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Mountbellew Union.

B. Reilly.

THE MINUTE BOOK, in which shall be entered all Letters received from or written to the Poor Law Commissioners, minutes of all moneys received and paid, all orders and cheques given, all accounts examined and allowed, all salaries ordered to be paid, as well as all other business, proceedings, and transactions of the Board of Guardians, at any of their Meetings. The entries of money transactions shall be afterwards posted in the Ledger, and a note of reference made in the margin of the Page in the Minute Book, to the folio in the Ledger to which they are so carried.

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Norm & Bellew UNION.

Population in 1841,

Present Net Annual Value, £ 31,805. 16/

STATE of the WORKHOUSE for the Week ending Saturday, the *sixth* day of *Sept* 1851.

Number of Inmates for which accommodation is provided.	No. that can be accommodated in each building.	Total No. in each building on the above date.	Able-bodied.		Aged and Infirm persons, and adult persons, above 15 years of age, but not working.		Boys and Girls above 9 and under 15 years of age.		Children above 9 and under 9 years of age.	Children above 9 and under 6 years of age.	Inclus under 2 years of age.	RETURN OF SICK AND LUNATICS.		OBSERVATIONS.	
			Males.	Fem.	Males.	Fem.	Boys.	Girls.				Total.	In Hospital on the above date.		No. of Lunatics and Idiots in Workhouse on the above date.
Workhouse,															
Temporary Buildings,															
Additional Workhouse,															
Permanent Fever Hospital, Fever Sheds,															
Total,	994	107													
Remaining on previous Saturday, as per last Return,			48	153	3	13	149	121	76	13	9	415	In Workhouse Hospital, In Fever Hospital	In separate Wards, In Wards with other inmates,	
Admitted during the Week,			1	5	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	11			
TOTAL,			49	158	3	13	152	122	77	13	9	426	Total,	Total,	
Discharged during the Week,			5	8	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	15			
Died,			1	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	3			
Total Discharged and Dead,			5	10	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	19			
REMAINING ON THE ABOVE DATE,			44	148	3	13	151	122	74	13	9	407			

RETURN of DESTITUTE PERSONS relieved out of the Workhouse, as by Relief Lists, for the last Week ended Saturday, the *6th* day of *Sept*, authenticated and laid before the Board of Guardians at this Meeting.

RELIEF DISTRICT.	Destitute Persons relieved out of the Workhouse under 10 Vict. c. 31, s. 1.		Destitute Persons relieved out of the Workhouse, but not comprised in Sec. 1.		Total relieved out of the Workhouse.		RELIEF DISTRICT.	Destitute Persons relieved out of the Workhouse under 10 Vict. c. 31, s. 1.		Destitute Persons relieved out of the Workhouse, but not comprised in Sec. 1.		Total relieved out of the Workhouse.	
	Number of cases relieved.	Number of Persons, including Applicant and Family, dependent on him or her.	Number of cases relieved.	Number of Persons, including Applicant and Family, dependent on him or her.	Cases.	Persons.		Number of cases relieved.	Number of Persons, including Applicant and Family, dependent on him or her.	Number of cases relieved.	Number of Persons, including Applicant and Family, dependent on him or her.	Cases.	Persons.
No. I.	1	1			1	1	Bt. forward	5	5			5	5
No. II.	1	1			1	1	No. X.						
No. III.	3	3			3	3	No. XI.						
No. IV.	1	1			1	1	No. XII.						
No. V.							No. XIII.						
No. VI.							No. XIV.						
No. VII.							No. XV.						
No. VIII.							No. XVI.						
No. IX.							No. XVII.						
Car. forward	5	5			5	5	TOTAL,	5	5			5	5

COPY of MINUTES of Proceedings of the Board of Guardians, at a Meeting held on *Friday* the *12* day of *Sept* 1851

PRESENT: In the Chair, *Dennis A Kelly*

Other Guardians:
Charles Filgate
William Cruise
John F. Browne
Chas S. O'Rourke
Andrew Brown
Richd P. Dwyer
James Blake
John Evans and John Cheevers Esqrs.

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and Signed.

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The Clerk's Account of petty Disbursements made by him since last Meeting, amounting to £ was produced and passed.

The following Books were exhibited by the Clerk, he having first ascertained the accuracy of the entries made therein by the Master of the Workhouse, and authenticated the same by his signature:

1. The Weekly Relief List and Abstract.
2. The Provision Check Accounts.
3. The Provision Receipt and Consumption Account.

By which it appeared that the Cost of Provisions and Necessaries received during the week, was £ s. d.

	£	s.	d.
Debit Provision Account, and Credit Invoice Account.			
The Cost of Provisions and Necessaries consumed was	-	-	-
Debit Maintenance Account, and Credit Provision Account.			
And the general average Cost of an Inmate for the week was	-	-	-
Average cost in Infirmary,	-	-	-
Average cost in Fever Hospital,	-	-	-

The Master's estimate of Provisions and Necessaries required for the ensuing week was examined, and Orders were duly made for the several articles specified, namely:

The following Books were also produced by the Clerk, their accuracy having been previously ascertained by him, and authenticated by his Signature:

1. The several Clothing Accounts.
2. The Medical Officers' Books.

The Out-door Relief Lists and Weekly Receipt and Expenditure Books of the several Relieving Officers were then produced by the Clerk, their accuracy having been previously ascertained by him, and authenticated by his signature.

The Abstract of the Out-door Relief Lists was also produced by the Clerk, having been duly entered up by him for the last week ended Saturday, the 0 day of Sept, whereby it appeared that in that week the Total Expenditure in Out-door Relief was

	£	s.	d.
In money,	-	-	-
In kind,	-	-	-
Total,	-	0	8 9

Credit each Relieving Officer, as per Receipt and Expenditure Book.

The requirements of each Relieving Officer for the ensuing week having been duly considered and estimated by the Board, checks on the Treasurer and orders on Contractors, were duly signed and delivered to each of them, of the following amounts and value, respectively:

RELIEF DISTRICT.	Name of Relieving Officer.	By Check on Treasurer.		By Order on Contractors.		RELIEF DISTRICT.	Name of Relieving Officer.	By Check on Treasurer.		By Order on Contractors.	
		£	s. d.	Article and quantity.	Value. £ s. d.			Article and quantity.	Value. £ s. d.		
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No. II.						No. X.					
No. III.						No. XI.					
No. IV.						No. XII.					
No. V.						No. XIII.					
No. VI.						No. XIV.					
No. VII.						No. XV.					
No. VIII.						No. XVI.					
No. IX.						No. XVII.					
Car. forwd.						TOTAL,					

Credit Treasurer with Checks.

Debit each Relieving Officer with Checks and Orders.

On the Report and recommendation of the Finance Committee the following Bills having been duly examined, and found to be correct, and in accordance with the several Orders, were directed to be paid, and Checks for the several amounts were duly drawn on the Treasurer, and Signed, namely:

1. Clothing Account. £ s. d.

Debit Clothing Account and Credit Treasurer with the several sums as above.

2. Establishment Account.

Debit Establishment Account and Credit Treasurer with the several sums as above.

The following Orders of the Poor Law Commissioners were laid before the Board, and directions given thereon, as follows:

The following Letters from the Poor Law Commissioners and others were read by the Clerk, and directions given to answer them respectively, to the following effect, (or Orders made on them respectively, as follows:)

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Circular from Poor Law Comm^{rs} forwarding a copy of an order which they have issued to the Treasurer of the Union in pursuance of the 5th Sec of the Repayment of Advances Act setting forth the amount of the annuity charged on each Electoral Division under that Act and the yearly day of payment of such annuities; and enclosing for the information of the Board a copy of an Instructional Letter which the Commissioners have addressed to the Treasurer pointing out the course to be pursued by him in relation to the payment of the annuities

Letter from Mr. Lawrence Baker requesting payment of £125 being the amount of the second instalment due him under his contract for the erection of the Boundary Wall,

Ordered that the Clerk do forward to the Commissioners Mr. Baker's application to which is subjoined the Clerk of Works Certificate and request of them to forward the amount for payment.

Read letter from Denis St. Kelly Esq^r offering to send William Woolly an inmate of the Workhouse to America he paying £5 towards the expense of the Voyage immigration the remaining £3 being paid by the Guardians and charged on the Rates of the Kiltoran Electoral D^o.

Resolved that the offer of Mr Kelly be accepted and that the Commis^{rs} sanction be requested thereon.

Proposed by Charles Filgate Esq
Seconded by John B. Evans Esq

Resolved that the Clerk do require the attendance of all the Guardians on Friday the 26th instant for the purpose of striking the Rates which may be found necessary for the Union.

The cases of provisional relief, and applications for relief were considered and decided on, as set forth in the Application and Report Books.

The number of provisional admissions to the Workhouse confirmed was - - - - - 4
 Ditto disallowed - - - - - 1
 The number of applicants admitted to the Workhouse was - - - - - 2

The number of cases of provisional Out-door relief was - - - - - 4
 Do. do. in which relief was continued by the Guardians - - - - - 1
 The number of other applicants in the Relieving Officer's Books relieved by order of the Guardians was - - - - - 1

Rejected 5

The number of applicants for whom relief was not ordered
 no app 3

The Bonds and other securities in force were laid before the Guardians by the Clerk, together with his Report thereon, as follows: (this on the second Meeting after the Annual Election in every year.)

Resolved unanimously that the following protest of the Guardians of Mount Bellew Union against the payment of ex-gratia charges under B.P. Cap 14 be inserted on the minutes and that the Commissioners attention be directed thereto.

We the Guardians of Mount Bellew Union this day in Board assembled think it a solemn duty with all due deference to lay before the Commissioners for administering relief to the destitute poor in Ireland their deliberate conviction of the impolicy of placing on the Poor Rate the large sums which by recent legislation are imposed thereon and do make their solemn protest against them.

We feel convinced that the thus mainly loading the Poor rate with sums that cannot be levied without the risk of paralyzing industry and stimulating still further the exhausting process of Emigration so sadly patent in the late Census returns is most unwise and puts in jeopardy the whole system of the Poor Law.

That the amount now imposedable by sealed order out of our Rates for Rate in aid, Consolidated ex-gratia and Medical Charities amounts to close on a third of the whole Expenditure of our Union and renders permanent a scale of Rates which will materially militate against the occupation

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of land in Ireland and the sale of the Estates now advertised for sale, and reduce to hopeless pauperism numbers who in the present state of the harvest might have continued amongst the productive classes and thus enhanced the process of exhaustion which now weighs so heavy on our Country.

We therefore humbly pray the Commissioners to direct their serious attention to this most important subject and we feel that unless some considerable modification be made in these Treasury Exactions that there is no hope for the return of prosperity nor for the regeneration of Ireland and that any effort of ours to carry out the Poor Law must be abortive.

We therefore most firmly but most respectfully beg to submit our solemn protest against this very unwise course.

Signed on behalf of the Board this 12 day of Sept. 1851

D. H. Kelly Chairm

D. M. Kelly Chairman

William Cruise Guardians

Next Meeting of the Guardians to be held on Friday the 19th day of Sept. 1851.

(Signed) B. Keilly Clerk of the Union.

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Mountbellow UNION.

Population in 1841, . . .

Present Net Annual Value, £ 31,803, 15/

STATE of the WORKHOUSE for the Week ending Saturday, the 13th day of September, 1851.

Number of inmates for which accommodation is provided.	No. that can be accommodated in each building.	Total No. in each building on the above date.	Able-bodied.		Aged and Infirm persons, and adult persons, above 15 years of age, but not working.		Boys and Girls above 9 and under 15 years of age.		Children above 5 and under 9 years of age.	Children above 2 and under 5 years of age.	Infants under 2 years of age.	RETURN OF SICK AND LUNATICS.		OBSERVATIONS.
			Males.	Fem.	Males.	Fem.	Boys.	Girls.				Total.	No. of Lunatics and Idiots in Workhouse on the above date.	
Workhouse, . . .														
Temporary Buildings, . .														
Additional Workhouse, . .														
Permanent Fever Hospital, .														
Fever Sheds, . . .														
Total, . . .		174												
Remaining on previous Saturday, as per last Return, . . .			44	75	3	13	151	122	74	13	9	107	In Workhouse Hospital, In Fever Hospital, Total, . . .	In separate Wards, In Wards with other inmates, Total, . . .
Admitted during the Week, . .			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
TOTAL, . . .			44	78	3	13	151	122	74	13	9	107		
Discharged during the Week, . .			2	8	1	1	4	1	1	1	3	30		
Died,												2		
Total Discharged and Dead, . .			2	8	1	1	4	1	1	1	3	32		
REMAINING ON THE ABOVE DATE,			12	70	3	13	147	119	73	12	6	585		

RETURN of DESTITUTE PERSONS relieved out of the Workhouse, as by Relief Lists, for the last Week ended Saturday, the 13th day of Sept^r authenticated and laid before the Board of Guardians at this Meeting.

RELIEF DISTRICT.	Destitute Persons relieved out of the Workhouse under 10 Vict. c. 31, s. 1.		Destitute Persons relieved out of the Workhouse, but not comprised in Sec. 1.		Total relieved out of the Workhouse.		RELIEF DISTRICT.	Destitute Persons relieved out of the Workhouse under 10 Vict. c. 31, s. 1.		Destitute Persons relieved out of the Workhouse, but not comprised in Sec. 1.		Total relieved out of the Workhouse.	
	Number of cases relieved.	Number of Persons, including Applicant and Family, dependent on him or her.	Number of cases relieved.	Number of Persons, including Applicant and Family, dependent on him or her.	Cases.	Persons.		Number of cases relieved.	Number of Persons, including Applicant and Family, dependent on him or her.	Number of cases relieved.	Number of Persons, including Applicant and Family, dependent on him or her.	Cases.	Persons.
No. I.	2	2			2	2	Bt. forward	3	3			3	3
No. II.	2	2			2	2	No. X.						
No. III.	1	1			1	1	No. XI.						
No. IV.							No. XII.						
No. V.							No. XIII.						
No. VI.							No. XIV.						
No. VII.							No. XV.						
No. VIII.							No. XVI.						
No. IX.							No. XVII.						
Car. forward	3	3			3	3	TOTAL,	3	3			3	3

COPY of MINUTES of Proceedings of the Board of Guardians, at a Meeting held on Friday the 19th day of September 1851

PRESENT: In the Chair, *Dennis H Kelly Esq*

Other Guardians:

*Michael Carr
William Curre and
Joseph Kelly Esqrs*

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and Signed.

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Notices of Marriage between the parties hereunder named having been received from the District Registrar by the Clerk, were duly read at the Board this day in accordance with the 15th section of the 7 & 8 Vic., c. 81.

The Warehouse Register was produced, examined, and authenticated, from No. 4 to No. 4, both inclusive, by the signature of the Chairman, and countersignature of the Clerk.

The Out-door Relief Register was produced, examined, and authenticated from No. 213 to No. 215, inclusive, by the signature of the Chairman and countersignature of the Clerk.

The Clerk's Report on the execution of Orders previously made by the Board was read, to the following effect:

That he had complied with the orders of the Board given him on the last day of collecting.

The Ledger was produced by the Clerk, posted up to the last day of Meeting, with the proper Debits and Credits, as ordered on that day.

The Treasurer's Book of Receipts and Payments was produced, by which it appeared that there had been received during the week, - - - - - £

Paid during the week, - - - - - £

And that the Balance on the Account the Guardians was - £

The Book was signed by the Chairman.

The Weekly balance-sheets of the several Collectors were laid before the Board, their accuracy having been first ascertained and authenticated by the Clerk.

The lodgments made of Rates collected in the several Electoral Divisions appear to have been as follows:

Name of each Collector.	Electoral Divisions arranged in Collectors' Districts.	Collected and Lodged.			Total.			Remaining.			Total.		
		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Philip Dignan	Killeroran	2	12	9				50	10	4			
"	Laughboy	7	4	"				56	17	"			
					9	16	9				77	7	4
Mick Kilgannon	Cloonkeen	1	12	6				77	2	6			
"	Ballinacill	"	19	6				36	15	9			
					2	12	"				113	18	3
Philip Dignan	Killian	"	1	"				31	2	1			
"	Castlefreuch	5	15	8				100	13	5			
					5	16	8				131	15	6
Thos. Johnston	Cloobreck	"	7	7				7	13	"			
"	Annagh	1	10	9				38	1	3			
					2	3	11				45	7	3
Mick Kilgannon	Caltra	"	0	1				4	10	9			
"	Mount Bellew	6	13	6				33	1	10			
					6	13	6				38	8	7
Mick O'Kelly	Castleblakem	"	0	0				87	16	9			
"	Mount Hazel	"	0	0				42	7	12			
"	Derryglashan	3	0	9				115	4	9			
"	Coole	4	17	8				50	13	6			
					7	18	5				266	2	2
					35	1	3				673	9	1

NOTE.—A total is to be inserted in Red Ink at the foot of each Collector's District, as well as for the entire Union. Debit the Treasurer and Credit the several Electoral Divisions with the respective amounts lodged.

The Clerk's Account of petty Disbursements made by him since last Meeting, amounting to £

The following Books were exhibited by the Clerk, he having first ascertained the accuracy of the entries made therein by the Master of the Workhouse, and authenticated the same by his signature:

1. The Weekly Relief List and Abstract.
2. The Provision Check Accounts.
3. The Provision Receipt and Consumption Account.

By which it appeared that the Cost of Provisions and Necessaries received during the week, was £

£ s. d.

Debit Provision Account, and Credit Invoice Account.

The Cost of Provisions and Necessaries consumed was - - -

Debit Maintenance Account, and Credit Provision Account.

And the general average Cost of an Inmate for the week was - - -

Average cost in Infirmary, - - - - -

Average cost in Fever Hospital, - - - - -

The Master's estimate of Provisions and Necessaries required for the ensuing week was examined, and Orders were duly made for the several articles specified, namely:

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2. The Medical Officers' Books.

The Out-door Relief Lists and Weekly Receipt and Expenditure Books of the several Relieving Officers were then produced by the Clerk, their accuracy having been previously ascertained by him, and authenticated by his signature.

The Abstract of the Out-door Relief Lists was also produced by the Clerk, having been duly entered up by him for the last week ended Saturday, the 13 day of Sept^r, whereby it appeared that in that week the Total Expenditure in Out-door Relief was

In money,	-	-	-	-	£	0	6	1/2
In kind,	-	-	-	-	"	"	"	"
Total,	-	-	-	-	£	0	6	1/2

Credit each Relieving Officer, as per Receipt and Expenditure Book.

The requirements of each Relieving Officer for the ensuing week having been duly considered and estimated by the Board, checks on the Treasurer and orders on Contractors, were duly signed and delivered to each of them, of the following amounts and value, respectively:

RELIEF DISTRICT.	Name of Relieving Officer.	By Check on Treasurer. £ s. d.	By Order on Contractors.		RELIEF DISTRICT.	Name of Relieving Officer.	By Check on Treasurer. £ s. d.	By Order on Contractors.	
			Article and quantity.	Value. £ s. d.				Article and quantity.	Value. £ s. d.
No. I.					Bt. forward				
No. II.					No. X.				
No. III.					No. XI.				
No. IV.					No. XII.				
No. V.					No. XIII.				
No. VI.					No. XIV.				
No. VII.					No. XV.				
No. VIII.					No. XVI.				
No. IX.					No. XVII.				
Car. forwd.					TOTAL,				

Credit Treasurer with Checks.

Debit each Relieving Officer with Checks and Orders.

On the Report and recommendation of the Finance Committee the following Bills having been duly examined, and found to be correct, and in accordance with the several Orders, were directed to be paid, and Checks for the several amounts were duly drawn on the Treasurer, and Signed, namely:

1. Clothing Account. £ s. d.

Debit Clothing Account and Credit Treasurer with the several sums as above.

2. Establishment Account.

Debit Establishment Account and Credit Treasurer with the several sums as above.

3. Warehouse Invoice Account.

£ s. d.

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Debit Warehouse Invoice Account and Credit Treasurer with the several sums as above.

4. Out-door Relief Invoice Account.

£ s. d.

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Credit Treasurer and Debit Out-door Relief Invoice Account with the several sums as above.

The Clerk's Report of Vaccination was read—(this on the first meeting in every month.)—
Number of successful cases.

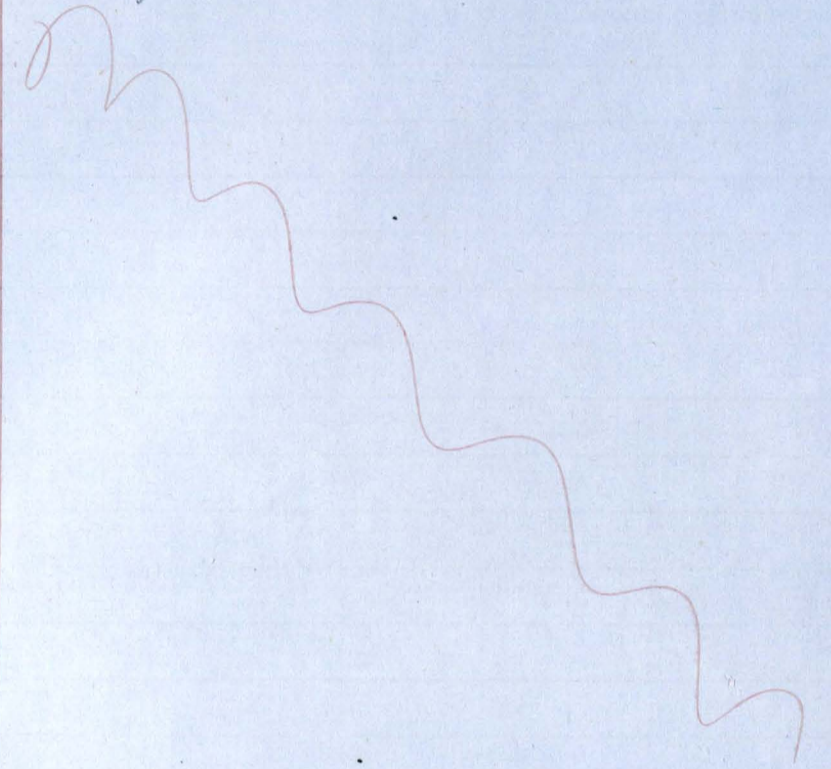
The Report of the Visiting Committee was read, and Orders were made thereon as follows:

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The Reports of the Master and other Officers were read, and Orders made thereon, as follows:

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The following Orders of the Poor Law Commissioners were laid before the Board, and directions given thereon, as follows:



The following Letters from the Poor Law Commissioners and others were read by the Clerk, and directions given to answer them respectively, to the following effect, (or Orders made on them respectively, as follows:)

343 In/31
16 Sept. 51

Circular from Poor Law Commrs with reference to the Collection of Rates by proceedings at Petty Sessions &c.

51, 242/31
18 Sept. 51

Letter from same stating that they had before them Resolution contained in minutes of last Board day proposing to send an Inmate of the Workhouse named William Woolly to America, and requesting of the Clerk to insert the particulars relating to the inmate in question in a Form which they forwarded

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51, 905/51
18 Sept. 51

Letter from Poor Law Commrs, for forwarding a copy of a communication which they had received from Mr. St. Smyth and of their reply thereto, and requesting to be furnished with the observations of the Board of Guardians with respect to the alleged neglect of the Valuator of the Union with regard to the property belonging to Mr. R. Smith and the omission of the solicitor employed by the Guard. to apprise Mr. Smith of the proceedings proposed to be taken for the Recovery of the Rates due by him in the Superior Courts.

Resolved that the Commissioners be informed that the Guardians have no means of ascertaining at present as to alleged neglect of valuator if it was so it was Mr. Smyth's course to have tried the matter by appeal which he neglected to do tho' fully aware of Valuator's refusal to change the liability; the Board have no reason to suppose that correct in other cases he was not so in this.

With respect to the solicitor Mr. Smyth was applied to by him by directions of the Board apprising him of proceedings being ordered and consent of Commrs. thereto, Mr. Smyth in reply promised to pay but did not, solicitor reported same to Board who directed him to proceed and Mr. Smyth has only himself to thank for costs incurred.



19 febr 57

Read letter from Mr. A. W. Smythe tendering to the Board the amount of Rates claimed from Mr. R. R. Smythe as Immediate Lessor of property in the Union.

Ordered that the Clerk inform Mr. Smythe that the matter being in the hands of the Union solicitor he will have to settle with him

The cases of provisional relief, and applications for relief were considered and decided on, as set forth in the Application and Report Books.

The number of provisional admissions to the Workhouse confirmed was - 4

Ditto disallowed - - - - - 4

The number of applicants admitted to the Workhouse was - 3

The number of cases of provisional Out-door relief was - 14

Do. do. in which relief was continued by the Guardians - - - - - 11

The number of other applicants in the Relieving Officer's Books relieved by order of the Guardians was - - - - - 11

The number of applicants for whom relief was not ordered Rejected 1

The Bonds and other securities in force were laid before the Guardians by the Clerk, together with his Report thereon, as follows: (this on the second Meeting after the Annual Election in every year.)

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W. Roberts Chairman
Wm. Thomas } Guardians
Wm. Kelly }

Next Meeting of the Guardians to be held on *Tuesday* the *26th*
 day of *September* 1851.

(Signed) *B. Keilly*
 Clerk of the Union.

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Mountbellin UNION. 33

Population in 1841, . . .

Present Net Annual Value, £31,803-15

STATE of the WORKHOUSE for the Week ending Saturday, the 20th day of Sept^r 1851.

Number of Inmates for which accommodation is provided.	No. that can be accommodated in each building.	Total No. in each building on the above date.	Able-bodied.		Aged and Infirm persons, and adult persons, above 15 years of age, but not working.		Boys and Girls above 9 and under 15 years of age.		Children above 5 and under 9 years of age.	Children above 2 and under 5 years of age.	Lunatics under 3 years of age.	RETURN OF SICK AND LUNATICS.		OBSERVATIONS.
			Males.	Fem.	Males.	Fem.	Boys.	Girls.				Total.	No. of Lunatics in Hospital on the above date.	
Workhouse, . . .														
Temporary Buildings, . .														
Additional Workhouse, . .														
Permanent Fever Hospital, .														
Fever Sheds, . . .														
Total, . . .		944 578												
Remaining on previous Saturday, as per last Return, . . .			42	170	3	13	147	119	73	13	6	580	In Work-house Hospital, In Fever Hospital, Total, . . .	In separate Wards, In Wards with other Inmates, Total, . . .
Admitted during the Week, . .			1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	4		
TOTAL, . . .			43	172	3	13	147	119	73	13	7	584		
Discharged during the Week, . .			1	4	0	0	2	1	1	1	0	8		
Died,			1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	3		
Total Discharged and Dead, . .			1	4	0	0	3	1	1	1	0	11		
REMAINING ON THE ABOVE DATE, . . .			42	168	3	13	144	118	73	10	7	578		

RETURN of DESTITUTE PERSONS relieved out of the Workhouse, as by Relief Lists, for the last Week ended Saturday, the 20th day of Sept^r, authenticated and laid before the Board of Guardians at this Meeting.

RELIEF DISTRICT.	Destitute Persons relieved out of the Workhouse under 10 Viet. c. 31, s. 1.		Destitute Persons relieved out of the Workhouse, but not comprised in Sec. 1.		Total relieved out of the Workhouse.		RELIEF DISTRICT.	Destitute Persons relieved out of the Workhouse under 10 Viet. c. 31, s. 1.		Destitute Persons relieved out of the Workhouse, but not comprised in Sec. 1.		Total relieved out of the Workhouse.	
	Number of cases relieved.	Number of Persons, including Applicant and Family, dependent on him or her.	Number of cases relieved.	Number of Persons, including Applicant and Family, dependent on him or her.	Cases.	Persons.		Number of cases relieved.	Number of Persons, including Applicant and Family, dependent on him or her.	Number of cases relieved.	Number of Persons, including Applicant and Family, dependent on him or her.	Cases.	Persons.
No. I.	1	1			1	1	Bt. forward	5	7			5	7
No. II.	4	6			4	6	No. X.						
No. III.	1	1			1	1	No. XI.						
No. IV.	1	1			1	1	No. XII.						
No. V.							No. XIII.						
No. VI.							No. XIV.						
No. VII.							No. XV.						
No. VIII.							No. XVI.						
No. IX.							No. XVII.						
Car. forward	5	7			5	7	TOTAL,	5	7			5	7

COPY of MINUTES of Proceedings of the Board of Guardians, at a Meeting held on Friday the 26 day of September 1851

PRESENT: In the Chair, Lord Clabwell

- Other Guardians:
- | | |
|----------------|--------------------------|
| Edward Browne | John W. Hammill |
| Andrew Browne | R. P. Slope |
| John F. Browne | Joseph Kelly |
| Chas. D. Rorfe | John Carr |
| Chas. Filgate | Nich. Carr |
| James Blake | John. Evans |
| Thomas Connors | John Lopez and |
| Wm. Cruise | Sir Allick. D. Bellgrove |

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and Signed.

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Notices of Marriage between the parties hereunder named having been received from the District Registrar by the Clerk, were duly read at the Board this day in accordance with the 15th section of the 7 & 8 Vic., c. 81.

The Workhouse Register was produced, examined, and authenticated, from No. 3019 to No. 3122, both inclusive, by the signature of the Chairman, and countersignature of the Clerk.

The Out-door Relief Register was produced, examined, and authenticated from No. 265 to No. 270, inclusive, by the signature of the Chairman and countersignature of the Clerk.

The Clerk's Report on the execution of Orders previously made by the Board was read, to the following effect:

That he had complied with the orders of the Board given him on the last day of Meeting

The Ledger was produced by the Clerk, posted up to the last day of Meeting, with the proper Debits and Credits, as ordered on that day.

The Treasurer's Book of Receipts and Payments was produced, by which it appeared that there had been received during the week, - - - - - £

Paid during the week, - - - - - £

And that the Balance on the Account the Guardians was - £

The Book was signed by the Chairman.

The Weekly balance-sheets of the several Collectors were laid before the Board, their accuracy having been first ascertained and authenticated by the Clerk.

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The ledgers made of Rates collected in the several Electoral Divisions appear to have been as follows:

Name of each Collector.	Electoral Divisions arranged in Collectors' Districts.	Collected and Lodged.			Total.			Remaining.			Total.		
		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Philip Dignam	Killierow							50	10	4			
"	Faughsbeg							26	17	"			
											77	7	4
Michl Kilgannon	Cloukeru							77	7	6			
"	Ballinakeil							30	15	9			
											113	18	3
Philip Dignam	Killiam							31	2	1			
"	Castlefrinch							100	13	5 1/2			
											131	15	1/2
Thomas Johnston	Clonbuck							7	13	"			
"	Amagh							138	4	3			
											145	17	3
Michl Kilgannon	Caltra							4	10	9			
"	Mount Bellaw							33	17	10			
											38	8	7
Michl O'Kelly	Castleblaney							57	16	9 1/2			
"	Mount Hazel							142	7	12			
"	Derrygladsum	11	13	3				103	11	6			
"	Coalwo	5	18	6				44	15	"			
											177	11	9
											148	10	5
											£ 177	11	9
											135	17	1/2

NOTE.—A total is to be inserted in Red Ink at the foot of each Collector's District, as well as for the entire Union. Debit the Treasurer and Credit the several Electoral Divisions with the respective amounts lodged.

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The Clerk's Account of petty Disbursements made by him since last Meeting, amounting to £ was produced and passed.

The following Books were exhibited by the Clerk, he having first ascertained the accuracy of the entries made therein by the Master of the Workhouse, and authenticated the same by his signature:

1. The Weekly Relief List and Abstract. *produced*
2. The Provision Check Accounts.
3. The Provision Receipt and Consumption Account.

By which it appeared that the Cost of Provisions and Necessaries received during the week, was £ s. d.

Debit Provision Account, and Credit Invoice Account.				£	s.	d.
The Cost of Provisions and Necessaries consumed was	-	-	-			
Debit Maintenance Account, and Credit Provision Account.						
And the general average Cost of an Inmate for the week was	-	-	-			
Average cost in Infirmary,	-	-	-			
Average cost in Fever Hospital,	-	-	-			

The Master's estimate of Provisions and Necessaries required for the ensuing week was examined, and Orders were duly made for the several articles specified, namely:

The following Books were also produced by the Clerk, their accuracy having been previously ascertained by him, and authenticated by his Signature:

1. The several Clothing Accounts.
2. The Medical Officers' Books.

The Out-door Relief Lists and Weekly Receipt and Expenditure Books of the several Relieving Officers were then produced by the Clerk, their accuracy having been previously ascertained by him, and authenticated by his signature.

The Abstract of the Out-door Relief Lists was also produced by the Clerk, having been duly entered up by him for the last week ended Saturday, the 20 day of *Sept*, whereby it appeared that in that week the Total Expenditure in Out-door Relief was

In money,	-	-	-	0	9	0
In hand,	-	-	-	"	"	"
Total,	-	-	-	0	9	0

Credit each Relieving Officer, as per Receipt and Expenditure Book.

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The requirements of each Relieving Officer for the ensuing week having been duly considered and estimated by the Board, checks on the Treasurer and orders on Contractors, were duly signed and delivered to each of them, of the following amounts and value, respectively:

RELIEF DISTRICT.	Name of Relieving Officer.	By Check on Treasurer.		By Order on Contractors.		RELIEF DISTRICT.	Name of Relieving Officer.	By Check on Treasurer.		By Order on Contractors.	
		£	s. d.	Article and quantity.	Value. £ s. d.			£	s. d.	Article and quantity.	Value. £ s. d.
No. I.						Bt. forward					
No. II.						No. X.					
No. III.						No. XI.					
No. IV.						No. XII.					
No. V.						No. XIII.					
No. VI.						No. XIV.					
No. VII.						No. XV.					
No. VIII.						No. XVI.					
No. IX.						No. XVII.					
Car. forwd.						TOTAL,					

Credit Treasurer with Checks.
Debit each Relieving Officer with Checks and Orders.

On the Report and recommendation of the Finance Committee the following Bills having been duly examined, and found to be correct, and in accordance with the several Orders, were directed to be paid, and Checks for the several amounts were duly drawn on the Treasurer, and Signed, namely:

1. Clothing Account.	£	s.	d.

Debit Clothing Account and Credit Treasurer with the several sums as above.

2. Establishment Account.

Debit Establishment Account and Credit Treasurer with the several sums as above.

The following Orders of the Poor Law Commissioners were laid before the Board, and directions given thereon, as follows:-

Letter from Mr. A. O. Kelly, Revisor forwarding the Revised Valuation Books of nine of the Electoral Divisions completed and stating that the remaining five would be lodged on Friday next

The following Letters from the Poor Law Commissioners and others were read by the Clerk, and directions given to answer them respectively, to the following effect, (or Orders made on them respectively, as follows:)

52418/57
25 Sept 57

Letter from Poor Law Commissioners advising to Form which accompanied - minutes of 19th instant containing - particulars relating to child Dooly whom the Guardians propose sending to New Orleans and requesting to be informed how it is intended that the child referred to is to be conveyed to the port of embarkation and how protected on the voyage &c.

same

Letter from same relating to the Rates due by Mr. R. R. Smith & forwarding a copy of a letter which they have - addressed to Mr. A. W. Smyth.

The Board having considered the Commissioners letter of the 25th inst in reference to the Rates due by Mr. R. R. Smith called on their Solicitor to explain his conduct connected therewith and

and having heard his explanation are perfectly satisfied with same.

The Board were informed by one of their own members that Mr. Smyth neither resided himself in this County nor had any agent, Bailiff or Receiver resident therein on which Civil Bill process could be served, and have this day had that information confirmed by the same member

51.458/57
25th Sept 57

Letter from Poor Law Commrs acknowledging receipt of Mr Laurence Bakers application for a sum of £125 on account of his contract to erect a Boundary Wall round the Workhouse, and stating that they would prefer the amount being paid out of the current Rates.

In reference to the above letter the Board of Guardians beg to refer the Commissioners to the report of their minutes of the 30th May last by which they will find that the Board accepted Mr Bakers tender upon the condition that the Commissioners would advance the amount of each instalment as it became due according to the stipulation insisted upon by the Contractor and the Board undertook to add such amount to the Rates now about to be imposed upon the Union.

The Board conceive therefore that the Poor Law Commissioners having by their letter of the 5th June last sanctioned this arrangement are bound to advance the amount now demanded by Mr Baker.

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In the present state of the Finances of the Union it would be utterly impossible for the Board to act up to their contract with Mr Baker, a Contract which would never have been entered into had they not been assured of the Commissioners willingness to sanction the advances.

The Board are this day about striking the new Rates in which the amount necessary for the Bannockburn Wall will be included but they cannot expect to have any funds available for the purpose before the expiration of at least two months.

Mr. Baker has stated to the Board that by the next Board day the wall will be so far completed as to entitle him to a third Instalment and that if he is not paid regularly according to his Contract he will be obliged to stop the work for want of funds. The Board would impress upon the Commissioners the necessity

The cases of provisional relief, and applications for relief were considered and decided on, as set forth in the Application and Report Books.

The number of provisional admissions to the Workhouse confirmed was - - -

Ditto disallowed - - - - -

The number of applicants admitted to the Workhouse was - - -

The number of cases of provisional Out-door relief was - - -

Do. do. in which relief was continued by the Guardians - - -

The number of other applicants in the relieving Officer's Books relieved by order of the Guardians was - - -

The number of applicants for whom relief was not ordered

The Bonds and other securities in force were laid before the Guardians by the Clerk, together with his Report thereon, as follows: (this on the second Meeting after the Annual Election in every year.)

necessity of having the work completed during fine weather and hope that there will be no delay upon their part in fulfilling their promise of advancing the necessary payments.

The Board having considered the Estimate of the Rates required for the Union from 25th March 1851 to 25th March 1852,

Resolved That Rates be struck on the several Electoral Divisions of the Union as follows - namely

Annagh	Rate of	4/9	in the £
Ballinakil	do	4/-	"
Caltra	do	3/-	"
Castletakery	do	7/-	"
Castle French	do	12/6	"
Cloubreck	do	2/-	"
Clonkeen	do	5/-	"
Cooloo	do	13/6	"
Derryglassane	do	5/-	"
Killivoran	do	12/9	"
Killian	do	3/-	"
Mount Bellaw	do	12/6	"
Mount Hazel	do	3/-	"
Daughboy	do	3/2	"

Resolved that having regard to the protest entered on our minutes of the 15th inst the Board in striking the present Rates have only taken into their consideration such sums as they deem necessary for the maintenance of the poor of the Union.