Cheques were signed in favor of parties as  
per detail in Board Book

5 July 1866

John Denny

Isaac Cornford

J M Perce Esq.

Bills submitted to the Board Examined and  
passed. Amounting to £262. 18. 9 for which  
Cheques were signed as per detail in Board  
Book

5<sup>th</sup> October 1866

Denis Kewan  
Isaac Comford Esq

Bills submitted to the Board. Examined  
and passed to the amount £252.7.11. for  
which Cheques were signed in favor of the  
parties as per detail in Board Book.

11 January 1867.

Thomas M. Perce  
Isaac Comford  
Denis Kewan Esq

Bills submitted to the Board. Examined  
and passed to the amount of £319.0.9. for  
which Cheques were signed in favor of the parties  
as per detail in Board Book.

5 April 1867,

Deus Kivan  
John Dancy  
Isaac Comford  
Thos M. Pease Esq.

Bills submitted to the Board, Examined  
and passed to the amount of £282.0.10, for  
which Cheques were signed in favor of the  
parties as per detail in Board Book.

9 July 1867

Clara Joyce  
John Dancy  
Isaac Comford  
John W. Lynch Esq.

Bills submitted to the Board, Examined  
and passed to the amount of £250.2.0 for  
which cheques were signed in favor of the  
parties as per detail in Board Book.

12 October 1867

Pence Joyce  
J. M. Pense  
Denis Knowan  
J. W. Lynch Esq

Bills submitted to the Board. Examined and passed to the amount £66.2.11 for which Bills cheques were signed in favor of the parties as per detail in Board Book.

4 January 1868

Pence Joyce  
Denis Knowan  
John Denny  
James Conroy Esq

Bills submitted to the Board. Examined and passed to the amount of £210.7.11. for which Cheques were signed in favor of the parties as per detail in Board Book.

4 April 1868

Dennis Kinnear  
Dennis Joyce  
John Darcy  
John W Lynch Esq

Bills submitted to the Board. Examined  
and passed to the amount of £264.5.9  
for which Cheques were signed in favor of  
the parties as per detail in Board Book

11 July 1868

Henry Joyce  
Dennis Kinnear  
John Darcy Esq

Bills submitted to the Board. Examined  
and passed to the amount of £216.4.3. for which  
Cheques were signed in favor of the parties  
as per detail in Board Book.

17 October 1868

John Dany  
Thomas M. Pease, Esq

Bills submitted to the Board Examined  
and passed to the Amount of \$292.03  
for which Cheques were signed in favor of  
the parties as per detail in Board Book —

8 January 1869

Peru Lyne  
T. M. Pease  
John Dany Esq

Bills submitted to the Board Examined  
and passed to the amount of \$202.11.6 for  
which Cheques were signed in favor of the  
parties as per detail in Board Book —

3 April 1869

Percy Joyce Esq

Bills submitted to the Board, examined  
and passed to the amount of £212. 7. 4. for  
which Cheques were signed in favor of the  
parties as per detail in Board Book

3 July 1869

Percy Joyce  
John Dancy Esq.

Bills submitted to the Board, examined  
and passed to the amount of £240. 11. 7. for  
which Cheques were signed in favor of the parties  
as per detail in Board Book



16 October 1869

Percy Joyce Esq.

Bills submitted to the Board Examined  
and passed, amounting to £291. 14. 6. for  
which Cheques were signed in favor of the  
parties as per detail in Board Book

12 January 1870

Percy Joyce, Esq.

Bills submitted to the Board, Examined  
and passed to the amount of £237. 10. 3 for which  
Cheques were signed in favor of the parties as  
per detail in Board Book

9 April 1870

Percy Joyce  
T. H. Perse

Bills submitted to the Board Examined  
and passed, to the amount of £221. 10/9 for  
which Cheques were signed in favor of the  
parties as per detail in Board Book

Q<sup>no</sup> July 1870

John Sney Eny

Bills submitted to the Board Examined  
and passed to the amt of £258. 4/11 for  
which Cheques were signed in favor of the  
parties as per detail in Board Book

15 October 1870

Pierce Joyce  
Cap J. O'Hara  
J. M. Perse Esq.

Bill. Submitted to the Board, Examined  
and passed to the amount of £293. 4. 2 for  
which Cheques were signed in favor of  
the parties as per detail in Board Book

5 January 1871

Dennis Kinnam  
J. W. Lynch  
Pierce Joyce Esq.

Bill. submitted to the Board, Examined  
and passed to the amount of £272. 10. 6. for  
which Cheques were signed in favor of the  
parties as per detail in Board Book

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1 April 1871

Thos. M. Perse

John Darcy

Pierre Joyce Esq

Bills Submitted to the Board, Examined  
and passed to the amount of £276. 13. 11  
for which cheques were signed in favor of the  
parties as per detail in Board Book

1 July 1871

Pierre Joyce  
Thomas M. Perse Esq

Bills submitted to the Board. Examined  
and passed to the amount of £220. 8. 9 for which  
cheques were signed in favor of the parties as per  
detail in Board Book

14 October 1871

Cap J O Stara

Pierce Joyce

Thomas M Perse Esq

Bill. submitted to the Board. Examined  
and passed to the amount of £400. 14. 3  
for which Cheques were signed in favor  
of the parties as per detail in Board Book

The above includes £50 for sheeting

£22. 10. 0. for bed ticking

6 January 1872

Pierce Joyce

John Darcy Esq.

Bill. submitted to the Board, Examined  
and passed, Amount to £282. 14. 3 for which  
Cheques were signed in favor of the parties as  
per detail in Board Book

6 April 1872

Thomas M Perce  
John Darcy Esq

Bills submitted to the Board, Examined  
and passed to the amount £286. 0. 5 for  
which Cheques were signed in favor of the  
parties as per detail in Board Book

13 July 1872

Captain J. O'Hara  
Cleric Joyce &  
The Revd J Darcy

Bills Submitted to the Board Examined  
and passed to the amount of £207. 8. 3 for  
which Cheques were signed in favor of the  
parties as per detail in Board Book

12 October 1872

Perece Loyce  
Thomas M. Perse Esq

Bills submitted to the Board Examined  
and passed, amounting to £231. 19. 3 for  
which cheques were signed in favor of  
the parties as per detail in Board Book

11 January 1872

Perece Loyce Esq  
The Keopoo Dairy

Bills submitted to the Board Examined and  
passed to the amount of £404. 5. 2. for which  
cheques were signed in favor of the parties as per  
detail in Board Book.

5 April 1873

Capt J. O'Hara  
J. M. Perse Esq

Bills submitted to the Board Examined  
and passed, to the amount of £217. 18. 11 for  
which cheques were signed in favor of the parties  
as per detail in Board Book.

8 July 1873

A. S. Perse  
Perse Joyce Esq

Bills submitted to the Board Examined  
and passed to the amount of £213. 14. 11 for which  
cheques were signed in favor of the parties as per  
detail in Board Book



1 October 1873

Pure Joyce  
A. S. Perse  
J. M. Perse Esq

Bills submitted to the Board Examined  
and passed, to the amount of £250.9.5 for  
which cheques were signed in favor of the  
parties as per detail in Board Book

6 January 1874

Pure Joyce  
A. S. Perse  
J. M. Perse Esq

Bills submitted to the Board, Examined and  
passed to the amount of £252.1.7 for which cheques  
were signed in favor of the parties as per detail  
in Board Book

4 April 1874

Capt Gostara

H. S. Perse Esq

Pierce Joyce Esq,

Y. M. Perse Esq

Bills submitted to the Board Examined  
and passed to the amount of £261. 15. 8. for which  
Cheques were signed in favor of the parties as per  
detail in Board Book.

4 July 1874

Logg Claymoris

Pierce Joyce

Y. M. Perse Esq

Bills submitted to the Board. Examined  
and passed to the amount of £237. 10. 4. for which  
Cheques were signed in favor of the parties as per  
detail in Board Book.

17 October 1874

Pence Joyce Esq  
Capt. J. O'Hara

Bills submitted to the Board Examined and passed to the amount of £265. 15. 2 for which Cheques were signed in favor of the parties as per detail in Board Book;

6<sup>th</sup> January 1875

Pence Joyce Esq

Bills submitted to the Board Examined and passed, to the amount of £266. 6. 0 for which Cheques were signed in favor of the parties as per detail in Board Book.

3 April 1875

Pure Lye  
A. S. Perse Esq

Bills submitted to the Board, Examined  
and passed to the amount of £284. 11. 8 for which  
cheques were signed in favor of the parties as per  
detail in Board Book.

3 July 1875

Cap Lottara  
A. S. Perse Esq

Bills submitted to the Board Examined  
and passed, to the amount of £234 7. 10 for which  
cheques were signed in favor of the parties as per  
detail in Board Book

18 October 1875

Cap O'Hara

Bill submitted to the Board Examined  
and passed. amtg to £277. 12. 8 for which  
Cheques were signed in favor of the parties  
as per detail in Board Book

5 January 1876

Pierce Joyce  
J M Perse Esq

Bill submitted to the Board, Examined  
and passed to the amount of £260. 10. 7 for which  
Cheques were signed in favor of the parties as  
per detail in Board Book

1 April 1876

Capt. J. O'Hara  
J. M. Perse G.

Bills submitted to the Board Examined  
and passed amounting to £233, 0, 5/2 for which  
cheques were signed in favor of the parties  
as per detail in Board Book.

4 July 1876

Here by order of  
J. M. Perse G.

Bills submitted to the Board, Examined  
and passed amounting to £257, 12, 9 for which  
cheques were signed in favor of the parties  
as per detail in Board Book.

Quarterly Meeting  
October 14<sup>th</sup> 1876

Governors Present.

Captain James O'Hara D.D.  
Chairman

Pierce Inge Esq. D.D. &  
Thomas M. Perfe Esq.

Tenders for supplying the Hospital with  
Provisions and necessaries for twelve months  
pursuant to Advertisements duly published  
in the Galway Vindicator's <sup>& Galway Express</sup> ~~for and by~~ <sup>inserted</sup>  
Bills distributed, and posted in public places  
through the Town having been opened and duly  
considered the following persons were declared  
Contractors for Twelve months for the various articles  
etc. of the best quality

For best Bread per 4 loaves at 6d.  
Mr Monston at 6d per Loaf for

For Best Milk Mr John Morris per  
Gallon at 8d.

For best Beef and Mutton  
without bones per lb. Wm. McSamara.

Mr John Lennihan for	2. 3
Best Black Tea per lb	4
6 Loaf Sugar "	

The Bills for the last Quarter having been  
duly and carefully examined and found correct  
were audited and ordered to be paid and for  
which purpose Cheques were signed accordingly  
amounting in the whole to £256 = 11 per Board Book.