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Credit Treasurer and Debit Out-door Relief Invoice Account with the several sums as above.									
19 Aug. 53	19 Aug. 53								
Visited the House, found all right, but water pipes not in order, We find plenty of room in case of fever by removing the Tailors and Shoemakers, Signed Charles Filgate John F. Trotter									

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

45.954/53  
13 aug 53

Letter Calling for Returns showing the Collection of the Rates in Mount Belious Union during the weeks ended 30. ult<sup>o</sup>. and 6<sup>th</sup> instant.

45.954/53  
18 aug 53

Letter acknowledging receipt of Minutes of proceedings of the Board on the 12. instant Containing a Resolution requesting that Inquiry may be made into Charges which have been preferred against the Master by the Milk Contractor and Stating in reply that Mr. O'Brien Poor Law Inspector will attend at the Workhouse on Monday next for the purpose of investigating the Charges on oath.

45.954/53  
18 aug 53

Letter acknowledging the receipt of Minutes of proceedings of the Board on the 12 instant. Containing a Resolution to the effect that the persons employed as Shoemaker Tailor & Carpenter in the Work House be fined for their conduct in absenting themselves from the Work House without leave, and in reference thereto, Observing that one objection to this course is that the Board of Guardians have not legal power to enforce the fine imposed.

The Commissioners think that the Guardians would do well to consider the propriety of dismissing Work House Officers under the circumstances referred to in the report of the Master of the Work House contained in the Minutes.

Letter from Mr. O'Brien Poor Law Inspector. Stating that he will attend at the Work House on Monday the 22. instant to investigate the Charge preferred against the Master by the Milk Contractor.

With reference to Commissioners letter of the 18 August,

Ordered

That the Clerk inform the Shoemaker Tailor & Carpenter, that should they again absent themselves from the Work House without leave, the Board will dismiss them.

Resolved, That the Collectors warrants be taken up by the Clerk on this day next.

That Charles Gilgate and Joseph Kelly Esqrs be appointed a Visiting Committee for the ensuing week.

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 - 1

Do. do. disallowed - - - - -

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

The number of cases of provisional Out-door relief was - - - - - 1  
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 No appearance - 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,

The Board proceeded to the appointment of Collectors.

Resolved,

That Messrs Michael Keane Michael Kilgannon Andrew Joyce Thomas Johnston and Michael Kelly be re-appointed to collect the Rates now about being made upon the several Electoral Divisions as divided into the following Collecting Districts viz.

Michael Keane for N<sup>o</sup> 1 District comprising Killarney and Taughny at a remuneration of 9/- in the £. Sureties Philip Neary & Thos Flynn approved of

Michael Kilgannon for N<sup>o</sup> 2 District comprising Cloonkeen & Ballinakill at 1/- in the £ also for N<sup>o</sup> 5 District comprising Oatra & M<sup>th</sup> Bellav at 8/- in the £. Sureties Wm & John Kilgannon approved of "

Andrew Joyce for N<sup>o</sup> 3 District comprising Killan & Castlefeigh at 9/- in the £ Sureties William Colahan & James Joyce Esqrs approved of "

Thomas Johnston for N<sup>o</sup> 4 Dist. Comprising Cloonrock & Annagh at 9/- in the £. Sureties Samuel & James Johnston. approved of "

Michael Kelly for N<sup>o</sup> 6 District Comprising Castleblaney Mount Hazel Denry Glasson and Cools at 9/- in the £. Sureties Thos. J. Blake and Richard D'Arcy Esqrs approved of "

## SUPPLEMENTAL SHEET.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS of the BOARD OF GUARDIANS of the Mount Beller  
 UNION, on the day, the 19 day of August 1853,  
 —continued.

## MEDICAL CHARITIES ACT,—14 &amp; 15 Vic., cap. 68.

An Estimate of Medicines, &c., required by the Medical Officer of the Dispensary District, approved by the Committee of Management, was laid before the Board, with a Requisition from the Committee for the supply of the same, and Directions were given thereon as follows:

On application of the Committee of Management of the Dispensary District, the following supplies of Books, Stationery, Forms, or other requisites, were ordered to be supplied:

Next Meeting of the Guardians to be held on Friday the 26  
 day of Aug— 1853.

(Signed) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Clerk of the Union.

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The following Accounts of expenses, for statement of Salaries due, as the case may be, under the Medical Charities Act, were laid before the Board, and Directions were given for Payment thereof (or such other directions as may be given):

Dispensary District,	Account of Mr. _____ for _____	Amount £ _____
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An Account of Disbursements made by the Guardians during the half-year ended \_\_\_\_\_  
 [This at the end of each half-year, in pursuance of Articles 22 and 23 of the General Rules for Dispensary Districts.]

District, . . . . .	£
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District, . . . . .	£
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[This to be entered on the occasion of every appointment of a new Committee, after the annual Election of Guardians, and on the occasion of any election to fill a vacancy in a Dispensary Committee].

The Board elected the following Rate-payers to be Members of the Committees of Management of the following Dispensary Districts, respectively:—the Clerk to make a Return accordingly to the Poor Law Commissioners, and to issue the prescribed Notification to the Members elected, and to the Medical Officers of the respective Dispensary Districts, in pursuance of Articles 9, 10, and 11, of the Order declaring Dispensary Districts:—

Dispensary District, Mr. _____ of _____
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The following Orders of the Poor Law Commissioners under the Medical Charities Act, were laid before the Board and directions given thereon as follows:

Order dated \_\_\_\_\_ (state subject,)

The following Letters on matters arising under the Medical Charities Act, 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):

Read Letter from \_\_\_\_\_ dated \_\_\_\_\_  
stating that \_\_\_\_\_

The next meeting of the Board will  
be held on the 26 August '53 ~

Wm Brock, Chairman

Wm Hart Browne Guardians  
Master Fittate

Mild

(Signed)

B. Reilly

Clerk of the Union.

Galway County Council Archives

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Mount Bellin UNION.

Population in 1851, . . . 22,769

Present Net Annual Value, £ 31,807.10

STATE of the WORKHOUSE for the Week ending Saturday, the 20<sup>th</sup> day of August 1853.

Number of Inmates for which accommodation is provided.	No. which can be accommodated in the building.	Total No. in the 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.			Total.	RETURN OF SICK AND LUNATICS.		OBSERVATIONS.
					Males.	Fem.	Boys.		Number in Hospital on the above date.	No. of Lunatics and Idiots in Workhouse on the above date.	
Workhouse	700	321									
Temporary Buildings											
Additional Workhouse, .											
Permanent Fever Hospital, .											
Fever Sheds, . . .											
Total, . . .	322										
Remaining on previous Saturday, as per last Return, . . .	22	66	6	14	73	93	32	14	14	334	In Workhouse Hospital, 45 In Fever Hospital, 11 In separate Wards, 9 In Wards with other Inmates, 11
Admitted during the Week, . . .	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	Total, 45
TOTAL,	22	67	6	14	73	93	32	14	14	335	
Discharged during the Week, . . .	2	2	2	1	2	1	1	1	1	12	
Died, . . . . .	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Total Discharged and Dead, . . .	2	3	2	1	2	1	1	1	1	13	
REMAINING ON THE ABOVE DATE, . . . . .	20	64	4	14	72	91	31	18	13	322	Corresponding week last year increased 127 449

RETURN of DESTITUTE PERSONS relieved out of the Workhouse, as by Relief Lists, for the last Week ended Saturday, the 20<sup>th</sup> day of August 1853, 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.
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No. I.	1	9			1	1	Bt. forward	1	1			1
No. II.	1	1			1	1	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	1	1			1	1	TOTAL,	1	1			1

COPY of MINUTES of Proceedings of the Board of Guardians, at a Meeting held on Friday the 26<sup>th</sup> day of August 1853

PRESENT: In the Chair, Lord Conibrock

Other Guardians:

Sir Michl. J. Bellin Bart  
Dennis St Kelly  
Charles Filgate  
Richard Lloyd  
John F. Browne and  
David Rutledge Esqrs

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and Signed.

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. 1308 to No. 1508, 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. \_\_\_\_\_ to No. \_\_\_\_\_, 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.

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.
Mich. Keane	Killarney Tanglary					14	13	3 <i>1</i> <i>2</i>			
"						9	13	5 <i>1</i> <i>2</i>			
									24	6	9
M Kilgannon	Clonakilla Ballynabill Caher Inniscattery					95	9	11			
"						53	19	5 <i>1</i> <i>2</i>			
"						10	3	.2			
"						69	17				
									231	9	5 <i>1</i> <i>4</i>
Andrew Doyce	Killian Castlefran					29	1	1 <i>1</i> <i>2</i>			
"						19	17	.4			
									48	10	2
Thomas Johnston	Clonbreck Antragh					9	6	1 <i>1</i> <i>2</i>			
"						48	9	8 <i>1</i> <i>2</i>			
									57	10	8 <i>1</i> <i>4</i>
Mich. O'Kelly	Bastablekerry Inniscattery Derryglassan Coole					14	1	.2			
"						41	8				
"						63	10	11			
"						10	6	1			
									129	5	.
										129	5
											630
											48 <i>3</i> <i>4</i>

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 £ VII 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 Necesaries received during the week, was £ 15, 14 s. 6*1/4*d.

£ s. d.

Debit Provision Account, and Credit Invoice Account.

The Cost of Provisions and Necesaries consumed was - - - - - £ 19, 7 s. 7*1/2*d.

Debit Maintenance Account, and Credit Provision Account.

And the general average Cost of an Inmate for the week was - - - - - £ 1*1/3*

Average cost in Infirmary, - - - - - £ 1*1/2*

Average cost in Fever Hospital, - - - - - £ 1*1/2*

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

400 lb Bread

10 cwt Indian Meal

1 cwt Oat meal

200 gallons New milk

1*1/8* lb Tea

9 lb Sugar

1 cwt Rice

10 cwt Wholemeal

4 lb Pepper

200 Boxes Turf

4 lb Candles

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 August; whereby it appeared that in that week the Total Expenditure in Out-door Relief was

In money,	-	-	-	-	£	<u>3<i>1/2</i></u>
In kind,	-	-	-	-		
Total,	-	-	-	-		<u>4<i>3/4</i></u>

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. £ 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 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.

Patrick Joyce Master, for to purchase old clothes for inmates leaving the Work House who have got no clothing of their own.

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

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### 3. Workhouse Invoice Account.

*L*      *s.*      *d.*

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

#### 4. Out-door Relief Invoice Accounts

*L*      *s.*      *a.*

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.)—

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

Visited the house. Found every thing in good order  
We recommend that a person accustomed to garden  
work be taken in for two or three weeks to assist and  
superintend the boys (under the schoolmasters directions) in  
the cultivation of the Work House grounds.

Ordered, That in accordance with the foregoing report, a person be employed for the purpose referred to.

Report of works done during week ended 20 Aug 53

10 yards linen and 10 yards canvas woven by  
1 man and 6 boys

1 Man's coat - 2 pair men's trousers, 2 boys' coats  
1 pr. Boys' trousers and 3 caps made by one man  
and 8 boys;

2 men at Carpentering - done sundry repairs

2 Pairs shoes made and 8 pairs shoes repaired by  
1 man and 4 boys

4 lbs Flax spun by 2 women and 2 lbs Flax and  
2 lbs Tow spun by 16 girls

11 Boys' shirts, 6 men's shirts, 23 women's shirts, 36  
girls' shirts, 50 bibs, 34 frocks and 9 gowns  
repaired by 22 girls -

127½ lbs Bread baked by 1 Woman and 6 Girls -

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

The Master requests the Boards instructions as to the manner in which the Potatoes grown on the Work House grounds are to be used - He would respectfully suggest that they be given on two or three days in each week to the Inmates in lieu of the Bread Meals.

*Concord*

Ordered  
That the Commissioners be requested to  
sanction the use of the Potatoes for the inmates as  
suggested by the Master.

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

46,208/33  
22 Augt 33

Letter from Commissioners stating that they have received and accepted the resignation of Mr. John Mahon of the Office of Poor Law Guardian of the Union.

Resolved That the Commissioners be requested to issue an order authorizing the election of a Guardian of the Killarney Division in favor of Mr. Mahon.

45,954/33  
22 Augt 33

Letter relating to the balance appearing by the adjustment order, to be in favor of the Townland of Ballygar

43,310/33  
24 Augt 33

Circular calling for a return of the number of persons in the Union, assessed to the rate for the relief of the poor, in respect of property of certain amounts of annual value,

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46,692/33

25 August 33 Letter sanctioning the re-appointment of Mr. Andrew Joyce to the Office of Poor Rate Collector in the Union,

46,726/33

26 Augt 33 Letter advertising to the Resolution contained in Minutes of Proceedings of the Board on the 19<sup>th</sup> instant to the effect that a sum of £5 be expended in purchasing old clothes for certain inmates who are desirous of leaving the Work House, and stating that if the persons referred to have no clothes of their own there appears to be no alternative, but to adopt the course proposed,

45,010/33

25 Augt 33 Letter stating that they have had before them the Resolution obtained in Minutes of proceedings of the Board, on the 5<sup>th</sup> instant, in which the Guardians agreed to certain Rates in the several Electoral divisions, and in reference thereto requesting to be furnished with a copy of the Estimate upon which such Rates were based. The Commissioners perceive by a return furnished to them on the 16 instant, that the poundages set forth on the Guardians' Minutes as the Rates adopted are the average amounts allowing for the debits and credits under the final Adjustment Order, and in reference to this they state that the amounts struck for Ordinary expenditure should be recorded on the Minutes of proceedings by

With reference to this letter the Board beg to say that the following are the poundages required for Ordinary expenditure which were agreed to on the 5<sup>th</sup> instant, namely,

Hanagh

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	10	Division	
Annagh		2 : 3 1/4 in the £	
Ballyashill		2 : 8	
Cultra		3 : 3	
Castleblakeny		6 : 4	
Castlefrench		3 : 0 1/4	
Clyncrock		2 : 11 1/4	
Clonkeen		3 : 8 3/4	
Coolvoe		2 : 10 1/4	
Derryglassane		2 : 10 3/4	
Killeroran		2 : 10	
Killian		3 : 0	
Mount Bellaw		2 : 10 1/4	
Mount Hazel		3 : 3 1/2	
Toughboy		4 : 0	

25 Aug 53

Read letter from Mr. Jerome Ryan claiming exemption under 63 Sec, 1 & 2 Vic, from payment of Poor's Rate on Mount Bellaw Monastery.

Ordered,

That the Clerk forward the communication to the Poor Law Commissioners and beg their opinion thereon for the guidance of the Board.

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

Do. 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 granted

Rejected 2

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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That the Townland of Boughil in the Union of Mount Bellaw be the property of Her Majesty, but is occupied by common tenants some of them rated over £4 and some under.

That Her Majesty, not being liable to rates, the solicitor for the Crown has demanded that no rate shall be struck on Boughil.

That the tenants of Boughil participate in the benefit of the Medical Charities supported by the Rates and any paupers therefrom have been supported in the Union Workhouse.

That the Rates due by the tenants have been hitherto levied from the occupants by Magistrate's warrants; and that in the adjustment of liabilities furnished to this Board this very townland of Boughil is put down by the Commissioners as in Credit £4, 19, 8 1/2

Under these circumstances the directions of the Commissioners are requested as below the Guardians are to act

The Auditor having represented the extreme difficulty which arises in checking the Provision account of the Union where the dietary Table is separated from by direction of the Medical attendant, and it also appearing that the diet given to the aged and infirm requires to be improved in quality

Resolved-

That the consent of the Poor Law Commissioners be requested to a substitution of white for Brown Bread to the Paupers of Class 3.

Ordered That copies of notice of Rate Books being open for inspection of Rate Payers be printed and posted,

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*In the application of the Matron,*  
*Resolved, That she be permitted to absent herself*  
*for one week.*

Next Meeting of the Guardians to be held on  
 day of *185* the  
 (Signed) *M. M. M.*  
*Clerk of the Union.*

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**SUPPLEMENTAL SHEET.**

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS of the BOARD OF GUARDIANS of the *Momt Bellav*  
 UNION, on *Fri* day, the *26* day of *Augest* *1853*,  
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*294*  
 The following Accounts of expenses, (or statement of Salaries due, as the case may be,) under the Medical Charities Act, were laid before the Board, and Directions were given for Payment thereof (or such other directions as may be given;)

Dispensary District,  
 Account of Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ : Amount £

An Account of Disbursements made by the Guardians during the half-year ended  
 [This at the end of each half-year, in pursuance of Articles 22 and 23 of the General Rules for Dispensary Districts.]  
 for the service of each Dispensary District in the Union, having been submitted to the Board, the Clerk was directed to furnish to the Committee of each Dispensary District a statement of all Disbursements for the District which have been included in the half-year's accounts. The following is the total disbursement for each Dispensary District in the half-year ended 185 .

District, . . . . £  
 District, . . . . £

*295*  
 [This to be entered on the occasion of every appointment of a new Committee, after the annual Election of Guardians, and on the occasion of any election to fill a vacancy in a Dispensary Committee].

The Board elected the following Rate-payers to be Members of the Committees of Management of the following Dispensary Districts, respectively:—the Clerk to make a Return accordingly to the Poor Law Commissioners, and to issue the prescribed Notification to the Members elected, and to the Medical Officers of the respective Dispensary Districts, in pursuance of Articles 9, 10, and 11, of the Order declaring Dispensary Districts:—

Dispensary District No. \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

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

Order dated \_\_\_\_\_ /state subject, /

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The following Letters on matters arising under the Medical Charities Act from the Poor Law Commissioners and others, were read by the Clerk, and directions given to answer them respectively, to the following effect for Orders made on them respectively as follows:—

Read Letter from \_\_\_\_\_ dated \_\_\_\_\_  
stating that \_\_\_\_\_

*Next meeting of the Board will be held on Friday the 2nd September 1853*

*John Brock Chairman*

*Mall Mall Weller Guardians*

*Signed*

*B. Reilly  
Clerk of the Union.*

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Mount Bellow UNION.

Population in 1851, . . . . . 22,769

Present Net Annual Value, £31,807-10

STATE OF the WORKHOUSE for the Week ending Saturday, the

*27th day of August 1853.*

Number of Inmates for which accommodation is provided.	No. that can be accommodated in each building on the above date.	Total No. in each building on the above date.	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 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.	Number in Hospital on the above date.	No. of Lunatics and Idiots in Workhouse on the above date.
Workhouse, <i>300</i>	<i>300</i>	<i>300</i>	Able bodied.												
Temporary Buildings, .															
Additional Workhouse, .															
Permanent Fever Hospital, .															
Fever Sheds, . . . . .															
Total, . . . . .		<i>309</i>													
Remaining on previous Saturday, as per last Return, . . . . .				<i>20</i>	<i>64</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>14</i>	<i>72</i>	<i>91</i>	<i>31</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>32</i>	In Workhouse, <i>40</i>	In separate Wards, <i>1</i>
Admitted during the Week, . . . . .				<i>0</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>2</i>	In Fever Hospital, <i>5</i>	In Wards, <i>1</i>
TOTAL,				<i>20</i>	<i>65</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>14</i>	<i>72</i>	<i>91</i>	<i>32</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>32</i>	Total, <i>40</i>	Total, <i>1</i>
Discharged during the Week, . . . . .				<i>2</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>12</i>		
Died, . . . . .				<i>0</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>3</i>		
Total Discharged and Dead, . . . . .				<i>2</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>15</i>		
REMAINING ON THE ABOVE DATE, . . . . .				<i>18</i>	<i>58</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>72</i>	<i>88</i>	<i>31</i>	<i>12</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>80</i>	<i>418</i>	Corresponding week last year decrease <i>109</i>

RETURN of DESTITUTE PERSONS relieved out of the Workhouse, as by Relief Lists, for the last Week ended Saturday, the *27th* day of *August*, 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.							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. forward							TOTAL,						

COPY of MINUTES of Proceedings of the Board of Guardians, at a Meeting held on Friday the *2nd* day of *September* 1853

PRESENT: In the Chair,

*Lord Clonbrock*

Other Guardians:

*Sir Michl D. Bellow  
Dennis & Kelly  
John C. Evans 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 Workhouse Register was produced, examined, and authenticated, from No. 1309 to No. 1310, 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. 413 to No. 420, 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 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.
Michael Keane	Killeroowen Toughboy	1 12 "				14 13 3 <i>5</i>			14 13 3 <i>5</i>		
"			1 12 "			8 1 54			8 1 54		
									1 12 "		22 14 9
Mick Kilgannon	Owenban Ballynabill Cathre Mount Bellaw	1 10 9 11 12 10 2 10 8				93 14 11			93 14 11		
"						44 6 7 <i>5</i>			44 6 7 <i>5</i>		
"						10 3 2 <i>5</i>			10 3 2 <i>5</i>		
"						67 6 4			67 6 4		
									15 18 6		215 10 11 4
Arthur Loyce	Killian Castlefrench										
"						29 1 15			29 1 15		
"						19 17 5			19 17 5		
											48 18 2
Thomas Johnston	Clonbrock Trinagh	16 "				9 6 1 <i>5</i>			9 6 1 <i>5</i>		
"						32 9 8 <i>5</i>			32 9 8 <i>5</i>		
									16 "		44 16 8 <i>4</i>
Mick O' Kelly	Castleballybray Mount Hazel Derryglassan Clewbo					65 17 9 <i>5</i>			65 17 9 <i>5</i>		
"						38 14 5 <i>5</i>			38 14 5 <i>5</i>		
"						96 6 10 <i>5</i>			96 6 10 <i>5</i>		
"						72 14 7 <i>5</i>			72 14 7 <i>5</i>		
											273 13 8 <i>5</i>
											33 10 6
											602 42 3 <i>4</i>

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 £ ~~14~~ 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 Necesaries received during the week, was £ ~~14~~ 4 s. 4 d.

£ s. d.

Debit Provision Account, and Credit Invoice Account.

The Cost of Provisions and Necesaries consumed was - - - 18-17-11 $\frac{1}{2}$

Debit Maintenance Account, and Credit Provision Account.

And the general average Cost of an Inmate for the week was - - - 11 $\frac{1}{2}$

Average cost in Infirmary, - - - - 11 $\frac{1}{2}$

Average cost in Fever Hospital, - - - -

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

500 lb Bread

12 lb meat

10 cwt Indian Meal

1 Cwt Oat Meal

200 Gallons New Oilick

4 cwt Salt

1 $\frac{1}{2}$  lb Tea

9 lb Sugar

4 lb Candles

1 Cwt soap

7 lb starch

1 lb Blue

2 lb Manila Candles

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 27 day of Sept<sup>r</sup>, whereby it appeared that in that week the Total Expenditure in Out-door Relief was

In money, - - - - - £ s. d.

In kind, - - - - -

Total, - - - - -

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				
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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.

Thomas Blackall	Sundries to	3	10	3
Pat Morris	Smiths work	,	13	6
William Drummond & Sons	Forks	3	12	,
Ihm Fahy	Wages as Weaver to 27 Aug	1	12	-
Patt Finnally	do as Carpenter do	1	16	-
Patt Whyte	do as Tailor do	1	12	-
Daniel Reedy	do as Shoemaker do	1	8	-
Ihm Barrett	Horse Rice to	1	18	8
Laurence Baker	Hammers and Coffins	4	4	8
Charles Kelly	Advertising to	1	4	-
F Connellan	do	1	16	-
Clerk of Union	for Petty Disbursements	3	-	-

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

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## 3. Workhouse Invoice Account.

Invoice	Thomas Blackall	Provisions, &c, 27 Augt	£	s.	d.
	Michael Moran	Milk	18	15	2
	Francis Keogh	Turp	10	2	0

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

## 4. Out-door Relief Invoice Account.

	£	s.	d.

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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## Report of works done during week ended 27 August 33

- 10 yards Calico, 7 yards Canvas and 8 yards linen  
woven by 1 man & 5 boys  
1 Man's Coat, 9 boys' caps, 2 boys' caps coats and 11 boys' trousers made, and 6 coats and 10 trousers repaired  
by 1 man and 6 boys  
3 Pairs Men's shoes made and 4 pairs shoes repaired  
by 1 man and 3 boys  
5 lbs Flax spun by 2 women and 16 girls  
20 Frock and 40 Shifts repaired by 20 girls  
120 lbs Bread baked by 1 woman & 4 girls

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

Ordered That a Timber Crane be erected over Boiler by House Carpenter for the purpose of lifting Potatoes,

The Master reported that the services of the Master Tailor could be dispensed with now

Ordered That the Master Tailor be dispensed for the present

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

46921, 23, 4/33  
27 Augt 53

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, for Orders made on them respectively as follows:-

Letter sanctioning the reappointment of Messrs Michael Keane, Thomas Johnston, Michael O'Kelly and Michael Kilgannon as Poor Rate Collectors

46, 898/33  
1 Sept/53

Referring to the Resolution contained in Minutes of Proceedings of the Board of Guardians of Mount Belieu Union on the 12<sup>th</sup> Ultimo, relating to the charges prepared against the Master of the Workhouse by Mr. Moran, Contractor for the supply of Milk for use in the Workhouse, I am directed by the Commissioners to state that they have received a Report from Mr. O'Brien Poor Law Inspector of an Inquiry made by him into the charges, and I am forward herewith, for the information of the Board of Guardians, Minutes of evidence taken by Mr. O'Brien.

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As regards the charge that the Milk of the Contractors had been adulterated in the Workhouse, Mr. O'Brien reports that the solicitor who represented Mr. Moran at the Inquiry stated that it was not intended by the charge to impute the adulteration of the Milk to the Master of the Workhouse, and that the object in seeking for the investigation was chiefly to show the Guardians that access had been had, to such an extent, to the Milk by the Paupers that the proceedings should be abandoned as against him, the Contractor, and Mr. O'Brien states that no evidence was adduced to establish any thing beyond this in connexion with this charge,

From the evidence of Catherine Leonard a Pauper Attendant employed in the store, it appears that on the Morning of the 5<sup>th</sup> Ultimo, the occasion on which the prosecution of the Contractor had been ordered, she had mixed with the morning Milk, from which the sample submitted to the Guardians was taken, about a quart of the milk delivered on the 4<sup>th</sup> Ultimo which remained unused. It does not appear that this was done from any improper motive, and it is insufficient to account for the state in which the Milk was found. So far therefore as the evidence of Catherine Leonard is concerned, it is in no way in favor of the Contractor's position in the matter; but evidence was elicited on the Inquiry, which while it does not establish any attempt at adulteration, or fraud, yet indicates the past existence generally of a degree of looseness in permitting access to the Milk on the part of the Pauper inmates of the Workhouse, and as the laxity shewn in this respect involves a certain amount of administrative irregularity in the Workhouse Management, the Commissioners think it necessary for the Board of Guardians to consider in connexion with such irregularity and also with reference to the custody of the Keys in the Workhouse

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Workhouse generally the responsibility of the Workhouse Master as the party charged with the chief superintendence of the Establishment.

As regards the second charge to the effect that the Master had stated that he would put Mr Moran out of the contract, because he had not bribed the Master, I am to state that this charge appears to rest entirely on the evidence of the late Schrolmistry of the Workhouse, but the evidence of the contractors who were examined on the Inquiry, shows that Mr. Moran has not either directly or indirectly sought for or obtained any gratuity from them. The Commissioners think that this charge has not been established, but they consider that grounds have been shewn for doubting whether the interests of the Union have heretofore received in minute matters that degree of supervision and care which is due from the Workhouse Master, and they recommend the Board of Guardians to impress on the Master his responsibility in this respect, and to caution him as to his future conduct.

I am to request that the Minutes of Evidence may be preserved and returned when desired by the Board of Guardians.

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	- - - - 1
Ditto disallowed	- - - - 2
The number of applicants admitted to the Workhouse was	- - - - 2

The number of cases of provisional Out-door relief was - - - - 1

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	1
No. appl.	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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The Resolution of the 5<sup>th</sup> instant directing proceedings to be taken by our Solicitor against the Milk Contractor having been adopted by the Board upon the faith of the statement made by the Master, & the effect that no accident had occurred to the milk since its arrival at the Workhouse, and it appearing by the evidence taken before Mr. O'Brien Poor Law Inspector that a pauper inmate named Catherine Leonard had accepted the store and interfered with the milk complained of on that day.

Resolved That the said Resolution be now rescinded, and that further proceedings against the Contractor be abandoned; and also that the costs incurred in the proceedings be borne by the Master.

The Master having been called before the Board where the Commissioner's letter read in which the Board concur, was admonished by the Chairman to direct to pay the expenses.

Ordered That advertisements be issued inviting Tenders for Half yearly supplies to Workhouse, Tenders to be considered on the 16<sup>th</sup> instant.

The Clerk submitted Abstracts of audited accounts of Union for Half year ended 25<sup>th</sup> March last, which were signed by the Chairman.

The Medical Officer laid before the Board a list of Medicines &c required for the Workhouse Infirmary.

Ordered That they be procured from the Contractors.

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That D A Kelly and Los Kelly & be appointed a visiting committee for the ensuing week,

Next Meeting of the Guardians to be held on  
day of 185 .

(Signed) \_\_\_\_\_  
*Clerk of the Union.*

By Authority—ALEX. THOM, 87, Abbey-street, Dublin. (N. 261-2-3.)

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SUPPLEMENTAL SHEET.

MINUTES of PROCEEDINGS of the BOARD of GUARDIANS of the Mount Bellaw UNION, on Fri day, the 2nd day of September 1853 , —continued.

MEDICAL CHARITIES ACT,—14 & 15 Vic., cap. 68.

An Estimate of Medicines, &c., required by the Medical Officer of the Mount Bellaw Dispensary District, approved by the Committee of Management, was laid before the Board, with a Requisition from the Committee for the supply of the same, and Directions were given thereon as follows:

Ordered That the Medicines &c., as required for the above District, be procured from the Contractors

On application of the Committee of Management of the Dispensary District, the following supplies of Books, Stationery, Forms, or other requisites, were ordered to be supplied:

3 14

The following Accounts of expenses, for statement of Salaries due, as the case may be, under the Medical Charities Act, were laid before the Board, and Directions were given for Payment thereof (or such other directions as may be given;)

Dispensary District,  
Account of Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ : Amount £ \_\_\_\_\_

An Account of Disbursements made by the Guardians during the half-year ended \_\_\_\_\_  
[This at the end of each half-year, in pursuance of Articles 22 and 23 of the General Rules for Dispensary Districts.]  
for the service of each Dispensary District in the Union, having been submitted to the Board, the Clerk was directed to furnish to the Committee of each Dispensary District a statement of all Disbursements for the District which have been included in the half-year's accounts. The following is the total disbursement for each Dispensary District in the half-year ended 1853.

District, . . . . . £  
District, . . . . . £

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[This to be entered on the occasion of every appointment of a new Committee, after the annual Election of Guardians, and on the occasion of any election to fill a vacancy in Dispensary Committee].

The Board elected the following Peat-payers to be Members of the Committees of Management of the following Dispensary Districts, respectively:—the Clerk to make a Return accordingly to the Poor Law Commissioners, and to issue the prescribed Notification to the Members elected, and to the Medical Officers of the respective Dispensary Districts, in pursuance of Articles 9, 10, and 11, of the Order declaring Dispensary Districts:—

Dispensary District, Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

The following Orders of the Poor Law Commissioners under the Medical Charities Act were laid before the Board and directions given thereon as follows:

Order dated \_\_\_\_\_ (state subject)

3 16

The following Letters on matters arising under the Medical Charities Act, from the Poor Law Commissioners and others, were read by the Clerk, and directions given to answer them respectively, to the following effect for Orders made on them respectively as follows:—

Read Letter from \_\_\_\_\_ dated \_\_\_\_\_  
stating that \_\_\_\_\_

Next Meeting of the Guardians will be  
held on Friday the 9th September 1853—

W. D. Bell C. Chairman

M. J. O'Farrell  
W. D. Bell  
Guardians

July

(Signed)

B. Reilly

Clerk of the Union.

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Population in 1851, . . . 32,769

Present Net Annual Value, £ 31,867-14-

STATE of the WORKHOUSE for the Week ending Saturday, the

30<sup>th</sup> day of Sept<sup>r</sup>. 1853.

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 additional 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.				Total.	Number 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, . . .													
Remaining on previous Saturday, as per last Return, . . .	16	58	41	13	72	86	31	12	13	309	In Work house Hospital, 30	In separate Wards, 1	
Admitted during the Week, . . .	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	In Fever Hospital, 1	In Wards with other Inmates, 1	
TOTAL, . . .	20	58	44	14	73	88	32	12	13	314	Total, 30	Total, 1	
Discharged during the Week, . . .	4	0	1	1	5	4	3	1	3	27			
Died, . . . . .	4	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1			
Total Discharged and Dead, . . .	4	0	1	1	5	4	3	1	3	27			
REMAINING ON THE ABOVE DATE, . . .	16	53	44	13	68	84	29	11	10	287	422	135	Corresponding week last year's decrease

RETURN of DESTITUTE PERSONS relieved out of the Workhouse, as by Relief Lists, for the last Week ended Saturday, the 30<sup>th</sup> day of Sept<sup>r</sup>. 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.
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No. VI.							No. XIV.					
No. VII.							No. XV.					
No. VIII.							No. XVI.					
No. IX.							No. XVII.					
Car.forward							TOTAL,					

COPY of MINUTES of Proceedings of the Board of Guardians, at a Meeting held on Friday the 8<sup>th</sup> day of September 1853

PRESENT: In the Chair,

Lord Clonbrock

Other Guardians:

Sir Michael D. Bellair Bart  
 Dr. J. O'Reilly  
 Richard P. Lloyd  
 John F. Kiernan  
 Thomas O'Connell  
 Michael Carr and  
 David Buttledge Esq<sup>r</sup>

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. 1811 to No. 1815, 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. \_\_\_\_\_ to No. \_\_\_\_\_, 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.

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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.

No lodgments made this week

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 £ 11/- 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 Necesaries received during the week, was £ 14-19 s. 1 d.

£ s. d.

Debit Provision Account, and Credit Invoice Account.

The Cost of Provisions and Necesaries consumed was - - - - - 18 n 3-00

Debit Maintenance Account, and Credit Provision Account.

And the general average Cost of an Inmate for the week was - - - - - 11/2

Average cost in Infirmary, - - - - - 2/-

Average cost in Fever Hospital, - - - - - 1/-

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

400 lbs Bread  
12 lbs Meat  
2 cwt Oatmeal  
200 Gallons New Meal  
1 1/2 lbs Tea  
9 lbs Sugar  
10 cwt Whole Meal  
4 lbs Candles  
7 lbs Starch  
2 lbs Mould Candles

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 3 day of Sept: ; whereby it appeared that in that week the Total Expenditure in Out-door Relief was

In money,	-	-	-	-	£	s.	d.
In kind,	-	-	-	-			
Total,	-	-	-	-			

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. £ 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.

£	s.	d.

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

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## 3. Workhouse Invoice Account.

L s. d.

Z  
Z  
Z

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

## 4. Out-door Relief Invoice Account.

L s. d.

Z  
Z  
Z

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:

Visited the house and the law attached and found every thing connected therewith in perfect order and very clean, with the exception of the lower external passage of the Hospital which was not as clean as it ought to be. The Wards of the Infirmary were very clean and well ventilated. He had the opportunity of seeing Mental instruction admirably communicated in the Girls' School, and bodily instruction to the Boys who were working under the Master's instructions in the grounds.

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The yards are in a very bad condition for sand and broken stones, so they will be very sloshy in wet weather. The industrial instruction is going on well,

(Signed) D H Kelly

click Carr

Ordered, that the Master attend to the state of the yards,

Report of Works done during week ended 3 Sept 53

16 Vests, 12 Pairs Trousers and 10 Coats repaired by 1 man & 6 boys  
 4 Pairs Shoes made and 5 Pairs Shoes repaired by 1 man & 3 boys  
 6 yards Linen, 7 yards Canvas and 5 yards Calico Woven  
 by 1 man and 5 boys  
 3½ lbs Flax spun by 1 Woman and 16 Girls  
 35 Frocks repaired by 20 Girls  
 1189 lbs Bread baked

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

The Master reported that the Shoemaker absented himself from the Work House on Tuesday Wednesday, and Thursday last.

Ordered That the Shoemaker be dismissed and that an Advertisement be issued inviting proposals from persons willing to fill the vacancy.

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

2nd Sept/53

Sealed order directing the Treasurer of the Union to place the following sums, remitted of the Annuites, to the credit of certain Divisions namely,

Annagh	21	12	$10\frac{3}{4}$
Ballinakill	8	7	$3\frac{1}{2}$
Castleblakeny	49	16	$7\frac{1}{2}$
Cloonkeen	52	5	$8\frac{1}{2}$
Derryglassan	78	6	$4\frac{1}{4}$
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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:-)

47, 474/53  
8th Sept/53

Letter stating that the Resolution of the Guardians passed on the 26<sup>th</sup> ultimo, relating to the Election of a Guardian for Killertuan Division, will receive the commiss<sup>n</sup>. attention.

same

Letter stating in reply to the Resolution of the Board of Guardians of the 26<sup>th</sup> ultimo to the effect that the inmates of the Workhouse be allowed Potatoes instead of bread for two or three days in each week, that the Commissioners sanction the proposed change in the Dietany of the Workhouse on condition that the scale usual when potatoes are given instead of bread will be adopted, namely, Class 1.  $3\frac{1}{2}$  lbs potatoes Class 2. 3 lbs. Class 3.  $2\frac{1}{2}$  lbs. Class 4. 2 lbs. Class 5.  $1\frac{1}{2}$  lbs and Class 6. 1 lb.

Letter

47, 474/53  
8 Sept/53

same

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Letter, in reply to the Resolution contained in Minutes of proceedings of the Board of Guardians of Mount Beller Union on the 26<sup>th</sup> ultimo requiring with respect to the liability rating of the occupiers of Crown lands, stating that the Commissioners have advised that the Tenants of Crown lands are ratable in the same manner as all other occupiers of Lands & Tenements

Letter - With reference to the Resolution of the Board of the 26<sup>th</sup> ultimo requesting the Commissioners' approval to the substitution of White Bread for Brown Bread in the dietany of Class 3 of the Work House inmates, stating that if the Medical Officer of the Work House considers White Bread necessary for the class of persons referred to, the Commissioners will not object to the change in the dietany of that class. With regard to the allusion in the Minute to difficulties stated to have arisen in checking the Provision account, in consequence of the changes made in the Dietany of the inmates on the recommendation of the Medical Officer the Commissioners observe that it is not expedient to interfere with the discretionary power of the Medical Officer, to ordain diet of a special kind for individual inmates of the Work House.

47, 410/53  
8 Sept/53

Letter relating to the rating of the Mount Beller Monastery.

Resolved That the land attached to the Monastery Buildings be rated as heretofore. The Buildings to be exempt as has been the case since the formation of the Union

Resolved That the following sums, Rates assessed  
on Houses in the Town of Ballygar, which were  
vacant at the time of the striking of the Rate, be  
declared irrecoverable, namely -

421	12. 4 <i>1</i>
435	17. 3
457	12. 0
509	3. 9

That John F Browne and R Lloyd Esqrs  
be appointed a visiting committee for the ensuing  
week,

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 - - - 3

Ditto disallowed - - - - - 1

The number of applicants admitted to the Workhouse was - - - 5

The number of cases of provisional Out-door relief was - - - - - 1

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

The number of applicants for whom relief was not ordered

Rejected

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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Next Meeting of the Guardians to be held on  
day of 185 .

(Signed)

*Clerk of the Union.**333*

## SUPPLEMENTAL SHEET.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS of the BOARD OF GUARDIANS of the *Monday Bellin*  
UNION, on *Fri* day, the *6th* day of *September* 1853,  
—continued.

## MEDICAL CHARITIES ACT,—14 &amp; 15 Vic., cap. 68.

An Estimate of Medicines, &c., required by the Medical Officer of the Dispensary District, approved by the Committee of Management, was laid before the Board, with a Requisition from the Committee for the supply of the same, and Directions were given thereon as follows:

On application of the Committee of Management of the Dispensary District, the following supplies of Books, Stationery, Forms, or other requisites, were ordered to be supplied:

*The following Accounts of expenses, (or statement of Salaries due, as the case may be,) under the Medical Charities Act, were laid before the Board, and Directions were given for Payment thereof (or such other directions as may be given.)*

Dispensary District,  
Account of Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ : Amount £

*An Account of Disbursements made by the Guardians during the half-year ended \_\_\_\_\_ for the service of each Dispensary District in the Union, having been submitted to the Board, the Clerk was directed to furnish to the Committee of each Dispensary District a statement of all Disbursements for the District which have been included in the half-year's accounts. The following is the total disbursement for each Dispensary District in the half-year ended 185 .*

District, . . . . . £  
District, . . . . . £

[This to be entered on the occasion of every appointment of a new Committee, after the annual Election of Guardians, and on the occasion of any election to fill a vacancy in a Dispensary Committee.]

*The Board elected the following Rate-payers to be Members of the Committees of Management of the following Dispensary Districts, respectively:—the Clerk to make a Return accordingly to the Poor Law Commissioners, and to issue the prescribed Notification to the Members elected, and to the Medical Officers of the respective Dispensary Districts, in pursuance of Articles 9, 10, and 11, of the Order declaring Dispensary Districts:—*

Dispensary District, Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

*The following Orders of the Poor Law Commissioners under the Medical Charities Act were laid before the Board and directions given thereon as follows:*

Order dated \_\_\_\_\_ /state subject/

The following Letters on matters arising under the Medical Charities Act, 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):

Read Letter from \_\_\_\_\_ dated \_\_\_\_\_  
stating that \_\_\_\_\_

Next meeting of the Board will be held on  
Friday the 16<sup>th</sup> September 1853

J H Kelly Chairman

*John G. Morris* Guardians  
McNamee

*Frank*

*[Signed]*

*B. Reilly*

Clerk of the Union.

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