

Monday 6th Oct 1868.

Present

William Gannon in the Chair,
Francis Corbett, Thomas Bortkin John Lyons, Charles Law,
Mr. Quinn & Mr. Dwyer

Adjourned to Friday next the 9th inst.

F. Roch. Secy.

Friday 9th October 1868.

Present

William Gannon in the Chair
Francis Corbett, Thomas Bortkin, Mr. D. John Lyons, Charles Law.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed.

Notice to quit fish market

A Notice to quit for the Fish market that has been served by Mr. Moran were read -

Increase of Salary £2.0.0 to Mr. Higgins Secy.

There was a letter from Mr. Higgins Secy. soliciting an increase in Salary was read - Unanimously agreed - That he get £2.0.0 more per annum in addition to the former salary £4.0.0 making in all £6.0.0

Fall on Eggs

The Egg Factors were in attendance and complained of Mr. Bird demanding more sold on Eggs than what he was entitled to. - Adopted - That the entry on the Schedule Board be strictly adhered to.

Orders Act

Mr. Clark's Bill that had been reduced last Board day by 10/6 for labour and Bums were taken into consideration - That he get 10/6 in lieu thereof together with one shilling for removing of a lamp post from the new market, to the Gas house.

Compensation to Mr. Bortkin

Unanimously agreed - That James Henchan get one Pound in consideration of injury done the front of his house by reason of the paved channel along the Church gas wall.

Adjourned to Tuesday 18th inst.

Wm Gannon Chairman of the Board,

Friday 13th October 1868.

Present

William Gannon in the Chair
William Dinn, John Lyons, Denis Shinn & James Dwyer.

John Ryan's Tender for building the meat market

John Ryan's tender for the erection of the Sheds at meat market were taken into consideration - when John Ryan had been sent for, and stated he was only waiting for the States to come to Galway, else he would have long since commenced the work, and what he they arrive in Galway or not before the Friday Oct 21st that he will proceed forthwith with the work & finish it without delay any further delay.

Old Timber of Sheds

The old Timber of Sheds having been discussed, to see who the timber will belong the Board were of opinion that it their property, John Ryan disputes,

Proposed

By William Dinn and adopted - That a competent Judge of Works be appointed for the inspection of the Sheds as the work progresses.

Wm Gannon Chairman of the Board

Thursday 15th Oct. 1868.

9. O'clock A. M.

Collection of fine Commission

At a court held this day for the purpose of electing five Commissioners in lieu of William Dinn Lawrence, McEllen, Thomas Bortkin, Mr. D. Charles Law, and Francis Corbett, who retire by rotation (Sec 23) but who are eligible for reelection (Sec 22)

Proposed by Denis Shinn Esq and seconded by Mr. Bird

That William Dinn be re-elected as Town Improvement Commissioner.

Proposed by Francis Corbett Esq and seconded by Denis Shinn Esq

That Mr. Bortkin be re-elected as Town Improvement Commissioner.

Proposed by John Lyons Esq and seconded by John Dwyer

That Charles Law be re-elected as Town Improvement Commissioner.

Proposed

Proposed by John Lyons Esq and seconded by Charles Carr
That Francis Corbett be elected as Town Improvement Comm

Proposed by Denis Shine Esq and seconded by F. Corbett Esq
That Michael Bloom be elected a Commissioner in room
of Lawrence Mullon.

After an hour the Chairman the Chairman
declared the above named Gentlemen duly elected.

Returning Officer.

Declaration.

I William Quin do solemnly declare that I will faithfully
and impartially according to the best of my Skill and Judgment
execute all the powers and Authorities reposed in me as a Commissioner
by virtue of the Town Improvement (Ireland) Act, 1854, and that
I am in the Occupation of a Dwelling house in the Town of Tuam
rated to the relief of the poor at the net annual value of £12.0.0
or upwards, subscribed before me this 19th day of Nov^r 1868.

William Quin

Declaration

I Thomas Bodkin do solemnly declare that I will faithfully and
impartially according to the best of my Skill and Judgment
execute all the powers and Authorities reposed in me as a
Commissioner by virtue of the Town Improvement (Ireland) Act
1854, and that I am in the Occupation of a Dwelling house
in the Town of Tuam rated to the relief of the poor at the net
annual value of £12.0.0 or upwards, subscribed before me
this 6th day of Nov^r 1868.

Thomas Bodkin

Declaration

I Charles Carr do solemnly declare that I will faithfully and
impartially according to the best of my Skill and Judgment
execute all the powers and Authorities reposed in me as a Commissioner
by virtue of the Town Improvement (Ireland) Act, 1854, and that
I am in the Occupation of Dwelling house in the Town of Tuam
rated to the relief of the poor at the net annual value of £12.0.0
or upwards - subscribed before me this 6th day Nov^r

1868 Charles Carr

Declaration

I Francis Corbett do solemnly declare that I will faithfully
and impartially according to the best of my Skill and Judgment
execute all the powers and Authorities reposed in me as a Commissioner
by virtue of the Town Improvement (Ireland) Act, 1854, and
that I am in the Occupation of a Dwelling house in the Town
of Tuam rated to the relief of the poor at the net annual value
of £12.0.0 or upwards - subscribed before me this 6th day
Nov^r 1868

Francis Corbett

Declaration

I Michael Bloom do solemnly declare that I will faithfully
and impartially according to the best of my Skill and
Judgment execute all the powers and Authorities reposed in me
as a Commissioner by virtue of the Town Improvement (Ireland)
Act, 1854, and that I am in the Occupation of a Dwelling house
in the Town of Tuam rated to the relief of the poor at the net
annual value of £12.0.0 or upwards -

subscribed before me this 19th day of Nov^r 1868
Michael Bloom

Monday 2nd November 1868.

Adjourned to Friday the 6th inst. P. Roche J. Clerk

Friday 6th November 1868.

Present.
William Lyannon in the Chair
D^r Bodkin, Francis Corbett, Charles Carr, John Lyons.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed

Ordered

That W^m Burke Carpenter be appointed to inspect the
meat market sheds, to see whether done according to specification
& report same on next Board day, The sum allowed for same
is £1.1.0.

Ordered

That a porter and latch be put on front door Town
Hall in order to prevent nuisance &c.

The following are the return of stock exhibited for sale at
the

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Return of Stock exhibited at the October Fair 20th - 21st - 22nd - 23rd - 24th - 25th - 26th - 27th - 28th - 29th - 30th - 1868.

	Cows	Wentens	Hoggels	Lambs	Plams	Total
Sold	5634	13123	3874	3172	26	25839
Unsold	1709	2892	2311	1546	6	8464

Total 34303

Oct 21st

	Cows	Keifers	Bullocks	Calves	Bulls	Total
Sold	87	4466	188	45		4786
Unsold	94	4094	146	81		4415

Total 8901

Finance

The Finance Book was then examined and cheques were ordered for Salaries Rents From Hall new Market, meat market and Fish Market, when the Board adjourned.

William Quinn Chairman of the Board

Special for the Election of a Chairman to the Board for the ensuing year

Thursday 19th November 1868.

Present.

William Gannon in the Chair
Michael Cloran William Quinn Doctor Dwyer Doctor Bodkin
Charles Carr John Lyons Francis Corbett.

Proposed

By Dr. Bodkin and seconded by Charles Carr - That William Quinn be elected Chairman of this Board for the ensuing year unanimously agreed to.

Mr. Quinn took the Chair.

Proposed

By Doctor Bodkin and seconded by Francis Corbett Esq. and unanimously adopted - That a vote of thanks be hereby given to Mr. Gannon Esq. J. P. our late Chairman for his dignified conduct in the Chair during his year of office.

Committee

A Letter certifying the completion of the meat market sheds from Mr. Harris Esq. upon which the whole Board ^{or more assembly} ~~as they were~~ go to the meat market to see and dispose of the sheds among the Butchers accordingly they did & disposed of them as follows.

Meat Market Sheds

N^o 1. Shed to Thomas Handcock. N^o 2. do Pat^h...

N^o 3. do. to Michael Gilmare N^o 4. do. to Malachy and John Glynn
N^o 5. do. to Mick and Dick Rowland N^o 6. do. to Mathew Gannon
N^o 7. do. to Thomas Hopkins N^o 8. do. to Pat^h. Gannon N^o 9. do. to John Cullinane N^o 10. do. to Pat Rowland N^o 11. vacant N^o 12. do. to Remy Kelly and John Gannon N^o 13. John Mooney N^o 14. do. to Mat Ryan N^o 15. do. to Peter Gibbons, and the temporary sheds to be given for the present to Ned Rooney - The Clerk and John McLeod gave cash and every one of the above named possession giving them warning against doing any damage to the Sheds by driving hooks or nails into the wooden part, and if so that they could be sensibly dealt with

William Quinn Chairman of the Board

Monday 7th December 1868.

Adjourned to Wednesday 9th inst.

Wednesday 9th December 1868.

Present.

William Quinn in the Chair.
Francis Corbett, Denis Skine, Doctor Bodkin, Mick. Cloran, adjourned to 6. o'clock this evening.

6. o'clock.

Mr. Quinn in the Chair,
Denis Skine, Mick. Cloran, Francis Corbett Mr. Gannon John Lyons, Dr. Bodkin, Charles Carr,

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed.

Local Taxation of Ireland

A Return of the Local Taxation of Ireland recd. from W. Nelson Haug as an Esq. Registrar of Statistics has been laid before the Board.

Work not complete by John Ryan,

A Letter from Mr. Wm. Burke Clerk of Works together with a detailed acct. of what the Contractor John Ryan omitted in the auction of the sheds amounting to £17-0-5 having been read -

John

Cheque on 4/8, 708

John Ryan being present when read, his attention was called thereto. A cheque having been ordered on acct. but the Contractor refused taking it unless in full being £96-¹⁰ repaid -

Ordered.

That John Ryan be called upon to whitewash the inside front of meat market wall as being a part of his contract

Inspectors report

The Inspectors report was read and the following were ordered to be done.

Ordered.

That the two sewers on Vicar St. be repaired and that the sewer be made on Bishop St. in order to carry away the water from the inhabitants doors, & the passage at little wide to be put in order

Ordered

That John W. Lord call upon Mr. Waldron & order him to repair the grate in front of his house & unless he does that the Commissioners will do so & sue him for the cost.

Ordered

That Mr. Short the Proprietor of the House in Green St. that the slates are falling off & Mr. Seymour the Tenant be notified to make good the slates & to have the Act of Parliament bearing on same be read for both.

Ordered

That the lamps that are injured by the storm be repaired and the wall at new market be pointed & made good -

Ordered

That John L. Ryan get notice to put the lane in thorough repair within one week & unless he complies, that the supplemental grant will be disallowed & the Com^rs attention called thereto

Ordered

That an application be made at next special Sep for the widening & pavement of Galway road to the church gate.

A Tender for Arching with brick & bowing the far entrance at market having been read ^{be referred} ~~to the~~ to the chairman

Arbitrators

A Bill of John Bunke's Carpenter for work done in the Town Hall having been read - Consideration left to the chairman & another man that may be appointed by

Arbitrators, in John Bunke's contract.

by John Bunke in the event of the two not agreeing a third party to be called in as umpire by them & their decision to be final -

Finance,

The Finance Book was then examined & approved for Salaries & a few other minor bills when the Board adjourned

William Quinn
Chairman of the Board

Thursday 17th December 1868.
Present.

William Quinn in the Chair.
John Lyons, Charles Can. Michl. Colman, Denis Skine & W. Gamm

Requisition

We the undersigned Commissioners request you will convene a meeting of the Town Improvement Commission on Thursday next the 17th inst for the purpose of reconsidering John Bunke's Bill for the work done in the Town Hall in as much as the arbitrators have not agreed -
Decr. 15, 1868.

Mr. Quinn C. J. C.
Denis Skine J. C.
John Lyons J. C.
Mr. Gamm J. C.
Mr. Maghan J. C.
W. Colman J. C.

amt. of Bill allowed John Bunke,

The amt. of the Bill having been duly considered when the Board had come to the conclusion of giving £10- in full discharge of the amt. of his Bill of 12-18- the Board then adjourned.

William Quinn
Chairman of the Board

Monday 4th January 1869.
Present

William Quinn in the Chair.
William Gamm, D^r. Brooker, Michl. Maghan John Lyons, Francis Corbett.

The

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed -

Block Tower

A Specification for the repairing of the Block Tower having been read -

Ordered

That Bills be posted up for the repairing of same & proposals to be considered next Board day -

Ordered

That a Letter be sent to the Gas Directors informing them that there is not as good light from the public lamps as heretofore & to request that they give instructions to have better light from henceforth.

John Ryans Contract

John Ryans Bill for the amt. of his contract £96.0.0 for building meat market sheds having been considered, and the following had been struck out until complete

- To Ladding the metal posts in cutstone bases £0. 7. 0
- 160 yards of rendering left undone to slating 2. 13. 4
- 74 lb of six pound lead for valleys on roof " 18. 6
- Mason work of wall left undone " 15. 0
- Two coats of oil paint on wood work " 3. 7. 4
- 143 feet lenial ridge tile to be cut in cement & put " 11. 11
- 42 Iron squares to be provided to connect tie pieces to front beams and rear uprights " 11. 0

Ordered

That a cheque be drawn for being in full for his contract - ^{£96.0.0} and the balance as above £9.7.11 ^{£96.0.0} completes the work as above described ^{on or before first May next, commencing}

Ordered

That the Exp^{ts} charged Mr. Deaucher for the use of the Town Hall be refunded - The Board then adjourned

Chairman of the Board -
William Dinnin.

Monday 1st February 1869.

Present

William Dinnin in the chair
William Gunnaw Michl. Coran Francis Corbett.
Charles Carr Denis Shue

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed -

Tenders for repairing Block Tower,

The Tenders for the repairing of the Block Tower & in Number having been read, and Rich^d. Donlevy were declared the contractor for the work the sum of £12.0.0 providing labour & all materials, and complete according to specification and subject to inspection.

Tender for an Iron gate at New market.

There was another Tender for an Iron gate for the entry to new market for £1.5.0 this amt. having been considered excessive.

Proposed;

Proposed by William Dinnin the Chairman and unannouncedly agreed to That a sum of £1.0.0 be given for the gate

Letter from the Rev^d M. J. Burke,

A Letter from the Rev^d M. J. Burke President of St. Jarlath's College for the rent £10.0.0, for the intention of St. Jarlath's Green men keeping off stock of Chapel green & damage done ^{to the grass} Field £11.0.0, having been read, the Rev^d gentlemen being in attendance and gave his consent to admit Sheep from henceforth by the college, Oct 29th 1868

Ordered,

Ordered - That the Rev^d M^r. Burke get £1.0.0 in addition to the £10.0.0, Rent for the men employed, but from henceforth the Toll ^{men} will have to supply the men,

Bill for Painting

A Bill from M^r. Kelly ^{for painting} has been deferred -

Application for repairing old Ballygarddy Road

An application from the inhabitants of old Ballygarddy road for a Gas Lamp to be erected there having ^{been read} no order made -

Ordered,

Ordered - That no carts or any other commodity be allowed within 10 feet of the flagged footway by Mess^{rs} Carr & Hoyle

On market days -

Ordered

That the Chairman be requested to call upon Mr. Higgins Sol^r for a receipt for the costs due him by the Board, according to ~~the~~ his promise to forfeit same so as the Board erected new sheds at market -

Ordered

That Mess^{rs} Sh^r Burt & Senter be called for the year's Rent due by them -

Ordered

That the auctioneer that has the under rooms in Town Hall taken, get notice that he is not to be allowed to sleep there, as being only let for auction purposes

Notice of Nuisance

A Nuisance Notice from two of the Constabulary that had been served on the Town Clerk as being on a premises of Mathew O'Connor, the Sanitary Officer's attention was called thereto, who said the nuisance was abolished.

Finance

The Finance Book was then examined & cheques were out for Salaries &c, the Board then adjourned

Chairman of the Board,
William Quinn

Monday 1st March 1869.

Present

William Quinn
William Gannon John Lyons Charles Carr adjourned to
Thursday the 4th inst.

Thursday 4th March 1869.

Present.

William Quinn in the chair
William Gannon, Denis Shine John Lyons, Cha^r Carr, J. Butler

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed

Tender for glazing

There were two tenders for the glazing of the public lamp

one from John Stockwell for 6^d per pane large & small, the 2nd from Robert Stockwell for 5^d per pane large & small.

Robert Stockwell's tender accepted,

Proposed by Charles Carr Esq, (and unanimously agreed to) that Robert Stockwell's tender be accepted for 5^d per pane large & small he finding all materials &c.

Depredation

A Deputation from the old Ballygaddy road waited on the Board, requesting they would repair the old road. The Board are prepared to contribute 1/3 of the expenses provided the Proprietors defray the remainder,

Repairs of clock &c.

Mr. Brady reported that the Clock Dial & hands required to be gilt painted & varnished & to sink the plate, the clock weights as there is not sufficient depth presently requesting the Board to allow him three men for the excavation,

Ordered

That Edward Brady get £1. 10. 0 for the lettering, painting, varnishing, and the required excavation for clock

Tender for adjusting weights

There were a tender from Pat French for adjusting the weights for twelve months, finding lead &c for Iron Bands.

Proposed

By the Chairman & unanimously agreed to - That Pat French get the same am^t £2. 10. 0 yearly that John Mullapry deceased was getting and he will be required to attend at all times the Greener may think necessary - unless he comply with these terms to advertise for same.

Complaint of Butchers

Pat Bird complained of some of the Butchers not paying him for their stalls weekly.

Ordered

- That unless the Butchers pay weekly for their stalls to be paid for the amount.

Ordered men at Fair

That Pat Bird Toll Farmer get 1/6^d to pay men to keep horses and carts coming through Big Fair, & keep them down the Galway road.

Ordered timber to be sold

That the old Timber of Mount Muckler be advertised to be sold

Repairs of Chair

Sold on Monday next the 8th inst.
That the chair of the Board room be repaired.
The Sweepers attention to be called to the ^{state} of the new market
and from henceforth to have it regularly swept.
That Martin M. Hugh get a something yearly for keeping the
new Market Locked & unlocked

Martin M. Hugh Gate Keeper

Inspectors report

The Inspectors report having been read, the following were
ordered. - That the Lamp post opposite new Bank be removed
close to footway, Mr. Clarke Gas Manager being present & consented
to have it removed & cut stone out for its reception for the sum
of 10 shillings finding all necessaries,
That John Ryan Luth. attention be called to the bad
state of the lanes and walls put in proper repair within a fortnight
Mr. Roberts Co. surveyor be written to on the subject.

Ordered Pavements,

That the pavement on Circular road & also Mr. Coombs
Gateway road be done

Finance

The Finance was then examined & charges ordered for water
Gas &c. & Punctuation community & other minor bills.
when the Board adjourned.
William Quinn
Chairman of the Board.

Monday 5th April 1869.

Present
William Quinn in the Chair
William Gannon, John Lyons, Francis Corbett, Michl. Cloran

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed
The disposing of the 4th £100. worth of Gas Shares having
been considered -

Ordered

That they be advertised for sale in the Herald & if the
Proc. be had the Chairmans best liberty to dispose of them.
A Letter from John Mitchel & Pat Hogan claiming a
compensation for plastering & spiring the new market wall were
read. Ordered - That 10/- be given in addition to the 15/-
already

Letter requesting more
pay.

already given.

Bill for extra work

A Bill for extra work done to large scales from Pat Monaghan
having been read. Ordered 7/6 to be paid him.

Martin M. Hugh gate
Keeper at new market

A proposal from Martin M. Hugh to keep the gates at
new market locked and unlocked as required for £2 - were
read.

Ordered

That he get £1.10.0, and to pay him 10/- in advance
which had been accepted by Mr. Hugh to commence from
this date.

Committee

The following committee were nominated to go see where
the lamps on the mall be removed to so as to dispense with the one
in Church lane, The Chairman & John M. Lead & to report at next
meeting

Fine against W. Madron

The fine & costs that has been imposed on W^m. Madron
£1. 4. 0 by his Worship William Gannon Esq. J.P. for not
repairing the grate on footway front of his house, has been
brought before the Board, and in consequence of being
the first of such cases tried in Borough Court the Board
consented to take £0. 10. 0 in full

Finance,

The finance was then examined & the salaries & a few other
minor bills ordered to be paid. The Board then adjourned.
William Quinn
P. Roche J. C.

Monday 3rd May 1869.

Present
William Quinn in the Chair
Denis Ains William Gannon Michl. Cloran
Francis Corbett, Charles Carr Thomas Bodkin

The minutes of the previous meeting were read
and signed.

Requisition

A Requisition from the inhabitants of

Bishop Street to open the sewers which is choked up with rubbish in order to carry away the stagnant water that rests in front of their doors were read,

Ordered - That Mr. Roberts attendance be called to it. In the mean time the sewers to be opened & cleared

Letter

A Letter from Mr. Richd. Kelly requesting payment of a printing acct. due the late Jasper Kelly were read, consideration of Bill deferred, until there are funds available, Ordered - That the clerk write to Mr. Kelly to the effect,

Payment Gas Co,

An application from the Gas Co for payment of Balance of £46. 0. 0 due them for the public lighting up to April 1868 - (Ordered to be paid,

Tender

A Tender for painting the lamp posts, and metals at Bridge from Robert Stockwell for £1. 15. 0 was accepted

Committee to inspect lamps

The following Committee were appointed to go and inspect the public lamps to see if its necessary to make any changes & to report on same next Board day,

Solicitor to the Board,

The Propriety of appointing a Solicitor to the Board having been considered,

Proposed

Proposed by Francis Corbett Esq and seconded by Mich. Cloran Esq. - That Pat. J. Conway Esq be appointed Solicitor to the Board, unanimously agreed to

Ordered -

- That the clerk be prepared with the acct. for audit on the morning of the meeting -

Finance

The Finance Book was then examined, and cheques were ordered for Salaries &c, the Book then adjourned -

William Quinn
Chairman of the Board,

Monday 7th June 1869.

Present

William Quinn in the Chair

Francis Corbett, John Lyons, Denis Shine, William Gannon, Michael Cloran

Ordered - That the Bracket on the Dispensary be changed a little, also the one at Balguy Street & remove the lamp post up on Trinity road down to Mr. Keirans Coach House so as to meet the light from Balguy & dispense with the application for payment of printing of

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed,

An application for payment in some on acct. of Jasper Kelly Bill for printing from Richd Kelly were read - payment deferred until there are funds available, the clerk were ordered to write to inform of such,

Increase of pay

An application for an increase of pay for the opening of the sewers on Dublin road from Bat Hogan were considered Ordered & perice an opening as far as Edm M. Leod points out, in addition to the 6' already allowed -

Requesting increase in salary.

A Letter requesting an increase in salary from Dan Dwyer Craner were - Ordered - That he get £2, compensating in consideration of the loss he has sustained by reason of getting the road covered in from the for Austin Purpours, W. Quinn C.T.

Ordered

- That John Ryan be called upon to complete the work left unfinished by him at Meat market Big. To give all the wood work two coats of oil painting, 143 feet lined ridge like to be set in cement a 7 1/2 foot + 42 Iron squares to connect the pieces to front beams and rear uprights -

Ordered.

- That the Chairman get a proper style erected square passage leading into the abbey Trinity well

Proposed

- By the Chairman and unanimously agreed - That Mr. Thomas Brosone be written to, to complete the flagging in front of Peter Kennedy Shop Bishop St.

Tender for repairing Pump

A Tender for putting the Pump in repair for £4-0-0 and keep it in perfect order for £2-0-0 a year after from John Blake was read -

Proposed.

By the Chairman & unanimously agreed - That John

John Clarke got £4- to put the Pump in repaired working order and to keep it in such for 12 months, and £2-a year after for keeping it in working order after

Tenders for painting

— There were three tenders in for the painting of all the wood work in Town Hall. The first from John Stockwell for £8-10- the second from Thomas Waldron for £11- and the 3^d from Mr. Malley for £10- - In consequence of John Stockwell withdrawing his tender after being opened, the consideration was deferred to Monday next at 7 o'clock P.M. Ordained advertisement to be posted.

Possession of Store got.

Denis Shine Esq. by order of the official Assignee in Re The Bank a Bankrupt, gave the Chairman Possession of the Store held by The Bank.

Inspectors Report

The Inspectors Report were read & the necessary orders made thereon.

Finance

The Finance Book was then examined & a cheque ordered for Salaries &c. when the Board adjourned to Monday the 14th inst for the consideration of Tenders for Painting & the walling in of the well at Finboy.

Chairman of the Board

Monday 14th June 1869.

Present

William Quinn in the Chair,
William Gannon, J. Corbett, Denis Shine Charles Carr

Tenders for well at Finboy

There were two tenders in for the walling in of the well at Finboy, one from Pat Hogan & Co. Cormally for £7- and the second from Stephen Gannon for some

Proposed.

— By the Chairman & unanimously agreed - That a sum of six Pounds be given for the walling in of the well and the work to be submitted to John W. Lord Inspector. Pat Hogan & Co. Cormally undertook the work,

Then

Proposed.

Proposed

There were only one tender in from Mr. Malley for the painting of the Town Hall for £15-

By Charles Carr Esq. That Mr. Malley got a sum of Seven Pounds, the contractor being sent for, and asked would he take £12- refused.

By the Chairman & unanimously agreed - That the consideration of the tender be deferred - The Board desired the Chairman that if he got a competent man to paint the proposed work, to be at liberty to give him £10- W.D. The Board then adjourned -

William Quinn
Chairman of the Board.

Monday 5th July 1869

In consequence of being Fair day the meeting stands adjourned to Friday the 9th inst.

Chairman of the Board

Friday 9th July 1869.

Present.

William Quinn in the Chair

Thomas Doekin, M.D. Michael Moran William Gannon, Charles Carr

The minutes of the previous meeting were read signed

Letter from Registrar of Petty Sessions Clerks.

A Letter from the Registrar of Petty Sessions Clerks stating that a sum of £5-18-6 the proportion of surplus monies arising from the sale of Licences under the Dogs Regulation (Ireland) Act 1865, is to be paid over to the Treasurer to the Commissioners, pursuant to the Dogs Regulation (Ireland) Act 1865, Amendment, to be applied by him in aid of the Town, as the Commissioners shall direct.

A Letter from the Castle & copy Memorial, complaining of nuisance in the Town,

A Letter from the under Secretary with a copy of a Memorial from Messrs R.D. Skinkards and W.D. Deudon transmitted him relative to the existence of a nuisance near their Houses, and of other nuisances in the Town

of Duam/ were read, ordered to be answered and Mr. Gammon be requested to assist in doing st.

Proposal for Stone work of the 2^d Quarters view st.

A Proposal for Stone Bonds a year from D^o Gilmore for the Stone lately held by Thomas Burke were read, tenancy to commence the 1st May 1869, rent to be paid half yearly.

Cleaning Clock

An application from Mr. Brady for £2.10.0, for cleaning the clock were read, (disallowed)

For increase of pay for walking in the street daily

An application from Pat Hogan & J^r, for an increase of pay for the walling in of the well at Fairboy were considered, nothing allowed but the am^t of their costs

Proposal for the plot on Bishop st.

A Proposal from Mich^l Costello for the plot on Bishop Street were read, (Ordered not to be let)

Compensation

Pat Bird Toll-Turner asked for compensation by reason of not being allowed to let Mr. Bally the Potatoe market to perform there

Proposed

By Charles Carr Esq and seconded by Mich^l. Cloran Esq. - That Pat Bird get 10s, and from henceforth not to be allowed to set it for any such purpose, (unanimously agreed)

Ordered

That the Toll Turners Bill for £62.0.0 that will fall due on the 10th Sept. next be cashed,

Inspectors report.

were read and the nuisance complained of by by the memorialists to D. Castle, states that no such exists, nor when complained of.

The lane opposite Mr. Cunninghams on high street is a regular nuisance for want of a gate,

Proposed.

By the Chairman and seconded by Denis Shinn Esq and unanimously agreed. That the Board give 1/3 of the cost of erecting an Iron gate providing the Proprietors and other residents contribute the other 2/3. John McLeod to apply to them, also to get the sewers in Chapel Lane and elsewhere opened, and the washing place at the Little Mile fixed.

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The Finance Book was then examined & cheques were ordered for salaries, Rent Stin Green Meat Market, &c. &c. when the Board adjourned

William Quin
Chairman of the Board

Monday 2nd August 1869.

Present

William Quin in the Chair
William Gammon, Charles Carr Mich^l, Cloran Francis Carr

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed.

John McLeod reported that the Proprietors & other residents of high st have given their consent to contribute 2/3 of the cost of erecting an Iron gate in the lane on high st opposite Mr. Cunninghams.

Ordered

That the church yard wall and the gable ends of two houses at new Market be white washed, to be allowed 12/6 The cost out to see

Proposed

By Francis Corbett Esq and seconded by Charles Carr Esq & unanimously agreed - That a paved channel leading to the Dish at the Church gate gateway road be made, also from Mr. Coopleys to the corner of the abbey wall -

The Finance Book was then examined & cheques ordered for salaries,

The Board then adjourned
William Quin
Chairman of the Board

Monday 6th September 1869.

Present

William Quinn in the chair
William Gannon, Charles Law, Francis Corbett, M. Clonan, J. Lyons

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed.

A communication from the Castle in reply to answer to a
Memorial complaining of nuisance forwarded by Miss^{rs} Kintrea &
Henderson was read.

A letter from the Down Club of the City of Cork with copy
Petition for the abolishing of celebrations in Ulster which are so offensive
to the Catholics of Ireland was read. No order made.

An application from Mr. O'Malley Painter for additional
pay for extra painting done in Down Hall.

Ordered

That he get 7-0-0, in addition to his contract

John Burke Carpenter complained of damage done
to the slates of his house by a ladder placed against the gable for
white washing,

Ordered

That John M. Lovd go see the damage done & get same
soured.

Ordered

That some hooks be got for the Eve shoots at meat
market.

Ordered

That the pavement on Circular road be reset and a
proper step be erected at Ned Kynes at end foot way leading
to Chapel Lane and the Fish Market to be whitewashed.

Ordered

That the Clerk write to Mr. Roberts Esq. Surveyor regarding
the large gap on the protection wall on the the roadside opposite
the Presbyterian Ballygaddy road to have made good.

The Inspectors report were read and the necessary orders made
thereon.

Ordered

That the Tolls & Customs be advertised to be let for 12 months
on the Friday the 24th inst. two advertisements in the Herald &
notices posted.

The,

The Finance Book was then examined & cheques were ordered
for salaries & other minor bills, when the Board adjourned.

Chairman of the Board.

Friday 24th September 1869.

Present.

William Quinn in the chair
Francis Corbett, Denis Shine, John Lyons, M^{rs} Gannon,
D^r Dwyer,

There were two tenders handed in to the Chairman,

The following notice for the letting of the Tolls & Customs
having been read.

Notice

The Tolls & Customs of the Borough of Tuam to be let
from the 28th September 1869. to the 29th September 1870.

The terms of payment to be as follows viz - The
Toll Farmer to pass his bills joined by two solvent sureties
for the amt. of his contract. The first of said bills to be
made payable on the 21st Oct. next, and the balance
of the contract by five bills in equal proportions - the first
payable on the 1st January 1870. the second on the 10th March
the 3rd on the 10th May the fourth on the 14th July; and
the fifth on the 10th September in same year.

Tenders in writing signed by the applicant and
two sureties giving their consent in writing to join in the
Bills will be received by the Chairman up to the taking
of the Chair at 12 o'clock noon on Friday the 24th inst.

The Commissioners reserve to themselves the right
of refusing the acceptance of any tender unless the full value
in their opinion is offered. Possession will be given on
the 29th. Immediately after the Contractor or tenant is
declared, will have to fulfill the conditions required by
the Board, at his own expense.

A. Schedule of the Toll & payable within
the Borough can be seen at the Town Hall.

By

By order of the Commissioners
Patrick Roche J. Clerk.

Town Hall Sept 15th 1869.

Ordered

That the tenders be opened. The first from Mr. Fore
24th Sept. 1869.

To, The Chairman and Board of Town Improvement Commissioners
Gentlemen,

Mr. Fore tender £540.

I propose and agree to take the Tolls & Customs
of the Fairs and Markets of the Borough of Inam for twelve
months from the 29th Sept. inst. to the 28th September 1870. cost
inclusive for the sum of £540. - and to pass you my bills from
by the below mentioned securities according to advertisement
viz, the first bill for £200 - payable on the 21st day of Oct.
next, and the balance of the contract by five bills in equal
proportions, the 1st payable on the 1st January 1870. the 2nd on
the 10th March the 3rd on the 10th May the 4th on the 4th July
and the 5th on the 10th Sept. in same year, and offer as my
securities Messrs Lewis Army of Gunanacran and Richd. Daly of
Dallygaddy.

I am Gentlemen

Yours obt. Servant
F. W. Fore.

The Chairman of the Town Commissioners I am,

We the undersigned do agree to become the securities of
Mr. Fore for the full and due performance of his contract
should his tender be accepted as toll farmer. Signed Lewis
L. Finny
Lewis F. Finny
Richard Daly

Mr. P. Birds for £355 -

The 2nd from Mr. Bird for £355 - were also read,

Mr. Fore declared best.

Both having been proposed and neither were seconded
The Chairman then declared Mr. Fore the contractor as being
the highest tender.

William Ferrin
Chairman of the Board

Monday 4th Oct. 1869.

Present

William Ferrin in the chair
William Gannon Denis Shinn. J. Corbett, Charles Carr
Esquires

The minutes of the previous meeting were read
and signed.

Leave to Toll Farmer.

The Propriety of giving a Lease or some other
document to the Toll Farmer was discussed, and it was
considered to confer with Mr. Conway on the subject if
necessary to get Councils opinion.

Proposed by the Chairman & unanimously agreed to
That the Present Board must some evening that may be their
convenience to see if the charges therein are correct so as to have
it discharged on next Board day.

Flags from Galway.

That the Chairman get some flags from Galway for
the repairs of the Footway where required.

Purchase of Felt.

Proposed by Francis Corbett Esq and seconded by
Charles Carr Esq that the felt at the church be bought for the
Studs at Fish market if the Chairman can agree about it
(agreed to)

Finance.

The Finance was then examined & cheques were
ordered for salaries when the Board adjourned

Chairman of the Board.

Election of five Commissioners

Friday 15th Oct. 1869.

At a Court held this day for the purpose of electing five
Commissioners in room of William Gannon J. P. Martin W.
Moran, James Dwyer M. P. Michael Meagher and Thomas
Murphy Esquires, who retire by rotation (S 23) but who are
eligible for reelection (App A. 22.)

Proposed

Proposed

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By Michl. Cloran Esq and seconded by F. Wm. Fox Esq
That Mr. Pat Cullken be Elected as Towns Improvement
Commissioner for the Borough of Tuam.

Proposed

By F. Wm. Fox Esq and seconded by Wm. Gannon Esq J. P.
That James Dwyer Esq, D. be re-elected as Towns Improvem.
Commissioner for the Borough of Tuam.

Proposed

By William Quin Esq and seconded by Wm. Gannon Esq
That Michl. P. Westly be Elected as Towns Improvement
Commissioner for the Borough of Tuam.

Proposed

By Michael Cloran Esq and seconded by Wm. Gannon
J. P. — That Peter A. Daly be Elected as Towns Improv.
Commissioner for the Borough of Tuam.

Proposed

By Wm. Quin & seconded by W. Fox — That Wm
Gannon Esq J. P. be re-elected as Towns Improvement Com.
for the Borough of Tuam.

Duly Elected.

After an hour the Chairman declared the
above named P. Cullken Esq, Dwyer Esq, D., Michl. P. Westly
Peter A. Daly and Wm. Gannon J. P. Esquires duly Elected
as Commissioners for the coming three years.

Returning Officer,

Special to consider a
Communication from the National
Association of Ireland

Monday 18th Oct. 1869.

Present

William Quin in the Chair
Michl. Cloran, Denis Shine, Charles Carr, Wm. Gannon John
Lyons Esquires,

Letter Read

A Communication from the National Association of Ireland
on the Land & National Education Questions was read, and
considered.

Proposed

By William Quin Esq & seconded by Charles Carr Esq
That Wm. Gannon Esq J. P. be deputed as their representative
to

to attend the Conference in Dublin on the 26th inst. (unanimously
agreed to) The meeting then adjourned.

Chairman of the Board,

I William Gannon do solemnly declare that I will faithfully
and impartially according to the best of my skill and judgement
execute all the powers and Authorities reposed in me as a Commissioner
by virtue of the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act, 1854. and
that I am in the Occupation of a Dwelling House in the Town
of Tuam rated to the relief of the poor at the net annual
value of £12 - or upwards.
Subscribed before me this 4th day of November 1869.

Witness

Michael Cloran

Wm. Gannon

I James Dwyer do solemnly declare that I will faithfully
and impartially according to the best of my skill and judgement
execute all the powers and Authorities reposed in me as a Commissioner
by virtue of the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. and
that I am in the Occupation of a Dwelling house in the
Town of Tuam rated to the relief of the poor at the net
annual value of £12 - or upwards,
Subscribed before me this 4th day of November 1869.

Witness

Michael Cloran

James Dwyer

I Peter A. Daly do solemnly declare that I will faithfully
and impartially according to the best of my skill and
Judgement execute all the power and Authorities reposed in
me as a Commissioner by virtue of the Towns Improvement
(Ireland) Act, 1854. and that I am in the Occupation of
a Dwelling house in the Town of Tuam rated to the
relief of the poor at the net annual value of £12 -
or upwards. Subscribed before me this 4th day of Nov. 1869.

Witness, Michael Cloran

Peter A. Daly

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 Michl. P. Hosty's Declaration, I Michael P. Hosty do solemnly declare that I will faithfully and impartially according to the best of my skill and judgement execute all the powers and authorities reposed in me as a Commissioner by virtue of the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and that I am in the Occupation of a Dwelling House in the Town of Tuam rated to the relief of the poor at the net annual value of £12 - or upwards, Subscribed before me this 16th day of Nov^r 1869.

M. P. Hosty

I Patrick Cullkin do solemnly declare that I will faithfully and impartially according to the best of my skill and judgement execute all the powers and authorities reposed in me as a Commissioner by virtue of the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and that I am in the Occupation of a Dwelling House in the Town of Tuam rated to the relief of the poor at the net annual value of £12 - or upwards, Subscribed before me this 3rd day of January 1870

P. Cullkin

Monday 1st November 1869.
 Adjourned by order of the Chairman to Thursday next the 14th inst.
 P. Roche T. Clerk.

Thursday 14th November 1869.
 Present
 William Dain in the Chair
 William Gannon, Michl. Cloran, Charles Carr, Jas. Dwyer, M.D.
 F. Corbett, John Lyons Peter A. Daly, Esquires.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read signed.

Messrs M. Gannon & J. Dwyer signed their Declaration as being re-elected as Commissioners, Also Peter A. Daly as being elected a member of the Board.

The following are the returns of stock exhibited for sale at the Oct. Fair 20th 1869.

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	Ewes	Wethers	Hoggs	Lambs	Rams	Total
Sold	4064	18016	3468	3080	60	28,688
Unsold	809	519	131	331	21	2,111

Total exhibited for sale. 30,799

27th Oct. 1869.

	Cows	Heifers	Bullcows	Calves	Bulls	Total
Sold	206	4940	368	187	"	5,701
Unsold	114	872	190	427	"	1489

Total exhibited for sale 7,190

Mr. Kelly's Bill for Printing

Mr. Kelly's Bill for Printing amt. £45-6-9, had been read over.

Proposed

By the Chairman & unanimously agreed to - That Mr. Kelly get a cheque for £37- in full consideration of his bill.

Manage Railway

Proposed by the Chairman and unanimously agreed to - That the Clerk write to the Railway Manager requesting to have special Trains attend all the Tuam Fairs, giving the dates upon which they are to be held.

Ordered.

That from henceforth the Toll Farmer is to employ his own men and the Chairman to employ whatever men he may require to keep the passage to the Fair free from loads of stock and off the road.

Dan Dwyer two days hire,

There was an application from Dan Dwyer for two days hire for his attendance at fair. Ordered - That he get 5/-

Extra Gas light closed to 15th April 1869.

Ordered - That the Gas Co. acct. for the extra Gas light be closed up to the 15th April 1869.

Finance

The Finance Book was then examined & cheques were ordered for Salaries Rents & other minor Bills.

Chairman of the Board,

Michael Cloran

Special for Election of
Chairman for the ensuing
year,

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Friday 19th November 1869.

Present.

William Deun in the Chair.

William Gannon, Michl. Cloran, Francis Corbett & John Lyons Esquires.

Proposed

By William Gannon Esq and seconded by John Lyons Esq. That Michl. Cloran Esq. be elected as Chairman to the Board for the ensuing year, unanimously agreed to. Mr. Cloran took the Chair & returned thanks for the Honour conferred on him.

Proposed

By John Lyons Esq and unanimously agreed to - That a vote of thanks be hereby given to our late Chairman Mr. Deun Esq for his dignified conduct in the Chair during his year of office. The Board then adjourned.

Chairman to the Board.

Michael Cloran

Monday 6th December 1869.

Present

Michael Cloran in the Chair.

Denis Shine, F. Corbett, John Lyons, W. Gannon, & Dwyer Esquires.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed.

The Inspectors report were read & the necessary orders made thereon viz.

Ordered

That the Chairman get a competent person to set & reset flags where required in the Road the two flags in front of the Police Barrack to be punched in consequence of being so slippery also set a Stone Step at Edis. Steps to mark a sewer on Galway Road & remove the double curb outside Tentons to whom it may be required & to get a shed built in the plot adjoining Mr. Tentons for the use of the Fair Green rails &c. also to get the second fire place in Town Hall fitted up same as the other & provide Tenders & Fire Irons.

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Finance

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The Finance Book was then examined & a Cheque was ordered for salaries & a few other minor Bills, when the Board adjourned.

Chairman of the Board.

Michael Cloran

Monday 3rd January 1870.

Present

Michl. Cloran in the Chair.

W. Gannon, Denis Shine, Patrick Cullkin, W. Quinn Charles Carr

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed.

Patrick Cullkin signed his declaration as being elected a Commissioner for the Borough of Liscannell.

Proposed

There was a communication from the Gas Company read respecting the unpaid up £100 Gas dues in the Commissioners Possession, requesting to have them handed over to themselves in order that they may sell them.

By W. Quinn Esq. & unanimously agreed to - That Mr. Cloran be asked to give a lease of the Fish market which Mr. Cloran granted to give a lease at the present rent £4.4 for a lease of 35 Years.

W. Quinn the late Chairman handed Mr. Cloran over present Chairman a Tin Case containing the following documents - viz. 1st Lease of meat market 22nd June 1869. 2nd Lease of new Town Hall 20th April 1867. 3rd do of Town Hall, Owens 8th April 18. 4th do New market 20th April 1867. Mortgage of the Tolls & Customs 22nd February 1862, the unpaid up £100 Gas dues, and a Policy of Insurance for Town Hall - That the Chairman be the party to let the room in Town Hall from henceforth & that all payments be made to him. The charge for the lower room 7/6 for one or two days or 15/6 for 3 days & £1.10 for 7 weeks.

Ordered

By Denis Shine Esq. and unanimously Resolved. That the Christian Brothers do get £20. to assist in defraying the incidental expenses incurred by them in enlarging their establishment for the education of the poor.

The finance was then examined and a cheque ordered for the Christian Brothers and a few other minor bills

Patrick Roche J. Clerk

Special to consider the following requisition

Friday 14th January 1870.

Present

Michl. Cloran in the Chair

M^r. Gannon, Peter A. Daly. By order of the Chairman the meeting stands adjourned to Tuesday next the 18th inst. at 7 o'clock

P. Roche J. Clerk

Tuesday evening 18th January 1870.

Present

Michl. Cloran in the Chair.

M^r. Gannon J. P. M^r. Quinn John Lyons Michl. P. Hosty Charles Conn. Francis Corbett. Denis Shine Pat Cullkin Esq.

We the undersigned Town Commissioners request You will convene a special meeting of the Board for Friday next the 14th inst at the hour of 11 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of considering the Propriety of hiring the upper room in Town Hall for Balls or such like entertainments Dated this 2nd day of January 1870.

Patrick Roche J. Clerk

Charles Conn. Michl. P. Hosty M^r. Quinn John Lyons.

C. A. Daly. Francis Corbett P. Cullkin.

Proposed

By M^r. Quinn Esq. & unanimously Resolved. That the rooms be given gratis for the present to the trustees of Tuccu for holding a Tea party - The following are the names of the Committee who are to be held responsible for any damage that may be done the room the painting or the walls - James Mc Cormack, John Cullinane, Pat Lonsdale John M^r. Leod, John C. Mc Donagh Pat^r. Kelly

James Hopkins, John Moorey, John Luchan, M^r. Pendergast, Pat Cullinane, Thomas Braudock. The Board then Adjourned.

Special for the consideration of the Tenant right Bill

Thursday 27th January 1870.

Present

Michl. Cloran in the Chair

M^r. Gannon J. P. John Lyons, Pat Cullkin J. Corbett J. Rodkin Peter A. Daly. Michl. P. Hosty Esquires.

We the undersigned Town Commissioners request You will convene a special meeting of the above Body for Thursday next the 27th inst. at 10 o'clock P. M. for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the Tenant right question. Dated this 21st day of January 1870.

Michl. Cloran C. J. C.

Peter A. Daly J. C. Patrick Cullkin J. C. M^r. Rodkin M. D. J. C.

M^r. Gannon J. P. J. C. John Lyons J. C. Charles Conn. J. C.

William Quinn J. C. Denis Shine J. C.

M^r. P. Hosty J. C.

Francis Corbett J. C.

James Dwyer M. D. J. C.

Proposed

By the Chairman and seconded by M^r. Rodkin That we believe existing crime and discontent, dissatisfaction and prostrate position of our County, emanate from the present land laws and if such law be permitted to exist much longer will be the source of blood shed and devastation over the breadth and length of our land, while we believe that fifty of tenure at a fair valuated rent empowering the tenant to sell the interest in his or her holding (as the case may be) so long as he or she pays said rent and should the tenant fail to pay said rent that the landlord be entitled to enter into possession (of the tenement) on his paying or compensating the tenant for all requisite improvements made on the tenement (or for tenants interest therein). That such legislation will effectually root the Irish people in their native soil and thereby work up the resources of our Common Country - being peace happiness and prosperity to our doors and be a stepping stone to our steady progress in the social and commercial world - That we deem it the duty of the County Members to attend at the approaching Conference

in order by their presence to strengthen the hands of Mr. Gaird
whom we believe is anxious to do Justice to Ireland,

Resolved,

Proposed by Mr. Corbett and seconded by Mr. J. J. Gannon
That a Deputation consisting of the Chairman, Mr.
Gannon J. P. and Peter A. Daly, do attend the Conference
on the 2nd and 3rd prox, at the Mansion House Dublin on
the part of the Board, The Board then adjourned,

Chairman of the Board,

Michael Cloran

Monday 7th February 1870.

Present

Michael Cloran in the Chair.
Patrick Guilkin, Mr. Gannon J. P., Mr. Duin, Peter
A. Daly Charles Carr Esquires.

The minutes of the previous ^{meeting} were read signed

Letter from Dublin
North Union -

A Letter from the Dublin North Union was read

Closing of shops on
Sundays -

A Memorial concerning the closing of shops on
Sundays in order to prevent the sale of spiritual liquors
from the Irish association was read, consideration deferred

Memorial on obstruction

A Memorial from the traders of Bishop street com-
plaining of cart loads of straw hay turnips &c being placed
opposite their doors of business on Market days thereby causing
an obstruction to their friends & customers to enter their shops.

Ordered

That the Chairman & Mr. Gannon see what's best to
be done in the matter within their reach.

Proposed

By Mr. Carr and seconded by Mr. Guilkin - That
the flags in front of Mr. Daly's be punched, as they are
presently too slippery

Ordered.

Ordered

That the Chairman get the stairs in Town Hall levelled
and dispose of the old lead.

Proposed

By Mr. Carr and seconded by Mr. Guilkin - That £10
be allocated for the expenses of the Deputation that attended
the conference on the 2nd and 3rd prox at the Mansion House
Dublin on the part of the Board,

Plan & specification of
Fish Market

The Plan and specification of the Fish Market had been
looked over, some alterations were ordered in plan conside-
ration deferred to Friday next the 11th inst. at 6, o'clock
P. M.

Finance

The Finance Book was then examined & cheques were
ordered for Int due the Presentation community out of
Mortgage up to the 25th Sept. 1870. the 8th instalment
of £6 less of £9 - Summu Cps 1869, out Tolls & Customs
Town Hall and French & Mr. Hugh, also for expenses of the
Deputation other minor Bills & for Salaries, when the
Board adjourned to Friday evening 26, o'clock

Chairman of the Board,

Michael Cloran

Friday 11th February 1870.

Present

Michael Cloran in the Chair.
William Gannon J. P., Patrick Guilkin, Denis Shan
Michael P. Hosty Esquires

Advertise for the erection
of sheds at Fish Market.

The Plan & Specifications of the Fish Market ^{was}
amended had been taken into consideration, and it was
ordered to advertise for the erection of same, Proposals to
be recd. by the Chairman on next Board day 7th March
the Board then adjourned.

Chairman of the Board

Michael Cloran

Monday 7th March 1870.

Present

Michael Cloran in the Chair.
Mr. Quinn, John Lyons, Thomas Bodkin, Mr. D. Shaweiskerbell,
Charles Carr, Patrick Caulkin, Esquires

The minutes of the previous meeting was read and signed

That last years Ye be printed & give each member a copy.
A Letter from the Galway Board of Commissioners with resolutions on the land bill having been read,

It was unanimously resolved to adopt same.
The Clerk to acknowledge the receipt &c

By Mr. Quinn & seconded by Mr. Lyons That copies of the Resolutions adopted at the meeting held in the Market Square be forwarded to the Cor. Members.

A Letter from Mr. Conway Solr. concerning the Lease of the Fish Market to know whether a map or tracing will be put on, and will it be registered.

That a draft of plan be provided and forwarded to Mr. Conway to have put on Lease, together with Richards Donleavy's Proposal for the erection of Sheds at Fish Market to get it stamped.

Tenders for Fish Market Market There were four tenders in for the erection of Sheds at the Fish Market

- 1st From John Ryan for £108 -
- 2nd From Richard Donleavy for £100 -
- 3rd From Patrick Donleavy for £94 -
- 4th from Edward Kenny for £114 -

By John Lyons Esq and seconded by P. Corbett Esq - That Richard Donleavy's tender be accepted for £100 -

That the doorway leading into the inside yard at meat market from Mr. Gannons Garden be closed up with Stone and Mortar

Ordered

That the flags on Bishop St. up by Mr. Concomons be reset.

Ordered

That the Chairman wait upon the Gas Directors in order to see and get a reduction in the public lighting.

The Finance was then examined & charges paid for P. Roche & Co. &c

Michael Cloran
Monday 14th April 1870.

In consequence of the Town Clerk attending the Galway Assizes with the Minute Book, the meeting stands adjourned to Friday the 8th inst

Patrick Roche Town Clerk

Monday Friday 8th April 1870.
Present.

Michael Cloran in the Chair,
Denis Shine, William Gannon, William Quinn, John Lyons, Francis Corbett, Esquires,

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed.

There was a Bill from Moran & Sons of Dublin for printing ten Crane docket books & ten thousand Crane dockets for £37.6 before the Board, the charge being considered exorbitant, payment was deferred, and the Chairman be requested to see to have it reduced.

Another Bill from Mr. Conway Solr for Law Costs which had been also deferred, the Chairman was requested to have an interview with Mr. Conway as regards the charges,

By William Quinn Esq (and) unanimously agreed to That Mr. Richard Kelly be applied to for his bill for printing.

Resolved - That from henceforth Pigs are to be kept down below Saw Pit Lane on Galway road, also carts containing young Pigs not to be allowed to come up further than the corner of the old Barrack on same road.

Ordered,

Bill for Printing.

Bill for Law Costs.

Proposed

Pig Market.

Ordered

That the Chairman be requested to see the costs of Insurance in other offices, and report same to the Board at their next meeting, 6th June next. The above Policy is paid up to the 24th inst 1870

There was two tenders for the painting of the weigh house one from Robert Stockwell for £1. 2. 6. and the second from John Stockwell for one £1. 10. 0. the former was accepted.

Ordered

That Richard Dunleavy get £3- in addition to his contract for supplying two iron bars more to iron gate, and a pullover of deal timber under rafters of shed at Fish market;

Bill for Printing

A Bill for printing from Richard Kelly was before the Board consideration deferred.

Finance

The Finance Book was then examined & cheques billed for Salaries &c. The Board then adjourned.

Chairman of the Board,

Michael Cloran

Monday 6th June 1870.

Present.

Michael Cloran in the chair.

William Gannon, Patrick Guittin, William Quin, John Lyons Esquires

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed

A Letter from the Scottish Provincial Assurance company notifying that the Policy on Town Hall for £100, which expires on the 24th inst, will not be renewed,

That a Policy be effected in the sun office.

A Letter from John Burke Carpenter demanding compensation for damage alleged to be done the slates of his house when the gable was whitewashed last year was read.

Proposed,

Ordered Notices for Big Market - That notices be got printed & posted for the above purpose, and that John M. Seed attend to this a few Saturday mornings so as to see above carried out. ^{Resolved} That a day fair be established the first Saturday of every month, to be considered ^{provisionally}

Ordered

That the Clerk look over the minute Book for the year 1865-67, to see if there was a resolution for the flagging along Mr. Higgins up as far as Miss Gannon's Circular road.

Ordered one of Toll Farmers Bills to be discounted

That the Toll Farmers Bill that falls due the 11th May inst. to meet the payments of this day.

Finance,

The Finance Book was then examined, & Cheques were ordered for Salaries a few minor bills, also for £54- balance due Gasco for the public lighting up to April 1869, and to Robert Henry for half years rent due £, Stafford Hancock out of Green Wall & New Market up to the 1st Nov 1869.

The Board then adjourned

Chairman of the Board

Michael Cloran

Monday 2nd May 1870.

Present.

Michael Cloran in the Chair. John Goss, Peter A. Daly, Denis Shinn, Patrick Quinlan Esquires

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed

A Letter from the Earl of Cloncastray concerning the charges on the public Gas lamps &c having been read.

A Letter from the Scottish Provincial Assurance Company calling the Board's attention to the wantonly in the Town Hall prohibiting theatrical performances without notice being given to the company & the proper extra paid. the policy will thereby be situated.

A letter from the Earl of Cloncastray

A letter from the Scottish Provincial Assurance Company calling the Board's attention to the wantonly in the Town Hall

A Letter from the Scottish Provincial Insurance Co^l,

Ordered,

A Letter from John Burke dem^d compensation for injury done his house,

by William Duin Esq. & unanimously agreed to — That John McLeod employ a man to repair any damage done by John Maughan when whitewashing John Burke's gable,

Deputation to wait on Lord Bishop to ask for burial ground

The following members were appointed as a deputation to wait on the Lord Bishop to ask him for a Burial ground in Dackmore, the Chairman, Mr. Gannon J. P. (and) Doctor Bodkin,

Inspectors report

The Inspectors report was read — and it was ordered That the whitewashing of the different houses within the Borough be forthwith carried out, also to get John Maughan whitewash the Church yard walls, meat market & new market & to see that all other nuisance is abated, in default to be all summoned — But Martin Darcy on Bishop St. to get seven days to remove all the manure out of his yard —

Order, requested

That the Chairman see Mr. Chas. Blake, and request of him remove the stones off the road leading to the Railway —

Ordered,

That the Chairman & any other of the Commissioners he may call upon to go see that the works at Fish Market is properly executed & done to the satisfaction of the Board before taking Possession of same from the Contractor,

Finance

The Finance Book was then examined & a cheque for salaries ordered,

Ordered

That the Tell Farmer's Bill that falls due on the 4th of July be discounted — The Board then adjourned,

Chairman of the Board,

Michael Cloran

Monday 4th July 1870.

In consequence of Ch. Fair day, the meeting is adjourned to Thursday the 7th inst.

Patrick Roche
Town Clerk,

Thursday 7th July 1870.

Present

Michael Cloran in the Chair.

Patrick Guilkin William Gannon J. P. John Lyons, Misch. P. Hoosty William Duin Peter A. Draly Francis Corbett, Denis Shinn Esquires,

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed.

Compensation.

John Burke's claim for compensation for damage done the side of his house was again brought under consideration & it was ordered — That John McLeod get a competent man to make good the damage.

Deputation about the burial ground

The Chairman stated that the deputation as appointed consisting of Dr. Bodkin Mr. Gannon & himself had waited on the Right Honourable & Right Rev^d. the Lord Bishop and acquainted him with the wishes of the Board, his Lordship rec^d. them most courteously — The correspondence which he (the Chairman) would now lay before the Board would explain how matters rested at present.

The following correspondence was then read
Tuam 10th June 1870.

Letter Read

The Right Honourable and Right Rev^d. the Lord Bishop of Tuam My Lord / I respectfully beg to inform you that pursuant to a resolution of the Board of Tuam Town Commissioners held on Monday last a deputation consisting Dr. Bodkin Mr. Gannon & myself was requested to wait on your Lordship relative to a new burial ground which the inhabitants of our town consider would be a great boon, and I am sure your Lordship will fully concur with them, should your Lordship name a day that may suit your convenience to receive us you will greatly oblige. I have the Honor to be,

Michael Cloran C. J. & C.
Tuam 10th June 1870.

Lord Remond's letter read, Dear Sir, / I know that tomorrow is a generally busy day but if Monday at 12 o'clock, would suit you Dr. Bodkin & Mr. Gannon it will give me pleasure to receive you. Believe me faithfully yours
Charles B. Tuam
The enclosed is the reply I have rec^d. from Dr. Foley I hope you may help me with his request as the Board must say frankly report I am most anxious to do all within my power dealing with my personal interest for the general good yours truly
Chas. B. Tuam

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Dr. Loley's letter on the
burial ground,

My Lord,

38, Rathmines Road 16th June 1870

The question about the burial ground being one some
interest I postponed writing to you till to day that I might see
what authorities there were on the subject, in any case you
could only grant one statute acre for such a purpose, but as
the powers of St. Geo III. C. 141. may at best only be construed
to apply by intendment to the present case I could not
advise your Lordship to make the grant. As however you
wish to do all you can for the Town Commissioners, if
they bring forward any competent legal opinion that you
have the power required I will be very glad to reconsider
the matter. I am my Lord, your faithful servant.

J. Loley

Tues 20th June 1870.

The Right Honourable & Right Rev^d the Lord Bishop of Tuam,
My Lord,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your favour
18th inst. ~~concerning~~ ^{covering} Dr. Loley's letter to you, I could not
presume to offer advice on the subject but I shall at next
meeting of our Town Commissioners lay your letter and Dr.
Loley's before them for their consideration, The results I shall
duly inform you of.

I have to thank you very much my Lord
personally and on the part of the Board body I have the
honour of representing for your kind & courteous reception
& communications on the matter, - I have the honour to be

My Lord very respectfully yours
Michael Cloran Esq. J. C.

Committee

Mr. Quin suggested that the Committee continue their
efforts and see what can best be done in the matter he
would advise that a meeting be called when a result is
arrived at & that his Lordship be informed of what the
Commissioners recommend,

Ordered

- That the first premium on the Policy of Insurance of Town
Hall for £700 - be paid to Sebastian Nolan Agent to the Sun
Insurance Co^y & take up a duplicate receipt until the Board is satisfied

Inspectors Report

The Inspectors report was read & it was Ordered - That

whenever a nuisance existed created - That a summons be forthwith
issued - that the meat market & new market walls be whitewashed

Proposed

By Mr. Corbett & seconded by Mr. Lyons. That Possession
be taken of the Fish market this day from the contractor -
and Mr. Donohue be appointed Caretaker of the Fish market -

Ordered

- That Richard Dunlavy the Contractor get a Cheque
for £103 - Amt. of his Contract - the remaining Charges for
extra work was deferred

Letter Concerning Telegraph

A Letter was read from Frank J. O'Sullivan Esq.
to Post Office regarding the erection of Telegraph poles on
the Street and requesting the approval of the Commission.

It was agreed that as Commission they
had no objection to the running the Telegraph wires on poles
along the streets as sought for and on the terms of the letter viz
within three months after any injury had been done, notice of
such be served on the Post Office Authorities.

Ordered

- That Robt. Murray be written to for a Gully trap
for the sewer on shop st.

Ordered

- That the scales at the potatoe market be either rep^d
or new scales provided -

Richard Dunlavy on being present was requested to
prepare an Estimate of the cost of making the sewer on
Bishop St. which was ordered to be considered at the
adjourned meeting on Friday the 15th inst.

Finance

The Finance Books was then examined & a cheque
ordered for Salaries when the Board adjourned to the 15th
inst.

Chairman of the Board

Michael Cloran

Thursday 21st July 1870.

Present.

Michl. Cloran in the Chair.

William Gannon, John Lyons, Francis Corbett, Pat Cullen Esquires.

Seven on Bishop St.

The Resentment for the sewer in Bishop St was taken into consideration,

Resolved, that Mr. Gannon be requested to go attend the Grand Jury,

It was unanimously agreed - That Mr. Gannon be requested to go to Galway on Friday the 22nd inst to confer with Mr. Roberts Co. Surveyor about the amount granted at the special sessions not being sufficient to complete the sewer - Also to attend on Saturday the 23rd before the Committee that's to examine the St. Constables account to try & get them strike out the amt. of Co. cess claimed out of the Original Valuation & Tolls & Customs, and Market Meat & Fish Markets.

Chairman of the Board

Michael Cloran

Friday 5th August 1870.

Present

Michael Cloran in the Chair.

John Lyons, William Gannon, Pat Cullen, Peter A. Daly, Charles Carr, Esquires.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed.

Letter from the Lord Bishop to the Chairman

My Dear Sir,
I beg to acknowledge with many thanks your resolution I can only repeat my desire to meet if possible & within my legal power the wishes of my fellow townsmen and your Commissioners.

Ordered

That Mr. Donohoe get one pound a year for keeping the Fish Market locked & unlocked

Mr. Gannon before the Grand Jury.

Mr. Gannon waited on the grand Jury at the Galway Assizes to see to get a further grant for the sewer in Bishop St. as the 29th allowed at special Sessions was not sufficient to complete the work. They refused the application. The grand Jury promised to strike out the amts of Co. cess in the original Valuation on Tolls and Customs.

Gully trap ordered from Hops & Murray's.

The Gully Trap that was ordered from Ross & Murray which has come to hand, directed to be set in Shop Street.

Compendium of Sanitary Laws ordered.

The Clerk was directed to order a Compendium of the Sanitary Laws.

The Thanks of the Board return to the Lord Bishop.

Proposed by Mr. P. Cullen (and seconded by Mr. John Lyons) - That we humbly tender our best thanks to the Right Hon. & Right Rev. W. Hamard, Lord Bishop of Tuam for his kind and courteous reception of our Parial Ground Deputation and for his very liberal expressions, and the anxiety he evinced to meet the wishes of his fellow townsmen

Fish Fair ordered to be established on the 1st Saturday of every month.

Unanimously Resolved - That a fish fair be held for the future in this town on the 1st Saturday of every month beginning with October next and that it be advertised in the Queen's Herald, Freeman's Journal, Irish Times, Galway Herald, Ballinacorney, and Ennis and Limerick newspapers.

Auditors appointed

Proposed by Mr. Lyons and seconded by P. Cullen - That John Doyle and Peter Kennedy be appointed Auditors to audit the accounts after next monthly meeting

Footway's

John W. Linds attention be called to the state of the gravelled footway all through the town - to compel the contractors to gravel them forthwith

Rich. Dunlavy's for extra works

Richard Donohoe's Bill for extra work executed at Fish market amt £7-8-9 was looked over & cheque was ordered for £6-10-6

Robert Stockwell Painter was declared contractor for the painting of the lamp posts & Melat at Bridge for £1-15-0

The Finance Book was this examined & a cheque ordered for balance on which the Board adjourned

Patrick Roche Esq

Chairman pro tem

Special for the purpose of considering the best mode of presenting an address to His Grace The Most Rev. D. M. Hale Archbishop of Tuam on his return from Rome -

Monday 22nd August 1870.

Present

Michael Cloran in the Chair, John Lyons, Patrick Cullen, William Gannon, J. P., Francis Corbett, Thomas Brodtkin Esq, D., and Peter A. Daly Esquires -

The Chairman having briefly explained the object of the meeting,

It was unanimously Resolved that his Grace be presented with an address.

After some discussion among the members the meeting was adjourned to Thursday 25th Aug^r inst.

On the above day the following Commissioners met in the Town Hall,

Michael Cloran Chairman - Charles Carr, Patrick Cullen, Michl. P. Fogarty, Francis Corbett D^r, Brodtkin, John Lyons, Peter A. Daly, Denis Skine, William Gannon, J. P. Esquires, for the purpose of considering the address adopted -

Immediately after the foregoing gentlemen proceeded to St. Charles's Palace, and presented the Archbishop with the address which the Chairman, after briefly proposing read as follows.

Michael Cloran Chairman

The address of the Tuam Town Commission To His Grace The Most Rev. D. M. Hale Archbishop of Tuam, - Presented on the occasion of his return from the general Council. -

The address to his Grace The Most Rev. D. M. Hale Archbishop of Tuam

May

May it please your Grace - Although we have already participated with our fellow Townsmen in that magnificent demonstration that greeted your arrival on Friday last, still in our corporate and representative capacity, after allowing a little time for necessary repose, we desire, in the name of the People of Tuam, to bid you a special welcome - And to express our Thankfulness to God for having so singularly preserved your Graces health and strength in such trying and critical circumstances.

We are not unmindful on the one hand, that it is through your Grace that the name of Tuam has become so known and honored throughout the land as the Mother of Ireland; nor on the other do we forget that since your Graces departure from amongst us, many a strong and youthful Bishop succumbed to the hardships incidental to the Exile, or to the protracted stay in Rome, and was laid to rest for ever, far away from his people and his native land; and hence our joy at your return is the more unbounded, and our thankfulness the more grateful and sincere, your Graces Vigorous health, after the labour and fatigues involved in the onerous duties you had to discharge in the work of the great Vatican Council, we attribute, not to any natural cause, but in it we recognize the wise dispensation of Providence which protects and prolongs the lives of those in whom the Religious and social well being of a nation so much depends.

For fifty years, when has any danger threatened the Faith - the Education or the Political Liberties of the Irish People, that your Grace, as a faithful sentinel was not the first to perceive, and as unflinching friend, the foremost to ward off?

But as your Graces exertions now identified with the Religious and Political History of Ireland for the past half century, it is needless for us to dwell on them here. We return to what is more peculiarly connected with our own local interests, and as we find that Tuam has been devoted and dignified by your Graces presence,

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not only in a moral sense as the centre of your see, but also in a material sense, by the erection of those many beautiful buildings that adorn our town; and provide for the instruction of the youth and maintenance of the poor, — by the amount of Capital expended; of labour employed, — not to speak of the munificence of the private Charities daily and personally distributed.

No wonder therefore, that the people of Tuam looked forward for your arrival so anxiously, almost impatiently, and no wonder that they desire us in their name and in our own, to present this address of filial respect and admiration, We do so most gladly.

We have all grown up beneath the hallowing shadow of your home and the watchful eye of your paternal care; In youth we loved you as a Father and a friend; in manhood, we revere you as a Prelate and a Patriot. We humbly beg your Graces blessing, and will not cease to pray — That for the sake of Tuam and the cause of Ireland — God may greatly prolong your days in health and happiness.

Signed on behalf of the Commissioners,
Michael Cloran Chairman.

His Grace, who received the Deputation with his usual paternal kindness thanked them in words of benignant tenderness and feelings, and responded in the following terms:—

Gentlemen,

For this ever kind, and flattering testimony of the feelings of the people of Tuam once more repeated through the respected address of the Town Commissioners, I beg you again to accept my most grateful acknowledgments. To have shared in that splendid and popular welcome, which greeted my return on Friday last, was not, it seems sufficient to satisfy your desire to hail the coming of your Bishop, after an absence of considerable time.

Yours,

Let the extraordinary scene to which I have alluded should be mistaken for a sudden and impulsive movement, you were resolved on awaking to cooler reflection, to show that it was the result of the people's deliberate judgement, swayed however by the influence of their attachment to their religion. Let us not then deceive ourselves, much of the merit that is supposed to belong to us, is to be traced to the flattering medium of the veneration of the faithful, though generally viewed. This observation will place in their true light, those works of the building of Schools, the erection of Convents, the establishment of asylums and houses of industry, for the children of the poor. All the fruits of that Charity with which, the Catholic Church never fails to inspire those, who belong to her Communion, The most then that can be said, of the most efficient pastor, is, that he is a faithful servant of the funds confided to his administration.

The mutual regard that remains for years unimpaired, is generally and deservedly prized, and it affords strong evidence of the generous qualities of the people of Tuam to have retained so long and so firmly through every vicissitude of time, their early attachment to their Pastor, & nay, to be continually progressing in the development, as well as in the manifestation of their devotedness to the successor of St. Peter and the vicar of Christ.

+ John Archbishop of Tuam

To,

The Chairman & Board of Town Improvement Commissioners,
Gentlemen,

~~I propose and agree to take the Tolls & Customs of the Fair & markets of the Borough of Tuam for twelve months from the 25th September 1870 to the 25th September 1871, both inclusive for the sum of £ 600 — and to pass on my bills issued by the undertakers mentioned aforesaid according to your advertisement by the first bill for £ 200 — payable on the 25th Oct. next, and the Balance of the Contract by Five Bills in equal proportions the first payable on 1st January 1871, the 2nd on 10th March, the 3rd on the 10th May, the 4th on the 10th July, and the fifth on the 10th Sept. in same year and offer you as my Sureties, Messrs. Pat^r Marquis of Conyngham and~~

Monday 5th September 1870.
Present.

William Gannon J. P. in the Chair
Francis Currell Patrick Cullen, John Lyons, and Charles Con-
Esquires.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read
and signed.

Ordered

That a man be employed to post notices for
the Big Fair through the County, and to continue the advertise-
ment in the Clare Journal up to the 1st Oct. next.

Ordered

That the Tolls and Customs be advertised to be let
on Friday the 23rd Sept. inst. to have notices posted, and
advertised twice in the Herald.

Letter from the Lord Bishop
of Tuam To the Secy

Sir / I beg you will convey to the Chairman and
Town Commissioners my very cordial sincere acknowlege-
ments of their kind Resolution forwarded to me by you
on their order.
6th Aug^t 1870. your O^bl^t Servant
Charles B Tuam.

Letter from Rich^d Straute,
Road

Calling the Commissioners attention to the necessity
of running a sewer on Road in front of the gate of his
wool store so as to prevent the water in wet weather from
flowing into his yard as his wool store used to be often flooded.
That the Inspectr examine same & report on it.

Ordered

Finance

The Finance Book was then examined & a cheque order
for Salaries &c. when the Board adjourned.
Michael Cloran
Chairman of the Board

Special for the letting of the
Tolls & Customs from the 29th
Sept. inst to the 28th Sept.
1871.

Friday 23rd Sept. 1870
Present

Michl. Cloran in the Chair.

Wm Gannon, Peter A. Doherty, Michl. P. Hooley, Mr. Duin, John Lyons
Pat Currell & Thos. Bodkin Esq. Esquires

There were two Tenders handed in, Ordered - That
they be opened. The first from W. Fox for £570 - The 2nd from Pat
Bird for £665 -

V. C. U.
Atty Genl & Recd
Read in P.M.
29 Nov 71
W. Fox for £570 -
Pat Bird for £665 -

To The Chairman & Board of Tuam Town Commissioners
Gentlemen.

Pat Birds Tender
accepted for £665 -

I Propose and agree to take the Tolls & Customs of the Tolls
& Markets of the Borough of Tuam for twelve months from the 29th Sept 1870
to 29 September 1871. both inclusive for the sum of £665 - and to pass my
bills joined by the sundry mentioned clauses according to your advertisement
By the first bill for £200 - payable on the 21st Oct. next and the
Balance of the Contract by Five Bills in equal proportions the first
payable on 1st January 1871. the 2nd on 10th March the 3rd on 10th May
the 4th on the 10th July, and the fifth on the 10th Sept. in same year and
offer you as my securities, Messrs Patrick W. Anagan of Cahelistrane and
John Ryne of Broughy. who are both Esquires.

I am Gentlemen your O^bl^t Servant
Patrick Bird

To

The Chairman & Board Town Improvement Commissioners
Gentlemen.

We the undersigned do consent and agree to become
Mr. Patrick Birds Security by joining him in the Bills that he is to pass
for the due and faithful performance of his Contract should his Tender be
accepted.

Patrick W. Anagan
Signed John Ryne of Broughy

Proposed by Mr. Duin Esq. and seconded by John Lyons Esq. That
Pat Birds Tender be accepted. unanimously agreed to. The Board to
do passed

P. Rodan Esq.
Michael Cloran
Chairman of the Board

Monday 3rd Oct. 1870.

There been no members present the meeting is adjourned
to Friday next the 7th inst.

Chairman of the Board,

Friday 7th October 1870

Present.

Michael Cloran in the Chair.

William Gannon J. P. William Duin, John Lyons, F.
Corbett, Michl. P. Hosty, Charles Carve, Pat Cullen Thos. Britton
M. D. Esquires -

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and agreed.

Toll Farmers Bills.

The Clerk reported that the Toll Farmer complied with his tender for the Tolls and Customs by passing his Bills joined by two receipts which were handed to the Chairman and by him lodged in the National Bank.

Mr. Shouts letter requesting to have a sewer made on road in front of his wool stores was then taken into consideration.

Unanimously agreed to

That the following Committee — be appointed —
The Chairman Mr. Gannon Mr. Duin J. P. Corbett and Mr. Corbett go see the place and report on same whether necessary or not.

A letter from the Chief Secretary's office

Enclosing forms of Judicial and Criminal Statistics to be filled up and returned to Mr. Wilson Hancock Esq. L. S. J. Department of Statistics Office Town Hall Dublin was read before the Board ordered to attend to same.

Proposed

* — by Mr. Gannon Esq. J. P. and unanimously agreed to — That the question of the cross be resumed and brought under the Lord Bishop's notice by the Chairman.

Proposed

— by Mr. Duin and unanimously agreed to that the Chairman do communicate with the Lord Bishop with the view of carrying out the wishes of the community and having the cross restored to its original position which the inscription of the old Tuam cross tells,

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After the minutes of the previous meeting being read the letter and bills disposed of the Chairman remarked that several of most of the respectable inhabitants of the Town of Tuam frequently spoke

to him on the matter of the erection of the old market cross of Tuam in the niche in Town Hall which had been built at considerable expense for its reception that he thought this was a most favorable time to lay the matter before the Board, that they might apply joint to the Lord Bishop who has already so kindly expressed his desire to meet the wishes of his fellow Townsmen for which all of us are so much indebted & that he was sure his Lordship would not refuse so earnest a request of the people of Tuam.

Michael Cloran

Chairman of the Board.

Saturday 15th Oct. 1870.

9. O'clock. A. M.

Selection of Five Commissioners
who go out by rotation.

At a court held this day for the purpose of electing Five Commissioners in room of Charles Blake, John Lyons Martin Cloran Deceased, Denis Shine, and Peter A. Daly who had not then made the necessary declaration conformity with the Act of the 10th Vic. Cap. 16, Sec. 16, who retire by rotation (Sec 23,) but who are eligible for reelection (Ap. A. 22.)

The notice for the election having been read.

Proposed

— By William Duin Esq. and seconded by F. Corbett Esq.
That Denis Shine be Relected as Towns Improvement Commissioner for the Borough of Tuam.

Proposed

— By William Gannon J. P. Esq. J. P. seconded by Mr. P. Bird
That John Lyons be Relected as Towns Improvement Commissioner.

Proposed

— By William Gannon Esq. J. P. seconded by Mr. Duin Esq.
That Mr. French Henderson be Elected as Towns Improvement Commissioner for the Borough of Tuam.

Proposed

— By Francis Corbett Esq. seconded by John Lyons Esq.
That Peter Kennedy be Elected as Towns Improvement Commissioner for the Borough of Tuam.

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By Mr. P. Bird seconded by Mr. P. Cullin
That J. W. Cunningham be Elected as Towns Improvement
Commissioner for the Borough of Suam.

An hour having elapsed, The Chairman declared the
above named, Denis Shine John Lyons, Mrs French
Henderson, Peter Kennedy, and J. W. Cunningham, duly
elected Commissioners for the coming three years, for the
Borough of Suam.

Michael Cloran
Returning Officer

Declaration.

I, Denis Shine do solemnly declare that I will faithfully
and impartially according to the best of my Skill and
Judgement execute all the powers and authorities reposed in me as
a Commissioner by virtue of the Towns Improvement (Ireland)
Act 1854, and that I am in the occupation of a Dwelling
House in the Town of Suam rated to the relief of the poor
at the net annual value of £12-0-0 or upwards subscribed
before me this 7th day of November 1870

Michael Cloran
Denis Shine

Witness

Declaration.

I, Williams French Henderson do solemnly declare that I will
faithfully and impartially according to the best of my Skill
and Judgement execute all the powers and authorities reposed in
me as a Commissioner by virtue of the Towns Improvement
(Ireland) Act 1854, and that I am in the occupation of a
Dwelling House in the Town of Suam rated to the relief
of the poor at the net annual value of £12-0-0 or upwards
subscribed before me this 22nd day of Nov 1870

Michael Cloran
Mrs French Henderson

Witness

Declaration.

I, John Lyons do solemnly declare that I will faithfully and
impartialy according to the best of my Skill and Judgement
execute all the powers and authorities reposed in me as a Commissioner
by virtue of the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and
that I am in the occupation of a Dwelling House in the Town of
Suam rated to the relief of the poor at the net annual value of £12-0-0

Witness

or upwards subscribed before me this 7 day of Nov 1870
Michael Cloran
John Lyons

Declaration

I, J. W. Cunningham do solemnly declare that I will faithfully
and impartially according to the best of my Skill and Judgement
execute all the powers and authorities reposed in me as a Commissioner
by virtue of the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and that
I am in the occupation of a Dwelling House in the Town of Suam
rated to the relief of the poor at the net annual value of £12-0-0
or upwards subscribed before me this 7th day of Nov 1870

Witness

Michael Cloran James W. Cunningham

P. Kennedy's Declaration

I, Peter Kennedy do solemnly declare that I will faithfully and
impartialy according to the best of my Skill and Judgement execute
all the powers and authorities reposed in me as a Commissioner by
virtue of the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and that I
am in the occupation of a Dwelling House in the Town of Suam
rated to the relief of the poor at the net annual value of £12-0-0
or upwards subscribed before me this 2 day of Jan 1871

Michael Cloran
Peter Kennedy

Monday 7th November 1870.

Present

Michael Cloran in the chair.

Denis Shine Mrs Gannon J. B. Francis Corbett, J. W. Cunningham,
John Lyons, Patrick Cullin Esquires.

Messrs Shine & Lyons signed their Declarations as
being Elected Commissioners, J. W. Cunningham and
Mrs French Henderson Sol: as being Elected Towns Improvement
Commissioners,

The minutes of the previous meeting were
read and signed.

The following is the returns of stock
exhibited for sale at the October Fair

Quame Fair Oct. 21st 1870.

	Wines	Middlers	Stoppets	Lambly	Rams	Total
Sold	5,011	19,590	2,211	2,530	57	29,409
Unsold	2,300	3,066	820	782	51	7,019
Total exhibited for sale						36,428

October 21st 1870.

	Cows	Heifers	Bullocks	Calves	Bulls	Total
Sold	114	5,751	571	306	2	6,744
Unsold	108	1,874	122	365		2,469
Total Exhibited for sale						8,613

Bills to be posted for Pig Fair.

It was unanimously agreed to have 500 more Bills for Pig Fair printed to get posted through the country every where also to Ennis Linnick & Co. and to discontinue the advertisement in the Herald.

Inspectors report.

The Inspectors report was read & the necessary orders made thereon.

Finance

The Finance Book was then examined. The Gas Company claims for the public lighting and Mr. Kellys for printing was deferred until next Boards day. Thus Mr. Conrags claims for balance of law costs had been discussed.

Proposed

By Mr. Gannon Esq and seconded by Francis Keblett Esq that Mr. Conrag get a cheque for his claims £1. 4. 3.

Cheques ordered,

Cheques were then ordered for the above officers salaries other minor Bills. The Archbishops years Rent out of Fair Green S. S. Haudecocks half years Rent out of Town Hall and new market. Mr. Wiggins same out of meat market and Mr. M. Cloraw same out of Fish market. The Board then adjourned.

Saturday 19th November 1870.

Present

Michl. Cloraw Mr. Gannon J. P. Mr. French Henderson & Keblett

Special for the election of Chairman for the ensuing year

Mr. Duomo, Denis Shine, John Lyons, Patrick Keulhuus Charles Leary
Jas. W. Cunningham Esquires

The Circular convening the meeting having been read,

Proposed

By Mr. Gannon Esq J. P. and seconded by Mr. French Henderson Esq
That Mr. Cloraw Esq be re-elected as Chairman of the Board for the ensuing year.

Proposed

By Mr. Duomo Esq and seconded by John Lyons. That Denis Shine be elected as Chairman to the Board for the ensuing year. A Bill was ordered to be taken

Roll taken,

For Mr. Cloraw

Jas. W. Cunningham

Chl. Leary

Pat Keulhuus

Francis Keblett

Mr. French Henderson Esq

Mr. Gannon J. P. (6)

For Mr. Shine

John Lyons

William Duomo

(2)

duly elected.

Your Majesty for Mr. Cloraw who was declared

Michael Cloraw

Chairman of the Board.

Monday 5th December 1870.

Present.

In consequence of no attendance the meeting stands adjourned to Friday next the 9th inst.

P. Roche, J. Clerk.

Friday 9th December 1870.

Present

Michael Cloran in the Chair
William Gannon J. Corbett Mr. French Henderson
Jat. W. Cunningham Pat Cullin Mick. P. Hosty Mr.
Quin John Lyons, Denis Shine Esquires,

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed,

Lurgan Town Comm^{rs}

A Paper rec^d. from the Lurgan Town Commission to facilitate the obtaining of powers for Legislation on Public Local matters in Ireland was read, asking the approval and cooperation of the Board in the attainment of its object,

Papers adopted,

It was unanimously adopted, and the Clerk directed to return same by that night's post,

Requisition for a footway on Bishop St.

A Requisition signed by several of the Inhabitants calling the Board's attention to the great necessity of making a footway on Bishop Street was considered. The Clerk was directed to bring the matter before the less payers at the presentment Sessions which is to come off in May or June next,

Gas Co^{'s} report on the reduction they propose making on the public Lamps

A Report showing the reduction of 10% on the public Lamps each from the Gas Directors was read, after which two letters from Ballinasloe & another from Castlebar Town Commissioners showing the charges for the public Lamps there &c,

Resolved,

It was unanimously agreed to - That the Gas Co, get only 13- 9p Lamp for the seven months and for them to pay their Plumber &c in keeping the Lamps all ~~accept~~ - The lighting of the new town to be included in the above charge,

The Auditors Mess^{rs} Peter Kennedy and J. Moylan handed in a Declaration as to the Audit of

of the accounts,

Accounts to be published & printed -

Proposed by the Chairman & seconded by Mr. Shine - That the accounts as audited be printed & published in the Herald & the Tuam News - also the Auditors Declaration

Proposed by Mr. Quin Esq (and seconded by Mr. French Henderson Esq) - That only the one year acc^t. be printed & published, A Toll was ordered, For Publishing & printing six years The one year Mess^{rs} Lyons, Hosty, Cullin Mess^{rs} Quin & Cunningham & the Chairman (5) Henderson (2)

Notice of Motion from Mr. Gannon Esq J. P.

Mr. Gannon J. P. That at next meeting he would move that the sense of the Board be taken as to the expediency of petitioning her Majesty for a Charter for Tuam, under the 14th Sec. of 3 and 4th Vic. Cap 108.

Application from P. Bird

There was an application from Pat Bird requesting payment for men employed by him for his assistance at the Oct Fair,

Refused on acct. of the Resolution passed by the Board on the 4th Nov. 1869. - That the Toll Farmer from thenceforth would have to pay his own men & the Chairman to employ what men he thought necessary

Notice from Mr. Shine

That at next meeting he would move - That Pat Bird's application be taken into consideration,

Auditors remuneration

The A Letter being read from the Auditors Mess^{rs} Moylan & Kennedy purporting the consideration of their services in Auditing the acc^ts for the last six years - The Board Resolved to give them six guineas which they agreed to accept

Inspectors Report

The Inspectors report was read and the necessary order made thereon,

Finance

The Finance Book was then examined cheques ordered for salaries & for the L Co. to audit

Michael Cloran Chairman of the Board

Monday 2nd January 1871.

Present

Michael Colman in the chair.

Denis Shine, William Gannon, Peter A. Daly, Peter Hennigan,
John Lyons, William Quin, Charles Carr, Pat^r. Cullen Esq.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed.

An extract of a letter rec^d. by the Juam Board of Guardians from the Poor Law Commissioners, as to the sanitary state of the Town was read, which expressed a hope that the Sanitary Officer of the Board, and the Relieving Officer of the district would cooperate with and assist each other in abating the filthy state in which the yards of some of the houses in town were represented to be in at present especially in the neighbourhood of that portion of Tuam where small p^o had prevailed.

The Inspectors report was next read, stating that with the exception of a few premises on Bishop St the town was improved.

The clerk was directed to reply to the Commissioners letter in order to be laid before the Board of Guardians at their next meeting.

That the Inspector get instructions to notice the house holders to have the flags & pavement in front of their respective dwellings swept before J. O. Bloock carrying money

My Dear Sir,
Tuam 29th Decem^r 1870
I beg to acknowledge your letter of the 28th enclosing a copy of the acreage &c of the Mensal Lands taken from the Ordnance Maps at the Poor house.

I fear that you may not have kept a copy of Dr. Soley's letter, I therefore send it to you at the other side to make it clear what he required. I am quite alive to the necessity of a new Burial Ground, and have more than once expressed my willingness if legally enabled, however I understand that there is a spot (and very suitable

just

Letter from Poor Law Commissioners.

Inspectors report.

Reply

Ordered

Letter from Bishop Bernard to the Chairman concerning a Burial ground

just beyond Ballymore which can be very readily obtained
yours faithfully
C. B. Tuam

My Dear Lord,

38. Rathmines Road 16th June 1870

The question about the Burial Ground being one of some nicety I postponed writing to you till to day that I might see what Authorities there were on the subject, in any case you could only grant one statute acre for such a purpose, but as the provisions of 56 Geo. III. Cap 141, may at least be only construed to apply by intendment to the present case, I could not advise your Lordship to make the grant.

As however you wish to do as you can for the Town Commissioners, if they bring forward any competent Legal Opinion that you have the power, I will be very glad to reconsider the matter.

I am my Dear Lord your faithful
J. R. Soley.

Proposed,
By Peter A. Daly Esq. and Seconded by Wm. Quin Esq — That the Solicitor to the Board get the necessary instructions to take opinion of Counsel on the difficulties which the above correspondence discloses, (Unanimously adopted)

Agreed Unanimously — That the Chairman and Mr. Gannon, who are well acquainted with the subject, wait on the Solicitor and give him every information in their power in relation to the question.

The following letter from Dean Seymour concerning the old Crofs of Tuam was read,

Vicarage Tuam 5th Dec^r 1870

Dear Sir,
In reply to your letter of the 28th Ult, I beg respectfully to state that I never made a promise of removing the crofs out of the Cathedral Church yard. I distinctly told you I was only one of the body to whom it was supposed the Crofs belongs,

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I merely mentioned some of the reasons which
throw difficulties in the way on a former occasion
According to promise I brought the
matter before the Dean and Chapter at their
last meeting, when a legal difficulty arose
which may render further action on their part
very doubtful, but which will be fully discussed
at their next meeting.

I am D^r Sir, yours faithfully
Charles H. Seymour Dean of Tuam

W. Lalor Esq. C. F. C.
Reply to the above
Tuam 14th Decr. 1876.

Chairmans reply,

The very Rev^d. Charles H. Seymour Dean of Tuam,
Rev^d Sir, Your favour of the 5th duly reached me
and in reply I must remark, I am somewhat amazed at its
purport. In it you say you never made a promise to remove
the market cross of Tuam out of St. Marys Churchyard and
that you were only one of the body to whom it was supposed
the cross belonged. Now in the statement there appears to me to
be some misapprehension on your part, and I most assuredly
say that you of yourself, as you state in your letter, never promised
to remove the cross from St. Marys. But you distinctly told me
that you would give the people of Tuam through me the cross
on the condition that it be erected in the centre of the market
square, where it could be seen from all the streets off the square,
to bring the matter clear to your memory I will remind you
of the remarks you made, as to the inscription running round
it, and its base, and the figures being cut on all sides of it, and
of the beauty of the cross in general, which would be hidden
in the niche already erected for it. You also pointed out the
spot where it would be erected. Your suggestions I agreed in and
promised to have carried out. I furthermore respectfully beg
to remind you that you also mentioned you were the party
to whom the right of holding and giving the cross was im-
mediately vested, but that you would immediately convene a
meeting of the Dean and Chapter for the consideration of the
request which I perceive you have done, and that the
conclusion so come to seems very doubtful in consequence of a
legal difficulty having arisen as you remark, and that the

the matter is to be more fully discussed at their next meeting. I
cannot see, nor can the oldest inhabitant of our town what legal
difficulty could arise (if a legal difficulty means an individual
claim as you explained to me) to be an obstacle in the way of your
just request. We are very enthusiastic for its erection in neutral
grounds and I would add that to myself it would be doubly
gratifying in as much as I am certain it would be a sure means
of wiping out the division so long between us, and as we believe
you are the party we are to treat with on the subject, I would ask
you again to give the matter your fullest and earliest consideration,
and hoping soon to have a favourable reply.

I am Dear Dean
Very respectfully yours
Wm. Lalor Esq. C. F. C.

Proposed

By Mr. Quinn Esq and seconded by John Spence Esq - That this
Board will agree to erect the cross in the market square, and should
any legal difficulty present itself to the Dean the Commissioners will
have it removed by competent legal opinions.

A Bill from Melark Kumbra for £40 for work performed by him in
preparing the Town Hall for ^{honouring} the ^{late} ^{of} the late arrival
of his Grace The Most Rev^d B. M. Hale Archbishop of Tuam from
Rome.

It was unanimously agreed, that the members present
should form themselves into a committee, & to form a quorum
at 5. O'clock, with the view of considering the amount claimed
where Mr. Melark should be in attendance, ~~the committee~~
~~should be~~

Mr. Cannon Esq J. P. gave notice - That on next Board day he would
ask the Board, reconsider the Resolution, passed on last day
of meeting to Publish and print the last six years accounts.

Agreed - That Mr. Cannon's Notice of motion for a debate for Tuam
be postponed to next Board day.

Mr. Quinn's notice of motion to compensate the Toll Farmer for extra
men employed by him to keep the Cattle in the respective places

place at the late Oct. Fair at Tuam was not considered

Proposed By Mr. [unclear] and seconded by John Lyons Esq - That Pat Bird get a sum of £3.0.0

Proposed By Charles Kan Esq as an amendment and seconded by the Chairman that Pat Bird get only £2.0.0 (Mr. Thine withdra his) the amendment was unanimously agreed to

Proposed By Mr. Quinn Esq and unanimously agreed - That the Chairman communicate with the Railway Authorities in the view of getting them to facilitate the conveyance of stock on Fair and market days

Ordered That the clerk call upon Marnau Shop Street and tell him that he will not be allowed to keep a crane for weighing any produce bought at the market.

Ordered That the Board get the upper Room in the Town Hall for practising

The following Committee met at ten o'clock to consider Mr. Blakelys Bill.

Michl. Cloran in the chair
Peter Kennedy Charles Kan, Mr. Quinn, Mr. Gannon, P. O. Cull, W. Keeney

After considering the Bill, it was unanimously resolved agreed to give Mr. Blakely £2.00.0 in lieu of his Bill of £40.0.0 which he accepted

Michael Cloran

The Chairman of the Board

Monday 6th February 1871
Present

Michael Cloran in the chair.
William Gannon J. P. Patrick Cullkin Francis Corbett James M. Cunningham Mr. Quinn, Peter A. Daley, Michl. O. Horley Denis Shinn, Peter Kennedy Mr. French Henderson Esquires
The

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed

Letter from Dean Seymour about the market cross

Vicarage Tuam 14th Feb^{ry} 1871.

Dear Sir - I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 3rd Ultimo, I beg to remind you once more that I never promised to hand over, nor could I, the cross in the ^{Catholic} Churchyard of Tuam to the town Commissioners, The tone adopted at the late meeting of the Commissioners, and the terms of an article in a recent number of a local paper precludes my entering further into any correspondence on the subject of the cross,
I am Dear Sir yours faithfully
Charles H. Seymour Dean of Tuam
Mr. Cloran Esq. Town Commissioner

The Chairman requested to reply

After some conversation on the subject - The Chairman was requested to write to the Dean to say that this Board meant nothing discourteous to him,

Letter from Mr. Conroy with Counsel's opinion from Mr. Conroy Esq.

A Letter from Conroy Esq. together with Counsel's opinion with reference to the providing of a new grave yard, was read consideration deferred until next Board day in the mean time the Chairman to bring the matter under the Lord Bishops Notice

Chairman with Mr. Keenan on Railway accommodation

The Chairman said he wrote to Mr. Keenan about the accommodation given to the public by rail on Fair days & markets, and he kindly called on him and expressed a hope that matters would soon go on right.

Reduction in Lamps

The Chairman had also attended a meeting of the Gas Co about the price charged by them for lighting each of the street Lamps which was £4-7 lamp & the Chairman Mr. Keenan informed him that the Company had resolved on reducing the charge of each lamp to £3- and attend to all plumbing business for that, but the charge for town hall was deferred until they next meet when the matter will be taken into consideration.

Letter concerning the publishing the accts from D. Bodkin

A Letter from D^r Bodkin concerning the publishing the accounts was read,
Proposed

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By Mr. Shine and seconded by Mr. Quin - That D^r. Bodkins letter be inserted on the minutes - The chairman not putting it from the Chair it dropped.

Mr. Gannon's Notice of Motion for rescinding the resolution for publishing the accounts

Mr. Gannon's Notice of Motion for rescinding the resolution for publishing the Boards accounts for the last six years was next considered -

The following Committee was then appointed to see & arrange on the most moderate terms with the both Papers to have them published,

Committee to arrange about the publishing of the accounts

The Chairman Mr. Henderson, Mr. Quin, Mr. Cunningham & Mr. Shine.

Mr. Gannon's Notice of Motion for a charter for the Borough of Tuam

Proposed by Mr. Gannon Esq. J. P. and seconded by Mr. French Henderson Esq. Sol^r. - That the proposed form be applied for, (The Board unanimously agreed)

Proposed

By Mr. Gannon and seconded by Mr. Henderson - That the following Gentlemen be appointed a Committee to prepare the Petition & get the signature of the inhabitants to forward same to the Queen

Committee to prepare Petition for the Charter,

The Chairman Mr. Henderson Mr. Gannon J. P. Mr. Shine and Mr. Quin,

County Surveyor

The Clerk was directed to write to Mr. Roberts Esq. Surveyor concerning the removal of the broken stones on the road side opposite the Presbyterian Church to have them Contractors do so.

Rev. W. J. Burke's Claim for damage

Rev^d. W. J. Burke, President of St. Saulth's College made a claim of £5 - for damage done the lawn field by reason of the battle at the last Oct. Fair cutting it up & men employed to keep the stock off said field, in addition to the £10 - already allowed for the extension of the Fair Green -

Proposed

By Denis Shine Esq. and seconded by Jas. W. Cunningham Esq. - That in as much as the Fair being much longer than was anticipated the Rev^d. Mr. Burke be ordered one Pound for Men & two Pounds for the damage done (agreed to)

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Complaint by Toll Farmer against Mart. P. Coletto for refusing to pay Toll on wool sold & delivered in respect of to pay Toll on wool

The Toll Farmer laid a Complaint against Martin P. Coletto for refusing to pay Toll on wool sold & delivered in respect of to pay Toll on wool

Proposed

By Mr. French Henderson Esq. and seconded by unanimously agreed to. - That the Boards Sol^r. be directed to see Mr. Coletto for the amt. of Toll due - the Clerk to write to Mr. Conway Sol^r. on the affair.

Letter from Mart. P. Coletto

Asking leave of the Board to run a pipe across the road from his House to the main sewer - That he be allowed run a sewer & not a pipe.

Ordered

Proposed

By Mr. Henderson and seconded by Mr. Quin - That D^r. Bodkins letter be deferred until next Board day.

Mr. Quin's Notice of Motion for providing a Fire Engine

Notice That he would move on next Board day to provide a Fire Engine,

Finance

The Finance Book was then examined and Cheques ordered for Salaries &c. when the Board adjourned.

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W. M. O. Chairman of the Board

Monday 6th March 1871.

There being no attendance the meeting is adjourned to Thursday next the 9th inst. P. Roche J. Clerk,

Thursday 9th March 1871

Present.

William Gannon J. P. Denis Shine Peter Kennedy Mr. Quin John Lyons J. Corbett Esquires -

Proposed

Proposed by Mr. Quin & seconded by Mr. Corbett That Mr. Gannon take the Chair -

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed -

D^r Bodkins Letter

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As being read on last Board day & consideration deferred to this days meeting, was laid on the Table.

Proposed

By Mr. Shine - That the letter be inserted on the minutes, got no seconds -

Inspectors report

was read - The whole matter was referred to the Chairman -

Mr. Duins Notice of Motion

That he will move to have a weighing machine such as the one in the square for the Potatoe market -

Bill from the Irish Times for Publishing Pig Fair

For advertising pig Fair four Times read, deferred to next Board day,

Proposed

By Mr. Duin and seconded by Mr. Shine. That all documents connected with the Board be kept in the Board room

Charge for the Public Lamp

A report as to the charge to be for the public Lamps from the Gas Co, since last sept. was read consideration deferred to next Board meeting.

Finance

Book was then examined of the High Constables for Clare & Dunmore Baronies claim for Co less also the Poor rate the tenth & last instalment of Co less as decreed for was included Salaries &c - Cheques were ordered for same.

Charter

The Board then adjourned to Thursday the 23rd inst. to consider the Petition for the Charter as prepared by Mr. Hendrick

Michael Cloran Chairman of the Board

Monday 3rd April

Present,

M^{rs} Gannon J. P.
M^{rs} Duin, Denis Shine, Peter A. Daly, J. W. Cunningham

In consequence of some of the Commissioners leaving the room, a quorum being incomplete the business of the Board was adjourned,

Monday 1st May 1871

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Present

Michael Cloran in the Chair.
M^{rs} Gannon J. P. Francis Corbett Esq. Bodkin, John Lyons W. Duin, Denis Shine, Peter A. Daly, Charles Carr, Peter Kennedy Esq.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed.

Ordered.

That Rodger Rabbit, whose horse & cart broke the Lamp Post be sued for the cost of repairing same.

There was An application from D^r Kinhead for the use of the Town Hall for the Choral Union,

Unanimously agreed - That the Board decline giving the room on the application made.

Race Committee

The Race Committee waited on the Board requesting a subscription towards the fund.

Proposed

By Mr. Duin Esq and seconded by Mr. Gannon Esq. P. That there be £30 given for two days Races to be held at Gumanes, if only one day £10 -

Proposed

By Denis Shine Esq and seconded by F. Corbett Esq That the Race Committee get £30 for two days, or £15 for one day.

A Poll was ordered to be taken.

For £30 for two days or £15 for one day	£30 for 2 days or £10 for 1 day
Peter A. Daly	Mr. Duin
Denis Shine	Mr. Gannon J. P.
D ^r Bodkin	Michael Cloran (3)
Francis Corbett (4)	one Majority for £30 for two days or £15 for one day,

The Chairman was requested to see Mr. Conway Sol^r concerning the Burial Ground.

Notice

That the Board take the flagging of the footway to the Railway into consideration next Board day.

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Stepping Stones at Little Mill

A specification for erecting Stepping Stones &c at the Little Mill was submitted, together with several other communications, were deferred for a Committee of the whole Board's consideration to meet on Friday the 12th inst.

Finance

The Finance Book was then examined & cheques, &c. ordered for salaries &c., when the Board adjourned

Chairman of the Board,
Michael Cloran

Friday 12th May 1871.

Present
Michael Cloran in the Chair
W. Quinn M. Gannon Esq. J. P. John Lyons, Charles Carr,

Ordered

That Tenders be rec^d. for the erection of a standard for weighing such as the one in the Market square on next Board day, to be properly painted with two coats of Lead Colour paint with capping of zinc.

The specification for the stepping stones &c for the Little Mill was then examined considered. The above must go after the meeting to see to the proposed work & report there

Education question

A communication from the Town Clerk of Dublin together with resolutions passed by the Municipal Council on the Education question were read.

Resolved.

That the County Members be requested to give the Mansion House Committee on the Education question their support.

Union Rating

A Petition for Union Rating adopted by the New Ross, Town Commissioners was read.

Ordered

That a similar be prepared & forwarded to the County Members for Presentation in the House of Commons

Irish Railways

A copy Memorial on Irish Railways having been read

Ordered

Ordered.

That it be signed by the Chairman & forwarded to the Lord Lieutenant.

The Board then adjourned

Michael Cloran Chairman of the Board

Monday 5th June 1871.

Present
Michael Cloran in the Chair,
W^m. French Henderson, W^m. Gannon J. P. Denis Shinn
Peter Kennedy, W^m. Quinn, John Lyons Francis Corbett and
Charles Carr Esquires,

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed,

The Lord-Lieutenant's secretary acknowledged receipt of Resolution on the question of Irish Railways and in favour of Imperial Guarantees,

The following Letters from the County Members were read.

Resolution on the question of Irish Railways &c.

M. P.
Mr. Gregory's Letter on presenting Petition in favour of Union Rating

8th Robert Place 25th May 71.
Dear Sir - I shall have much pleasure in presenting this day, the Petition of the Town Council of Tuam in favour of Union Rating.
The Town Clerk Tuam
W. H. Gregory M. P.

Same from Mitchell Henry M. P.

Stratheden House Hyde Park S. W.
24th May 1871.
Sir,
I beg to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter of the 22nd inst. relative to Union Rating, which has my attention no measure will be introduced until the Committee now sitting has reported, and which committee Mr. Gregory is a member -
I am Sir Faithfully yours
Mitchell Henry M. P.

Home Government Association

A circular from the Home Government Association was read -

Resolved -

That this Board unanimously & cheerfully give their adhesion to the cause of home rule -

That

That a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Secretary of the Home Government association -

Letter from Mr. Conway Col. - A Letter from Mr. Conway Col. together with a Bill for the Cops. from the High Constables alleged to be due out of the Town Customs &c. were read -

Unanimously Resolved - That in the event of a Process being issued for the recovery of same this Board to defend it by all legal ways.

Letters from Mrs. Pierce asking the Town Hall - There were two letters from Mrs. Pierce read, requesting the use of the Town Hall for holding a concert -

The application was refused -

Flagging the Footway to the Terminus, - The flagging of the footway to the Terminus was considered -

Unanimously agreed - That Mr. Conway Esq. be got to revise the Notices to be served for the above object for the next special sessions to be held at Tuam for Clare Barrony

Petition for a Charter for Tuam, - A Draft Petition for a Charter for the town of Tuam setting forth the claims of Tuam to a Municipality was read by Mr. Henderson which was cordially approved of by the Board.

Ordered - That the copy be engrossed on Parchment by young Byrne, after which the following be formed as a committee to get the signatures - The Chairman, Mr. Duin, Mr. Gannon J.P. Mr. Stine, Mr. Henderson Esq. & Mr. Lyons -

Weigh Machine for Potatoe Market - Ordered - That the weigh Machine in Pat Birds yard be brought to the Potatoe Market to try would it suit viz so to purchase it from Mr. Fitzgerald -

Cleaning Wells, - Ordered - That the passage to the wells be kept clear of nuisance, & scour & cleanse from & around said wells - The Chairman & Mr. Duin be requested to see what's necessary to be done -

Closing up passage to the washing place at Biddy, - The closing up of the washing place at the Big Biddy was deferred until next Board day -

Notice

Notice from Mr. Gannon J.P. - That he will move on next Board day, That this Board give something towards the Band fund -

same from Mr. Duin, - That from henceforth on Fair days the Custom Gap be removed up as far as Mr. Traupis's from opposite Mr. Henderson's,

Inspectors report - was read & the necessary orders made thereon -

Finance, - The Finance Book was then examined & cheques ordered for Salaries & towards Rate fund -

Band Fund - ~~It was then Ordered - That the Commission be of the Band Committee meet on Sunday next to take the Band Finance into consideration -~~

Secretary to Band ~~Proposed by Mr. Henderson & seconded by Mr. Carr - That a vote of thanks be and is passed to the Chairman and that the Board has the fullest confidence in his discretion - The Board then adjourned~~

Vote of thanks to the Chairman) Proposed by Mr. Henderson & seconded by Mr. Carr - That a vote of thanks be and is passed to the Chairman and that the Board has the fullest confidence in his discretion - The Board then adjourned
Michael Cloran
Chairman of the Board.

Monday 3rd July 1871.
Present,

Michael Cloran in the Chair,
William Duin Peter Kennedy John Lyons Mr. Gannon J.P.
P. Cullen Charles Carr Esquires,

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed -

Mr. Cummings resignation - A Letter rec^d from J^r W. Cunningham was read intimating his vacating his seat at the Town Board.

Ordered, Election of - That since the Law requires that the vacancy created be filled within one month, and the next ordinary meeting does not ensue within that time it was agreed that the Board sit for the Election

Election of a Commissioner in room of Mr. Cunningham who resigned, on Monday the 17th inst.

Proceps for the Cess,

The proceps issued by the Barony Constables for the cess of les cess alleged to be due out of the Tolls & Customs &c for the Railway Lane Leysions, had been deferred by mutual consent of the Solicitors engaged, in order to have the matter laid before the Grand Jury at the coming Assizes.

Mr. W. Donnell to make a sewer,

Ordered - That Mr. W. Donnell be called upon to make a sewer from the down pipe on his store in Mr. Gannon's yard, so as to prevent the water of flowing into the new market.

Mr. Gannon's Notice of Motion

Mr. Gannon's Notice of Motion to grant something towards the Grand fund, was deferred until next Board day.

Contract entered into for painting lamps posts &c

was entered into with Robert Stockwell for painting the street lamps, posts, the public gates, namely the new market & meat market gates, the door opposite Mr. Murray's Bishop st. and the metals at the Bridge within one month @ £3-

Inspectors report

The Sanitary officers report was read & the necessary votes made thereon.

Finance

The Finance Book was then examined and Cheques were ordered for salaries rents & other minor bills when the Board adjourned to the 17th for the Election of a Commissioner in room of Mr. Cunningham -

W. Gannon
Chairman of the Board,

Monday 17th July 1871.

Present

Peter Kennedy John Lyons, One or block not having a sufficient No. to form a quorum, the meeting is adjourned to Friday next the 21st inst.

Friday 21st July 1871.

John Lyons, Peter Kennedy, not having a sufficient No. the meeting stands adjourned,

Monday 7th August 1871.

Present,

William Gannon J.P. in the chair
Francis Corbett, Peter Kennedy, Pat Cullen Charles Carr Esq.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed,

Mr. Gannon made a statement regarding the County Cess on the Tolls & Customs Original valuation about which he had been commissioned to wait on the Grand Jury at the late Assizes, Mr. Conway Sobr & he had accordingly waited on the above Body, and the Committee agreed to strike off the £19 Extra which had been objected to by the Board, They decided that the same be represented on the Barony at Large, but they left on the Cess on New Market & Meat Market

Mr. Gannon thought it better to have Counsel's Opinion on the Cess left on and as they were so courteous in the other matter did not press the matter on further but asked the Committee to abide by the opinion of Counsel to which they willingly assented.

The Commission to pay the Law costs in the matter now of the Opinion of Counsel were favourable to the Board, the Charge would be got rid of at once & for ever otherwise it will be become a permanent charge -

Ordered Mr. Kilkelly costs to be paid,

That Mr. Kilkelly Solicitor to the Grand Jury be paid his costs as settled between him & Mr. Conway Amt. £6. 16. 0. but the other Bill for the proceps issued for last June Leysions Amt. £1-1-3 was deferred till next Board day -

The Burial ground.

Mr. Gannon read the following letter which had been received from Mr. Conway enclosing D. Ball's opinion in connection with the subject,

Chambers 4th Den. St.

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Counsellors Opinion on
the Rental grounds

My Dear Sir,

29 July 1871.

I send you herewith D. Balls postscript to the
Opinion he already wrote on the subject of a Lease from the
Lord Bishop for a Rental ground which I regret to say you will
find to be unfavourable. yours very obediently
Michl. Colman Esq. C. J. C. P. J. Conway

Postscript

I am of Opinion that the Bishop cannot lease
any of the Menial lands, the power to reduce the Menial
lands to 250 Acres appears to me not applicable since
the Church Act. Also to Lease for a building ground is
waste and the Bishop would be answerable J. J. Ball,

Mr. Gannon's Notice of Motion was postponed
till next Board day -

Finance

The Finance Book was then examined &
Cheques ordered for Salaries Mr. McKelley's cost &
& for cleaning & cum at the room of Mr. Tshy High st.
which amt. the Inspector was directed to collect from
the Proprietor Messrs. Tshy & Colman, the Board then
adjourned.

Chairman of the Board
P. J. Conway

Monday 4th Sept. 1871.

Present

Peter Kennedy Mr. Gannon, P. J. Corbett John Lyons
and Patrick Cullen Esquires

Proposed by Mr. Kennedy & unanimously agreed to - That
Mr. Gannon take the Chair -

The minutes of the previous meeting were read &
signed.

Mr. Gannon's Notice of Motion was taken into consider-
ation, deferred until there would be a full Board,

The day for letting the Tolls & Customs to be left for the
consideration

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consideration of the Board to Thursday next the 7th inst. to
which day this meeting stands adjourned,

The Finance Book was then examined & a cheque was drawn
for salaries &c, when the Board adjourned,

Chairman of the Board,

Thursday 7th Sept. 1871.

Present,

Michl. Colman in the Chair,
Peter A. Daly, Denis Shine Mr. Duin, Pat Cullen, Peter Kennedy
Francis Corbett Mr. Gannon J. P. and John Lyons Esquires -

A letter from Pat French asking a portion of the yard at
the rear of his house was read application refused -

Tolls & Customs to be let

Ordered - That the tolls and customs be advertised to be
let for 12 months on Friday the 22nd of Sept. 1871. twice in
each of the Papers, The Freeman's Journal & News, also notices to be posted

Law for Toll Farmer,

Ordered - That Mr. Conway be directed to prepare a Lease
or any such document that he may think necessary between
this Board & the Toll Farmer, which the latter is to pay for
together with passing his bills,

Mr. Gannon's Notice

Proposed by Mr. Gannon Esq. J. P. and seconded by Peter A.
Daly Esq. - That a ~~something ought~~ to be given towards the
Board fund,

Amendment

Proposed by Mr. Duin Esq. and seconded by
Denis Shine Esq. - That the consideration of the Notice of
Motion be postponed for a month,

A Poll being taken,

For the Resolution

For the Amendment,

Francis Corbett

Mr. Duin

Peter Kennedy

Denis Shine

Pat Cullen

Michl. Colman Esq.,

Peter A. Daly

Mr. Gannon J. P.

John Lyons

The resolution was declared carried,

- Proposed by Mr. Shine & seconded by Mr. Kennedy - That the Bond get £50-
- Proposed by Mr. Daly & seconded by Mr. Lyons - That the Bond get £25-
- Proposed by Mr. Gannon J. P. and seconded by Mr. Cullen - That the Bond get only £15-

A Poll was taken.

For £50 -	For £25 -	For £15 -
Mr. Shine	Mr. Lyons	Mr. Gannon
	Mr. Kennedy	Mr. Corbett
	Mr. Daly	Mr. Cullen

The two latter being equal It was therefore postponed till next Board day -

Inspectors report.

The Inspectors report was then read and the following ordered to be done - To get a gully trap such as the one outside Mr. Lyons for the Chammel near St. to get the Pond at the Bridge cleaned out, Mr. Higgins to be called upon to have the ruins on Banack St. closed up in order to abate the nuisance,

Watering place at Bridge

Ordered - That the watering place at the Bridge be closed up with stone and mortar, and this Board form themselves into a Committee & go see the sewer at the rear of the Fish Market & in front of Mr. Gans & other places.

Ordered - That a Cheque Book be got - and the weigh machine at the new Market be condemned as its not fit for the use of that Market - A cheque was then drawn for the Archbishops years rent out of Fair green up to 1st Jan^y 1871.

The Board then adjourned -

M. D. Chairman of the Board.

Friday 22nd Sept. 1871.

Present.

Mich. Gloran in the Chair
Denis Shine, Doctor Bodkin, Peter A. Daly, J. Corbett Pat Cullen Mr. J. Henderson, G. Carr, Mr. Gannon J. P. Lyons

There was only one Tender in for the tolls & customs. The notice for the letting of the tolls & customs was read.

Notice

Notice for the letting of the tolls

The Tolls & Customs of the Borough of Tuam to be let To be let on Friday the 22nd instant from the 29th Sept to the 28th Sept. 1872. The tolls of the Borough of Tuam, The terms of payment to be as follows viz. The Toll Farmer to pass his bills joined by two solvent sureties for the amount of his contract. The first of said bills for £200. to be made payable on the 24th of Oct. next and the balance of the contract by five bills in equal proportions - The first payable on the 1st of January 1872. The second on the 10th March the 3rd on the 10th of May the fourth on the 4th of July and the fifth on the 10th of Sept. in same year.

Tenders in writing signed by the applicant and two sureties will be received by the Chairman up to the taking of the Chair at 12 o'clock on the above named day - The Commission reserve to themselves the right of refusing the acceptance of any tender unless the full value in their opinion is offered. Possession will be given on the 29th Sept. inst. The Contractor or Tenant declared will have to fulfill the conditions required by the Board at his own expense, which will be explained by the Clerk. A schedule of the toll &c. payable within the Borough can be seen at the Town Hall.

By order of the Commission,
Town Hall Sept 7. 1871. Patrick Roche Town Clerk

Men Employed

Proposed Mr. J. Henderson Esq & unanimously agreed to - That the toll Farmer is not to get any assistance in the payment of what men he may have employed in the collection of his toll &c. during his year & this to be strictly adhered to at all lettings - And the Chairman to employ what men he may think necessary to drive in the stock off the road &c. on fair days.

The Tender was ordered to be opened,
Tuam 22nd Sept. 1871.

Tender for tolls.

The Chairman & Board of Town Improvement Commissioners, Gentlemen,

I Propose and agree to take the tolls & Customs of the Fairs and Markets of the Borough of Tuam for twelve months from the 29th of Sept. 1871. to the 28th Sept. 1872.

both

Special for the letting of the tolls & customs.

Tenders for the tolls

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both inclusive for the sum of £570, and to pass you my bills joined by the undamtioned sureties according to your advertisement viz. The first bill for £200. payable on the 21st of Oct. next and the balance of the Contract by five bills in equal proportions the first payable on the 1st of January 1872, the second on the 10th of March the third on the 10th of May the fourth on the 4th of July and the fifth on the 10th of Sept. in same year, and further agree to enter into any other agreement or Lease that may be required according to the terms of your advertisement and offer as my sureties Mess^{rs} Pat^l Wm^l Mangan of Cahulistrane and Mich^l Roche of Rahuro Cahulistrane whose assents I enclose.

Sureties Consent.

We the undersigned do consent and agree to become Mr. P. Bird, security by joining him in the Bills that he is to pass for the due & faithful performance of his contract should his tender be accepted

Signed { Michael Roche
Pat^l Wm^l Mangan

P. Bird's tender accepted,

Proposed by Denis Shine Esq and seconded by Peter A. Daly Esq - That Pat Bird's tender be accepted for £570, agreed to, - The Board then adjourned

Chairman of the Board

Monday 2nd October 1871.

Present

William Gannon J. P.
Pat^l Cullin, Francis Corbett, Peter A. Daly, Peter Kennedy, John Lyons, Denis Shine Esquires.

Proposed by Peter A. Daly Esq and seconded by Francis Corbett Esq. - That Mr. Gannon take Chair.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed

The Clerk stated that Pat Bird the Toll Farmer had passed his bills duly signed by his sureties & witnessed by

Toll Farmers Bills.

Tolls Farmers Lease by himself, which was handed the Chairman, The Lease as prepared by Mr. Conway Sol^r between himself & the Board was also signed by him, and which is to be signed by the Chairman & Mr. Gannon on behalf of the Commissioners so as to have it duly perfected

A Letter from the Lagan Town Com^{rs}

- was read and a report for further improvement in the Local Government Act, 1871. which deferred for the consideration of a larger Board -

Another Communication from the Newry J. Com^{rs}

- with Memorial to Mr. Gladstone was read Consideration also deferred till next Board day.

Ordered -

- That the Clerk write for the Local Government Act, 1871. under which the Auditor has been appointed

Re-election of a Commissioner in room of Mr. Hasty

- Mr. Hasty's disqualification been then brought under consideration, when it was.

Proposed by John Lyons Esq and seconded by Peter Kennedy Esq. - That John Moylan be elected Commissioner in room of Mr. Hasty, agreed to, Mr. Moylan was then duly declared elected -

Tuam Band.

Proposed by Mr. Gannon Esq J. P. and seconded by Patrick Cullin Esq - That a sum of £15 - be allocated for the use of the Band -

Proposed by Peter A. Daly Esq and seconded by Peter Kennedy Esq - That a sum of £20 - be allocated to the Band -

A Poll was taken

For the £15 -

Mr. Gannon J. P.

For the £20 .. 0 - 0

Peter Kennedy

Peter A. Daly

Francis Corbett

Patrick Cullin (3rd)

For the giving of the £20, declared carried The signing of the Cheque deferred.

The Finance Book was then examined and a cheque was ordered for salaries & a few minor bills when the

Michael Gloran

Chairman of the Board

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Monday 16th Oct 1871.
9, o'clock. A.M.

Election of 5 Commissioners
At a Court held this day for the purpose of electing
5 Commissioners in room of Mr. Quin, Tho. Bodkin, Chas. Carr,
Francis Corbett and Michl. Cloran Esquires
who retire by rotation (Sec. 23) but who are eligible for
re-election (App A. 22)

Proposed by Mr. Gannon Esq J.P. and seconded by
Pat Bird — That Francis Corbett be re-elected as Towns
Improvement Commissioner,

Proposed by Mr. Gannon Esq J.P. and seconded by
Francis Corbett Esq. — That Michael Cloran be re-elected
as Towns Improvement Commissioner,

Proposed by Francis Corbett Esq and seconded by
Pat Bird — That William Quin be re-elected as Towns
Improvement Commissioner,

Proposed by Peter Kennedy Esq and seconded by
William Gannon Esq — That Charles Carr be re-elected as
Towns Improvement Commissioner —

Proposed by Pat Bird seconded by F. Corbett
— That Tho. Bodkin Esq, D. be re-elected as Towns Impro-
vement Commissioner —

The Chairman declared the above named Francis Corbett
Michl. Cloran William Quin, Charles Carr and Tho. Bodkin
Esq, D. duly re-elected Commissioners for the Borough of Tuam

Returning Officer

Michael Cloran

Declaration

I, John Moylan do solemnly declare that I will faithfully
and impartially according to the best of my skill and judgement
execute all the powers and Authorities reposed in me as a
Commissioner by virtue of the Towns Improvement (Ireland)
Act 1854. and that I am in the Occupation of Dwelling House
in the Town of Tuam rated to the relief of the poor at the net
annual value of £12. or upwards,

Subscribed before me this 6 day of Nov 1871.
John Moylan
Michael Cloran

Declaration

I, Francis Corbett do solemnly declare that I will faithfully
and impartially according to the best of my skill and judgement
execute all the powers and Authorities reposed in me as a
Commissioner by virtue of the Towns Improvement (Ireland)
Act 1854. and that I am in the Occupation of a Dwelling
House in the Town of Tuam rated to the relief of the poor
at the net annual value of £12. or upwards,

Subscribed before me this 6 day of Nov 1871.
Francis Corbett
Michael Cloran

Declaration

I, Michael Cloran do solemnly declare that I will faithfully
and impartially according to the best of my skill and
Judgement execute all the powers and Authorities reposed in
me as a Commissioner by virtue of the Towns Improvement
(Ireland) Act 1854. and that I am in the Occupation of a
Dwelling House in the Town of Tuam rated to the relief of
the poor at the net annual value of £12. or upwards,

Subscribed before me this 6 day of Nov 1871.
Michael Cloran
Francis Corbett

Declaration

I, William Quin do solemnly declare that I will faithfully and impartially
according to the best of my skill and judgement execute all the
powers and Authorities reposed in me as a Commissioner by virtue
of the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. and that I am in
the Occupation of a Dwelling House in the Town of Tuam rated
to the relief of the poor at the net annual value of £12. or upwards
Subscribed before me this 6 day of Nov 1871.

Michael Cloran William Quin

Declaration

I Charles Carr do solemnly declare that I will faithfully and impartially according to the best of my skill and judgement execute all the powers and authorities reposed in me as a Commissioner by virtue of the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and that I am in the Occupation of a Dwelling House in the Town of Tuam rated to the relief of the poor at the net annual value of £12 - or upwards.
Subscribed before me this 20 day of November 1871.

J. Lyons

Charles Carr

Declaration

I Thomas Brodtkin M.D. do solemnly declare that I will faithfully according to the best of my skill and judgement execute all the powers and Authorities reposed in me as a Commissioner by virtue of the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and that I am in the Occupation of a Dwelling House in the Town of Tuam rated to the relief of the poor at the net annual value of £12 - or upwards.
Subscribed before me this 20 day of November 1871.

J. Lyons

Thomas Brodtkin

P. Kennedy

Monday 6th November 1871.

Present

Michael Cloran in the chair.

John Moylan, Peter A. Daly, John Lyons, William Quin, Denis Shine, William Gannon S.P., Francis Corbett, Peter Kennedy, Pat Bulkin, William Sprinch Henderson Esquires -

John Moylan signing his Declaration,

This being the first meeting at which Mr. Moylan attended as Commissioner, he signed the usual declaration as also Messrs Cloran, Quin, and Corbett who were three of the retiring members, but were again re-elected

The minutes of the previous meeting were read signed Local Government (Ireland) Act 1871.

A copy of this Bill was laid on the table, after some conversation the Chairman, Messrs Daly, Gannon, Shine

were appointed a Committee to consider whether or not they could suggest any amendments in accordance with the view of having such alterations made -

The putting out of the public lamps at an early hour,

The Clerk was directed to write to the secretary of the Gas Co, informing him of the early hour at which the lamps are extinguished and requesting that the matter would be brought before the next meeting of the Gas Company in order that the lights should be left burning up to a later hour

Plumbing connected with the lamps,

The Chairman was requested to attend the Gas meeting to bring the matter of Plumbing connected with the lamps under their notice - Also to ascertain from Mr. Brady what would be the charge of illuminated dial for Clocks,

Notice of Oct. Pig Fair,

Mr. Shine gave notice - That he will at next meeting propose that this Board consider the advisability of having the Pig Fair held in future on the 5th day of the Oct Fair instead of the first as hitherto,

Justice Books

The Clerk to prepare a list of the Justice Books, and the following Committee be appointed to compare same Mr. Cloran Mr. Quin Mr. Kennedy Mr. Gannon,

Committee to wait on his Grace, to request him sign the Petition and Duly were requested to wait as a Committee on his Grace for the Charter,

The Chairman Messrs Gannon Quin, Shine Henderson were requested to wait as a Committee on his Grace the Archbishop of Tuam with the view of requesting him to sign the Petition to her Majesty the Queen in favour of having a Charter granted to Tuam,

Notice for a Fire Engine,

Mr. Quin gave notice that at next meeting he would bring under the notice of the Board the propriety of purchasing a Fire Engine for the town,

Keeper of Fish Market.

It was unanimously agreed to give Edward Donohue £1.10.0 a year for keeping the Fish market locked &c to commence from the first of July last, not to open during Winter untill 8 o'clock & close at 5 o'clock in the afternoon in Summer to open at 7 o'clock & close at 8 o'clock,

The Finance Book was then examined and cheques were ordered for salaries Gas Co, for the sum of £18 - being for the public lighting of the Town to 15th April 1871. half years rent to the Rep of John S. Hancock out Town Hall New Market to first of May 1871. the same to Mr. Higgins out of Meat Market to same date same to Mr. Cloran out of Fish market to the 25th March 1871. La^r Mulligan for £2. for conducting men for the two days at Fair Green at the Mills Bills when the Board adjourned -

Return of Stock exhibited for sale at Oct. Fair 1871.

Shap exhibited for sale at the Tuam Oct Fair 1871.

	Cows	Wethers	Hoggets	Lambs	Rams	Total
Sold	4601	16812	3234	1889	54	26590
Unsold	1063	1825	1690	1672	29	6279
	Total					32869

Cattle exhibited for sale at the Tuam Fair 22nd Oct 1871.

	Cows	Heifers	Bullcalfs	Calves	Bulls	Total
Sold	120	4440	394	120	2	5970
Unsold	116	1033	367	447	-	1963
	Total					7933

Peter A. Daly

Chairman of the Board

Special for the Election of Chairman for the ensuing year

Monday 20th November 1871.

Present.

Michael Cloran in the Chair.

Peter Kennedy, Denis Shinn, William Quin, Charles Carr, John Lynn, Pat Cullen, Thos. Bodkin, M. D., Peter A. Daly, Mr. French, Henderson, Mr. Gannon J. P. Esquires -

Proposed by John Lynn Esq and seconded by Denis Shinn Esq, and unanimously agreed - That Peter A. Daly be Elected Chairman to the Board for the ensuing year, Mr. Daly took the chair and returned thanks for the Honour conferred on him -

Proposed by Mr. F. Henderson Esq and seconded by Mr.

William Gannon Esq J. P. and unanimously agreed - That a vote of thanks be given to Mr. Cloran our late Chairman for his dignified conduct in the chair during his year of office, the Board then adjourned -

Chairman of the Board,

Monday 4th December 1871.

Present

Peter A. Daly in the Chair.

Denis Shinn, Peter Kennedy, Mr. Quin, Mr. Gannon J. P., Pat Cullen, John Lynn, Francis Corbett, Thomas Bodkin, M. D., John Moylan, Michael Cloran Esquires,

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed.

The committee appointed to look over the Local (Ireland) Act, 1871. to see what amendment could be made, had met but did not come to any definite understanding on the matter but will give their opinion next Board day.

Local (Ireland) Act.

The Oct. Pig Fair.

Mr. Shinn's Notice for having the Pigs that are brought to the first Fair day at Oct. be changed to the 3rd day the Horse Fair day was taken into consideration. Ordered That 100 circulars be got printed notifying the establishing the Pig Fair together with the poor peoples stock & unsold to that of the 3rd day of the Oct. Fair to commence Oct. 1872.

Notice for Fire Engine.

Mr. Quin's Notice for getting up a Fire Engine was then discussed - and the following Committee were appointed to see the advisability of getting up such - The Chairman, Mr. Quin, D. Bodkin, Mr. Gannon J. P., Mr. Shinn, Mr. Henderson and Mr. Cloran, to meet some day or evening at their conveniences to report on same together with the third days Fair and the illuminated dial for clocks.

The

adjourned,

Chairman of the Board,

Monday 1st January 1872.

This meeting stands adjourned by order of the Chairman to Monday next the 8th inst.

Patrick Roche Town Clerk

Friday 9th February 1872.

Present.

Peter A. Doherty in the Chair,
Peter Kennedy, Denis Shine, John Moylan, John Lynam Esquires,

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed.

Letter read,

D^r Sir,

Town Clerk, Office Westford
22nd Decr - 1871.

In reply to your letter of yesterday, I beg to inform you that the present charter of this Corporation was obtained in 1846, at a cost of between £600 & 700
Yours truly, Thos. M. Deary
P. Roche Esq J. C.

Another from Mr. Stout calling the Board's attention to the dangerous state of the Channel in front of his yard gate, carts heavily laden are in danger of being broken &c -

The notice for the third days Fair was under the Board's consideration. It was unanimously agreed to get 2500 hand bills printed and posted all through the County, and 4 months before the Oct. Fair to have it advertised in the different Papers -

Chairman wait on Gas Co^l.

The Chairman was requested wait on the Gas Co. to object to the charge made to the Board for the Gas in town Hall during the hours of Practice at night.

Tuam Decr. 4th 1871.

Tender for illuminated Dial for Clock

To The Chairman of Town Commissioners,
Sir - I beg to inform you that I will undertake to attach to Town Clock a transparent or illuminated dial of the best quality such as is in the Town or Town Clock, of Dublin and Liverpool for the sum of Eleven Pounds, paying all expenses attending the execution, and will have it finished in four weeks from this date.
your O^bl^t Servant
Edward Brady

Tender for cleansing the Streets.

There was only one Tender in for same, Ordered it to be opened, from Patrick Higgins the late scavenger for £20 - It was unanimously agreed to give him £18 - a year from this date, and to give him £6 - 0 - 0 in advance to enable him purchase a Poney a portion of which is to be stopped monthly from him so as to be paid up in 12 months,

Charge for Toll Tannery Lease

Pat Bird Toll Tannery brought the charge £6.12.0 for the Lease executed by their sol^r between himself & the Board before their notice,

Proposed by Denis Shine Esq and seconded by Peter Kennedy Esq - That Pat Bird get £3 - towards the expense

Price of lost sheep

The Chairman announced having got £1.14.3 balance of a sheep sold that had been found straying within the Borough on the 21st Oct. last by the Constabulary after stopping all expenses incurred and which sum he had lodged to the Credit of the Board,

Weight Machine at New Market,

The Weight Machine at New Market was ordered to be paid for & to be removed to else where as its not fit for that market, in the mean time to get such another as the one in the Market square erected at New Market or some such -

Finance

The Finance Book was then examined and cheques were ordered for salaries &c, when the Board

adjourned

The Clerk to write to Ross & Murray & others to ascertain what might the charge be for a cast-iron Pillar beam scales for the Market square such as would admit of a fast tube & lamp on top, also to see a book of plates &c.

There was a bill from Pat Kelly Carver for 7 Casks of broken Stone for the Fair for road - Ordered that he get 7/6 -

The Finance Book was then examined - Cheques were ordered - for Salaries the Union Bill, and the Int. due out of Mortgage up to the 25th Jan. 1872. The Board then adjourned.

Retrieved The Chairman of the Board,

Monday 4th March 1872.
In consequence of the nonattendance of Members the meeting was adjourned to Friday the 8th inst.
Patrick Roche J. Clerk

Friday 8th March 1872.
Present
Peter A. Daly in the chair,
Michael Cloran, Peter Kennedy, Francis Corbett, Wm. Gannon J. P., John Moylan, John Lyons, Denis Shine, Dr. Bodkin, Pat Cucklin Esquires,

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed,

The third days Fair at Oct. The notices as ordered has been posted all through the country,

The Plan of the metal post weigh Beams & chain rec^d from Ross and Murray was submitted to the Board
The

The demerits of post considered too slight, and the Beam should be a Box beam,

Ordered

- That Ross and Murray be written to again directing the post to be one foot at Base & in accordance all through equal strong and the weigh beam to be box one -

Letter from Mr. E. Brady

There was a letter from Mr. Brady announcing the arrival of the illuminated clock dial &c, which cost him nearly the Amt. of his contract together with being constantly employed for the last three weeks in making & altering works to suit it, & begging the Boards consideration in the matter in the hope that they would grant him something in addition to his contract, together with a Cheque for Amt. of his contract - Ordered Cheque for Amount, but Chairman to hold it over until the work is complete,

There was a Circular with resolutions concerning the copying of Grand Jury Lists in Ireland from Waterford Union read -

Ordered

- That a copy of said resolutions be forwarded to our County Members for Presentation in the House of Commons,

Weights to be ordered,

Dan Dwyer Carver reported some of the weights not fit for use, Ordered - That the Clerk write to Mr. Stephens Galway for the weights required,

Letter from Rev. W. J. Burke

There was a letter from the Rev. W. J. Burke President of St. Jarliths, demanding a sum of £12 - for the extension of the Fair ground that is £2 - for damage done by reason of allowing the Cattle too far down in addition to the £10 - as already agreed upon,

Payment ordered

Proposed by Mich^l. Cloran Esq and seconded by Peter Kennedy Esq - That the Rev. Mr. Burke be paid his demand Unanimously agreed to,

The

The Finance Book was then examined & cheques ordered for salaries & when the Board adjourned

~~Chairman of the Board.~~

Resolved.

* Proposed by Michl. Cloran Esq, and unanimously agreed to - That the Chairman be requested to communicate with the Dean relative to the Market Crops of Tuam, previous to legal proceedings being taken for its recovery.

Chairman of the Board.

Monday the 1st April 1872.

Present.

Having no members in attendance the meeting stands adjourned to Friday next the 5th inst. P. Roche J. Clerk

Friday 5th April 1872.

Present

Peter A. Daly in the Chair.
William Quin, Thomas Bodkin, Mr. D. M^{rs} Gannon, P.
Denis Shine Esquires -

The minutes of the Previous Meeting were read and signed.

Ordered

- That in as much as Pat Bird Toll Tinner has the sweeping of the Market square, he is to cause the stores that are left there after market days to be removed therefrom, in default to give the sweeping to the scavenger, who will comply with the order -

Proposed

By M^{rs} Quin Esq & unanimously agreed to That a Declaration be got from Pat O'Rourke of Beagh as regards the Market Crops being heretofore erected in the Market square in order to take legal proceedings against Dean Seymour who lays to it for its recovery, so as to have erected when

Refs and Munays Estimate of Metal Pillar Beam Scales &c -

The cost of the 12 inch cast iron Column Dutch Beam and Ornamental Lamp complete would be Twenty nine Pounds 12s. If boards are supplied by us the cost would be of Iron and wrought iron Mounting. Two Pounds Ten shillings £2.10.0 additional - delivered at Rail -

What then charge might be,

Map of New Market

A Map of New Market as prepared by Thomas Byrne had been laid before the Board which was approved of except a little alteration to be made, which Mr. Byrne promised to correct.

Illuminated Dial

The illuminated Dial is to be supplied with a circle of piping with jets of Gas, instead of the four lights as at present.

Mr. Brady's extra claim

An application from Mr. Brady for £3.0.0 for extra work done to clock having been read, consideration of this & Mr. Clarke, deferred till this day week to which day the meeting is adjourned to.

Finance

The Finance Book was then examined & cheques were ordered for salaries &c. when the Board adjourned

Chairman of the Board

Friday 12th April 1872.

Present

Peter A. Daly in the Chair
Doctor Bodkin, Michl. Cloran, M^{rs} Quin, Francis Corbett
M^{rs} Gannon J. P. Esquires -

Mr. Brady's extra claim

Mr. Brady's extra claim was considered, when it was ordered - That he gets the amt. £3 - but to hold cheque until he gives up the old Dial, and he is also to light & put out the lights in clock until next Board day

Mr. Clarke's Bill was then taken into Consideration

Communicate with the Dean relative to the Market Cross of Tuam, previous to legal proceedings being taken for its recovery.

Chairman of the Board,

Monday the 1st April 1872.

Present.

Having no Members in attendance the meeting stands adjourned to Friday next the 5th inst. P. Roche J. Clerk

Friday 5th April 1872.

Present

Peter A. Daly in the Chair.
William Quin, Thomas Brodtkin M. D. M^{rs} Gannon J. P.
Denis Shine Esquires -

The minutes of the Previous Meeting were read and signed.

Ordered

- That in as much as Pat Bird Toll Tinner has the sweeping of the Market square, he is to cause the Stones that are left there after Market days to be removed therefrom, in default to give the sweeping to the scavenger, who will comply with the order -

Proposed

By M^{rs} Quin Esq^s unanimously agreed to That a Declaration be got from Pat O'Rourke of Beagh as regards the Market Cross being heretofore erected in the Market square in order to take legal proceedings against Dean Seymour who lays to it for its recovery, so as to have erected when

Metal Pillar & weigh Beam

When it was Originally intended to be put.

- The Plan specification of the Metal pillar for weigh stand &c had been submitted to the Board for their consideration

Ordered

To write a few Founders in Dublin to ascertain what their charge might be.

Map of New Market

A Map of New Market as prepared by Thomas Byrne had been laid before the Board which was approved of except a little alteration to be made, which Mr. Byrne promised to correct.

Illuminated Dial

The illuminated Dial is to be supplied with a Circle of piping with jets of Gas, instead of the four lights as at present.

Mr. Bradys extra claim

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Finance

The Finance Book was then examined & cheques were ordered for salaries &c. when the Board adjourned

Chairman of the Board

Friday 12th April 1872.

Present

Peter A. Daly in the Chair
Doctor Brodtkin, Michl. Clowen, M^{rs} Quin, Francis Corbett
M^{rs} Gannon J. P. Esquires -

Mr. Bradys extra claim

Mr. Bradys extra claim was considered, when it was ordered - That he gets the amt. £3 - but to hold cheque until he gives up the old Dial, And he is also to light & put out the lights in clock until next Board day

Mr. Clarke's Bill was then taken into Consideration

Consideration - Ordered - That he makes alterations as directed in the lighting apparatus of Block Dial, in the mean time a cheque was granted & when the work was complete to pay him.

Ordered

- That the Clerk write to Ross & Murray to know whether he would allow the usual trade discount out of Metal Column Beam &c. & if so to order it. The Board then adjourned

Chairman of the Board

Monday 6th May 1872.

Present.

Peter A. Daly in the Chair.

John Moylan, John Lyons, Michael Cloran, Francis Corbett
Peter Kennedy Esquires.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed.

Ordered

A Plan of the Metal Pillar, weigh beam &c. be forwarded to the sun Office Foundry Glasgow, & request an estimate & freight when it can be seen whether Ross & Murray be less than theirs.

Market Cross Committee

The following Committee were appointed to consider what steps were to be taken for the recovery of the Market Cross -

The Chairman, W. Gannon Esq., Michael Cloran, Mr. Quin Francis Corbett, John Lyons, John Moylan, Peter Kennedy, Pat Cullkin, to meet at 7, o'clock this evening, in the mean time the Clerk to take copies of the different Correspondence between the Commissioners, the Late Lord Bishop present & the Deans &c. respecting same.

Read

A letter from Mr. Roberts Co. surveyor, concerning the Clock Tower - Ordered to write to him in reply, stay his plan until the following committee waits on him when he comes to town to show what's necessary to be done Mr. Cloran, Mr. Gannon Mr. Quin & the Chairman

ordered

Gas Main Pipes

Ordered - The Clerk to write to the Secretary of Gas Co. calling his attention to the necessity of inspecting the Gas Main Pipes to see if they are in perfect order or not.

Finance

The Finance Book was then examined, when cheques were ordered for salaries half year Rent of Great Market Fish do new Market, Iron Hall, and a year's Rent of Jail green, when the Board adjourned

Chairman of the Board

Monday 3rd June 1872.

Adjourned till Monday by order of the Chairman.

Monday 10th June 1872.

Present.

Peter A. Daly in the Chair.

Peter Kennedy, Francis Corbett, John Lyons, Mich^d. Cloran
Pat Cullkin, William Quin, Denis Shine Esquires.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed.

Proposed

By Michael Cloran Esq. and seconded by F. Corbett Esq. - That the last Iron pillar Beam, chain & scales, be forthwith ordered at Ross & Murray, & his plan if same to be sent him.

Judge Keogh

Proposed by John Lyons Esq. and seconded by Peter Kennedy Esq. - That the Resolutions passed at the Nolan Meeting concerning Judge Keogh for his Judgement at the Galway Election Petition be adopted. Agreed to.

Ordered

- That the fire plan in the News room be repaired, & the one in the under Hall to be closed up as its a trap for misamice.

The

Inspectors report

The Inspectors report was then read & the necessary orders made thereon,

Finance

The Finance Book was then examined, & cheques ordered for salaries, & a few other minor bills, when the Board adjourned,

Peter A. Daly Chairman of the Board.

Monday 1st July 1872.

Present

Peter A. Daly in the chair, John Maylan, Peter Kennedy, John Lyons, Pat Cullen, Mr. Gannon J. P. Esquires -

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed -

A Letter read from the Registrar of Petty Sessions Clerk informing the Board that the proportion of Surplus Money arising from the sale of Licenses under the Grogg Regulation (Ireland) Act 1865. Am't. to £6. 3. 0 which is to be lodged with the Treasurer to the Board which is to be applied by him in aid of the Town or Township rates in such manner as the Commissioners shall direct

Registrar of Petty Sessions,

Petition concerning Judge Hoogh, Cork, & Co. Book,

A Copy Petition relating to Judge Hoogh as adopted at a public meeting held in the City of Dublin, being read.

The Clerk was directed to prepare same submit it to the Chairman for his signature, after which to forward same Member of the House of Commons for presentation,

Disqualification of Mr. W. F. Henderson & Co. for nonattendance,

The Clerk announced Mr. W. F. Henderson & Co. being disqualified for nonattendance, The Board ordered - The Election of two others, - adjourned to Monday the 18th inst.

The

The Finance Book was then examined when cheques were ordered for salaries &c, when the Board adjourned

Peter A. Daly Chairman of the Board.

Monday 18th July 1872.

Present

For the Election of two Commissioners in room of Mr. Henderson & Co. who are disqualified for nonattendance

Peter A. Daly in the Chair Mr. Gannon J. P. Peter Kennedy, John Lyons, M. B. Cloran & William Quin Esquires

Proposed by William Gannon Esq. J. P. and seconded by Peter Kennedy Esq - That Thomas Murphy be elected as a Towns Improvement Commissioner in room of Mr. F. Henderson. (Unanimously agreed to)

Proposed by John Lyons Esq and seconded by M. B. Cloran Esq - That Thomas B. Burke be elected as Towns Improvement Commissioner in room of C. Carr the Board then adjourned

Peter A. Daly Chairman of the Board.

I Thomas B. Burke do solemnly declare that I will faithfully and impartially according to the best of my skill and judgement execute all the powers and Authorities reposed in me as a Commissioner by virtue of the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and that I am in the occupation of a Dwelling House in the Town of Tuam rated to the relief of the poor at the net annual value of Twelve Pounds or upwards Subscribed before on the 5 day of August 1872.

Thomas B. Burke

Witness
Dennis Sheel

I Thomas Murphy do solemnly declare that I will faithfully and impartially according to the Best of my skill and judgement execute all the powers and Authorities reposed in me as a Commissioner by virtue of the Towns Improvement (Ireland) act 1854, and that I am in the Occupation of a Dwelling House in the town of Termonfeckin rated to the relief of the poor at the net annual value of Twelve pounds or upwards. Subscribed before me this 5th day of August 1872

Thomas Murphy
Kearney

Thomas Murphy

Monday 5th August 1872.

Present

Peter A. Daly in the chair,

Peter Kennedy, John Lyons, Thomas B. Burke, Denis Shinn, William Gannon S. P. Michael Blawen Esquires

First attendance of Thos. B. Burke

Thomas B. Burke Esq, one of newly elected Commissioners in town of Termonfeckin who was disqualified for nonattendance signed his declaration & took the oath

Third days Fair

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed,

The advertising of the 3rd third days Fair was considered, Ordered - That it be six weeks before the Oct. Fair, In the mean time to visit Bills to be printed, some of which to be forwarded to Mr. Ward, the M. G. M. R. Manager, and request of him have them posted up at the different stations under his control especially all through the different parishes, and some more to the Manager of the Ennis Line,

County cess,

Counsellors opinion on the valuation for cess.

The legal opinion of Mr. Doyle D. C. on this matter, and Mr. Conways explanation thereof, read,

Gentlemen,

The Dublin Road Team Aug. 5th 72
I send you herewith a copy of the opinion of Mr. Doyle D. C. in relation to the actions for Grand Jury

Jury cess instituted by the Grand Jury, against yourselves and your late Farmer, Mr. P. Bird,

You will perceive that you are held to be liable for the cess charged, on the Meat Shambles, and will continue so until you appeal against the valuation, and respecting which I want your instructions, so as to take necessary steps immediately after the next revision if you derive no profit from the shambles,

The assessment made by the Grand Jury on the Corn Market being declared by the same opinion as illegal, and which I myself ventured to put before Council was consulted, you are of course free from all liability past and future in respect to that Mr. Gannon S. P. on your behalf and the Grand Jury Committee on theirs agreed to be bound by such view as Counsel would take of the matter in dispute,

Mr. Kilkellys Bill of costs

I also send herewith the bill of costs furnished by Mr. Kilkelly, the Solicitor of the Grand Jury for the preparation of the case with the necessary documents & counsels fees which the Grand Jury insisted should be carried out by their own Solicitor, and to which Mr. Gannon on your behalf being left no alternative assented, In order to avoid the expense of an official taxation, I have myself taxed 10/11 off Mr. Kilkellys claim £6. 6. 3, and consider him entitled to £5. 10. 5, should you however wish the Bill to be submitted to a taxing Officer it shall of course be done.

It is already on your minutes, that on the Occasion of Mr. Gannon's and my attendance on your behalf before the Grand Jury at Summer Assizes 1871. we succeeded in persuading them to strike off a sum of about £19 - for which proceedings were then also pending, and thus reducing the question of liability to a sum of £1. 19. 7 on the Meat Shambles, and £2. 14. 6 on the Corn Market,

The arrears now due on the Meat Market should be paid so as to prevent any further proceedings on the part of the Grand Jury.

The Market Cess.

With reference to your minute on the subject of the old Cess, I beg to state that I have held

Several interviews with the Dean, which resulted in his authorising me to say he is prepared to recommend the Church Representative Body - in whom all Church goods and monuments are now vested - to hand it over to you body for the Ornamentation of the town, on the condition however that the Archbishop gives that portion of it now in his possession and that the Cross shall be erected on an isolated position on the Market square near the town Hall and tiled in, and that the town Commissioners will in so far as they can bind themselves and their successors, that it will not be removed from where it shall be so placed,

So soon therefore as your formal written application to the above mentioned body is ready to be forwarded through their Secretary, Thomas Green Esq, High Green Dublin, I shall again wait on the Dean and get his promised letter of recommendation -

To, I remain Gentlemen your faithful servts
The Chairman and, Robert J. Conway, Esq.
Commissioners of the Borough
of Tuam,

The Consideration of Mr. Hill Kelly's Bill was deferred,

The Inspectors report was then read & the necessary orders made thereon,

The Finance Book was then examined & they were ordered for salaries &c, when the Board adjourned,

Finance

Chairman of the Board

Monday 9th September 1872, Pursuant to Requisition, Present,

Peter A. Daly in the Chair
John Moylan, Peter Kennedy, Thomas Murphy, Mr. Gannon
J. P. Thomas Bodwin Esq, Tho. D. Burke Esq, &c,

Requisition

6th Sept. 1872.

We the undersigned Commissioners require you to convene a meeting of the Body for Monday the 9th inst to transact the usual matters
Excuse

business of the Board, and name a day for the letting of the tolls & customs for the ensuing year Peter A. Daly Esq, J. P., Mr. Gannon Esq, J. P., Mick. Bloom Esq, William Finn Esq, Francis Corbett Esq,

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed

Copy Memorial for the restoration of the Market Cross.

A Copy Memorial from Mr. Conway Esq respecting the Market Cross for presentation to the Church Representative Body in Dublin, was laid before the Board, for their consideration,

The following Committee were appointed to meet on an early day, to amend the Memorial if necessary & then to submit to Mr. Conway, Peter A. Daly Esq, J. P., Mr. Gannon Esq, J. P., J. C. Doyle Esq, Broderick Esq, Quinn & Mack, Edward Esq, &c,

Letter from the Dublin Road - from the newly appointed Auditor Mr. Bruce request the Clerk to send him an abstract of the accounts to be audited

Letter from Mr. Wards Manager of M. P. Road - Stating that he felt great pleasure in having the third day Fair Notices posted up at the different Stations under his control,

Letter from Mr. O. Malley - Read letter from Mr. O. Malley Th. Ennis Esq, Conductor stated same as above,

Letter from Reps. Murney, Road, stating that the pillars beam & scullers would be down in the course of a week.

Third day Fair, Ordered - That the third day Fair Notices be posted all through County, and be advertised in the local papers up to the 26th Oct, next namely the Tuam Herald Tuam Times & Ballinacorney Chronicle, - Also the notice for the letting of the tolls & customs on Monday the 23rd inst be published twice in both papers Tuam Herald & News, and to have notices posted up for same, It was resolved that the toll Farmer is only to pay half legal expenses - for perfecting same &c.

Third day Notices Ordered - That the third day Fair Notices be posted through the County - The Clerk to write to Headford and

and Dunmore to know were the Big Fair notices posted up in these places & the charge for doing so.

Ordered

That an application be made to the Lord Bishop for the price of the Bracket stamp given him in Oct. 1869. Amt. £1-10-0

To Flag along Mr. Higgins to be considered next Board day, and the printing necessary for the Board, the propriety of letting it by contract to be also taken into consideration,

The Inspectors report was read & the necessary orders made thereon,

Finance

The Finance Book was then examined and a cheque ordered for salaries &c, when the Board adjourned

Chairman of the Board,

Monday 23rd September 1872.
Present.

Peter A. Daly in the Chair,

Michael Clonan, John Lyons, Tho. B. Burke, Peter Kennedy, John Maylan, Wm. Quinn, Tho. Murphy, Wm. Lynam J. P. Denis & John Esquires.

Tender

There was but one tender in for the tolls & customs

The notice for the letting of the tolls was read,
Notice

The Toll & Customs of the Borough of Tuam to be let. To be let on Monday the 28th inst. from the 29th September to the 28th September 1873. The Toll & Customs of the Borough of Tuam. The terms of payment to be as follows viz, The Toll Farmer to pass his bills joined by two solvent sureties for the amount of his contract, The first of said Bills for £200- to be made payable on the 24th of Oct. next, and the balance of the contract by five bills in equal proportions - The first payable on the 1st Jan^y 1873, the second on the 10th March, the third on the 10th of May, the fourth on the 4th July and the

and the fifth on the 10th of September 1873 in same year.

Tenders in writing, signed by the applicant and two solvent sureties will be received by the Chairman up to the taking of the Chair at 12, O'clock on the above named day.

The Commissioners reserve to themselves the right of refusing the acceptance of any tender unless the full value in their opinion is offered, Possession will be given on the 29th Sept. inst. the Contractor or tenant default will have to fulfil the conditions required by the Board, and pay half legal expenses which will be explained by the Clerk. A. Schedule of the Tolls &c payable within the Borough can be seen at the Town Hall,

By order of the Commissioners.

Patrick Roche J. Clerk

Town Hall Sept. 9th 1872.

The tender was ordered to be opened.

To Tuam 23rd September 1872.

The Chairman & Board of Tuam Improvement Commission, Gentlemen, - I propose and agree to take the tolls & customs of the Fair & Markets of the Borough of Tuam for twelve months from the 29th Sept. 1872, to the 28th September 1873, both inclusive, for the sum of £520, and to pass you my bills joined by the undersigned sureties according to your advertisement viz, The first bill for £200- payable on the 24th of Oct. inst. and the balance of the contract by five bills in equal proportions, the first payable on the first of January 1873, the second on the 10th March, the third on the 10th May, the fourth on the 4th July, and the fifth on the 10th Sept. in same year, and give you as my sureties Mess^{rs}. Pat^r. Wm. Mangan of Cahulishane and John Buille of Denis Town who assents I amex. I am Gentlemen, your obedient servant.

Pat Bird

To The Chairman and Board of Tuam Improvement Commission, Gentlemen, - We the undersigned do consent and agree to become Mr. Patrick Birds security by joining him in the Bills that he is to pass, for the due and faithful performance of his contract should his tender be accepted.

Signed J. Pat^r. Wm. Mangan & John Buille

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Pat Birds tender accepted,

Proposed by William Quin Esq and seconded by Dr. Bodkin — That Pat Birds tender be accepted, and that the Board then adjourned

Chairman of the Board.

Monday 7th October 1872.

Present

Peter A. Daly in the Chair.
John Moylam, Peter Kennedy, Michael Blain M^r, Dean,
M^r Gannon J. P. C^o, C^ol^lect^r, John Lyons, Th^o. Murphy,
Thomas Bodkin M^r, D., Thomas B. Burke Esquires

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed.

Toll Farmers Bills & Seals

The Clerk announced — That Pat Bird complies with the terms of his contract for the Tolls & Customs, by paying his bills signed by the Surveys named, which bills were handed to the Chairman, he also signed the Seals which are here for the Chairman & another Commissioner to sign, after which are to be handed to the Solicitor to put on the necessary Stamp.

Plan of the proposed alterations in Town Hall

The plan and specification of the proposed alterations in the Town Hall, were laid before the Board, The amount of the expenditure was considered too high consequently the consideration was deferred.

Local Government Board

A circular was rec^d from the Local Government Board to the following effect.

Local Government Dublin

Sir,

1st Oct. 1872.

The Local Government Board for Ireland desire to bring under the notice of the several Town Councils, Municipal Commissioners, and Town Commissioners in Ireland the recent legislation regarding the Government of Towns and the administration of the sanitary laws in Ireland.

By

By the Act 25, and 26, Vic. c. 69. the functions of the Lord Lieutenant, the Privy Council and the Chief Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant, relating to the matters above mentioned have devolved upon the Local Government Board for Ireland.

On the 21st August 1871. a previous Act, now passed which is called the Local Government (Ireland) Act. 1871.

That Act applies to all towns in Ireland which are under any form of Local Government whether Town Council or Commissioners under the Act 9. Geo. IV, under the Act 3, and 4, Victoria c. 105. under the Towns Improvement Act, 17, and 18, Vic. c. 103. or finally under any local Act.

The main purpose of the Local Government (Ireland) Act. 1871. was to give to the governing body in any case some power or powers which they did not possess, and which that body desired, with the assent of the Rate payers to possess, but which heretofore could not be obtained without direct application to Parliament at considerable expense to the rate payers

Under this Act in any such case, after petition presented for the same the Local Government Board will cause all necessary enquiry to be made at little expense to the locality concerned, and desired power or powers will be given, if objection is not made and sustained, by what is called a provisional Order, which passes through the Legislature usually without discussion, and without expense to the parties asking for it.

The Powers which may be so obtained are the following and two more powers may be included in the same Provisional Order —

1. Power to purchase Land for certain defined purposes — of public utility.
2. To incorporate adjoining districts with the town
3. To separate any part of the town from the jurisdiction of the governing body.
4. To transfer from the governing body from the Grand Jury of the County in which the town is situated

all authority with regard to Roads Bridges Footpaths, and
and Public Works within the town, and all Taxation for
such purposes, and to make the necessary provisions in rela-
tion to such transfer.

5 To Authorize the making of further rates
in addition to the Maximum at present Authorized,

6 To provide for the future execution of or
alteration or repeal of any Local Act affecting the Town or
any part thereof,

7 To extend the Borrowing Powers in certain
cases,

There are other provisions which can only
be understood by reference to the Act, itself, They relate
Chiefly to Markets and Fairs the Auditing of Accounts,
the Borrowing of Money and other matters affecting the
execution of the Act, A copy of the Act is sent herewith
to the Governing Body of each Town affected by its provisions

Communications from the Governing Body or
from Ratepayers on the subject of the provisions of the Act
should be addressed to the Local Government Board, Custom
House Dublin. By order of the Board.

To The Town Clerk of Tuam, B. Banks

The old Town Cross.

The following is a copy of the Memorial presented
by the Commissioners to the Church Representative Body -

To The Representative Body of the Church of Ireland;

The Memorial of the Chairman and Commissioners
of the Borough of Tuam acting on their own behalf and that
of its inhabitants,

Sheweth,

That for Centuries a large stone Cross stood
stood in the Market place of Tuam, having an inscription carved
on it shewing that its position should continue to be where it
was first placed,

That sometime during the last century the
upper portion of the Cross in question, became detached from
its base, and both parts have so since continued, the first
mentioned, having been removed to the grounds attached
to

A Memorial for the Restoration
of the Market Cross,

to St Mary's Cathedral Church where it remains,

That Memorialists being anxious that so
ancient a relic should be restored to its original position
in the Market square applied to the Very Rev^d Charles H.
Seymour, Dean of Tuam, for that portion of the Cross standing
in the Cathedral Church yard believing that the Dean and
Chapter were the governing body, but that Gentleman while
stating that all Church grounds and Monuments are now
vested in you as the Church Representative Body, kindly
undertook to write a letter recommending the restoration
to the town, by your body of the portion of the Cross, now
in the Church yard, on condition that the Cross, should
be erected in an isolated position in the Market square
near the Town Hall, and walled in and that your
Memorialists will bind themselves and their successors
that it shall not be removed from where it will be so
placed and which condition your Memorialists are
prepared to give effect to, to the fullest extent of
their corporate powers,

That the letter of the Dean above refer-
to is herewith sent,

That in proof of the facts that the
Cross in question was formerly standing in the Market
place at Tuam, two declarations made by old men are
herewith sent,

That your Memorialists under all the
circumstances fully expect your favourable consideration
of the strong case they put forward, and that your body
will be pleased to order a compliance with it,

And Memorialists will ever pray,

Proposed

By Mr. Quin Esq and seconded by John Lyons Esq - That
the Memorial be signed by the Chairman & Commissioners,

Signing the Memorial

Messrs^r Fannon & O'Brien were opposed to the above
but to follow the usual course, the Chairman only to
sign it,

A Poll was taken, and a Majority was in
favour of all the Commissioners signing it,

Proposed

Advertisement for Printing

Proposed by William Quin Esq and seconded by Mr. Cloran Esq. - That all the printing and advertisements required by the Board for 12 months be advertised to be let by contract - tenders to be rec^d. next Board day.

The public Lamps not lit in due time

The Clerk was directed to write to the Secretary of the Gas Co., informing him of not lighting the public lamps at the proper hour, and not leaving them lit up to the usual hour 11 o'clock.

Metal pillar set.

The following Committee were appointed to see the Metal pillar &c properly set, The Chairman Mr. Cloran & Mr. Quin

Provo Peoples stock to go in to the lot. Fair by College

Proposed by Mr. Quin and seconded by Mr. Kennedy - That all the provo people's stock be ordered in by the College (agreed to)

Ordered

- That James Mulligan be in charge of the men employed to keep the stock off the road during the 2^d day Fair 21st & 22nd.

Sanitary Officers report

The Sanitary Officers report was then read, and the following orders made thereon,

Ordered

- That the Sanitary Officer go into the different yards through the town to inspect same & report thereon.

The ruins in Eigans Lane to be looked to at once & if closed up, if not by the Landlord, let the Chairman have it done,

Also to call upon Mr. McDonnell to get him run a sewer from the down pipe at the rear of his house & if not done by him, the Chairman to see to it, & see Mr. McDonnell for the expense incurred,

Sewer on Dublin road

The Clerk was directed to write to Mr. Roberts County Surveyor calling his attention to the necessity of clearing the sewer on Dublin Road.

Closing passage at Bridge.

Proposed by Mr. Quin Esq and seconded by Mr. Cloran Esq - That the passage into the River at the Bridge be closed up altogether in order to abate the nuisance committed there daily, (agreed to)

Kilb Stone on Fortway in Bishop St.

Ordered - That Mr. Kealy the Contractor be written to about the state of Kilb Stone in foot path on Bishop St. & request him to put same in perfect order.

Nuisance in Hall

The Secretary to the News room be written to about the nuisance repeatedly committed in the Hall by reason of leaving the door open at night, and request of him to devise some means to put a stop to such.

John McLeod report to Chairman.

The glazing along Mr. Wiggins's to be considered next day. Ordered - That Mr. Leod report to the Chairman daily any thing that may come under his notice that may require immediate attention,

Adjourned.

The meeting stands adjourned to Friday night the 11th inst, o 7. o'clock to see to the propriety of calling upon the Clerk to resign,

Finance

The Finance Book was then examined & Cheques were ordered for Salaries, & the minor bills, when the Board adjourned,

Peter A. Daly

Chairman of the Board

Friday 11th October 1872. 7. o'clock. Present.

Peter A. Daly in the Chair
John Lyons, Peter Kennedy, Francis Corbett, Mr. James J. P. John Moylan, Denis Shine, Thomas Murphy, Patrick Cullen, Mr. Quin, Michael Cloran & Thomas B. Buntie Esquires -

Proposed by Mr. Cloran & seconded by Mr. Murphy - That the Clerk be called upon to resign.

Proposed by Mr. Corbett as an Amendment and seconded by Mr. Kennedy - That the Clerk retain his situation, A poll was taken,

To Resign
Mr. Cloran 1
Mr. Quin - 1
Mr. Murphy
Mr. Cloran
Mr. Quin

against.
Mr. B. Buntie
Pat. Cullen
John Moylan
F. Corbett
Peter Kennedy
John Lyons
P. A. Daly

Majority for holding the situation.

Peter a day

Chairman of the Board

Borough of Tuam in
the County of Galway To WitElection of five Commissioners for the Borough of Tuam
in the County of Galway.

Take Notice

That an Election of five Commissioners will be held for the Borough of Tuam on the 15th day of Oct. inst. in said Borough in room of Mess^{rs} W^m Gannon J. P. James Dwyer M. D. Peter A. Daly John Moylan and Patrick Cullen Esquires, who retire by rotation, but who are eligible for reelection,

That any person entitled to vote may nominate for the said office himself (if duly qualified) or any other person or persons so qualified not exceeding five in number,

That every such nomination must be in writing and must state the Christian names and surnames of the persons nominated with their respective places of abode and descriptions

That every nomination paper must be signed by the party nominating and may be in the following form or to the like effect,

I undersigned of Tuam in the County of Galway do hereby nominate the following person as a proper person to serve as Commissioner for the said Borough

Surname	Other names	Abode	Rank, Profession or occupation
			(Signed) Patrick Roche J. Clerk

That all nomination papers must be delivered to the Town Clerk on or before the 11th day of October 1872, inst.

Dated this 2nd day of Oct. 1872.

Patrick Roche Town Clerk

The foregoing Notice was duly published, and the following nomination papers handed in,

Election of Commissioners.

Town of Tuam,

For the Borough Town of Tuam to be held on the 15th day of October 1872.

Nomination Paper.

I the undersigned Michael Cloran of Shop Street Tuam in the County of Galway being entitled to vote in the Election of Commissioners for the Borough of Tuam, do hereby nominate the following person as a proper person to serve as Commissioner for the said Borough,

Surname	Other names	Abode	Rank, Profession or occupation
Gannon	William	Vicar St. Tuam	Esq. J. P.
Signed, Michael Cloran,			
11 th Oct. 1872.			

Mr. Dwyer was nominated by Mr. Gannon J. P. in said form
Peter A. Daly was nominated by Patrick Cullen same
Patrick Cullen was nominated by Peter A. Daly same
John Moylan was nominated by Francis Corbett same

Election of Commissioners.

I the undersigned being the Town Clerk for the said Town of Tuam. Hereby give notice, that the Christian and surnames of the persons nominated for Election as Commissioners for the said Town of Tuam and their respective places of abode and description, and the names of the parties nominating them are as follows, viz.

Surnames	Other names	Place of abode of persons nominated	Description of persons nominated by whom nominated	Names of persons nominated
Gannon	William	Vicar St. Tuam	Esq. J. P.	Michl. Cloran
Daly	Peter A.	Vicar St. Tuam	Merchant	Patrick Cullen
Dwyer	James	Dublin road	Medical Doctor	Mr. Gannon J. P.
Cullen	Patrick	Shop St. Tuam	Merchant	Peter A. Daly
Moylan	John	Male Tuam	Pastrycook	Francis Corbett

Signed, Patrick Roche
Town Clerk

11th day of Oct. 1872.

Copies of the foregoing were duly posted up,

Town of Tuam

Notice of Candidates Elected, a q. o. block A. M. the 15th of Oct. 1872.
Election of Commissioners.

I the undersigned, being the Returning Officer for the Election of Commissioners for the said Town hereby give notice that the undersigned persons have been duly elected as Comrs for the said Town,

Surnames	Other names	Abode	Rank Profession or Occupation
Gannon	William	Vicar St. Tuam	Esq. J. P.
Daly	Peter A.	Vicar St. Tuam	Merchant
Dwyer	James	Dublin Road	Medical Doctor
Culkin	Patrick	Shop St. Tuam	Merchant
Moylan	John	Mall Tuam	Commissioner

Dated the 15th day of Oct. 1872.

Peter A. Daly Returning Officer.

Copies of said Notice were duly posted up before 11 o'clock of said 15th day of Oct. 1872.

Peter A. Daly Chairman of the Board

Declaration

I William Gannon do solemnly declare that I will faithfully and impartially according to the best of my skill and judgement execute all the powers and Authorities reposed in me as a Comr. by virtue of the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act, 1854, and that I am in the Occupation of a Dwelling House in the Town of Tuam rated to the relief of the poor at the net annual value of £12 - or upwards, subscribed before me this 4th day of Nov. 1872,

W. Gannon

P. A. Daly

P. A. Daly's Declaration

I Peter A. Daly do solemnly declare that I will faithfully and impartially according to the best of my skill and judgement execute all the powers and Authorities reposed in me as a Commissioner by virtue of the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act, 1854, and that I am in the Occupation of a Dwelling House in the Town of Tuam rated to the relief of the poor at the net annual value of £12 - or upwards subscribed before me this 4th day of November 1872,

P. A. Daly

P. A. Daly

Monday 4th November 1872
Present,

John A. Daly in the Chair,
William Gannon J. P. Peter Kennedy, Francis Corbett Pat
Cullkin, John Lyons, Thos. B. Burke, John Moylan Michl.
Lelan Esquires -

Messrs Gannon, Daly
Cullkin & Moylan signed that John Moylan as being selected signed their Declaration -
Messrs Wm Gannon J. P. Peter A. Daly, Patl. Cullkin
& John Moylan as being selected signed their Declaration -

The minutes of the previous meeting were read
and signed,

Letter from Mr. Roberts & Co

There was a communication from Mr. Roberts
Co Surveyor concerning the sewer on Dublin Road read
stating that it should have his immediate attention,

In a day or so after receiving the letter he came
special from Galway & inspected same, when he said that
he would send a man of his to execute whatever was necessary

Tenders for Printing &c.

There were two tenders in for the printing &
advertisements for 12 months.

Proposed by Michl. Lelan Esq and seconded by
John Moylan Esq. - That the tenders be opened,
and ~~read~~ ^{and read}

The 1st from Mr. McTherpin for £9.10.0
The 2nd from Richard Kelly for 4.0.0

The latter was accepted

Rev. W. J. Burke's Bill

There was a Bill from the Rev. W. J. Burke
^{which was in attendance}
President of St. Jarlath's College for £10 - that is £10 for
extension of Friar Green &c for damage done said land by
cattle,

It was not to be allowed in
by the College from here no stock would be allowed in by the College -

Proposed by Mr. Gannon & unanimously agreed
That the Rev. W. J. Burke get £3 - for the damage done

D. Dwyer's Declaration

I James Dwyer do solemnly declare that I will faithfully
and impartially according to the best of my skill and judgment
execute all the powers and Authorities reposed in me as a
Commissioner by virtue of the Towns Improvement (Ireland)
Act 1854, and that I am in the Occupation of a Dwelling
House in the Town of Tuam rated to the relief of the poor
at the net annual value of £12 - or upwards
Subscribed before me this 2 day of December 1872
James Dwyer

P. Cullkin's Declaration

I Patrick Cullkin do solemnly declare that I will faithfully
and impartially according to the best of my skill
and Judgment execute all the powers and Authorities reposed
in me as a Commissioner by virtue of the Towns Improvement
(Ireland) Act, 1854, and that I am in the Occupation of
a Dwelling House in the Town of Tuam rated to the relief of
the poor at the net annual value of £12 - or upwards
Subscribed before me this 4 day of November 1872
Patrick Cullkin

J. Moylan's Declaration

I John Moylan do solemnly declare that I will faithfully
and impartially according to the best of my skill &
Judgment execute all the powers and Authorities reposed in
me as a Commissioner by virtue of the Towns Improvement
(Ireland) Act, 1854, and that I am in the Occupation of a
Dwelling House in the Town of Tuam rated to the relief of
the poor at the net annual value of £12 - or upwards
Subscribed before me this 4 day of Nov^r 1872
John Moylan

821
Repairs Fair Green gate

New Bill for printing &c.

Finance.

Stock exhibited for sale at Oct. Fair 1872.

Election of Chairman for the ensuing year

Proposed by Mr. Cloran and seconded by Mr. Kennedy
That the Rev. Mr. Beate get £1- for the repairs of the
Fair green gate that was broken. (agreed to)

Another Bill from the Town News for printing &
advertisements, consideration deferred until next Board
day -

The Finance Book was then examined, when
Cheques were ordered to Mr. Higgins for half year's rent of
Great Market, Mr. Cloran for Fish Market, various Handcarts
for town Hall and New Market, for the public lighting of
the town lamps up to the 15th April 1872. Salaries & the muni-
Bills, and for the men employed at the Oct Fair, when the
Board adjourned -

The following is the list of Stock exhibited at
the Oct. Fair 1872. -

21st Oct. 1872

	Cows	Methus	Hoggets	Lambs	Rams	Total
Sold	4,164	12,427	3,850	2,365	48	23,154
Unsold	502	1234	992	1046	24	3798
Total						26,952

Oct. 23rd 1872

	Cows	Heifers	Buttlocks	Calves	Bulls	Total
Sold	1142	4094	1052	357	2	5647
Unsold	136	1542	412	317	"	2407
Total						8056

[Signature]
Chairman of the Board

Tuesday 19th November 1872

Present.
Peter A. Daly in the Chair,
Mr. Gannon J. P. Michael Cloran, Pat^l. Cullen Mr. Duin
Peter Kennedy, Thomas Murphy, Francis Corbett & John Mayne
Esquires.

Proposed by Michl. Cloran Esq and seconded by
Mr. Duin Esq. - That Mr. Gannon Esq J. P.

Note of thanks to the late
Chairman -

In dismissal of Clerk,

In retention of Clerk

be elected as Chairman to the Board for the ensuing year
(unanimously agreed) Mr. Gannon took the chair
and retained the office -

Proposed by Pat^l. Cullen Esq and seconded by
Peter Kennedy Esq - That a vote of thanks be tendered
given to our late Chairman Mr. Daly for his dignified
conduct in the Chair during his year of office.

[Signature]
Chairman of the Board

Monday 2nd December 1872.

Present.
William Gannon J. P. in the Chair,
John Lyons, Denis Shine, James Dwyer M. L. Peter Kennedy,
John Maylan, Peter A. Daly, Thomas B. Beate, Thomas
Murphy, Francis Corbett, Michael Cloran, William
Duin Esquires -

The minutes of the previous meeting were
read and signed -

I Propose that in consequence of the clerks
late delinquent & premeditated scheme to defraud us
the Commissioners or the public in which he ^{un}successfully
succeeded that he be dismissed.

(signed) Michl. Cloran
seconded by also signed Thomas Murphy

I Propose as an Amendment that the
Clerk be not called upon to resign his office, but
that he give security to the Commissioners, and he
retains office.

(signed) Denis Shine
John Lyons

A Poll was taken,

The

For the Resolution
Mr. Cleary
Mr. Murphy
Mr. Gannon (3)

For the Amendment
Mr. Conliffe
Mr. J. B. Burke
Mr. P. A. Daly
Mr. Kennedy
P. Dwyer
Mr. Shine
Mr. Lyons (7)

The Chairman declares the amendment carried
The Clerk named Mr. P. Bird of Tuam and Miss
Roch. of Rahon as his security -

The following communication from the
Church Representative Body concerning the market was read -

Communication from the
Church Representative Body
concerning the market

The Representative Body of
The Church of Ireland,
52 St. Stephens Green East Dublin

11th November 1872.

Sir,
Referring to the Memorial recently received from
the Commissioners of the Borough of Tuam, I am directed
by the Representative Church Body to say that having
made enquiries into the facts of the case they
apprehend they cannot interfere in the matter as it
appears that some private rights might be interposed
with -

I am Sir,
your obedient servant
Thomas Green, Secretary

Peter Alex. Daly Esq,
Chairman,
Commissioners of the Borough of Tuam,

The following members were appointed to
reply to the above - Mr. Daly Mr. Gannon Mr. Cleary
Mr. Duin Mr. Shine and P. Bird to meet at 7
o'clock on Wednesday evening the 11th inst.

Ordered - That the ruins in Egons Lane
be closed up at once - Also the sewers from the
down

down pipe at the use of Mr. McDonnell's time to be
carried into effect.

Passage at Bridge.

The whole Board were formed into a
Committee to see to the best mode of closing up the
passage at the Bridge and inspect the pavement at
new market -

Ordered advertisement of
flaying fresh way from
Mr. Higgins to Miss from

Proposed by Miss. Cleary Esq and second
by Francis Corbett Esq. - That the flaying along
Mr. Higgins to Miss Gannon be advertised inviting
contractors to perform same at 70 yard finding
material &c - and to post notices to the like
effect, also for the glazing of the public lamps
for 12 months at 70 - same large & small, Tenders
to be taken and considered next Board day -

Finance,

The Finance Book was then examined &
charges were ordered for salaries &c, when the
Board adjourned to Monday the 9th inst. to
consider Mr Gannon's claim for lime sand &c left
at the Bridge for the closing up of the passage to
&c,

Chairman of the Board

Monday 9th December 1872.
Present,

William Gannon J. P. in the chair,
William Duin, John McMan Th. B. Burke, Miss.
Cleary, Peter Kennedy, John Lyons & Th. Murphy
Esquires -

Ordered notices to be posted

to receive tenders for closing
up passage at Bridge.

After considering the best way of closing up
the passage at Bridge, It was ordered to post notices
by the Chairman on the 16th inst.

There was a Bill for County...

Mr. Lambert H. C. Colman
Barony Billa for 1872

Lambert H. C. Colman Baring laid before the Board
which was duly considered & a cheque ordered -
- Also another Bill for £9.14-6 from Mr. M. Philip
of the Tuam News for advertisements.

Mr. M. Philip's Bill
for advertisements etc.

Proposed by Michael Colman Esq and
seconded by Mr. Duin Esq - That Mr. M. Philip
get £9 - in consideration of his claim.

Mr. Gannon's claim for
building materials.

James Gannon's claim for £1.00 was deferred
till Wednesday evening the 11th inst. which the Committee
were to consider - At their meeting they ordered
him payment, but should forfeit any claim to the
materials left which Gannon consented to.

A. M. M. Chairman of the Board

Monday 6th January 1873

As last week took place the meeting
was adjourned to Friday the 10th inst.

A. M. M. Chairman of the Board

Friday 10th January 1873.

Present,
William Gannon J. Pres. the chair,
William Duin, John Moyle, Peter Kennedy, John Lyons,
Peter A. Daly, Denis Shine, Francis Corbett Esq. Colman
& Thomas B. Duille Esquires.

The minutes of the previous meeting were
read and signed -

Circular from his Excellency
the Lord Lieutenant

Directing to fill up a form containing the abstracts
of the year 1872, account & to forward same to W. Neilson
Randolph L. L. D. Superintendent, Statistics office, St. Michaels
Court Dublin.

Ordered

Ordered

To comply with same.

John Killkelly's letter
returning Cheque for

46, Mount Street
Decr 14th 1872.
Sir,
I am in receipt of your letter enclosing a cheque for £3.2
which I have in return - I have to request immediate payment
of my costs as taxed by the Solicitor to your Board Mr.
Gormway to prevent legal proceedings,
Your obedient servant
John Killkelly
Mr. B. Roche J. Clerk

Cheque Cancelled.

Cheque ordered to be cancelled.

Mr. Cruise The Auditor's
Report on the Audit of
the years 1871 & 1872.

Dublin 19th Decembre 1872.
Sir,
I have the Honour to acknowledge herewith for the info-
mation of the Local Government Board abstracts of the
accounts of the Tuam Town Commissioners for the years ended
respectively 29th September 1871. and 29th September 1872. and
I beg to report thereon, that I audited the accounts to which
these abstracts severally relate,

The accounts appear to me to be fairly kept
and the system of accounts which susceptible of some
improvement which I pointed out to the Clerk is plain
and intelligible.

The accounts for the six years prior to the
date at which the present audit commenced, had been
audited at one operation by Auditors appointed under
the provisions of the Towns Improvement Act, and had
been attached to this date's account and passed.

The entire revenues of the township of Tuam
are derived from Tolls a schedule of which I enclose.

There is no rate nor does there appear to be
any present intention of striking a rate, as the produce of
the tolls seem to be sufficient, The tolls are farmed out
by tender publicly advertised, and this system appear to
have been followed for a long period, I annex a schedule
of the amounts at which these tolls have for the last twelve
years been so farmed out from which it appears that the
Average Annual Revenue has been £502 - and this
amount would seem to have been sufficient to meet

the requirements of the township without being supplemented by any rate -

The balance in hands, according to the Ledger, at the close of the year ended 29th Sept. 1872, is £205. 2. 5 and this sum tallies with the balance as it appears upon the Ledger of the Bank -

I have further to report that the accounts were on the whole fairly vouched -

The system of payment is as to all more important sums by cheque drawn in favour of the party to whom the money is payable,

The Minor disbursements are made by the Chairman in whose favour a cheque is drawn monthly for the amount ascertained to be necessary for the payment of these charges. A consequence of this mode of procedure was that in some few and exceptional cases the vouchers produced for payment of some small sum 1/6th or so appeared to have more the form of an account furnished than a receipt, but having made enquiry from the Chairman, I was satisfied that the payments had been ^{duly} made, and with a caution to the clerk that on the occasion of the next Audit I would hold him responsible for the production of strictly formal vouchers for every disbursement no matter how trifling in amount I passed these items -

The tolls are vested in the Commissioners under the provisions of the Act 3rd and 4th Vic. Cap. 108, Sect. 15 by which it is enacted that the revenues arising therefrom shall be applied in aid of the rates, and the surplus thereof (if any) shall be applied by the Commissioners for the public benefit of the inhabitants and improvement of the Borough,

These words are vague, and may have admitted of a very wide interpretation. The Commissioners have certainly for many years acted as though they understood these words to give them very extended powers and I found that considerable sums have been given by the Town Commissioners as subscribers in aid of the Tuam Races fund - in the present year a sum of £15. and in several former years sums of £30 -

I find also in the present year a sum of £20 - as a subscription to the Tuam Band Committee, these items appear to me to be of a character requiring the expression

of legal opinion, as to whether they come within the scope of the terms of the Statute which I have already quoted,

After having given the subject my most attentive consideration I have arrived at the conclusion that I should not disallow the payments in question, but that I should submit for the consideration of such legal Authority as the Local Government Board may Authorize me apply to the propriety of my allowing or disallowing any such payments in future.

The Town Commissioners of Tuam will if this course of proceeding be approved by the Local Government have given notice, and in the event of such disbursements being pronounced to be contrary to the intention of the Act of Parliament, will not be liable by surprise by the unexpected disallowance of an expenditure which has for years accrued the sanction of Local Auditors -

I have further to report that on the last day of my Audit I received through the post a copy of a Local News Paper, containing a report of the proceedings of the Town Commissioners at their meeting on the 2nd inst. when a division was taken as to whether the Clerk should be dismissed his office on the ground of imputed fraud; but as the result of the division was in favour of the Clerk continuing ^{to hold} his office on giving security, and as notwithstanding the fact of my Audit being public and publicly advertised, no person appeared before me to make such charge against the Clerk, and I had found on the examination of the accounts nothing beyond the few irregularities in the accounts, nothing beyond the few irregularities in the vouchers to which I have already referred, and which were of a very insignificant character, I did not deem it necessary, on the occasion of present Audit to enter into the matter.

I am Sir your obedient servant
Signed: Henry M. Cruise, Auditor

Ordered,
Tenders for flagging the
parsonage from Mr. Higgins's
to Miss Gannon's -

That the abstracts of the accounts be advertised
Se,
There were three tenders in for flagging the parsonage
from Mr. Higgins's to Miss Gannon's, Richard Gannon's
for.

for 5/6 of yard including all materials and labour was accepted, the work to be completed within six months.

Tender glazing Lamps.

There was only one tender from John McKeade for the glazing the public lamps, at six pence per pane for all sizes, which was accepted.

Ordered

The Sanitary Officers report was read, - That if Mr. Conneron does not get the windows in the ruins in Egons Lane closed up, to Commissioners to do so. Also the same from Mr. McDonnell's Store at West Market to be made -

Ordered

That Blauvelt receipts be got printed. A cheque was ordered for James Gannon for £10.0.0 for the building material left at Bridge,

Proposed

By Mr. Duin Esq and seconded by Mr. Murphy - That the Board adjourn to Friday the 17th inst. to consider Mr. Buckles Cent.

W. W. M. Chairman of the Board.

Friday 17th January 1873.

Present

William Gannon J. P. in the chair
William Duin, Michael Cleary, John Moylan, Denis Shine, Peter Kennedy, John Lyons, Peter A. Daly, Thomas Murphy, Francis Corbett, Tho. B. Burke Esquires -

Mr. Buckles Cent.

Proposed by John Lyons Esq and seconded by Denis Shine Esq - In as much as that Mr. Buckles Cent has been lodged that the matter be overlooked for this time,

For against Declined to vote
Mr. Daly Mr. Cleary Mr. Moylan
Mr. Lyons Mr. Murphy Mr. Corbett
Mr. Kennedy Mr. Gannon (3) Mr. Duin, (3)
Mr. Shine
Mr. Burke (5)

Mr. Duin's Resignation. Mr. Duin resigned as being a Commissioner, when the Board adjourned -

Chairman of the Board

Monday 3rd February 1873.

Present

William Gannon J. P. in the chair.
Francis Corbett John Moylan, Thomas Murphy, Tho. B. Burke, Denis Shine, John Lyons, Peter A. Daly Esquires -

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed -

The appointment of a competent man to inspect Pigs on Fair and Market days, was deferred to next Board day.

The vacancy between Mr. Corbetts House and Town Hall to be taken into consideration next Board day, to see & have it closed up so as to prevent the leakage -

Lamp next town Hall to be discontinued

Ordered - That the Lamp under the clock be taken down & discontinued from henceforth.

Turf to be procured for the whole House

Ordered - That turf be purchased for the whole House from Honefirth, and that a Room Keeper be appointed to keep down a fire and to brush & mop down the floor stairs &c. as often as it may be required - Consideration of the latter deferred to Friday next the 7th inst.

Gate to Leonard & Buckles yard Dublin road

Read - Application for the erection of a gate in the entrance to Leonard & Buckles yards, Dublin road - deferred to Friday next the 7th inst.

Payment for building up passage at Bridge

Read - Application for payment for building up the passage at Bridge - deferred to Friday the 7th inst.

Ordered

That the clock hand in a return of Debtor & Credit of Fines up to the present on next Board day.

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The Finance Book was then examined & cheques order for Salaries & Int out of Mortgage to the 25th Jan^r 1873. when the Board adjourned -

H. M. M. Chairman to the Board.

Friday 7th February 1873.

Present

William Gannon J. P. in the Chair
Peter A. Daly Michael Cleoran, Thomas Murphy Esq. B. B. Burke, John Lyons, Pat Cullen Francis Corbett Esquiers.

Building up passage at Bridge

An objection was raised as to how the building up of the passage at Bridge was done, - The Contractor was ordered to carry out the way it should be done, and when so to be paid the amt. of his contract.

A cheque was ordered to be drawn, and to be held over until the work is done to the satisfaction of Messrs Cleoran and Quinn,

Erection of a gate in Leonard & Burke's yard entry D, Road

The erection of a gate in Leonard & Burke's yard entrance Dublin Road was then considered. Provided the Landlord gives two third of the value of the gate the Commissioners will give 1/3 -

Appointment of Room Keeper

The Room Keeper Proposed by Francis Corbett Esq and seconded by Thomas Murphy Esq - That Mr. Pat^r Stewart be appointed Room Keeper to keep the room aired, and to brush & mop the floor and stairs as often as required, mop at least once a month & £4 a year to be paid quarterly and turf to be provided by the Commissioners, The Board then adjourned.

H. M. M. Chairman of the Board.

Monday 3rd March 1873.

Present

William Gannon J. P. in the Chair,
Peter Kennedy, Tho. B. Burke, Francis Corbett, John Lyons
Peter A. Daly Esquiers -

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed -

Appointment of a man to inspect Pigs.

The appointment of a man to inspect Pigs on Market and Fair days was considered appointment deferred to Friday the 7th inst.

Rich^d Dunlavy to inspect the vacancy between Mr. Corbett's House & Town Hall

The vacancy between Mr. Corbett's House & Town Hall was next considered -

Ordered - That Richard Dunlavy be called upon to inspect same and report as to the proper way of closing and securing it from leakage, by Friday next.

Payment for two flags at Bridge,

A demand for payment for supplying two flags at Bridge was made by Mr. Kelly consideration deferred until Mr. Cleoran is present.

Mr. Roberts Bill for the proposed alterations in town Hall.

An application from Mr. Roberts Esq. for payment of Plan and Estimate of the proposed alterations in town Hall was read, In consequence of the few Members in attendance consideration was deferred to next Board day, The Clerk was directed to write to him to that effect.

The return of Debit and Credit of fines ordered to be handed in by the Clerk was deferred to next Board day.

On Union Rating,

A circular from the Waterford Commission with A Resolution in favour of Union Rating was read and adopted.

Finance

The Finance Book was then examined & a cheque ordered for salaries &c when the Board adjourned.

H. M. M. Chairman of the Board

Friday 7th March 1873.

In consequence of no attendance the meeting stands adjourned to Friday the 14th inst.

Friday 14th March 1873.

Present.

William Gannon J. P. in the Chair.
Michael Cloran, Francis Corbett, Peter Kennedy & Thos. Murphy

The closing up of the vacancy between the town Hall and Mr. Corbett & Richard Dunlavy's estate for same was considered -

Richard Dunlavy's tender for closing up the vacancy between J. Hall & accepted,

Proposed by Mr. Kennedy and seconded by Mr. Cloran That Richard Dunlavy get £16 - for completing the closing up the vacancy and to supply slabs when the curbs broken on town Hall and cement the tiles - as per specification.

Proposed by Michl. Cloran Esq. and seconded by Thomas Murphy Esq. - That an address be prepared for presentation to the Revd. Mr. Burke on his arrival in town

[Signature] Chairman of the Board

Monday 7th April 1873.

Present.

William Gannon J. P. in the Chair
John Woylan, Peter Kennedy, Peter A. Daly, Thomas Murphy
Francis Corbett, John Lyons Esquires -

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed,

Inspector of Pigs appointed

The appointment of a man to inspect Pigs on Market and Fair days was taken into consideration, It was agreed upon That Michael Dillon be appointed, and to be allowed Four Pound £4 - 0 year not to exceed this sum, Dillon to be apprised of this.

Ordered -

Ordered Book for Weigh House

Ordered - That a Book be got for the Weigh House.

Closing up the space between town Hall & Mr. Egan's

The vacant place between the town Hall and Mrs. Egan's House to see to the Propriety of closing it up to be considered on next Board day.

Fines

A Balance of £5. 3-0 Five pound three Shillings appearing due by the Elects on foot of Fines after all Credits being given. The following resolution was proposed & passed that this be accepted in Monthly instalments of one Pound £1 - untill paid up. 7th April 1873.

Signed { Peter Kennedy J. C.
Francis Corbett J. C.

Mr. Roberts Bill for the Plan of town Hall.

Mr. Roberts Co. Surveyor's application for payment of £12 - for Plan &c. of the proposed alteration in town Hall was taken into consideration - Ordered - That he get a cheque for £10 Ten Pounds in lieu thereof -

Finance,

The Finance Book was then taken into consideration examined and Cheques drawn for the above amt. and for Pigs and Munday for the Metal Pillar Beam Scales &c. for £31. 10 - Thirty one Pounds ten shillings - and for salaries. when the Board adjourned -

[Signature] Chairman of the Board

Monday 5th May 1873.

Present.

William Gannon Esq. J. P. in the Chair.
F. Corbett, John Lyons, Wm. Quin, Thos. B. Burke
Thos. Murphy, Peter Kennedy, James Drayton M. D.
Michl. Cloran, Peter A. Daly John Woylan Denis
Shine Esquires -

The minutes of the previous meeting

were read & signed.

Sanitary Officer,

The appointment of Sanitary Officer was then introduced -

Proposed by Mich^l. Clonan Esq and seconded by John Lyons Esq - That the Board adjourn the appointment of Sanitary Officer or Inspector of Nuisances, & Bellman till this day fortnight the 19th inst. & to have it advertised in the Herald -

Vacant plot at town Hall,

The consideration of closing up or otherwise of the space between the town Hall & Mr. Egan was deferred until next Board day.

Prevent Ball playing at New Market

Ordered - That Martin McHugh get instructions to prevent parties Ball playing at New Market place.

Committee appointed to see to the watercourse at Little Mile &c.

The committee appointed to inspect the watercourse &c at little mile to see to the best way of making a permanent washing place was to go aft the meeting & report thereon -

Finance

The Finance Book was then examined and Cheques ordered for half year rent of town Hall New Market & meat market up to the 1st Nov. 1872. years rent of Tan farm up to 1st Jan^y 1873, half year rent of Fish market up to 25th Sept. 1872, salaries &c when the Board adjourned.

J. M. H. Chairman of the Board

Monday 19th - May 1873.

Present,

Mr. Gannon J. P. in the chair
John Lyons Francis Corbett. Tho. B. Burke, Peter Kennedy, John Moylan James Dwyer M. D. Mr. Finn & Mich^l. Clonan Esquires -

Sanitary Officer's appointment

The notice for appointing a Sanitary Officer or Inspector of Nuisances having been read

There were two tenders for the office of such laid before the Board.

Proposed by John Lyons Esq and seconded by Tho. B. Burke Esq - That the tenders be opened -

A Poll was taken and a majority shown in favour of the tenders not being opened

Proposed by F. Corbett Esq and seconded by John Moylan Esq - That the Inspector's salary be £15 - a year -

Proposed by Mr. Finn Esq and seconded by Mich^l. Clonan Esq - as an amendment - That the Inspector's salary be only £12 -

The Inspector's salary to be £12 - p. annum

A Poll was also taken on the above and a majority was in favour of £12 - a year.

Proposed by John Lyons Esq and seconded by Tho. B. Burke Esquire - That Bernard McHugh be appointed as Inspector of Nuisances -

Proposed by Mich^l. Clonan and seconded by D. Dwyer - That Mr. Finn be appointed as inspector of nuisances &c -

A Poll was taken, and a majority appointed

Wm. Fore, Declared elected appeared in favour of Wm. Fore, The Chairman declared as Inspector of nuisances - them duly elected.

Bell Man

Proposed by Wm. Dinn Esq and agreed that the salary for Bellman be £3- a year -

Notices to be posted for app^t of Bellman

Ordered - That notice be posted for the office of Bellman to be considered next Board day when the Board adjourned.

G. W. M. J. Chairman of the Board

Monday 2nd June 1873.

Present.

William Gannon J. P. in the Chair.
John Moylan, John Lyons, Francis Corbett, Patrick Cullen
Peter Kennedy Esquires -

The minutes of the previous meeting were read signed -

Vacant plot at town Hall

The closing up the vacant plot at the town Hall was under the consideration of the Board, but adjourned but adjourned to Friday next the 6th inst.

The washing place at the little Mill was also adjourned to Friday.

Appointment of Bell Man also deferred to Friday.

Inspector's report.

The Inspector's report was read, ^{for some time} Gentlemen, I beg leave to report the following, which has come under my notice - The gate at New Market requires to be repaired, the gates and pavements in different parts of the town require to be looked after immediately, also there are flags broken in several places in town, and the white washing within the Borough should be attended to as soon as possible.

I remain &c
W. Fore,

Whitewashing.

The same at the case of Prof. Cullen & others.

Notices with respect to the whitewashing were decided to be posted up immediately -

The state of the Lane at the case of Mr. Cullen & other premises was brought under the Board's notice also the cleaning of the wells, consideration of both matters were adjourned.

Finance,

The Finance Book was then examined and cheques were ordered for salaries &c.

The Board then adjourned to Friday the 6th inst.

G. W. M. J. Chairman of the Board

Friday 6th June 1873.

Present.

William Gannon J. P. in the Chair.
Francis Corbett, Pat^l. Cullen, Thomas Murphy, John Lyons
and Peter Kennedy Esquires -

The circular for convening the meeting was read,

The vacant plot at town Hall,

The closing up of the vacant plot at town Hall was brought under the Board's notice, consideration deferred till next Board day -

Washing place at little Mill,

The washing place at little Mill was then under notice,

Proposed by the Chairman and seconded by Pat^l. Cullen Esq. That Messrs. Cavan, Dinn, Lyons, & Murphy & the be appointed as a committee to carry out the arrangement completed with the change at the little Mill, in all its parts by the above named committee & the Chairman (agreed to)

Bell Man

Proposed by John Lyons Esq and seconded upon that a Bell man be appointed -

Proposed,

Proposed

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By Peter Kennedy Esq, and seconded by John Lyons Esq- That John Connolly be appointed a Bellman for three months @ the rate of £3- a year- Bellman to post all notices connected with the Board, and to attend on Board days, and his scale of charges to be as follows. Such as for Ordinary Occasions, strayed cattle common meadows do & ats so to be 1/6-

Ordered,

That all the flags as reported by the Sanitary Officer be replaced without further delay- The Board then separated,

W. Gannon Chairman of the Board

On Requisition.

Friday 13th June 1873.

Present.

William Gannon J. P. in the Chair, Michael Conway, Denis Shine, Francis Corbett Peter Kennedy John Moylan, William Quinn & Thomas Murphy Esquires.

Requisition to convene a meeting,

The Requisition convening the meeting for the purpose of taking into consideration the propriety of giving Mr. Corcoran the under room in Town Hall to carry on his usual business until such time as his House lately burned down is put in repair,

While the Commissioners would be prepared to give any accommodation in their power to any party visited, as Mr. Corcoran has been, they cannot comply with his request-

The Board then separated -

W. Gannon Chairman of the Board,

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Monday 7th July 1873.

Present

William Gannon J. P. in the Chair, John Lyons, Thomas Murphy, Francis Corbett, William Quinn, Esquires,

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed -

Washing place at little mill

The washing place at the little mill was brought under the Boards notice, consideration deferred.

Sewer at the rear of Mr. Fehy's & others.

The sewer at the rear of Mr. Fehy's & others to be put in proper order immediately, and charge the Proprietors and Occupiers their proportion of the expenses incurred.

The repairs of the Lane at the rear of Mr. Cullin & others was also under notice, but no definite orders made.

Selling Meats in front of Mr. Bamington's,

Mr. Casy lodged a complaint against parties selling themselves down in front of his shop selling meat &c on Market days, thereby closing up the passage to his shop and request that something be done to stay such, This to be submitted to Mr. Conway for his Opinion.

Ordered Read

Read A Letter from the Registrar of Petty Sessions Dublin announcing the Lodgment of £4.5-4 Dog Tax with Treasurer to the Commissioners.

Letter from the Local Government Board

From the Local Government Board requesting payment of £6.6-0, for the Audit of the two last years account and directing same to be lodged in the Bank of Ireland to their Credit, Cheque ordered.

Mr. Kilkelly's Bill of Costs

Read A Letter and Bill of Costs from Mr. Kilkelly demanding payment consideration deferred to Friday next 11th inst.

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The Finance Book was then examined and Cheques Ordered for Salaries, County cess other minor Bills to Richard Dunlavy on acc^t. for £38. The Board then adjourned to Friday the 11th inst.

A. Must Chairman of the Board.

Friday 11th July 1873.

Present.

William Gannon J. P. in the chair, in consequence of no attendance, the meeting stands adjourned to Friday the 18th inst.

Adjourned.

A. Must Chairman of the Board

Friday 18th July 1873.

Present

William Gannon J. P. The meeting stands adjourned to Monday the 21st inst.

Adjourned.

A. Must Chairman of the Board

Monday 21st July 1873.

Present.

In consequence of no attendance, but the Chairman who directed the meeting to be adjourned to Thursday next the 24th inst.

Adjourned.

A. Must Chairman of the Board

Thursday 24th July 1873.

None been present but the Chairman who ordered the meeting to be adjourned to Friday the 25th inst.

Adjourned

A. Must Chairman of the Board

Friday 25th July 1873.

Present

William Gannon J. P. in the Chair.
Francis Corbett, James Dwyer Esq, D. John Lyons Peter Kennedy & William Quin Esquires -

The Circular for convening the meeting having been read.

The washing place at the little Mill was taken into consideration.

Ordered, washing place at little Mill.

That the Committee report as to the best way the work may be carried out on next Board day, and then to advertise for the execution of same,

The closing up the vacant plot at town Hall was then brought under notice, but no definite plan had been come to, as to the best way of closing it up.

Ordered

That the town Hall ceiling be whitewashed and the walls coloured as the Chairman may direct.

The Board then separated.

A. Must Chairman of the Board.

Communication to the Representative Church Body for the restoration of the Market Cross -

To The Church Representative Body.
Stephens Green,
Dublin,

My Lords & Gentlemen,

You will pardon our recurrence to the subject of the Market Cross of Tuam, which has come into your disposition when you remember the particular interest attached to it by the people of Tuam in addition to its general interest as a work of ancient piety and skill; when you are also informed that the attempt to establish a claim to it as to private property has awakened a feeling of the most bitter public indignation, and when moreover its present piecemeal condition is a standing disgrace and a barbarous,

barbarous feature which strangers might naturally, though not the less erroneously interpret as representative of religious rancour between the Catholics and the Protestants of Tuam.

The Tuam Town Commissioners have had before them a letter to their late Chairman Mr. Peter A. Daly from your Body Secretary referring to a Memorial presented by them on behalf of the Townspeople respecting the Market Cross in which letter you say that you apprehend that you cannot interfere in the matter as it appears some private rights might be interfered with.

The Commissioners thereupon sought for any "Private Rights" to the Cross, which it had been universally believed was public property and having investigated the only claim of this nature appearing, unanimously concluded that it was never had any existence except in the fertile fancy of those who would turn a National Monument into a Family Heirloom rather than gratify the legitimate and honorable wishes of a whole people. The facts upon which the Commissioners base this judgment it is hoped will satisfy your Body as to its justice.

Were there nothing else than the bare inscription on the face of the Cross itself yet that ought to be sufficient to show that a grave doubt on any private claims set up to its ownership. The Inscription shows that the Cross was erected so early as the 12th Century and that it stood in the Market Place of Tuam, It sets forth the names of the persons by whom the Cross was made viz, Edmond O'Husain and Eurlough O'Connor Catholic Archbishops of Tuam; and the place it was erected in - the Market place of Tuam.

The "Private Rights" to which the Commissioners presume your Body allude rest entirely on a base tradition that the Cross of Tuam was placed over the grave of the Protestant Archbishop Synge by the people of Tuam, which tradition is wanting in one of the great elements of trustworthiness in this motive of human judgment, for it rests on the sole unsupported and unratified allegation of the present sexton of St. Mary's Cathedral, a man of about 70 years

of age who personally could know nothing of the Archbishop or of the removal of the Cross. Now the Commissioners will only ask your Body if a claim based on such a foundation as that would be entertained for a moment in any Court in Christendom.

Your Body at first look even would not consider it a likely thing that the Catholic inhabitants of Tuam would place their Market Cross built by their former Archbishop over the grave of a Prelate of different religion. It is a question whether the tomb would be more irregular by reason of the person to whom it was paid or in the method of paying it.

But dismissing probabilities and coming to the hard matters of fact and figures it can be shown clearly that no such "Private Rights" as those alluded to could at any time have existed. In point of fact the private Rights Story runs counter to all received and authentic history of the death and burial of Archbishop Synge.

Archbishop Synge died in the year 1742; and at his death directed that there should not be any monument raised over his grave. This direction seems to have been carefully attended to by his surviving relatives and friends as no Memorial Stone marks his resting place. How then could the people of Tuam ever dream of placing their Market Cross over his grave in direct opposition to the explicit desire of the man whom it is to be supposed they designed to honor.

Again if they must be taken as adopting this extraordinary method of honoring the memory of the Archbishop why the most disinterested will ask did they not place the whole fabric over the grave and not leave the base of the Cross on its original site, the Major portion being removed; But most wonderful, portion of this wonderful legend it turns out that "its point it is altogether incorrect; for it appears that the Cross as any portion of it is not and that it never was over the grave of the Archbishop at all, that part of it that was in the Church yard lay against the wall under the East

East window. I present Chairman of the Commissioners myself frequently saw it there in my youth and when the Cross was about to be sent to the Dublin Exhibition of 1851. a piece of it was found in the Kitchen Chimney of Deane Burtons House, if it had been at any time, or if any part of it at any time had been placed over the Protestant Archbishop grave would a Protestant Dean remove it to his Kitchen fire place. It is not probable it is not possible that he would. So must for the Legend of "Private Rights"

Now for the facts and figures which are authentic history attested on Oath. Amongst the records of the Tuam Town Commissioners are now preserved copies of two declarations of two aged and faithworthy men Decham and O'Rourke, the former of whom is just dead and the latter of whom is ~~just~~ ^{still} alive, who solemnly declare that they saw the Cross in question on the original site in the market place of Tuam until the last decade of the last century, and that it was then and that it still remains Public Property, to which no private claim can with truth be made, and which depositions accompanied the Memorial forwarded your Body on the 7th of Oct. last.

That is the direct testimony of witnesses regarding the Cross during the last century.

Now with regard to present century it is well known the part of the Cross now in the Church yard of St. Mary's was removed thither by the Rev^d Edm. Burton, Brother to Dean Burton for safe keeping and to hinder the practice of bull baiting - the usage being to tie the bull to the Cross. That accounts for the presence of the shaft of the Cross in the Church yard, Lastly the base remaining in the middle of the street. I saw when a boy drawn by Bullocks to a place a short distance down town to establish a new Market, thus shewing the value attached to it as a Market Cross by the Corporation of that day.

Could any evidence be clearer or more cogent

cogent against the existence of Private claims especially when one considers that the onus of proof naturally presses upon individual claimants to that which primarily must certainly be adjudged public property.

But such individual claims have never been tangibly put before the public; and the family claimants have never been themselves appeared upon the scene. The negotiations regarding this Cross have now been going on for well nigh 20 years, and all this time the representatives of the Leprage have appeared only on paper and this itself only through the Protestant Church Authorities, and seemingly as a last resort or foil while as a rule, as the following letters to former Chairmen of the Town Board show that Church Authorities of the Diocese of Tuam generally exhibit themselves as having a right to dispose of the Cross as they think fit; and when the Cross was sent to the Exhibition the Leprage people were never at all consulted.

The Palace Tuam
June 25th 1858.

Dear Sir,

I am requested by his Lordship the Bishop of Tuam to acknowledge your communication with respect to a resolution passed by the Town Commissioners of Tuam in reference to the old Market Cross - His Lordship feels very great reluctance in giving his sanction to the removal from the burial ground of St. Mary's a Cross which (since the time when it was placed by the unanimous consent of the inhabitants of Tuam over the grave of Archbishop Leprage in year 1742) has remained there undisturbed,

At the same time rather than deprive the inhabitants of Tuam of a more public view of so interesting a relic of antiquity he would as far as he has a voice in the matter consent to its erection upon its former base in public and in neutral ground - Provided that some legal security be provided so as to ensure its continuance in any such spot and to provide for the restoration of the Cross to the Protestant burying ground in case of its possible removal.

Believe me Dear Sir
yours very Faithfully
William C. Plunket

Rich^d Kelly

15th October 1870.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 11th inst. respecting the Market Cross of Tuam, I beg to state that I shall lay it before the Dean and Chapter at their next meeting when it shall receive I am sure their best consideration.

I am my Dear Sir
Yours most truly

Nicht. Cloran Esq.
Chairman of Town Commission
Tuam.

Charles H. Seignour
Dean of Tuam.

By the last paragraph of the first letter, your Body will perceive that Lord Kentket kindly agreed to allow the portion of the Cross in the Protestant Church yard to be removed to some neutral ground and there erected upon its base (which is at the Catholic Cathedral) on certain conditions. This arrangement would have been carried out were it not for an unfortunate dispute entirely disconnected with the matter of the Cross which arose at the Town Board and which ended in the Queens Bench which it is not necessary to trouble your Body by further alluding to.

In addition to the assurance so lately given in the Deans letter, that Gentleman actually went so far in the matter as personally to point out to the then Chairman of the Commissioners the place where the Cross when restored, ought to be erected, at least implying both by word and letter that the discretion lay with him and the Chapter of Tuam. Moreover the Catholic Archbishop on whose ground the base of the Cross stands shaftless, whether it was brought from the market place by the towns people years ago for his graces convenient inspection as an antiquarian has intimated his willingness to give it up at any time to be placed in connection with the rest in the market place of Tuam.

Finally how does the Cross stand now? Well in the following disgraceful piecemeal condition,
The base is on the grounds of the Catholic Cathedral, A portion of the shaft leans up against the wall in the interior of the new Protestant Cathedral.

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The main portion of the shaft and Crucifix stands against the East window of the old Cathedral of St Mary's. There is no portion of it over any grave or within 10 feet of any grave - the nearest to it being that of Miss Buntons Daughter to the Dean who had a portion of it in his Kitchen chimney.

How can persons who treated it as so much rubbish up to the time when its height and beauty excited admiration at the Exhibition set up a private claim to it now with any show of sense or reason?

The Commissioners humbly submit to your Body then that it being incontrovertible that the Cross had been always a Market Cross and used as such within the last 100 years before the eyes of credible witnesses yet living; that its removal to the Protestant Church yard by the Buntons being accounted for; that the fable of Private Rights resting upon no foundation completely fading away before the broad day light fact that at no time did it stand over any grave, and that even at present it does not stand within 10 feet of any grave; that the assumption of the Dean and Chapter of their right to dispose of a portion of it being plain, judging all these facts with your own well known common sense your Body will trust by virtue of the powers vested in you, that the different portions of the Cross be handed over to the Town Board in trust for the town, that Body pledging itself to have the Cross erected on its natural site in the centre of the town where removed from the custody of any particular body of Religionists, it shall stand for the inspection of the admiring visitor, and the delight of a proud people, instructing all cherished by all and honored by all as a grand Memorial at once of the Christian faith and cunning skill of the old inhabitants of Tuam whose glorious Market Cross it was and whose descendants glorious old Market Cross it fittingly remains.

Tuam 29th July 1873.

On behalf of the Commissioners
I have the honor to remain
your obedient servant
William Gannon J. P. C. T. C.
Tuam

Monday 4th August 1873.

Present

William Gannon J. P. in the chair.
William Duin, Michael Cloran, Francis Corbett, Peter Fleming,
Denis Shine Esquires -

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed.

Committee to see to the best way of closing plot at town Hall

The Chairman Mr. Cloran & Mr. Duin were appointed to see to the best way of closing up the vacant plot at town Hall which will be considered on the 18th inst.

Remain sleep at Bridge Little Mill -

The Chairman to give orders to have the stuff that was taken out of the Pond at Bridge removed to the little Mill to fill up the proposed change to be made there.

The Revival fund to be lodged in the Chairman's name as well as Mr. Blake's

The Chairman was requested to wait up Mr. Charles Blake to accompany him to the Bank to name as well as Mr. Blake have the £50 - Revival fund already lodged in Mr. Blake's name - to that of both their names -

Mr. Kilkelly's Bill of Costs, ordered to be paid,

Mr. Kilkelly's Bill of Costs Proposed by William Duin Esq. and unanimously agreed - That he be paid his bill of costs as taxed by Mr. Conway Est: Amt. £5. 10. 5.

Resolution to remove the Apple baskets &c.

The Chairman deferred proposing his resolution for removing the Apple baskets &c. off the street until Monday the 18th inst. to which day the meeting is adjourned.

A letter from Mrs. Burke requesting to repair the stone

A letter from Mrs. Burke read, asking to have some loose slates on the stone she holds from the Com^{rs}. secured by order of the Board -

Order to write to the Church Body respecting the grave yard

The Clerk was directed to write to the Church Body to know what they propose doing with the Catholic Church yard in town, or will they hand it over to the town Commissioners.

Also

To write to Mr. Roberts

Also to write to Mr. Roberts Esq. surveyor respecting the dangerous state of the little Mill bridge, and the neglected state of repairs the lanes within the Borough are in -

Washing place at the little Mill.

The consideration of the washing place at little Mill was deferred to the 18th inst.

Finance

The Finance Book was then examined, and they ordered for Mr. Kilkelly, Bill of Costs & the Union Bills and Salaries - when the Board adjourned to Monday the 18th inst.

W. M. O. Chairman of the Board

Monday 18th August 1873.

Present

William Gannon J. P. in the chair,
Michael Cloran, William Duin, Peter A. Daly, Francis Corbett Esquires -

Resolved

- That Benjamin Flannigan's apple stall be placed below the down pipe at Mrs. Fahy's shop st. -
- That the persons selling Flour meal & other opposite Mr. Kyles be removed so that they don't obstruct the passage to Mr. Kyles Establishment - And that the parties selling meal Flour &c. on high st. be so located as not to interfere with the entrance to the shop - Store or frontage of Mr. Bamattin's Establishment -

Resolved

- That the plan for the washing place at the little Mill submitted by the Committee be carried into effect -
- Same to be advertised in the Herald for tenders to be recd. on next Board day -

The enclosing up the plot at town Hall consideration deferred till next Board day -
The Board adjourned to 2. O'clock to which

which how a public meeting is expected,

2. O'clock, up to 7² past two no attendance but Messrs. Cloran and Quin, where the meeting was adjourned to next Board day -

A. W. M. V. Chairman of the Board,

Monday 1st September 1873.

Present.

William Gannon J. P.
Francis Corbett, Not having having a sufficient number in attendance to form a quorum the meeting is adjourned to Friday next the 5th inst.

A. W. M. V. Chairman of the Board,

Friday 5th September 1873.

Present.

William Gannon J. P. in the Chair,
William Quin, Francis Corbett, Peter Kennedy, Peter A. Daly Esquires,

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed.

The notice for constructing a washing and watering place at Little Mill inviting tenders been read, there was no tender.

The consideration of the closing up the plot at town Hall according to the plan submitted, was adjourned to Friday the 12th inst.

Ordered - That the tolls and customs be advertised to be let on Friday the 19th inst. for the ensuing 12 months, twice in the Tuam Herald, and

post notices for same. The Commissioners to pay half expenses for perfecting the Lease.

Finance

The Finance Book was then examined and Cheques were ordered for Salaries and a few other minor bills, payment of Mr. Burke's bill for the plans of the watering place at Little Mill was deferred. The Board then adjourned to Friday the 12th inst.

A. W. M. V. Chairman of the Board,

Friday 12th September 1873.

Present.

In consequence of no attendance the meeting is adjourned to Friday the 19th inst.

A. W. M. V. Chairman of the Board,

Friday 19th September 1873.

Present.

William Gannon J. P. in the Chair.
John Weylan, Denis Shire, Peter Kennedy, Mr. Quin, Thomas Murphy, Francis Corbett, Peter A. Daly, Mick Cloran, John Lyons, Thomas Bodkin M. D. Esquires,

There were two tenders handed in.

Notice read.

The tolls and customs of the Borough of Tuam to be let on Friday the 19th inst. Sept. inst. from the 29th Sept. 1873, to the 28th Sept. 1874. the tolls of the Borough of Tuam.

The terms of payment to be as follows viz. The Toll Farmer to pass his bills joined by two solvent sureties for the amount of his contract. The first of said bills for £200. to be made payable on the 24th Oct. next, and the balance of the contract by five bills in equal proportions - The first payable on the 1st January 1874. the second on the

Special for the letting of the tolls and Customs for the ensuing 12 months.

Notice for the letting,

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10th March, the third on the 10th May, the fourth on the 14th July, and the fifth on the 10th September in same year.

Tenders in writing signed by the applicant and two sureties will be received by the Chairman up to the taking of the Chair at 12. o'clock, noon.

The Commissioners reserve to themselves the right of refusing the acceptance of any tender unless the full value in their opinion is offered. Possession will be given immediately after the Contractor or tenant is declared to have fulfilled the conditions required by the Board, and to pay half legal expenses which will be explained by the Clerk.

A Schedule of the Tolls or payable within the Borough can be seen at the Town Hall.

By order of the Commissioners
Patrick Roche
From Hall Sept 5th 1873. Town Clerk

The tenders were opened.

- N^o 1. From Thomas Roche for £575 -
- N^o 2. From Patrick Bird for £600 - as follows

Tuam 19th Sept. 1873.

Tender for Tolls

To, The Chairman & Board of Towns Improvement Commission Gentlemen. - I Propose and agree to take the tolls & custom of the Fairs and Markets of the Borough of Tuam for 12. months from the 29th Sept. inst. to the 28th Sept. 1874, both inclusive for the sum of £600 - and to pass you my bills joined by the undersigned sureties according to advertisement viz - The first Bill for £200, payable on the 24th Oct. next and the balance of the Contract by five bills in equal proportions the 1st payable on the 1st January 1874. the 2nd on the 10th March the third on the 10th May, the fourth on the 14th July and the 5th on the 10th Sept. in same year, and offer as my sureties Mess^{rs} Patrick M^{rs} Mangan of Cabulstown, and Abner Baillie of Denistown, whose assent I annex, I further agree to pay half legal expenses.

Patrick Bird

Me,

Sureties consent.

We the undersigned do consent and agree to become Mr. Bird's Sureties by joining him in the bills that he is to pass for the due and faithful performance of his Contract that his tender be accepted.

Patrick M^{rs} Mangan
Abner Baillie,

Proposed by Mr. Din Esq and Seconded by Din Esq - That Pat Bird's tender be accepted, agreed.

Chairman of the Board.

Monday 6th Oct 1873.

Present
William Gannon J. P. in the Chair,
John Lyons, Thomas Murphy, Pat^l Cullen, Francis Cahill, Thomas B. Burke, Thomas Borkin M. D., Peter Kennedy Esquires -

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed,

Proposed

By the Chairman and unanimously agreed - That a wall 7 feet high with lime sand be built in front of the plot at Town Hall with a Pier to bear an iron gate which is to be brought under Mr. Moran & Duns Notice after their approval to advertisement same.

The repairs of Cullin's Lane

Resolved - That the Lane at the rear of Mr. Cullin's be put in immediate repair & keep a separate acct. of the expenditure in order to get the amt. from the parties interested in same.

Sewer on Circular Road

Ordered - That a sewer be made on Circular Road to meet the sewer coming from Mr. Henderson's yard.

Proposed

Proposed

By John Lyons Esq and seconded by Francis Corbett Esq That Mr. Henderson get the sum made him and the Board will see to the payment of same.

The Chairman stated that the Rev. M. J. Beane had given his consent to allow the poor Peoples Shop in by the College & that the gate would be open at 7 o'clock in the morning.

Memo for the Keeping passage to Fair green

The Chairman was directed to employ what sum he considers sufficient to keep the passage to Fair green clear of stock and off the road during the Fair days 20th Oct.

Ordered

That the railing for the poor people's stock be got ready set up.

The Clerk was directed to wait on Mr. Conway for the purpose of getting him from a requisition concerning bye laws & to convene a special meeting of the Commissioners to discuss the propriety of making some

Orders and Savings application for an increase in salary

An application from Dan Dwyer for an increase in salary was read, and a similar from Pat Higgins, both to be considered next Board day.

The Financial Book was then examined & charges ordered for salaries when the Board adjourned.

J. M. M. M. Chairman of the Board

Borough of Tuam in the County of Galway

To-wit

Election of Five Commissioners for the Borough of Tuam in the County of Galway.

For Election of Commissioners under the Ballot Act.

Take Notice

That an Election of Five Commissioners will be held for the Borough of Tuam on the 15th day of October inst. in said Borough in room of Denis Shine John Lyons Thomas Murphy Peter Kennedy and Jas. W. Cunningham Esquires, who retire by rotation, but who are eligible for re-election.

That any person entitled to vote may nominate for the said Office himself (if duly qualified) or any other person or persons so qualified not exceeding five in number.

That every such nomination must be in writing, and must state the Christian names and surnames of the persons nominated with their respective places of abode and description.

That every nomination paper must be signed by the party nominating and may be in the following form or to the like effect.

I the undersigned of Tuam in the County of Galway, do hereby nominate the following person as a proper person to serve as Commissioner for the said Borough,

Surname	Other name	Abode	Rank Profession or occupation

Signed

That all nomination papers must be delivered to the Town Clerk on or before the 11th day of Oct. inst. Dated this 2nd day of Oct. 1873.

Patrick Roche
Town Clerk

Copy of the foregoing was duly advertised &c.
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The following nomination papers were handed in

Town of Tuam
Election of Commissioners,
For the Municipality of Tuam to be held on the 15th day of
Oct. 1873. Nomination Paper

I the undersigned Patrick Reid of Colera West in
the Town of Tuam in the County Galway being entitled to
vote in the election of Commissioners for the Municipality of Tuam
do hereby nominate the following person as a proper person
to serve as Commissioner for the said Municipality.

Surnames	Other names	Abode	Rank Profession
Shine	Denis	Bishop St. Tuam	Shopkeeper

Signed
Patrick Reid

11th Oct 1873.

Peter Kennedy was nominated by Jas. Dwyer M.P. in writing
John Lyons was nominated by Peter Kennedy Shopkeeper do
Thomas Murphy was nominated by Mrs. Gannon S.P. do
Edward O'Donnell was nominated by Michl. Blawan do

Town of Tuam
Election of Commissioners

I the undersigned being the Town Clerk for the said Town
of Tuam, hereby give notice that the Christian and surnames
of the persons nominated for election of Commissioners for the
Municipality of Tuam and their respective places of abode and
description and the names of the parties nominating them are as
follows. Viz.

Surnames	Other names	Place of abode of Person nominated	Description of Person nominated	Name of the Person by whom nominated
Shine	Denis	Bishop St Tuam	Shopkeeper	Pat Reid
Kennedy	Peter	Same "	Merchant	Jas. Dwyer M.P.
Lyons	John	Shop St "	Merchant	Peter Kennedy
Murphy	Thomas	Shop St "	Merchant	Mrs. Gannon S.P.
O'Donnell	Edward	Shop St "	Draper	Michl. Blawan

11th Oct. 1873.

Signed,
Pat^l. Roche
Town Clerk

Copies of said notice were duly posted up.

Town of Tuam

Notice of Candidates Elected a 9th of Oct. A. D. 1873.
15th Oct. 1873.
Election of Commissioners.

I the undersigned, being the Returning Officer of
the Election of Commissioners for the Municipality of Tuam
hereby give notice that the undersigned persons have
been duly Elected as Commissioners for the said Municipality -

Surnames	Other names	Abode	Rank Profession or Occupation
Shine	Denis	Bishop St. Tuam	Shopkeeper
Kennedy	Peter	Same "	Merchant
Lyons	John	Shop St "	Merchant
Murphy	Thomas	Shop St "	Merchant
O'Donnell	Edward	Shop St "	Draper

Dated 15th Oct. 1873.

[Signature] Returning Officer.

Copies of the foregoing notice was duly published
before 11. Oct last of said 15th day of Oct. 1873.

Denis Shine (Declarant) I Denis Shine do solemnly declare that I will faithfully
and impartially according to the best of my skill and
judgement execute all the powers and Authorities reposed in
me as a Commissioner by virtue of the Town Improvement
(Ireland) Act 1854, and that I am in the Occupation of a
Dwelling House in the Town of Tuam valid to the relief of
the Poor at the next annual Valuation of £10 - or upwards
subscribed before me this 7th day of Oct. 1873.

[Signature]
Denis Shine

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Peter Kennedy's Declaration

I Peter Kennedy do solemnly declare that I will faithfully and impartially according to the best of my skill and judgement execute all the powers and Authorities reposed in me as a Commissioner by virtue of the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act, 1854, and that I am in the Occupation of a Dwelling House in the Town of Tuam rated to the Relief of the Poor at the net annual value of £12. or upwards subscribed before me this 7th day of Nov. 1873.

Witness Thomas Murphy Peter Kennedy

John Lyons Declaration

I John Lyons do solemnly declare that I will faithfully and impartially according to the best of my skill and judgement execute all the powers and Authorities reposed in me as a Commissioner by virtue of the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and that I am in the Occupation of a Dwelling House in the Town of Tuam rated to the relief of the Poor at the net annual value of £12 or upwards, subscribed before me this 7 day of Nov 1873.

Witness John Lyons

Thos. Murphy's Declaration

I Thomas Murphy do solemnly declare that I will faithfully and impartially according to the best of my skills and judgement execute all the powers and Authorities reposed in me as a Commissioner by virtue of the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act, 1854, and that I am in the Occupation of a Dwelling House in the Town of Tuam rated to the relief of the Poor at the net annual value of £12. or upwards, subscribed before me this 7th day of Nov. 1873.

Witness Thomas Murphy

Witness
Wm. Shine

Edw. O'Donnell's Declaration

I Edward O'Donnell do solemnly declare that I will faithfully and impartially according to the best of my skill and judgement execute all the powers and Authorities reposed in me as a Commissioner by virtue of the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act, 1854, and that I am in the Occupation of a Dwelling House in the Town of Tuam rated to the relief of the Poor at the net annual value of £12. or upwards subscribed before me this 7th day of Nov. 1873.

Witness Thomas Murphy Edw. O'Donnell

Monday 3rd November 1873.

There being no attendance the meeting was adjourned to Friday the 7th inst.

Friday 7th November 1873.

Present.

William Gannon J. P. in the chair
Thomas Murphy, John Lyons, Peter Kennedy, Edward O'Donnell, Francis Corbett, Mich^l. Gloran, Peter A. Daly, Denis Shine William Dinn Esquires,

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed.
The wall in front of the plot at town Hall was next discussed — Ordered That a substantial wall 7 feet high with one pier to hang a gate on be advertised to be built thereon — Tenders to be considered next Board day.

Plot at Town Hall to be walled in

Dan Dwyer's application for an increase in salary was then discussed.

An increase of £10-a year given the Council —

Proposed by Denis Shine Esq and seconded by Michael Gloran Esq — That the Council weigh all commodities as they come into market & provide a scale to issue Crane dockets for same, and pay all expenses Council.

connected therewith, and to get an increase in salary of £10-
Ten pounds a year in addition to the £26 - already given him
in all £36 - (Agreed to)

The scavengers claim for an increase in
Salary was also taken into consideration -

Increase of £4.10.0 a year
in scavengers salary -

Proposed by Michael Moran Esq and unani-
mously agreed - That Pat Higgins Scavenger get Four
Pounds ten shillings increase in his salary making in all
£22.10.0 - and in addition to his months salary £2.0.0 in
advances to enable him buy an Ass, and his months salary
for the twelve months to come to be reduced by 3/4, when the
£2-0-0 so advanced shall be paid up -

Mr. Fore to employ men one
a week to assist in cleaning
the streets -

Ordered - That Mr. Fore get a few men one
week to assist in cleaning the streets,

£2-0-0 granted to Mr. Fore by
Francis Corbett Esq.

Proposed by Michl. Moran Esq and seconded
That Mr. Fore get £2 - for his
attendance in charge of Men for two days to keep passages
and road clear of stock, agreed

Agreed - That the Enumerators at Customs
get 7/6. a day each -

Block's Salary to be let
Considered next Board

Denis Mine Esq. - Moved That on next Board
day he would bring under their notice the present salary of the
Block with the view to an increase therein -

Printing contract

Ordered - That all the printing & advertisements
for the ensuing 12 months be advertised to let, on Friday next the
14th inst. to be inserted in the Freeman's News & Herald, on which
day there is a special meeting to be to receive & consider tenders

Finance,

The Finance Book was then examined where
Cheques for Salaries Rents &c were ordered -

The following are the Returns of Lin Stock
exhibited for sale at the Oct. Fair 20th & 21st Oct.
1873.

Ordered - That from henceforth that the Commr
be directed not to allow any sold corn into the town Hall, which
he promised to exhibit to -

No sold corn to be
allowed in town Hall

Returns of Stock sold and
unsold at Fair 20th & 21st Oct.
1873.

	Cows	Wethers	Hoggats	Lambs	Rams	Total
Sold	4883	10720	3767	1057	58	20485
Unsold	1075	1884	1115	1774	105	5953

Total 26438

Tuam Fair Oct. 21st 1873.

	Cows	Heifers	Bullocks	Calves	Bulls	Total
Sold	99	4008	753	600	"	5460
Unsold	133	1302	380	417	2	2234

Total 7694

Chairman of the Board.

Friday 14th November 1873.

Present

William Gannon J. P. in the Chair.

Peter Kennedy, Thomas Murphy, John Moylan, Francis Corbett
Edward O'Donnell Esquires -

We the undersigned request you will convene a
special meeting of the Commissioners for Friday next the 14th
inst to consider the propriety of getting Bye Laws, and to
consider tenders for all the printing and advertisements
they may require to have done for 12 months, also the
bonus agreement, Dated 12th day of Nov. 1873.

- Francis Corbett
- Patrick Corbett
- Edward O'Donnell
- John Moylan
- Mr. Quinn
- James Donohue
- Mr. Gannon

To.
Mr. Pat^l Roche }
Town Clerk }

Tenders for Printing,

There were two tenders for the printing
and advertisements, one from Mr. M. Philpin for £3.7.6
and the second from Mr. Kelly for £5.0.0 -

Proposed

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Mr. M. Philpotts tender for
printing &c. accepted.

Bye Laws

Proposed by Thomas Murphy Esq & agreed -
That Mr. M. Philpotts tender be accepted for the £ 2. 7. 6

Proposed by Francis Corbett Esq - That Bye
Laws be got.

Proposed by Peter Kennedy Esq and seconded
by John Moylan Esq - That Bye Laws be not considered
for the present agreed to. The Board then separated -

Chairman of the Board

Monday Evening 17th Nov^r. 1873.

Special to nominate a
Deputation to attend the
Home Rule Conference in
Dublin in the ensuing week

Present
William Gannon J. P. in the chair
John Moylan, Peter Kennedy, Tho^s. B. Burke, Thomas Murphy
Patrick Cullen, Edward O'Donnell, Peter A. Daly, W^m. Duin
Francis Corbett Esquires -

We the undersigned request you will convene
a meeting for Monday evening at 7. O'clock to nominate a
Deputation to attend the Home Rule Conference in Dublin in
the ensuing week, Saturday 15th Nov^r. 1873.

- W^m. Gannon
- Jas. Dwyer
- Tho^s. Bodkin
- Peter Kennedy
- Tho^s. B. Burke
- Pat^r. Cullen
- John Moylan
- Peter A. Daly
- Mich^l. Cloran
- Edwa^d. O'Donnell
- W^m. Duin.

To,
Mr. Pat^r. Roche
Town Clerk

Deputation nominated to
attend the Home Rule Conf

Proposed by Patrick Cullen Esq and seconded
by W^m. Duin Esq - That Mr. Cloran be requested to
attend the Home Rule Conference,

Chairman of the Board

Wednesday 19th November 1873.
Present

William Gannon J. P.
John Moylan, Peter Kennedy, John Lyons, Michael Cloran,
Peter A. Daly, Patrick Cullen, Denis Shine, Tho^s. B. Burke,
Francis Corbett, William Duin, Thomas Murphy Edward O'Donnell
Esquires -

The circular convening the meeting being read

Proposed by Thomas Murphy Esq and seconded
by John Moylan Esq - That W^m. Gannon J. P. be re-elected
as Chairman to the Board for the ensuing year

Proposed by Peter A. Daly Esq and seconded
by Peter Kennedy Esq - That Denis Shine is a fit
and proper person to be elected as Chairman.

A Poll was taken.

For W^m. Gannon

For Mr. Shine.

- Mr. O'Donnell
- Mr. Murphy
- Mr. Corbett
- Mr. Cullen
- Mr. Cloran
- Mr. Moylan
- Mr. Gannon (7)

- Mr. Duin
- Mr. Burke
- Mr. Shine
- Mr. Daly
- Mr. Lyons
- Mr. Kennedy (6)

Mr. Gannon was duly declared Elected
by a Majority of one.

Chairman of the Board,

Monday 1st December 1873.

Present

William Gannon J. P. in the chair.
J. Corbett, Peter A. Daly, John Lyons, Denis Shene, Mick
Cloran, Thomas Murphy, Peter Kennedy, Patrick Cullen,
Edward O'Donnell, William Duin Esquires.

The minutes of the previous meeting were
read and.

Dan Dwyer Crane's
agreement-

The following is Dan Dwyer's agreement
as drawn by Mr. Cloran as requested.

Dan Dwyer Crane to get £10-0-0 Ten
Pounds per year increase in salary, against which he is
to have two Cranes to weigh at the Corn and Potatoes
cranes on all occasions required, and to have a proper
person to give crane dockets for all Commodities weighed
and to retain a book for reference in his office should
such be any time required, and to be responsible for
any misdemeanour of any of those parties so employed
by him and give his supervision to the Markets and
as to attend to his duties as crane for which services
as aforesaid he get £36- Thirty six pounds per year
the foregoing agreed to by Dan Dwyer,

Tender for building a
wall at town Hall plot.

There was only one Tender in for the
building of the wall and Pier at Plot at town Hall.

Tender Ordered to be opened which
runs as follows.

Chairman & Gentlemen,
I propose to build a wall between
the town Hall & Mr. Egan's house to be 7 feet high finished
on top with 10 inches cut stone capping to project three
inches before front of wall. The work to be in keeping
with present town Hall, to be of strong rubble masonry
Also a gate pillar 8 feet high finished with cut stone
capping same as pillar at Fish Market, finding all ma-
terials and attendance leaving all complete for the sum
of

of £20 - Twenty pounds,
Signed) Richard Dunlavy
Dec. 1st 1873.

Tender accepted.

Unanimously agreed - That the foregoing
tender be accepted and the work to be finished in three
months from this date.

The Chairman was requested to wait on
the Gas Directors to see to the ^{copy} minutes of Dec. 9th 1870.
served on their Secretary.

Letter from the surveyor of
Taxes respecting Income Tax

A Letter from P. J. Allen surveyor of
Taxes directing the attendance of the appellant to the
Income Tax out of the Tolls & duties, and unless he
attended before the Income Tax Commissioners the duty
£4-18-5 would be confirmed & the amount should be paid on
or before the 1st January 1874. (was read)

Chairman to attend on
the Appeal to the S. Tax.

Ordered - That the Chairman attend
on the appeal to the Income tax and that he get £1- for
his Expenses.

Flaging on Bishop St.

The flaging of that part of the foot
way on Bishop St. & at Footst place was brought
under notice.

Mr. Shinn's notice stands adjourned
to next Board day.

The meeting was adjourned to 7 o'clock
in the evening

W. O. Clock.
William Gannon J. P. in the chair
Edward O'Donnell Mickl. Cloran Thos. W. Burke
John Myrland & Peter Kennedy Esquires.

Ordered a new grate for the town Hall
The

The Finance Book was then examined and cheques ordered for Salaries & other minor bills,
The Board then adjourned

Wm. Gammon Chairman of the Board

Monday 5th January 1874.

Present

William Gammon J. P. in the Chair.
Michael Cloran, Peter A. Daly, Peter Kennedy, Thomas Murphy, John Lyons, Esquires -

Proposed by Peter A. Daly Esq. and seconded by Michael Cloran Esq. That the meeting be adjourned to Friday next the 9th inst.

Chairman of the Board,

Friday 9th January 1874.

Present

William Gammon J. P. in the Chair,
John Moylan, Peter Kennedy, Thomas Murphy, John Lyons, Pat Cullen Esquires -

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed -

The following is the letter read from the Church Representative Body -

52, St. Stephens Green East,
Dublin 22nd Dec^r. 1873.

Dear Sir,

I beg to send you a copy of the following resolution passed by the Representative Body with reference to your recent Memorial,

That the town Commissioners of Tuam be informed that the Representative Body are prepared to consider favourably their application for part of the Market Crofs of Tuam; upon being informed that the Town Commissioners have or can obtain possession of

Resolved

of the base of the Crofs, and are prepared to erect the whole enclosed within an iron railing as a Market Crofs in the Market place, there to be retained.

I am dear Sir, yours faithfully
Thomas Green) Secretary.

To

Mr. Gammon Esq. J. P. Tuam,

Deputation to wait on his Grace the Archbishop

The Chairman Mr. Murphy & Mr. Moylan were appointed as a deputation to wait on his Grace the Archbishop to communicate to his Grace the contents of the letter rec^d from the Church Representative body -

Resolved,

That arrangements be made for the erection of the Crofs in a certain position in the square & that a plan and specification be obtained for that purpose

Income Tax.

The Chairman before the Income Tax Commissioners

The Chairman stated that on his visit to the Income Tax Commissioners at Galway, that they agreed to consider whether or not the Board was chargeable with Income tax, in the mean time they heard his objection, the result of which would be that if they were again charged with income tax it would be on £100, less than what they had been charged on.

Finance

The Finance Book was then examined & a Cheque ordered for small bills, when the Board separated.

Chairman of the Board,

Special in respect of the Market Crofs.

Monday night 7. o'clock 19th Jan^r 1874.

Present

William Gammon J. P. Dr. Bookin.

In consequence of not having a sufficient No. to form a quorum, The Chairman adjourned the meeting to two o'clock on Tuesday the 20th inst. which the Clerk is to inform the Commissioners of & request their attendance

Chairman of the Board,

Tuesday 20th January 1874.

Present

William Gannon J. P. in the Chair

John Lyons, Thomas Murphy, Pat Cullen, Wm. Quin, Peter Kennedy, Edward O'Donnell, John Moylan, Tho. B. Burke, Tho. Bodkin M. D., Francis Corbett Esquires

A special meeting in connexion with the restoration of the Market Cross,

Read, Circular convening the meeting, to consider the

letter from the Church Representative Body on the subject of the Cross and the reply thereto - The Archbishop having consented for resection in conjunction with the other portion now at the to the removal of the base,

Proposed by William Quin Esq. and seconded by Thomas Murphy Esq. — That His Grace the Archbishop having placed the base of the Market Cross at present at the Catholic Cathedral at the disposal of the Town Commissioners in conjunction with the other portion now at the Church of St. Mary's Protestant Cathedral? The Commissioners pledge themselves to place the venerable relic in the Market place in the Centre of the town square removed from any building and surrounded by suitable railing, and request The Church Representative Body to consummate its just gracious and Popular act by fixing an early date for the restoration, the kindly spirit of which, shall be always held in grateful memory by the Inhabitants of this town, who prize their ancient Market Cross, as a Memorial of the Piety, & Skills of Ancient times

Chairman of the Board

Monday 2nd February 1874.

Present,

William Gannon J. P. John Moylan & Edward O'Donnell,

In consequence of not having a sufficient No. to form a quorum the meeting stands adjourned to Friday next 6th inst.

Wm. Gannon J. P. Chairman of the Board,

Friday 6th February 1874.

Present

William Gannon J. P. in the chair

John Moylan, Edward O'Donnell, Peter Kennedy, Patrick Cullen Thomas D. Burke, Esquires -

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed.

Letter from Mr. Hanly Collector of Inland Revenue for Income Tax

Read - Letter from Hanly Collector of Inland Revenue demanding payment of £3, 14, 5, Income Tax assessment charged on the Solls & Customs for the years 1873 & 1874.

Ordered

That the Clerk write to Mr. Hanly to say that in as much as the Tuam Town Commissioners not being apprised by the Income Tax Commissioners of their ruling as to the assessment, they defer payment,

52, St. Stephens Green
Jan^y 1874.

My Dear Sir,

I have to thank you for your letter of the 27th inst. enclosing me a copy of the resolution passed by the Tuam Town Commissioners, and also for your kindness in forwarding me the copy of the news paper in which their proceedings are reported,

The resolution will be laid before our Board at their meeting on the 28th prox, and.

Believe me very truly yours,
Wm. Gannon Esq. J. P. (J. P. G.) Thomas Green Sec^y

Ordered

That the parties connected with the Lanes be summoned if not complying with the Decrees, also the flagged footways.

Notice of Motion,

That I will on this day month move that an arrangement be made by which a passage may be made out on the Lane leading to the Mall from the Potatoe Market,

Signed John Moylan,

The following Committee are appointed to see to rent of

The Chairman, Mr. Quin, Mr. Moylan, Mr. Kennedy
and Mr. Cleary,

The Clerk made application for payment
for making out an Alphabetical list of voters for the Borough
for the two last years - deferred till next Board day.

Finance

The Finance Book was then examined and
Cheques were ordered for salaries and the year's rent due
the Presentation Community out of Mortgage - when the
Board separated -

Chairman of the Board -

Monday 2nd March 1874.

Present

William Gannon J. P. in the Chair,
Thomas B. Burke, John Moylan, Thomas Murphy, Francis
Edmund O'Donnell Esquires

The minutes of the previous meeting were read
and signed -

Passage from Potatoe
Market to the Maze

Mr. Moylan's notice of Motion for a passage
from Potatoe Market out on the Maze was taken into con-
sideration.

The following Gentlemen were appointed to
wait on Mr. Henderson, to see if he would give his consent
to allow the passage into Church Lane.

The Chairman Mr. Murphy & Mr. Moylan.

Finance

The Finance Book was then examined and
Cheques were ordered for salaries & when the Board
adjourned to Friday the 6th inst.

Chairman of the Board,

Friday 6th March 1874.

Present

William Gannon J. P. Thomas Murphy Edward
O'Donnell, In consequence of not having a sufficient
number to form a quorum, the meeting was adjourned to
Monday the 9th inst.

Chairman of the Board

Monday 7th March 1874.

Present

William Gannon J. P. in the Chair,
Thomas Murphy, John Moylan, Pat Cullen Francis
Connett, John Lyons Edward O'Donnell Esquires

Letter from the Representative
Body concerning the Cross

The following communication was read
52 St. Stephens Green East
Dublin 27th February 1874.

Dear Sir,

Referring to your letter of the 27th Ultimo, I beg
to send you a copy of the following Resolution passed
by the Representative Body on the 25th inst -

Resolved - That the Town Commissioners of
Tuam be informed in reply to their letter, that as soon
as the base of the Cross is placed in position in the
market place and the railing is ready for erection,
The Representative Body will cause to be delivered
to them for erection on said base the portions of the
Cross now under their control,

Wm Gannon Esq J. P.
Tuam

Yours Faithfully
Thomas Green Sec^y

Ordered

To advertise in the Tuam News for a Plan and
specification for Platform on which the Market Cross
is to be erected in the Market place, with a specification
of railing to encircle same, The railing to be iron
ornamented, No Plan other than the one approved
of is to be paid for.

Ordered

Ordered

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That the Chairman write to the Church body forwarding them copy of the Paper in which the above will be inserted -

Removal of the Pump.

Moved by John Lyons Esq - That he write on next Board day introduce the propriety of removing the Pump from the square to be set at the Bridge on Bishop St.

The passage from Potato Market out by Church Lane was then brought under consideration, (no action taken. (The Board then separated)

Chairman of the Board.

Monday 6th April 1874.

Present.

William Gannon J. P. in the Chair
Michael Blown, Thomas Murphy, John Moylan, Denis Shine, Edward O'Donnell, Peter Kennedy, Mr. Duin Esquires,

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed.

Mr. Lyons Notice of Motion for removing the Pump to Bishop St. was adjourned to next Board day

Proposed

By Mich^l. Blown Esq and seconded by John Moylan Esq. - That the plan of platform now on view before us be adopted and that for the erection of same ~~be advertised~~ in the Evening News & hand bills to be posted up, Tenders to be rec^d & considered on Monday the 20th inst, Also for Iron railing for same tenders to be considered on some day as above

Ordered That only one Pier be built in the vacant plot opposite Mr. Daly's

A Memorial for closing Public Houses on Sundays was read.

Proposed

Only one Pier to be built at Mr. O'Quins.

Memorial Read

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Proposed

By Michael Blown Esq and seconded by Denis Shine Esq - That it be adopted - Mr. Kennedy was opposed to it -

Proposed

By Mr. Duin Esq and seconded by Mr. Blown Esq, That the Clerk Bond be signed by two solvent sureties before this day fortnight. the Board then separated,

Chairman of the Board.

Monday 20th April 1874.

Present.

William Gannon J. P.
John Lyons, Denis Shine, Tho^s. Murphy, Peter Kennedy, Mr. Duin, Patrick Leulin, Edward O'Donnell Esq.

Adjourned

The meeting is adjourned to the ordinary meeting the 4th May, and the Committee to meet some day during the week to give a ^{plan &} specification ^{from railing} and advertise accordingly -

Chairman of the Board.

Monday 4th May 1874.

Present.

William Gannon J. P. in the Chair.
Thomas Murphy, John Moylan, Thomas W. Burke, Mr. Duin, Peter Kennedy Esquires -

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed -

Notice to receive Proposals

for platform & for construction of a cut stone platform for the base of the monument

The notice for receiving Proposals for the construction of a cut stone platform for the base of the monument, according to plan and specification, and place it thereon, Also for Iron railing ornamented for same according to plan and specification - was read,

Specification

A Specification of platform upon which the
Suam Market Cross is to be erected (as follows)

Specification of platform
for Market Cross -

Platform to be of the best Chiselled Limestone
and got out in slabs of at least Three feet long, said platform
to be done as plan and elevation, and the bottom parts of
Market cross being repaired with new dm cement, the
freezing works to be executed in a permanent and satisfactory
manner, The Contractor supplying all necessary materials
and completing said works in six weeks from date of
agreement, 6th April 1874.

Specification for iron railing
for Market Cross -

Specification for iron railing
Railing to be 3 1/2 feet high over base one inch square
bars same design and finish as on Hotel Windsor, bars
to be 5 inches apart all to be sunk in cut stone base and
headed therein, as also in Horizontal bars, the four corner
posts to be 2 inches square and finished in keeping with
the railing, Horizontal bar to be 2 1/2 inches wide and 1/2
inch thick, 14 stays one inch thick to be made fast to
Horizontal bar and headed immediately under base of
old cross, to be fixed in centre of each side, the whole to
be finished and be of the best English Iron and
subject to the approval of the Suam Town Commission,

Tender for erecting platform
for Cross, accepted

There was but one tender for the platform, which
was opened and read for £30- which was accepted subject
to Mr. Conway Job. drawing up a proper form of proposal
or agreement, which contractor is to sign, and the work
to be done to the satisfaction of the following Committee -
The Chairman, Mr. Quin Mr. Cloran & Mr. Daly, or any
competent man that may be appointed, The points to
be raised - The contractor is to sink holes in base for railing
its intended in the platform

Tender for iron railing
not accepted -

There was but one tender for the iron railing
which was opened & read for £1.13-0 p cent, contractor
was offered £1.11-6 p cent, which he declined to take
unless he got paid also for the lead that might be
used at the same rate, The tender was handed him
back, and ordered to advertise again for Tuesday
the 19th inst. hand bills to be also posted,

The

Finance

The Finance Book was then examined and cheques
were ordered for Rents and Salaries, when the Board
separated -

Chairman of the Board,

Tuesday 19th May 1874.

Present

William Gannon J. P. in the Chair,
John Grogan, Pat^l Cullen, Edward O'Donnell, Michl
Cowan, John Lyons, Thomas Murphy, Mr. Quin Esq.

Convening meeting

The circular convening the meeting for
receiving and considering tenders for iron railing for the
Market Cross was read,

Tender for iron railing
not accepted -

There was but one tender which was opened
and read for £1.13-0 p cent for wrought iron & lead,
not accepted -

Mr. Cloran requested to
wait on Mr. Stephens Galway
about railing -

Mr. Cloran was requested to take the
specification to Galway and ascertain the charge spent
for same at Mr. Stephens Buiding &

The Clerk to write Kerinan
& Sons about the railing

The Clerk was also directed to write to
Kerinan & Sons 16 to 21 Fitzwilliam St. Dublin to know
what they would supply the railing for p cent,
according to specification,

Advertise for a wooden
gate for entry at town

Ordered To advertise for a new ^{wooden} gate for
the entry between Mr. Egan's House & Town Hall, Rish-
Dunlany to be applied to for a specification for same
Tenders to be rec^d on Monday the 1st June next.

The Clerk to write to Mr.
Egan to ask his permission
to allow hanging iron
for gate to put in the
gate of Mr. Egan's

The Clerk was directed to write to Mr.
Egan to ask his permission to allow hanging
irons for gate to be put in Mr. Egan's House gate between
St. The Board then adjourned

Chairman of the Board

Monday 1st June 1874.

Present

William Gannon J. P. in the Chair.
William Duin, Michael Cloran, Pat^r. Cullen, Denis Shire
Peter Kennedy, John Moylan Esquires -

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed.

Tender for a wooden gate for entry at town Hall
There was but one tender for the wooden gate for the entry at town Hall, which was ordered to be opened and read, finding all materials making and erecting same for £9-10-0 - Considered excessive -

Petition for Borough Fines

There was two Petitions one from Ennistellen and another from Mountmellick Town Commissioners concerning Borough Fines laid before the Board together with a communication asking the cooperation of this Board to forward copy of same to the County Representatives for presentation to the Chief Secretary.

The Clerk was directed to forward copy of said Petition to our County Members -

Footpath on Ballygaddy to be extended -

Proposed by Mich^r. Cloran Esq and seconded by Pat^r. Cullen Esq. - That the footpath on Ballygaddy road be extended as far as Peter Connolly's House,

Watering place at Little Mill

The watering place at Little Mill be taken into consideration on Friday next the 5th inst. to which day the meeting is adjourned -

Band Instruments

The Clerk was ordered to call upon Pat Jordan to give up the Band Instruments,

Finances

The Finance Book was then examined and Cheques were ordered for salaries & other bills, when the Board adjourned to Friday next the 5th inst.

Chairman of the Board

Friday 5th June 1874.

Present.

William Gannon J. P. John Moylan,
Not having a sufficient number to form a quorum the meeting is adjourned to Friday the 12th inst.

Chairman of the Board

Friday 12th June 1874.

Present.

William Gannon J. P. Edward O'Donnell & other Commissioners being in attendance the meeting is adjourned to Friday the 19th inst.

Chairman of the Board

Friday 19th June 1874.

Present.

William Gannon J. P.
Francis Corbett Edward O'Donnell, Pat^r. Cullen, Tho^s. B. Burke Esquires -

Washing place at Little Mill -
The washing place at Little Mill was taken into consideration -

Ordered.
That the Committee appointed namely the Chairman Mr. Cloran and Mr. Duin be requested to take the matter in hand and arrange for the doing of it, in the mean time advertisements for tenders to be continued, also for the gate for the entry at town Hall

Mr. Fox's attention to be called to the nuisance existing in Lyons Lane - The Board then separated,

Chairman of the Board,

Monday 6th July 1874.

Present

William Gannon J. P. in the chair,
Peter Kennedy, Patrick Buckley, Tho. B. Burke, John Lyons
Edward O'Donnell Esquires -

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed

Judgment of Dog Tax.

There was a letter from the Registrar of Petty Sessions
clerks notifying the lodgment of £2.16.0. The surplus moneys
of the Dog Tax for the year 1873. to the Credit of the Commission
read.

The Clerk was directed to see if the proper amt.
had been lodged.

Ten for Wooden gate at town
Hall

There was but one tender in for Erecting a
new wooden gate in the entry at town Hall for £8.-
from Pat. Donnellan. It was unanimously agreed that
he get £7.10.0 for same, which the contractor agreed to.

Weights adjusted.

Don Dwyer Currier reported that all the weights
were adjusted by the Inspector of Weights, on the 18th June last
and that 5 half cut one quarter cut one fourteen lb. one seven
lb. and one four lb. had been condemned as being unfit for use.

Ordered

That Richard Duntavy be sent to Galway to select
flags and give him his expenses,

Mrs. Burke made application to be allowed fifteen
shillings and six pence expended by her in the repairs of the
Stair.

Ordered

That she be allowed 15/6 for same out of the appt.
and a half cent 4.10.0 due by her out of said Stair up to 1st
May 1874.

Cheque to Tho. Egan on
a/c.

Thomas Egan made application for payment of his
contract for Base of Cross &c £32.0.0, he was ordered
cheque on acct. for £15.0.0, until the Cross is erected.

Application

An application from Pat^r. Roche Town Clerk for an
increase in salary was read. The following notice was handed
in.

Notice of Motion for
increasing the Clerk's salary

I give notice that I will move at next meeting
of this Board that the present remuneration of the Clerk be
considered with a view to increasing same.

Signed Peter Kennedy

Finance

The Finance Book was then examined, when checks
were ordered for Salaries, £15. to Tho. Egan £10. to Pat. Burke
for work at little Mills, Insurances and other minor bills,
when the Board separated.

[Signature] Chairman of the Board.

Monday 3rd August 1874.

Present

William Gannon J. P. in the chair.
Thomas B. Burke, John Lyons, Peter Kennedy, Peter A. Daly,
Francis Corbett, Edward O'Donnell, John Moylan, Denis
Shine and Pat^r. Buckley Esquires -

The minutes of the previous meeting were read
and signed,

The following letter was read.

Letter from Mr. Conway
informing the Board that
the Clerk perfected his
Barrat -

Dublin Road, Tuam 1st Aug 1874.
Gentlemen - I have to inform you that your Town
Clerk, Mr. Patrick Roche has completed the required
security for the discharge of the duties of his office by
the joint and several bond of himself and Mess^{rs} Wm.
Mullon of Clough and Drick. Shaughnessy of Ardara
executed by all parties in my presence and that I hold
the Bond in question,
Yours faithfully
The Chairman & Commission of the,
Borough of Tuam,
P. J. Conway, Esq.

Mr. Kennedy's Notice of Motion for
the Clerk's Salary was moved.

Increase in the Clerk's salary.

I Propose that we the Commissioners do raise the Salary of their Clerk, Patrick Roche Fifteen Pounds per year
Signed, Peter Kennedy & am
Secondly, John Lyons.

The following Minute.

That the question of raising Salary be deferred until the Clerk's accounts are Audited, and this became then matter to be specially brought under the notice of the Auditor.

A Poll was taken.

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|---------------------|--------------------|
| For the resolution | For deferring. |
| John Moylan | Donis Shine |
| Edward O'Donnell | Pat Cullen |
| James Corbett | William Gannon (3) |
| Peter A. Daly | |
| Peter Kennedy | |
| John Lyons | |
| Thomas B. Burke (7) | |

The Resolution was declared carried by a Majority of 4.

The following letter was read,

The Representative Body of the Church of Ireland Incorporated under the name of the Representative Church Body, Re Market Cross, 52, St Stephens Green East Dublin 17th day of July, 1874.

Dear Sir,

I beg to inform you that the Representative Body have delivered over the portions of the Market Cross at present in Saint Mary's Church yard to the select Vestry of that Parish, with Authority to transfer it to the Custody of the Town Commissioners in conformity with the terms of the former Resolutions of the Representative Body.

William Gannon Esq. J. P.

I am D^r. Sir
Yours Faithfully
Th^o. Grem Sec^r.

A copy of said letter was handed to Doctor Kinkhead Secretary to the select Vestry, to which he sent the following reply.

A letter from D. Kinkhead concerning the Market Cross

Finance

Diocese of Tuam Offic. Bishop St. 1st Augt. 1874.

Tuam Parish, In Re Market Cross.

W. P. Roche Town Clerk.

Sir, - your letter of this day to hand, same will be laid with its enclosure before the select Vestry on Monday be good enough to inform me if the railing to surround the Market Cross are ready for erection!

Yours Faithfully,
R. Kinkhead.

The Finance Book was then examined and Cheques were ordered for Salaries & other minor Bills.

Chairman of the Board

Monday 7th September 1874.

Present.

William Gannon J. P. in the chair.
William Quinn, John Lyons, Peter Kennedy, Pat^l. Cullen, Th^o. Bodkin, Thomas B. Burke Esquires.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read

The following letter was read

Vestry Room St. Marys Cathedral } Tuam Diocesan Council
Tuam Parish, In Re Market Cross } Office Bishop St. Tuam 3rd Augt 1874.
To

William Gannon Esq. J. P.

Chairman Tuam Town Commissioners.

Dear Sir, - I have to inform you that your letter of the 1st inst. enclosing one from the Representative Church Body on the above subject was laid before the select Vestry at its meeting to day.

Communication on the same subject from the Representative Body Authorising the Vestry to hand over the portions of the Cross in the Church yard to the town Commissioners on the terms of

Market Cross

Council Archives

Letter concerning the Market Cross.

Diocese

of the Representative Body being complied with.
 I am directed to inform you that the select Vestry has no power to exceed the directions given by the Representative Body, But will deliver the Crofs to the Commissioners as soon as the terms of the Resolution of the Representative Body are complied with, that is that as soon as the Iron railing are ready to be erected, the select Vestry will send up the Crofs to the market square

I am dear Sir,
 yours faithfully
 R. J. Kirkcaldy M.D.
 Hon^l. Sec^y. Select Vestry

Notices for the flagging of the footway to Railway to be issued -

The Clerk was directed to have the County Surveyor & Secretary to the Grand Jury ^{present} with notices for the flagging of the foot way leading to the Railway for the next Special Sessions to be held in Tuam - & same for the Archway at little Mill.

Tolls & Customs to be let on 21st Sept.

Ordered - That the Tolls & Customs be advertised to be let on Monday the 21st inst.

Finance.

The Finance Book was then examined & cheques ordered for Salaries The Stone work at little Mill, The wooden gate for entry at town Hall, Metal weights flags & other minor Bills.

The cheques for the gate & stone work, were ordered to be held over until the work would be finally approved of - The Board then adjourned,

Chairman of the Board

Monday 21st September 1874.
 Present.

William Gammon J. P. in the Chair.
 William Duin, John Lyons, John Moylan, Denis Shine
 Francis Corbett, Pat Cullkin, Peter Kennedy, Thomas Bodkin
 M. D. Edward O'Donnell, James Dwyer M. D., Michael
 Gloran Esquires -

Sir,
 Tuam 17th September 1874.
 We hereby require you to convene a meeting of the Commissioners for Monday the 21st inst. for the purpose of setting the Tolls & Customs for the year ending 28th Sept. 1875.
 To
 Mr. B. Roche
 Town Clerk
 Signed
 W^m. Gammon J. C.
 Patrick Cullkin J. C.
 Francis Corbett J. C.
 William Duin J. C.
 John Moylan J. C.

There were two tenders handed in
 Proposed by William Duin Esq and seconded by Francis Corbett Esq. - That the Tenders be opened in accordance with the Requisition, and tendering leave the room.
 Signed
 William Duin
 Francis Corbett

V.C. (1)
 Atty General & Road
 Read for pl
 29 Nov 76
 [Signature]

The notice for the letting was ordered to be read.
 Notice.
 The Tolls and Customs of the Borough of Tuam.
 To be Let
 To be let on Monday 21st Inst. from the 29th Sept. 1874. to the 28th Sept. 1875. The Tolls and Customs of the Borough of Tuam. - The term of payment to be as follows viz; The Toll Farmer to pass his bills joined by two solvent sureties for the amt. of his Contract. - The first of said Bills for £200. to be made payable on the 24th Oct. next, and the balance of the Contract by five bills in equal proportions - The first payable on the 1st January 1875. the second on the 10th March, the third on the 10th May the fourth on the 4th July, the fifth on the 10th Sept.

in the same year,

Tenders in writing signed by the applicant and two sureties will be received by the Chairman up to the taking the Chair at 12. O. Clock on the above named day.

The Commissioners reserve to themselves the right of refusing the acceptance of any Tender unless the full value in their opinion is offered, - Possession will be given on the 29th Sept. inst. - The Contractor or Tenant declared will have to fulfill the conditions required by the Board, and to pay half legal expenses, which will be explained by the Clerk, A schedule of the Tolls so, payable within the Borough can be seen at the Town Hall,

By order of the Commissioners

Patrick Roche

Town Hall Sept. 9th 1874.

Town Clerk

The 1st Tender from Thomas Roche opened for £650.
2^d do from Pat Bird .. for 625.

Proposed by Francis Herbert Eay and seconded by Patrick Cullen Eay - That Thomas Roche's Tender be accepted for the sum of £650.

Proposed by the Chairman and unanimously agreed - That in the event of Thomas Roche not presenting his bills &c, on or before Monday next the 28th inst. Pat^l Bird's Tender be accepted for the sum of £625 -

Tho^s Roche's Tender as follows -

To
Tuam 21st Sept. 1874.
The Chairman and Board of Towns Improvement Com^{rs} Gentlemen,

I Propose and agree to take the Tolls & Customs of the Fairs & Markets of the Borough of Tuam for 12 months, from the 29th Sept. inst. to the 28th Sept. 1875, both inclusive for the sum of £650, and to pass you my bills jointed by the undersigned sureties, accord to advertisement, viz: - The first Bill for £200 -

payable on the 24th Oct. next, and the balance of the contract by five Bills in equal proportions, the first payable on the 1st day of January 1875. The second on the 10th day of March, Third on the 10th of May, the fourth on the 17th of July and the fifth on the 10th Sept. in same year, and offer as my sureties Mess^{rs} John Drury of Kilkummau and James Ryan of Ballykeagh whose names I here annex, And I further agree to pay half legal expenses -

Thomas Roche.

Tho^s Roche Toll Farmer
sureties.

We the undersigned do consent and agree to become Mr. Tho^s Roche's security by joining him in the Bills as above stated and the faithful performance of his Contract -

John Drury Kilkummau
James Ryan Ballykeagh

Lamps to be repaired

Proposed by W^m. Quin Eay and seconded by Denis Spine Eay - That the Lamps be ~~got~~ repaired by Pat French, and that Mr. Fine look to them, see that they are all put up as soon as done - The Board then separated -

Chairman of the Board.

Monday 5th October 1874.

Present

William Gannon J. P. in the Chair.

Michael Moran Tho^s Rodkin M. D. Pat Cullen Peter Kennedy Esquires.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed

St. Jarlath College Tuam
Sept 25th 1874.

12 Mths notice to quit the
green

To The Chairman of the Town Commissioners Tuam and to the Commissioners assembled in Council.

Gentlemen, - His Grace the Archbishop of Tuam has told me that it is his wish that the Fair usually held at the town park near College be removed - And that he hereby gives one years notice so that the large Fair in 1875.

October be held in some other locality.

Your Faithful Servant
W. J. Burke, President.

Public Health Act
Sept. 1874.

Local Government Board Dublin
15th Sept. 1874.

Public Health Act.)
Six. - The Local Government Board for Ireland deem it right to call the attention of the Commissioners of the town of Tuam to those Provisions of the Public Health (Ireland) Act 1874, a copy of which is herewith enclosed, which constitute the Board of Guardians the Sanitary Authority for all parts of the Union except towns Corporate Towns or Townships under Local Acts and Towns, the Population of which according to the last Parliamentary Census exceeds 6,000, having Commissioners under the 9th Geo IV c. 82. Municipal Commissioners under the 3rd and 4th of the Public Health Act. 37 and 38 Vic c. 93.

The town of Tuam not coming within either of the classes above referred to the powers and duties exercisable by the Town Commissioners under the Sewage Utilization Act, the Artizans and Labourers Dwellings Act, and the Common Lodging houses Acts, the Artizans and Labourers Dwellings Act, and the Warehouse Regulation Act, and all powers and duties relating to Sanitary matters are transferred to the Board of Guardians of the Tuam Union.

In all other respects the powers of the Town Commissioners continue in force and are to be carried into execution by the same Authority and in the same manner as if the Public Health Act had not been passed.

By order of the Board,
W. J. Burke, Secretary,
Es,
The Clerk to the
Town Commissioners, Tuam.

Application from
William the Pig Inspector

There was an application from Thomas Dillon, the Pig Inspector for an increase in Salary, read, marked adjourned till next Board Day -

The same from John Connolly, messenger was also read - also adjourned

till next Board Day.

Tender for Printing Lamp
vs -

There was a tender for painting the Lamp posts Metals and Bridge the several gates the Commissioners Property for £4. 10. 0 from Andrew Gerraghty - read and Considered - but in addition to his proposal the Weigh House and Weigh Posts and Beams were included -

Proposed by Doctor Boddin and Seconded by Patrick Culkinn Esq - That Andrew Gerraghty's Tender be accepted including the painting of the Weigh House and Weigh Pylars or Posts - which the Contractor consented to.

The Breaking ^{out} of the gate way on the Commissioners Boundary Wall ^{at new street} by Mr. M. Donnell's Officials was brought under notice by the Chairman.

Ordered - That the Chairman wait on Mr. Conway their Solicitor, and submit the affair to him, in order that he may take whatever legal steps he may deem advisable according to Law, to have the gate a door closed.

Notice

That I will at our next monthly meeting of this Board, move that we pay off the debt we now owe the Nuns

Signed Michael Cloran

The Chairman to wait on Mr. Conway to give him instruction to have Mr. M. Donnell close up the door at the

Printing Advertisements
to be at for 12 months

Ordered - That the Advertisements & all printing matters required by the Board for twelve months from the next Board Day be advertised to be let. Tenders to be considered on next Board Day.

Removal of a Sewer on
Ballygaddy Road

Proposed by Michael Cloran Esq and seconded by Patrick Culkinn Esq - That the Board form itself into a Committee to arrange the removal of a sewer and the making the addition to foot-way on Ballygaddy Road.

Ordered The breaking of The Clock Dial was brought under notice

Proposed by Michael Cloran Esq and seconded by Patrick Cullin Esq - That Mr Brady get £0. 10. 0 - for repairing the Clock Dial which Mr Brady consented to -

The Annual Book was then examined and Cheques were ordered for salaries &c - When the Board ~~at the Board~~ adjourned to Friday the 9th Inst

Chairman of the Board

Friday 9th Oct 1874

William D. Gannon J.P.

Patrick Cullin, Peter Kennedy, John Lyons, Edward Donnell, Esquires.

The number of men that are to be employed at Fair Green to be 30; four of which to be left in charge of the parking at Fair Green so as to prevent them of being broken down. 5 or 6 more on the street to drive the Stock off to fair Green & the remainder for keeping passage to fair Green clear of Stock off the road. The second day the number required. Service to 15. Some of the public to be consulted which men the Commissioners are to pay.

The Chairman be requested to wait on Mr Conway Esq to see whether it would be legal for them after the passing of the late Sanitary Act taking the authority of such out of the Commissioners hands to make a power on Bishop the place complained of being a nuisance & injurious to health.

P. Roche J.C.

The number of men to be employed by the Comm^{rs} at Oct. Fairs -

The making of a law on Bishop St.

Election of five Comm^{rs} whom goes out by rotation -

Town of Tuam in the County of Galway } to wit

Election of five Commissioners for the town of Tuam County of Galway

Take notice

That an Election of five Commissioners will be held for the Town of Tuam, on the 16th day of Oct, inst in said town in room of Messrs Francis Corbett, Michael Cloran, William Quinn, Thomas Bodkin M.D. Thomas B. Burke, who retire by rotation, but who are eligible for re-Election.

That any person entitled to vote may nominate for the said Office himself (if duly qualified) or any other person or persons so qualified, not exceeding five in number.

That every such nomination must be in writing and must state the Christian names and Surnames of the persons nominated, with their respective places of abode and descriptions

That every nomination paper must be signed by the party nominating, and may be in the following form or to the like effect: -

"I, the undersigned, of Tuam in the County of Galway, do hereby nominate the following person as a proper person to serve as Commissioner for the said town.

Surname	Other name	Abode	Rank, profession or occupation

Signed

"

"

That all nomination papers must be delivered to the Town Clerk on or before the 11th day Oct inst

Dated, this 2nd day Oct 1874 Patrick Roche, Town Clerk
(Copy of the foregoing was duly advertised)

The following nomination papers were handed in,
Town of Suam.
Election of Commissioners.

For the town of Suam
to be held on the fifteenth day of Oct 1874
Nomination Paper.

The undersigned Pat Cullin of Shop Street in the
Town of Suam & Co. Galway, being entitled to vote in the
Election of Commissioners for the Town of Suam, do hereby
nominate the following person as a proper person to serve
as Commissioner for the said Town.

Surname	Other Name	Abode	Rank, profession, or occupation
Corbett	Francis	High Street	Merchant.

Signed) Patrick Cullin.

Date 9th Oct 1874

Michael Cloran was nominated by Edward Donnell, Draper
on like form

William Quinn was nominated by Pat Bird, Farmer on like form

Thomas Bodkin M.D. do by William Gammon J.P. " " "

Thomas B. Rutke do by Peter Kennedy " " "

Richard Prudergant do by Pat Bird whom resigned

Town of Suam

Election of Commissioners

The undersigned, being the Returning Officer for
the Election of Commissioners for the said Town,
hereby give notice that the undersigned persons have been
duly elected as Commissioners for the said Town.

Surname	Other Name	Abode	Rank, profession or occupation
Corbett	Francis	High St., Suam	Merchant
Cloran	Michael	Shop St., Suam	Merchant
Bodkin	Thomas	Dublin Road, Suam	M.D. F.R.C.S. Ireland
Rutke	Thos. B.	High St., Suam	Draper
Quinn	William	High St., Suam	Pawnbroker

Dated 15th day of Oct 1874

Signed) William Gammon Returning Officer

Copy of said notice was duly published before
11 o'clock of said day.

Patrick Roche Town Clerk

Francis Corbett's
Declaration

I, Francis Corbett do solemnly declare that I will
faithfully and impartially according to the best of my
skill and judgement execute all the powers and Authorities
reposed in me as a Commissioner by virtue of the Town
Improvement Ireland Act, 1854, and that I am in the
Occupation of a dwelling House in the town of Suam
rated to the relief of the poor at the net Annual
Value of £12.0.0, or upwards,
Subscribed before me this 2nd day of Nov 1874.

Patrick Cullin

Francis Corbett

Michl Cloran's Declaration

I Michael Cloran do solemnly declare that I will
faithfully and impartially according to the best of my
skill and judgement execute all the powers and Authorities
reposed in me as a Commissioner by virtue of the Town
Improvement Ireland Act, 1854, and that I am in
the Occupation of a dwelling House in the town of
Suam rated to the relief of the poor at the net Annual
Value of £12.0.0, or upwards,

Subscribed before me this 23rd day of Nov 1874.

Michael Cloran

Francis Corbett

Th. Bodkin's Declaration

I, Thomas Bodkin M.D. do solemnly declare that I will
faithfully and impartially according to the best of my
skill and judgement execute all the powers and Authorities
reposed in me as a Commissioner by virtue of the Town
Improvement Ireland Act 1854, and that I am in the
Occupation of a dwelling House in the town of Suam
rated to the relief of the poor at the net annual
value of £12.0.0 or upwards.

Subscribed before me this 2nd day Nov 1874

Patrick Cullin

Thomas Bodkin

I William Quinn do solemnly declare that I will faithfully and impartially according to the best of my skill and judgement execute all the powers and Authorities reposed in me as a Commissioner by virtue of the Town Improvement Ireland Act 1854, and that I am in the Occupation of a dwelling house in the town of Tuam rated to the relief of the poor at the net annual value of £12.0.0 or upwards, Subscribed before me this 2nd day of November 1874
In witness whereof
William Quinn

I Thomas B. Burke do solemnly declare that I will faithfully and impartially according to the best of my skill and judgement execute all the Powers and Authorities reposed in me as a Commissioner by virtue of the Town Improvement Ireland Act. 1854. and that I am in the Occupation of a dwelling house in the town of Tuam rated to the relief of the poor at the net annual value of £12.0.0 or upwards, Subscribed before me this 7th day of Nov^r 1874

Thomas B. Burke

Monday 2nd Nov^r 1874
Present.

William Gammon J. P. in the chair.
Dr. Bodkin Pat^l culkin Tho^s. B. Burke Edward O. Donnell
Denis Shine Francis Corbett Esquires -

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed -

There were two tenders in for all the printing and advertisements that the Commissioners may require for 12 months

Tenders for Printing &c. for 12 months

Ordered

Ordered

To be opened -
1st from the News and advertisement office for £8.10.0
2nd do the Herald 10.0.0

Tuam News Tenders accepted for £8.10.0

Proposed by Edward O'Donnell Esq and seconded by Denis Shine Esq - That the Tuam News Tenders be accepted for the sum of Eight pounds ten shillings £8.10.0 agreed -

To the Chairman and Commissioners of the Tuam Town Board -

Gentlemen - I hereby propose and agree to execute for one year from the 4th Nov. inst. all advertisements and printing forms required for the Tuam Town Board for the sum of Eight pounds ten shillings £8.10.0 -
John W. Shelpin.

I hereby offer as my duties for the performance of this Contract -

Peter O. Flannegan
John Byrne.
The Dublin Road
Tuam Oct. 30th 1874.

Gentlemen,

Mr. Conway's letter respecting the door way broken out by written to Mr. Martin M. Donnell requiring him within Mr. M. Donnell into his house one week from the date of my letter the 23rd inst. to remove the small gate erected by him in the wall at the Potatoe market I received the enclosed reply from that gentleman by this morning's post.

I am waiting your further instructions in the matter.
I remain yours faithfully
P. J. Conway.
To The Chairman & Commissioners of Tuam

Mr. M. Donnell's reply to the above -

Tuam Oct. 29th 1874.
My Dear Sir - I do assure you I have no desire to quarrel with my Townsmen and least of all the Comm^{rs} for whom collectively and individually, I entertain much respect. It is true the door was put in without my directions. It so occurred at the time, because we had no mode of Entry owing to the Store being filled with wool.

Suppose we did wrong to shut it up will be much inconvenience to our place while it can do

do

do no harm, I hope the Commissioners will see that I have no wish to impinging on any Public Right, nor in any sense to impede them or the Public,
yours sincerely
W. M. Donnell.

Ordered

That the Commissioners adhere to their Resolution of the 5th Oct. last.

Forward the Resolution of the 5th Oct to Mr. Conway

The Clerk was directed to supply a copy of the Resolution of the Board of the 5th Oct. last. to Mr. Conway

Letter & Bill of railing for Market Crofs -

There was a letter with a Bill enclosed of the railing for Market Crofs. for £16.18.0, from Martin & Co. Friendly Quay Road, wherein they state that the price they would allow for the old Metal Weights would not pay the Carriage - The payment of the Bill was deferred,

Announcing the arrival of the railing for the market Crofs -

Dear Sir,
I have to inform you that the railing for the Crofs was delivered here by the Contractors on Monday last.

D. Kinkead,

Tuam 23rd Oct. 1874.

Sincerely yours
W^m Gannon Esq. J. C.

D. Kinkead's reply thereto

Office Bishop St. Tuam 24th Oct. 1874.
William Gannon Esq. J. C. Chairman J. C.

Dear Sir, - I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 23rd informing me that the railings for the Crofs had been delivered on Monday last the 19th inst. - The select Vestry of Tuam Parish will meet on the 4th Proximo when I will have your letter laid before it in order to receive instructions as to the mode of delivery of the Crofs to the Iron Commissioners.

I hope the delay will not cause you any inconvenience more especially as I presume the preparation for the erection of the railing can be in progress during the delay.

yours faithfully
R. J. Kinkead Hon Secy

Proposed

By Denis Shine Esq and seconded by Pat^r Cullen Esq That the arrangement for receiving the Crofs be left in the hands of the Chairman and a Committee -

Notice of Motion from Mr. Moran to pay off the Iron Mortgage

Mr. Moran's Notice of Motion was taken into consideration - It was ordered, - That the Chairman and Mr. Moran, wait on the Irons to see whether they will require to be served with Notice or take payment in full for their Mortgage & Int on the 25th Inst. next - on which day the Int. falls due.

Rushing required for weigh Beam -

Dan Dwyer Weigh Master reported - that there was rushing required to the weigh Beam in - Ordered that such be got immediately,

Proposed

By Edward O. Donnell Esq and seconded by Pat^r Cullen Esq - That the Enumerators at Customs the Est. Fair namely Pat^r Roche W^m Kelly and Jas. Gallagher - get one pound p^r day, (The Chairman only dissenting, four for it - Carried)

Proposed

By Dr. Bodkin and seconded by Thos. B. Burke Esq. - That Mr. Ine get one Pound more in addition to the £2 - already allowed him for being in charge of Men at Fair from 1st to 7th inst. (The Chairman only dissenting) Carried

Ordered

Advertisement for Scavenger for 12 Months, placards to be also posted up, Proposals to be received on Monday Dec^r the 7th inst.

Notice for Increase in Dillon's Salary

Mr. Cullen gave notice that he would move on next Board day for an increase in Dillon the Pig Imp^rs Salary -

The Finance Book was then examined and Cheques ordered for Salaries Rents &c.

N. of Sheep sold & unsold at Fair Oct. 20th 1874.

The following is the Number of Sheep Exhibited at Tuam Fair Oct. 20th 1874.

	Ewes	Wethers	Hoggets	Lambs	Rams	Total
Sold	5381	14364	3075	1128	50	25938
Unsold	1456	2177	666	1074	31	5404
	Total					31342

N^o of cattle sold & unsold at
 Oct. Fair 25th - Oct. 1874.

Number of cattle sold & unsold at Oct Fair 25th - 1874.

	Cows	Heifers	Bullocks	Calves	Bulls	Total
Sold	89	4334	682	156	1	5,262
Unsold	134	721	331	319	2	1,507
	Total.					6,769

Chairman of the Board.

For Election of Chairman
 to the Board for the ensuing
 Year, on - - -

Thursday 19th November 1874.

Present.

William Gannon J. P. in the chair.

Francis Corbett, Pat^r. Cullin, John Lyons, Edward O'Donnell
 William Quin Thomas Murphy Esquires -

The circular convening the meeting been read

Proposed by William Quin Esq and seconded by Edw^d.
 O'Donnell Esq - That Michael Cloran Esq be elected
 Chairman to the Board for the ensuing year, remaining
 a quid -

Proposed by Mr. Quin Esq and seconded by Pat^r. Cullin
 Esq - That a vote of thanks be hereby given to our late
 Chairman Mr. Gannon for his dignified conduct in the chair
 during his two years of office.

The meeting is adjourned to Monday next the 23rd
 inst. for the purpose of taking the railing of the crop
 into consideration -

Chairman of the Board.

Monday 23rd November 1874.

Present.

Michael Cloran in the chair.

John Lyons, Francis Corbett, Pat^r. Cullin, Mr. Gannon Mr.
 Quin Edward O'Donnell Esquires -

Mr. Cloran taking the chair

Mr. Cloran on taking the chair, returned his
 warmest thanks for being elected Chairman in his absence.

Having considered the railing of the crop.

Railing of the cross.

It was ordered - That the railings be erected imme-
 diately on the present Base as originally ordered -

Income Tax.

The Clerk was directed to write to Mr. Allen the
 Surveyor of Taxes to request him ^{let the Board} know upon what Basis was
 the Income Tax levied upon the Tolls & Customs - The
 Board then separated.

Chairman of the Board.

Monday 7th December 1874.

Present.

Michael Cloran in the chair

Mr. Gannon, Francis Corbett, Denis Shine Pat^r. Cullin
 Edward O'Donnell and Thomas B. Keenke Esquires -

Proposed

By Michael Cloran Esq and unanimously agreed
 That in consequence of Mr. Daly's Death the meeting
 be adjourned to Friday Next the 11th inst.

Chairman of the Board.

Friday 11th December 1874.

Present.

William Gammon in the chair
Patrick Culkini Edward O'Donnell Peter Kennedy Wm. Quinn
Eaguirre

The minutes of the previous meeting were read
and signed.

Tenders to be read for the
cleansing the streets

The notice inviting tenders for the cleansing
of the streets being read - There was no tender, ordered the
advertisement to be continued published till next Board day
4th January 1875.

Mr. Culkini's notice for increasing
Dillon's Salary.

Mr. Culkini's notice for increasing Dillon's salary
was considered -
Proposed by Patrick Culkini Esq and seconded
by Peter Kennedy Esq. - That Michael Dillon get £5
a year.

Proposed by Wm. Quinn Esq - That it be deferred
to next Board day or £1 - for a top coat.

A Poll was ordered to be taken
For the Resolution
Peter Kennedy
Edward O'Donnell
Patrick Culkini (3)
Depriving of £1 - for a coat
William Quinn
Wm. Gammon (2)

The Resolution was carried

Income Tax Office
Galway 10th November 1874

Assessment for Income
Tax on Tolls & Customs

Sir,
I am directed by the Commissioners of Income Tax to
inform you that the Assessment on the Tolls and Customs
of Tuam for the year 1873, 4, against which you appealed,
has been confirmed,
Pat^r. Roche Clerk to the Com^rs

I am Sir your O^b. Servant
S. J. Allen Surveyor of Taxes

Demand for payment
of the Income Tax £3.14.5

Sir,
Inland Revenue Office Galway 19th Nov. 1874
With reference to the "notice to pay" sent to you on the
I have to remind you that the Duty therein stated was due
on the 1st Inst. 1874, and should be paid or remitted to
me immediately and I have to request that the matter
may

may receive your immediate attention,

Town Comm^rs Tolls
Amt. of Arrear £3.14.5
W. P. Roche, Clerk to Com^rs

I am Sir your O^b. Servant
Edward Hanly, Collector

Showing the assessment
for the Income Tax.

Sir,
In reply to your letter of the 4th inst. asking for
a copy of the Income Tax Commissioners decision in the
Tuam Town Commissioners appeal. I beg to inform you
that the Assessment of £393.19.8 was reduced to £277.16.0
The decision of the Income Tax Commissioners is that the
Town Commissioners of Tuam are liable on the latter
Amount for the year 1874. 4.

W. P. Roche Town Clerk,

I am Sir &c.
S. J. Allen,

Payment of the Income Tax
Ordered -

Payment Ordered for the Income Tax £3.14.5
(Income Tax) Galway 27th Nov. 1874.

Abstract of the accounts
to be forwarded to the surveyor
of Taxes

Sir, Shall be obliged by your furnishing me with
a copy of the printed Balance sheet of Profit &
Loss, and of the Annual report of your Company
for the year ended the 5th April last or the day
preceding that date to which the accounts have been
made up.

The Secretary of the
Tuam Town Commissioners

I am Sir your &c.
S. J. Allen Surveyor Taxes

The above was ordered to be forwarded,

The clerk was directed to
write to Mr. Conway about
the New Market Lease

The clerk was directed to write to Mr. Conway
to know did he receive the Lease of the New Market
and what steps has he taken in the door way broken
out in the Market wall,

Finance,

The Finance Book was then examined &
Cheques were ordered for salaries &c.

Mr. Fore to be paid his
Salary as usual

Proposed by Wm. Quinn Esq and seconded
by Wm. Gammon Esq S. P. That Mr. Fore get his
salary as usual,

Proposed
William Quinn

The clerk to demand the receipt for the expenses of erecting the gate in D. Dwyer's Lane on the 1. 18. 74, which from Mr. Hangeron which he kept not giving the amt.

Proposed by Pat^l. Cullen Esq and seconded by Peter Kennedy Esq - That the clerk demand his receipt for the expenses of erecting a gate in D. Dwyer's Lane, on the amt. of the amt. thought out 1. 18. 74, which from Mr. Hangeron which he kept not giving the amt.

Chairman of the Board

Monday 4th January 1875.

Adjourned, to the 8th inst

Michael Cloran in the Chair
Other Members Present.
Mr. Gannon J. P. Edward O'Donnell, Thomas B. Burke Esq

Not having a sufficient number to form a quorum the meeting was adjourned to Friday next the 8th inst

Chairman of the Board
Michael Cloran

Friday 8th January 1875.

William Gannon J. P. in the chair,
Other Members present. Patrick Cullen, John Moylan, Thomas B. Burke, Edward O'Donnell, Denis Shine Esquire

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed,

In Memory of Mr. Tho^l Murphy, a Brother Com^l

Mr. Gannon in the absence of the Chairman having taken the chair, and said he found it his painful duty to call the attention of the Board to the loss sustained by the Board, the public as with his private friends, in the Death of their Brother Member Mr. Tho^l Murphy a man who won for himself and sustained through life the highest Character for probity Honour and public worth, a single minded friend a firm manly opponent one whose loss we in common with the Community at large

large sincerely regret.

It was Resolved that a resolution embodying the above sentiment be presented by the Chairman to the Family of Mr. Murphy.

Circular from the Local Government Board, saying that it is the duty of the Commissioners to cleanse the streets

(Tuam Union) Local Government Board
Dublin 6th January 1875.

Sir, - The Local Government Board for Ireland have had before them your letter of the 4th instant inquiring by the direction of the Town Commissioners of Tuam, whether it is the duty of the Commissioners or of the Board of Guardians of the Union to attend to the scouring of the streets of the Town, and in reply I am to state that the duty of cleaning the streets in Towns which are under the Towns Improvement Act is not in the opinion of the Local Government Board, transferred to the Board of Guardians by the public Health Act, and therefore the Powers of the Town Commissioners in this respect are as printed out in the circular to which you refer to be carried into execution by the same Authority and in the same manner as if the public Health Act had not been passed,

By order of the Board
To Pat^l. Roche B. Burke (Secretary)
Clerk to the Town Commis^{rs} Tuam,

Circular to Town Commissioners, Harbour Com^{rs} and Magistrates in Petty Sessions Throughout Ireland.

From Dublin Castle concerning the Carriage of Petroleum

Dublin Castle 4th January 1875.
Gentlemen, - I am directed by the Lord Lieutenant to call your attention to the power possessed by you under section 9 of the Petroleum Act, 1871. (34 and 35. Vic Cap. 105.) of attaching to any Licence for Keeping Petroleum to which applies conditions as to the nature of the goods with which it is to be stored and as to the mode of carrying it within the district over which your power extends as the Local Authority; and I am to point out to you that any Licence violating the conditions of the Licence

Licence is to be deemed an unlicensed person.

I am to suggest for your consideration looking to the restless way in which these goods are now frequently conveyed, the advisability of your using the above mentioned section of the Act. to make conditions that such Petroleum should not be carried together with Gunpowder -

With the view of preventing any doubt as to the jurisdiction of Local Authorities, I am to add that as regards Ireland, they are defined in the 8 section of the Act. as follows:-

- Subsection 3
- (3) In any Borough (as) except as hereafter mentioned the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses acting by the Council in any place within the jurisdiction
 - (4) of any Trustee or Improvement Commissioners appointed under the provisions of any Local or general Act of Parliament, and not being a Borough, or comprising any part of a Borough the Trustee or Commissioners.
 - (5) In any Harbour within the jurisdiction of a Harbour Authority whether situate or not within the jurisdiction of any Local Authority before mentioned, the Harbour Authority to the exclusion of any other Authority,
 - (9) In any place in which there is no Local Authority as before defined, the Justices in Petty Sessions assembled,

I am gentlemen
your obedient servant
J. H. Burke

Dublin 16th December 1874.

Dear Sir, — In reply to your letter of the 14th inst, I write to say that of course I have the Lease of the New Market quite safe,

After a good deal of correspondence with Mr. M^r. Donnell, he has given me to understand but not yet to my satisfaction that the Commissioners requirements as to the removal of the small gate will be complied with I write to him last night requesting a distinct undertaking to do so within a week or I might proceed and

and shall have his reply,

To
Mr. P. Roche,

Yours faithfully,
P. J. Conway

Mr. M^r. Donnell's reply concerning the closing up of the gate at New Market

Dunmore Dec^r. 1874.
My Dear Sir, — In reply to your note of the 24th ultimo as I before intimated, I have no desire of any Law with the Commissioners, to avoid that I will hold myself ready to close that door, whenever it becomes of any inconvenience to your Clients, I hope that be deemed satisfactory

P. J. Conway Esq
Sol^r.

Yours sincerely
W^m Donnell

Mr. Conway directed to adhere to the resolution

The Clerk was directed to call upon Mr. Conway, and tell him adhere to the resolution of the 5th Oct. last, a copy of which was forwarded to him in November,

(Memorandum)

Banks reply to the demand made for the 1/3 cost of erecting a gate in D^o Bank Lane,

When Doctor Dwyer and Mr. Conway are ready to pay their portion for erecting the gate of course the Bank will pay its portion — The receipt referred to was thrown in the fire the day it was received from you
19th Dec^r. 1874.
Mr. P. Roche Town Clerk

Election of Mich^r. P. Hooley as Com^r in room of Mr. Murphy Deceased. The Election must take place under the Ballot Act.

Proposed by Pat^r. Cullkin Esq and seconded Hooley as Com^r in room of Thomas B. Burke Esq — That Michael P. Hooley of Mr. Murphy Deceased, (a) and Mr. Conways opinion was had to see whether the Election should be under the Ballot Act.

The Com^r. will contribute 1/3 of the cost of setting up same, in Cullkin Lane

The Propriety of erecting a gate in Cullkin Lane was discussed, And it was agreed that the Road give 1/3 of the cost of setting up same,

Rev^d. W. J. Burke's bill £20 for the carting of the Fair Green and done same road -

There was a Bill of the Rev^d. W. J. Burke for the carting of the Fair Green and done same road -

Proposed by Pat^r. Cullkin Esq and seconded

Mr. Conways Letter acknowledging having the New Market Lease & the closing up of the doorway at New Market,

Cheque ordered for the Secured by Edward O'Donnell Esq - That the
intention of Fair Green } Rev. Mr. Burke got £15 - in full discharge of his claim
a cheque was then ordered - All the other Bills were
deferred in consequence of the Chairman's absence, when
the Board separated.

Michael Cloran
Chairman of the Board,

Monday 1st February 1875.

Michael Cloran in the chair

Other Members Present. Patrick Cullen, William Gannon J.P.
Peter Kennedy, Denis Shine, John Morgan, Tho. B. Burke,
Tho. Bodkin M. D. Esquires,

The minutes of the previous meeting
were read and signed.

Dublin 30th Jan^y. 1875.

Gentlemen - I write to inform you that before leaving
Tuam I had an interview with Mr. Martin O'Donnell
whom he undertook to have the small gate leading into
the Potatoe Market immediately closed, and I tell him
by this Post that I make you aware of the fact which
will of course be accomplished without delay.

Yours faithfully
P. J. Conway
The Towns J. Commissioners
Tuam

Mr. O'Donnell was in attendance whom
stated that he had no desire to interfere with the rights
of the Board, further reference to the gate
way was deferred to next Board day.

Mr. Conway gave it as his opinion - That
election of a Commissioner should be under the Ballot
Act, and not by the Commissioners at their meeting.

The Chairman said he would write to
Mr.

Mr. Conway on the matter.

Mr. Fore to collect the cost
of erecting a gate in D. Dwyer's Lane.

Mr. Fore got instructions to collect the amount of
erecting the gate in D. Dwyer's Lane £5.15.0 from Mr. Higgins
Mr. Conway & D. Dwyer 1/3 each, he was also directed
to call upon the Householders concerned in Cullins Lane to
see if they would contribute towards erecting a gate in the
entry thereof.

Make out when Mr. Fore
was appointed Inspector

The Clerk was directed to make out when
Mr. Fore was appointed as Inspector.

A. Geraghty's Bill for
glazing

A. Geraghty sent in a Bill for glazing the
Lamps @ 8 p. pane, Ordered - That he get only
6 p. large and small which he agreed to.

Site for Fair Green.

The site for the Fair Green was then discussed
consideration deferred until Friday the 5th inst to
which day the meeting is adjourned.

Finance

The Finance Book was then examined
when cheques were ordered for salaries &c. The
Board adjourned to Friday the 5th inst.

Chairman of the Board,
Michael Cloran
Chairman

Friday 5th February 1875.

Michael Cloran in the Chair.

Other Members Present. William Gannon J.P. Mr. Quinn
Patrick Cullen, Peter Kennedy, Francis Corbett, Denis
Shine Esquires,

Lisadria preferred
Mr. Concanon for Fair Green

Mr. Concanon was also in attendance
whom said he would give the Board a Fair Green
in Lisadria & his own Lease of same.

A. Letter from Rev.
Mr. J. Burke on same

There was a letter from the Rev. Mr. J. Burke
concerning same directed to the Chairman, The
opening was deferred until next Board day

The

~~W.C.M.~~
all by hand
Reach - 1/11 7/6
Monday 29 Nov 76

Letter from Mr. Conway
concerning the gateway
at Potatoe Market

W.C.M.
all by hand
Reach 1/11 7/6
Monday 29 Nov 76

Election of a Commissioner

The Chairman to write to
Mr. Conway on the Election

Committee to go inspect
the ground for Fair green

The Gentlemen present were formed into a
Committee to go see Mr. Concomons Land, when they
returned it was Ordered - To advertise for a Fair green
in the Irish News and Herald, - Tenders to be read and
considered next Board day, The Board then separated.

Chairman of the Board
Michael Cloran

Friday 5th February 1875.

Michael Cloran in the Chair.

Other Members present. William Quinn J. P. William Quinn
Patrick Cullen, Peter Kennedy, Francis Corbett, Denis Sherrin
Esquires, Mr. Concomon was also in attendance who
said he would give the Board a Fair Green in Lisadara &
his own Lease of some.

There was a letter from the Rev^d W. J. Burke
concerning the Fair Green directed to the Chairman, The
opening of same was deferred until next Board day.

The Gentlemen present were formed into a
Committee to go see Mr. Concomons Land.

When they returned, It was Ordered to
advertise for a Fair green in Irish News and Herald -
Tenders to be received and considered next Board
day. The Board then separated.

Chairman of the Board

Monday 1st March 1875.

Mich^r. Cloran in the Chair.

Other Members present, John Lyons, Pat^r. Cullen, Edw^d.
O'Donnell, Peter A. Daly, Tho^s. B. Burke, Peter Kennedy
William Quinn, Francis Corbett, Esquires

The minutes of the previous meeting were read
and signed,

The

The notice for the Fair green having been read,
There were two Tenders in, offering a site for such, one
from the Rev^d W. J. Burke President of St. Jarlath's College
to Irish Acres or 10 Statute along the New-Line, Dublin Road
for £70-0-0 a year. And the second from Mr. Concomon
for Eight Irish Acres at Lisadara for £60, a year.

After some discussion on both sites, consideration
was adjourned to Monday next the 5th inst. advertisements
ordered to be continued.

Proposed by William Quinn Esq and seconded
by Edward O'Donnell Esq. - That the whole Board as now
assembled be formed into a Committee to see both sites after
the meeting so as to be in full Possession of how to act on
Monday next.

A Petition for closing Public Houses on Sundays
was laid before the Board - It was unanimously
Resolved - That Mr. Cloran the Chairman sign same
on behalf of the Board, and the Clerk to forward it to
Capt. J. P. Nolan M. P. for Presentation in the House of
Commons, & request of him to give it his support.

It was unanimously Resolved - That the gate
way broken out by Mr. O'Donnell's Men at New Market be
ordered to be closed up without further delay.

The Finance Book was then examined, and
two Bills which were considered exorbitant were taken
into consideration, One from Rich^d. Dunlavy for £4-17-10
and the other from Thomas Roche Sole Farmer for £11-5-0

Proposed by Mr. Quinn Esq and seconded by
Pat^r. Cullen Esq - That Rich^d. Dunlavy get only
£3-10-0, in full discharge of his.

Proposed by Edward O'Donnell Esq and
seconded by Francis Corbett Esq. - That Thomas Roche
get £10-0-0, in full discharge of his claims.

The

V. L. U.
Atty Genl. & Board
New for 1875
29 Nov 75
J

For the Resolution — J. Corbett, Peter Kennedy, Edw. O'Donnell, Pat^h Culklin — against W. Gammon, Esq. were then ordered, for salaries &c, when the Board adjourn to Monday the 8th inst.

Chairman of the Board
Michael Cloran

Friday 5th March 1875.

Michael Cloran in the Chair,

Other Members present. William Gammon J. P. Pat^h Culklin Peter Kennedy, Thomas B. Burke, Edward O'Donnell, John Lyons, Esquires,

Tuesd 8th March 1875.

We the undersigned Irons Improvement Commission request you will convene a special meeting of the Commission for Friday evening next at 7. o'clock to consider the propriety of sending our Chairman as a representative of our Body to attend the National conference to be held in the City Hall Dublin, on Tuesday the 9th inst. to consider the O'Connell Centenary,

To.

Pat^h Roche
Town Clerk

Pat^h Culklin J. C.
Thos. B. Burke J. C.
Edw. O'Donnell J. C.
John Lyons J. C.
Wm. Gammon J. P. J. C.
Peter Kennedy J. C.

Resolved to request the Chairman to attend the conference

Proposed by William Gammon Esq. J. P. and seconded by Pat^h Culklin Esq. That our Chairman Michael Cloran Esq. as representative of this Body be requested to attend at the National conference to be held in the City Hall, Dublin on Tuesday the 9th inst. for the purpose of considering the best means of celebrating the O'Connell Centenary, (unanimously agreed),

Chairman of the Board,

Michael Cloran

Monday 8th March 1875.

Michael Cloran in the Chair,

Other Members present. Denis Shine, Jas. Dwyer M. D., Peter A. Daly, Francis Corbett, Peter Kennedy, Wm. Quin, Esq., O'Donnell Pat Culklin, John Lyons, Thomas B. Burke Wm. Gammon J. P. Esquires —

K.C.C.
at the Quin's Room
Wed 11th 76
29 Nov 76

There were two tenders in for a Fair Green, one from Mr. Concommon offering eight Irish Acres at Lisadavia for £60. a year and the second from the Rev. W. J. Burke President of St. Patrick's College offering the same quantity of land on the Dublin road for £62. a year each party to bind themselves to wall in ~~and~~ erect gates the ground that may be pointed out by the Commissioners & erect gates &c,

Proposed by Francis Corbett Esq. and seconded by Peter Kennedy Esq. — That the Rev. W. J. Burke's Tender be accepted —

Proposed by Wm. Quin Esq. and seconded by John Lyons Esq. — That Mr. Concommon's Tender be accepted,

A Poll was then taken.

For the Rev. W. J. Burke's
Peter Kennedy
Francis Corbett
Peter A. Daly
Jas. Dwyer M. D. (11)

For Mr. Concommon's,
Thos. B. Burke
John Lyons
Pat Culklin
Edward O'Donnell
Wm. Quin
Michl. Cloran (6)

Messrs. Gammon & Shine did not vote on either side
Mr. Concommon's, carried by a Majority of two subject to the ~~restoration of~~ ~~the~~ arrangement that may be come to,

Proposed by Wm. Quin Esq. and seconded by Pat^h Culklin Esq. — That the whole Board be formed as a Committee to carry out the arrangement,

The following Notice was handed in
I give Notice that I do move at the next general meeting of this Board to rescind the resolution passed to day to change the Fair Green to Ballygaddy road,
Peter A. Daly
8th March 1875. the Board then separated

Michael Cloran Chairman of the Board

Monday 5th April 1875.

V.C. 10
Atty Genl's Roach
Read for 10/11
29/10/75
Jus

Michael Cloran in the chair
Other Members present, Peter A. Daly, Peter Kennedy, Denis Shine, Pat^r. Cullen, John Moylan, Francis Corbett, Jas. Dwyer, Mr. D. William Quinn, Thomas Bodkin Mr. D. John Lyons, William Gannon J. P. Edward O'Donnell, Thos. P. Burke Esquires -

The minutes of the previous meeting were read

Seven days notice not
been served for the notice
of Motion to rescind a
Resolution -

Mr. Cloran the Chairman stated that in as much as a seven days notice of the notice of Motion given by Peter A. Daly on last Board day to rescind the Resolution to change the Fair to Ballygaddy road, not been given to each of the Commissioners, could not be entertained.

The following notices were then handed in

Notice to suspend the
standing orders -

That the standing orders if any exist be suspended & that the minutes be not signed with reference to the acceptance of the Tender of Edmond Concannon Esq until a full discussion shall have been had and that the matter of the consideration of his or any Tender be for the present suspended. -

Peter A. Daly
Signed Peter Kennedy

Notice cautioning the
Chairman &c,

Sir - I beg to caution you and the members of the Board not to sign any document or to proceed in any way to validate any acceptance of the Tender of Edmond Concannon Esq. which for an omission on the part of the Clerk would be as you know to day ^{be} rescinded.

Signed { Peter A. Daly
Peter Kennedy

Notice of Motion to
rescind a Resolution con-
cerning the Fair Green

Sir - Take notice that I will at the next General monthly meeting of this Board move that the Resolution

Resolution passed on the 6th of March last for changing the Fair Green to Ballygaddy road be rescinded.
April 5th 1875. Peter A. Daly

Election of Commissioners

Proposed by Denis Shine Esq and seconded by Peter Kennedy Esq. - That the Clerk give due notice for the election of a Commissioner in room of Thos. Murphy Deceased.

Mr. Conway's Bill of
for Law Costs for £33.5.5

There was a bill for £33.5.5 Law Costs from Mr. Conway laid before the Board.

Ordered £20 - on. 4s.

Proposed by William Quinn Esq and seconded by Denis Shine Esq - That Mr. Conway get £20 - on acct. and the following Committee be appointed to look the bill over - Messrs. Daly, Gannon & the Chairman.

Finance,

The Finance Book was then examined when Cheques were ordered for Salaries & other minor Bills. The Board then separated.

Michael Cloran Chairman of the Board

Monday 3rd May 1875.

V.C. 11
Atty Genl's Roach
Read for 10/11
29/10/75
Jus

Michael Cloran in the Chair
Other Members present, John Lyons, Pat^r. Cullen, Peter A. Daly, Thos. Bodkin Mr. D. Denis Shine Francis Corbett, Edward O'Donnell, Mr. Quinn, Peter Kennedy Esquires -

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed

Mr. Daly's Notice of
Motion,

The following notice from Peter A. Daly being in,
Take notice that in as much as the Chairman refused on the last day of meeting to receive the notice

notice of motion given by me by which I was led to believe the same would not be put to the present meeting that I now withdraw the same and I give the following notice of motion that on next day of meeting I will move that the resolution of the 8th March that Mr. Connecomens Tender be accepted, and the resolution that the whole Board be formed as a Committee to carry out the arrangement be rescinded.

3rd May 1875. Signed) Peter A. Daly

D^r Rodkin's Notice of motion to appoint a Deputation to wait on his Grace and ask of him to permit the Grace concerning the St. John's

Take notice that I will on the next day of meeting move that a Deputation of the Commissioners wait on his Grace and ask of him to permit the retention of the Green on its present site.

3rd May 1875. Signed) Thomas Rodkin

Tenders for flagging

There were four tenders in for the flagging of the footway leading to the Railway - which were opened.

- First 1st Thomas Egan's Tender at 6/9 per yard
 2nd James Gannon do 5/9 do
 3rd Richard Dunlavy's do 4/7 do
 4th Edward O'Donnell Kenny 4/7 do

Proposed by John Lyons Esq and seconded by Pat^r Gullin Esq - That Rich^d Dunlavy's Tender be accepted.

Proposed by Mr. Quinn Esq and seconded by Michl. Gloran Esq - That Edward Kenny's Tender be accepted -

Edward Kenny's accept

A Poll was then taken

For Rich ^d Dunlavy	For Edw ^d Kenny
Peter Kennedy	Mr. Quinn
D ^r Rodkin	Edw ^d O'Donnell
Pat ^r Gullin	Denis Shine
John Lyons (4)	Peter A. Daly
	Michl. Gloran (5)

Edward Kenny's was declared by one Majority

The time that the flagging was to be complete,

Proposed by Mr. Quinn and unanimously agreed that the time he is to have the work complete be inserted in his tender - When Edward Kenny was called in and asked when would he have the flagging complete, he said the 10th of July next, which was accordingly inserted in his tender & resigned, by himself and also entered into security for the due and faithful performance of same - by Messrs Pat^r Gullin and Tho^s Rishworth -

Notice for a few Ladders & Buckets.

I give notice that I will at next meeting move that this Board get a few Ladders & Buckets for the use of the town in case of fire taking place also the propriety of getting a Watering Cart.

Notice To Wall in plot at end of town Hall -

Take notice that I will at next meeting move that the vacant plot at end of town Hall be walled in six feet high -

Chairman brought a charge against the branch

The Chairman brought a charge against the branch for not giving genuine docket to parties applying to him for such -

To be forgiven with a reprimand -

Proposed by D^r Rodkin and seconded by Mr. Quinn Esq - That the branch be forgiven this time with a reprimand -

Three gully traps ordered -

Ordered - That there be three gully traps got from Ross & Murray Dublin -

John Maughan's tender for whitewashing

John Maughan handed in a tender for whitewashing the church yard New Market Great Market and Fish Market walls - which was accepted at last years price

Finance,

The Finance Book was then examined when cheques were ordered for Rent Salaries & other minor bills the Board then separated

Andrew O'Sullivan Chairman of the Board

Special by Request

Tuesday 18th May 1875

Michael Cloran in the Chair.

Other Members present - Peter A. Daly M^{rs} J. P. J. C. Rodkin M. D. Peter Kennedy. Pat^r Cullin, John Lyons Francis Corbett M^{rs} Liam Coquins -

Tuam May 13th 1875

To Michael Cloran Esq. Chairman of the town Com^{rs} Tuam,

Sir, We the undersigned Commissioners of the Borough of Tuam request you will at your earliest convenience call a Meeting of its Members to take steps to Honour our illustrious Archbishop on the coming Fiftieth Anniversary of his Consecration.

Thos. Rodkin J. C. M^{rs} Jannan J. P. J. C. Peter A. Daly J. C. Denis Shine J. C. Francis Corbett J. C. Pat^r Cullin J. C. Edw^d D. Donnell J. C. Peter Kennedy J. C. Jas. Dwyer J. C. John Dwyer J. C. Thos. B. Burke J. C. John Lyons J. C. M^{rs} Liam J. C. &

It was unanimously Resolved that a public meeting be convened for Wednesday the 26th inst at 3.0 P. M. in the town Hall for ascertaining the best possible means of Celebrating the event of the Archbishop's Fiftieth Anniversary.

Ordered - That a 100 large posters be had at the Herald Office, which are to be sent through the County and some posted in town. The Board then separated.

Chairman of the Board
Michael Cloran

The Archbishop's Fiftieth Anniversary

Ordered 100 large posters

V. L. O.
Atty Genl's Road

Monday 7th June 1875

Michael Cloran in the Chair

Francis Corbett James Dwyer M. D. Peter A. Daly Peter Kennedy Denis Shine, Patrick Cullin Thomas Rodkin M. D. John Lyons M^{rs} Duin Esquires -

The minutes of the previous meeting were read

Mr. Daly withdrew his notice of Motion

Mr. Daly stated he would withdraw his notice of Motion for rescinding the Resolution of the 8th March last for having the Fair Green at Lisadara -

D^r Rodkin's Notice was then proposed

D^r Rodkin's notice of Motion Proposed

Proposed by D^r Rodkin and seconded by Francis Corbett Esq - That a Deputation of the Commissioners visit on his Grace the Archbishop to ask him permit the retention of the old Fair Green -

Chairman refused putting it,

The Chairman refused putting the latter in as much as Mr. Daly withdrew his notice of Motion -

Mr. Daly then handed in the following Notice.

Mr. Daly handed in another notice,

I beg to give Notice of Motion of resolution of 8th March be brought on for consideration on the next monthly meeting.
Peter A. Daly.
7th June 1875.

Mr. Duin's Notice of Motion as follows

Ordered three Ladders & 12 Buckets

Proposed by Mr. Duin Esq and seconded by D^r Rodkin - That three Ladders three Ladders & 12 Buckets be got for the use of the town in case of fire - To be advertised for and tenders to be rec^d next Board day -

A Plan of Watering watering East.

The plan and specification of a Watering Cart had from Ross & Munnay was submitted to the Board.

Clerk to write to Loughrea to ascertain price of making out

The Clerk was directed to write to the Loughrea Town Clerk, to ascertain what the Commissioners there paid for their -

Ordered vacant plot at end of town Hall be walled in

Proposed by Mr. Duin Esq and agreed - That the vacant plot at end of town Hall be walled in 6 feet high including coping built solid with a lain of mortar 2 1/2 feet from ground, to be dashed when finished, and to have a door way with door - adjoining front gate - Ordered to be advertised & tenders to be rec^d & considered next Board day -

John Cornelly committing nuisance,

The Clerk reported that John Cornelly the Belle man, committed nuisance in the town Hall for which he had been summoned and fined 5/6 and costs, or one week in Galway Gaol.

Notice for a new Burial ground,

Take notice that I will at next meeting move that the Board take into consideration the propriety of procuring a new Burial Ground -

Finance,

The Finance Book was then examined and cheques ordered for salaries and a few minor bills - when the Board separated -
Michael Cloran
Chairman of the Board

K.C. Ct.
Atty Genl's Room
Read for RLL
29 Nov 75
Mr

Monday 14th June 1875.
Michael Cloran in the Chair
Peter A. Daly, John Moylan, Francis Corbett, Peter Kennedy, Pat^r. Cullkin, Edward O'Donnell, William Gannon J. P., John Lyons, Denis Shine, Tho^s. B. Burke, Tho^s. Bodkin Esquires -
Mr. D. James Dwyer M. D. Esquires -

Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act, 1854.
17th & 18th Vic Cap 103.
Sir,
You are hereby requested to attend a meeting of the

The Town Improvement Commissioners at the town Hall on Monday next the 14th inst. at the hour of seven o'clock P. M. - Pursuant to the Resolution of the 8th of March last to have ^{the} held in Lisadara -

And the second Resolution to form the Board into a Committee to carry out the arrangements,

Proposed by Francis Corbett Esq and seconded by Peter Kennedy Esq - That this Board do not enter into any arrangement about the Fair at Lisadara -

Proposed by Mr. Gannon Esq J. P. and seconded by Pat^r. Cullkin Esq - That the Board proceed with the business as stated in the Circular -

A Poll was taken
For Mr. Corbett's resolution
James Dwyer M. D.
D^r. Bodkin
Denis Shine
John Lyons
Peter Kennedy
Francis Corbett
Peter A. Daly (7)
In Mr. Gannon's
Thomas B. Burke
Mr. Gannon J. P.
Edw. O'Donnell
Pat^r. Cullkin
John Moylan
Michl. Cloran (6)

Mr. Corbett was declared carried by a Majority of one - when the Board separated
Michael Cloran
Chairman of the Board

K.C. Ct.
Atty Genl's Room
Read for RLL
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Mr

Monday 5th July 1875.
Michael Cloran in the Chair.
D^r. Bodkin, Francis Corbett, Peter Kennedy, Peter A. Daly, Denis Shine, James Dwyer M. D., Mr. Gannon J. P. Pat^r. Cullkin, Mr. Duin John Moylan John Lyons Esquires,

The

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed,

Mr. Daly's notice of motion for rescinding the resolution of the 8th March for holding the Fair at Lisadria was then put to a poll,

For rescinding the resolution

James Dwyer M. D.

Donis Shire

Peter A. Daly

Peter Kennedy

Francis Corbett

D^r. Bodkin

John Lyons (7)

For resolution

John Moylan

Mr. Quin

Mr. Gammon

Mich. Cloran

(4)

The Chairman declared the resolution carried as there should be two thirds for rescinding it.

The Board then adjourned the meeting to Friday next the 9th inst.

Michael Cloran

Chairman of the Board

Friday 9th July 1875.

Michael Cloran in the Chair

V.C.C.

Atty. Genl. & Council

Road for P.L.

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Mr. Quin John Moylan, Francis Corbett, Peter Kennedy Mr. Gammon J. P. John Lyons, Edw. O'Donnell, P. Cullin, D. Dwyer

The Clerk reported that there was a presentment for flagging the footpath leading to the Palace gate granted at Dunmore Special Sessions the 16th June last.

Proposed by Mr. Quin Esq and seconded by Francis Corbett Esq - That Mr. Gammon be requested to attend the Grand Jury on tomorrow the 10th inst. to see to the presentment of the flagging to the Palace gate

The Clerk was directed to call on Mr.

Hargrove

Hargrove Mr. Conway & D^r. Dwyer for 3/4 Expenses of erecting an iron gate in D^r. Dwyer's Lane,

There were three Tenders in for the painting of the Lamps &c, which were ordered to be opened -

- 1st from John Stockwell for £5.0.0
- 2nd do Andrew Geraghty for 3.18.0
- 3rd do Robert Stockwell for 4.0.0

Proposed by Francis Corbett Esq and Unanimously agreed - That Robert Stockwell's Tender be accepted.

There were two tenders in for supplying Ladders which were opened -

- 1st from Pat^l Mmaghan for £5.0.0
- 2nd from A. Geraghty for 4.18.0

Proposed by Francis Corbett Esq and Unanimously agreed - That Andrew Geraghty's Tender be accepted & to be finished again 1st Sept. inst. & to get 3 coats of Paint

Proposed by Mr. Quin Esq and seconded by Pat^l. Cullin Esq - That the Clerk call the attention of the Sanitary Officer to the state of the grave yard of Tuam, and request him to report on same

There was no Tender for walling plot at town Hall - Ordered to be advertised again

Proposed by Mr. Gammon Esq and seconded by John Moylan Esq - That a Committee be appointed to enter into the necessary arrangements with Mr. Connamore for the Fair Green at Lisadria to carry out the resolution of the 8th March last

Mr. Kennedy handed in the following notice.

I take notice that I object to any appointment of a Committee as regards the Fair Green

without

without acquainting the entire of the whole Board which
are already the Committee -

9th July 1875.

Signed Peter Kennedy

Proposed by Pat^r. Cullin Esq and seconded by John Moylan
Esq. - That the present Board be formed as a Committee
to carry out the arrangement with Mr. Concanon as regards
the Fair fees; Mr. ^{Cullin} declined to act. also Mr. Lyons - The
following were then nominated viz - Mr. Gammon J. P. Esq.
O. Donnell, John Moylan, P. Cullin Peter Kennedy and
the Chairman - (Five to form a quorum) being the
Members present.

Ordered - That the clerk write to the Local
Government Board concerning the cleaning of the sewers
whether its the Com^r or the Board of Guardians are to do
so

5th July 1875.

Gentlemen,

I beg leave to report that since the last meeting
of the Board, I got the town lamps twenty four in number
taken down the glass in the most of them is cracked or
broken, and the frames are so shaltered that I fancy
they will not be worth putting them up next season
and with very few exceptions they will have to be replaced
by new ones.

Wm. Gore

Mr. Gammon Mr. Lyons & the Chairman were
appointed as a Committee to see what number of lamps
they may condemn.

The Finance Book was then examined

When cheques were ordered for salaries &c, The Board
then separated.

Chairman of the Board

Michael Cloran

Mch. Cloran Esq Chairman

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Theam Town Commissioners
William Gannon Esq - J. P. Chairman

James Gannon

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