

Monday April 5<sup>th</sup> 1886

The usual monthly meeting was held today

Patrick Culkin Esq C. I. C. presiding  
the other Commissioners present were

M. C. Ward, Patrick Lyons, Laurence Burke  
J. A. Egan, M. C. Shine, John Cunningham and  
Patrick McHugh Esqrs.

The minutes of the previous meeting having been read and signed and the monthly salaries of the Board's officers having been discharged

The Chairman having referred to the state in which the Town Hall and clock tower were

M. Egan proposed M. Shine seconded and it was unanimously resolved

"That a skilled builder be appointed to examine and report on the state of the clock tower as we are led to believe it is leaking"

M. Shine handed in the following notice of motion:-

Tuam

April 5<sup>th</sup> 1886

Take notice that I or some member on my behalf will propose at the next monthly meeting that an ornamental lamp <sup>be</sup> erected and lighted at the entrance to the reading room

Michael C. Shine

The following resolution passed at a public meeting of the inhabitants of Tuam held in the Town Hall on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> April

M. Lyons proposed, M. Ward seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:-

That we ask the Tuam Town Commissioners to apply to the Government through our

our Parliamentary representative, Colonel Nolan,  
for a loan on moderate terms for the purpose of  
erecting water works in the Town and thus giving em-  
ployment to poor labourers, which is so much wanted  
at the present depressed time.

Consideration of the foregoing resolution was  
deferred till Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April the Board believing  
it advisable to wait till Mr. Gladstone has submitted  
to Parliament his Home Rule scheme for Ireland

The Board adjourned to Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April

Signed on behalf of the Board

Monday April 12<sup>th</sup> 1876

The adjourned meeting was held today

Patrick Culkin Esq C.L.C. presiding

The other Commissioners present were

John Cunningham, M.C. Ward, M.C. Shine  
Laurence Burke, Patrick McHugh and J.A. Egan Esqrs.

The resolution relative to waterworks for the town  
(read at meeting of 5<sup>th</sup> April) having been discussed.

The Clerk was ordered to write to Col. Nolan re-  
questing him to ascertain the lowest rate per cent  
at which a loan may be got from the Government  
for water works which the Board wish to erect in  
Glam for the purpose 1<sup>st</sup> to give remunerative em-  
ployment to a very large number of labourers who  
at present are idle and sorely in need; and secondly,  
to provide the town's people an ample supply of  
good water for which no householder would  
grudge

grudge to pay a reasonable charge.

also that the C. stone <sup>would</sup> bring under the notice of the Local Government Board with a view to obtain their sanction for holding the new fairs in Tuam, which the Town Commissioners sought some time since to establish

The Board adjourned

Signed on behalf of the Board

Monday May 3<sup>rd</sup> 1886

The usual monthly meeting was held to-day

Patrick Culkin Esq. C.I.C. presiding

The other Commissioners present were -

Patrick Lyons, Michael Fahy  
W. C. Shine, W. C. Ward, and Edward Carroll Esq.

Minutes of the previous meeting having been read and business of finance transacted

A letter was read from Mr. Patt. Blwood Town Clerk, thanking the board for extending his leave of absence and permitting his brother Mr. Peter Blwood to discharge his duties

On the motion of Mr. Shine the Town Clerk was granted a further extension of a month

Mr. McHugh, town Inspector, submitted his monthly report, which was read

Mr. Shine considering the financial state of the Board withdrew his motion of which he had given due notice viz. to erect and light an ornamental lamp at the entrance

entrance to the newsroom

The Board adjourned

Signed on behalf of the Board

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> May 1886

A Special meeting was summoned for this day pursuant to the following requisition:-

We the undersigned request that th you will convene a meeting on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> Inst. for the purpose of considering the application for the presentments at the coming sessions and also the financial statement put forward by the press

Patrick Culkin B.S.C.

M. H Macnamara 26.

Patt. Lyons 26.

Michael Fahy 26.

Edward Carroll 26.

John T. Begley 26.

John Cunningham 26.

Michael G. Shine 26.

24<sup>th</sup> June 26.

only the following Commissioners having attended  
Messrs. Patt. Culkin B.S.C. Patt. Lyons  
Michael Fahy, and M. G. Shine.  
no business was transacted

Wednesday May 19<sup>th</sup> 1886

A Special meeting was held today pursuant to circular duly issued to consider a statement said to have been made at meeting of Town Board of Guardians that a deputation from the Town

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Town Commissioners, had waited on said guardians requesting them not pay the claims, made by the local papers for advertising notices at Tuam Waterworks and to defend any legal action, those papers might institute for recovery of said claims

Park Balkin Esq. C.G. presiding  
The other Commissioners present were

W. C. Shine, John Cunningham,  
Edward Carroll and Michael Fahy Esqrs.

after a discussion, Mr. Shine, and Mr. Cunningham proposed a resolution on the subject, which the Chairman seconded refused to entertain

The following was then handed to the Clerk:-

Board Room

Tuam

May 19th 1886

We the undersigned Town Commissioners being the majority of the Board present, protest against the unconstitutional and high handed action of the Chairman in refusing to put Mr. Shine's resolution this day

Michael B. Shine  
Edward Carroll  
John Cunningham

An application was read from Mr. Robert Stephens Sol. Esq. on the part of Mr. Townsend Esq. for amount £ 93. 14. 3 for plans and superintendence of Town Hall

No order was made respecting the application

The meeting then separated

Signed on behalf of the Board

Monday June 7<sup>th</sup> 1886

The usual monthly meeting was held to-day

Patrick Culkin Esq. C.I.B.  
presiding

The other Commissioners present were:-

L. A. Ogan, John T. Begley, James Nohilly  
and Patrick McHugh Esq.

The minutes of the previous meeting having  
been read and signed, and cheques for  
officers salaries etc. ordered

The following letter was read

Tuam  
June 7<sup>th</sup> '86

To The Chairman  
& Tuam Town Commissioners

Gentlemen

In my last letter to you, I had asked  
you for extension of my leave of absence which  
you very considerably granted me, and now  
finding though I have thank God been rid  
of my disease, I am not sufficiently strong  
to resume the duties of my office. I request a  
further extension at expiration of which, I trust  
shall not be necessitated to trouble you further.

Meanwhile my brother Peter Blwood as  
he has hitherto done will act as my deputy, you  
kindly permitting

I am Gentlemen  
your Obedient Servant  
Patrick Blwood

The extension applied for was unanimously granted

There were two tenders for the contract for cleansing the streets: one from Matthias Gormally, £50; the other from James Nolan £50.

The amount being considered exorbitant it was ordered to re-advertise the contract

A report having been read from the Town Inspector, B. McHugh, suggesting that the walls of the shambles &c be whitewashed

It was ordered that tenders for the work be invited by advertisement

Reference having been made to safe for the books and documents of the Board

The Clerk was ordered to write to Mr. Lydon Galway, not to make door for wall press till again communicated with

Attention having been drawn to a gate recently erected at rear of Town Hall by Mr. Patrick McQuane

It was ordered that Mr. McQuane be noticed to remove said gate, otherwise <sup>the matter</sup> would be placed in the hands of the Board's solicitor

2. Board adjourned

Signed on behalf of the Board

The Toll farmer not having paid balance of his last bill, the Clerk was ordered to write to his Sureties before putting the matter into the hands of the Board's solicitor

The Board adjourned

Signed on behalf of the Board.

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> June 1886

A special meeting was held today

Patrick Bulkin Esq. F.G.B.  
presiding

The other Commissioners present were

Patrick Lyons, W. C. Ward, James Whitty  
Edward Carroll, Patrick McHugh and  
John Cunningham Esqrs.

The following resolution proposed by the  
Chairman, and seconded by W. C. Ward Esq.  
was unanimously passed;

"That we, the Town Commissioners of  
Guan, hereby beg to tender our most grateful  
thanks to the Right Hon. W. E. Gladstone, for  
his heroic exertions to satisfy the legitimate  
demands of the Irish people, by granting them  
Home Rule, or the right to manage their own  
affairs.

"That we most emphatically protest against  
the renegade, soi-disant Liberals and Radicals,<sup>(b)</sup>  
who, in the face of the enemy, ran away from  
their guns, and deserted their noble chief of a  
hundred battles nobly fought and won.

"That we pledge ourselves to renewed efforts  
in the sacred cause of liberty and fatherland.

"That we fondly hope it shall be reserved  
to him to bring to a successfull issue the work  
which, against desperate odds, he has so nobly  
begun, and finally

"That we look upon the result of the late  
Home Rule debate, as a ~~phys~~ pyrrhic victory  
for the unholy triple alliance of unteachable Tories  
reactionary Liberals and unreliable Radicals

The Board adjourned

Monday July 5<sup>th</sup> 1886

This was the day for the monthly meeting but owing to the fair being held only one Commissioner Patrick Culkin Esq. B.L.B. attended, and the business to be transacted was adjourned to Monday 12<sup>th</sup> inst.

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July 1886

The adjourned meeting was held to-day

Patrick Culkin Esq. B.L.B. presiding

The other Commissioners present were

Patrick Lyons, M. C. Ward, Patrick McHugh  
Edward Carroll, and John Cunningham Esqrs.

The Minutes of the previous meeting having been read and signed and business of finance disposed of

Tenders for the cleansing contract were opened and considered

The tenders were as follows:-

James Nolan £ 45. John Farrell £ 47

John Flaherty £ 39 Matthias Gormally £ 44

The Board having concluded that Flaherty had not the means necessary to execute the contract satisfactorily Gormally was asked to reduce his tender to the amount of his previous one, namely £ 40 and having consented to do so he was declared contractor

His tender is as follows

Zuan July 5<sup>th</sup> 1886

The Chairman and Town Commissioners  
of Zuan

I hereby propose and agree to cleanse  
and water of the streets of the Town  
according to advertisement for the sum of  
£40 Forty pounds, and I name for my  
securities Messrs. M. S. Walsh Zuan and  
Malachy Concanon Tierboy Zuan  
Signed

P.S.

Mathias Gormally

I agree to commence watering the  
streets at 5 o'clock in the morning as  
requested by the Board

Witness B. Mc. Hugh

Mathias <sup>his</sup> Gormally  
*Mark*

Sureties

{ Malachy Concanon  
M. S. Walsh

Two tenders for the contract to whitewash  
the shambles walls were received and opened  
from Mathias Gormally £1. 17. 0 and  
John Hogan £ 2. 0. 0

Each finding the necessary materials  
Gormally's tender was accepted

A bill was submitted from the gas company  
£32. 6. 0, for the lighting of the Town  
block and rooms of the Town Hall

Deducting £ 5. 6. 0 from the amount a  
cheque was ordered for the Balance £ 27

An application having been read from  
Messrs Chancellor & Son for bill due for the  
Town block

The Clerk was directed to write in  
reply

Reply offering on the part of the Board £90 in full discharge of the bill. £50 of the £90 to be paid now and the Balance £40 in the end of October next

Report from the Town Inspector was read in which attention was called to the necessity of getting new lamps to replace the day of old ones, which are unfit to be repaired

The meeting was adjourned till Monday 19<sup>th</sup> inst. when the question of getting lamps would be discussed

The Board adjourned

Signed on behalf of the Board

Monday July 19<sup>th</sup> '86

To-day there attended Patrick Falkin Esq.  
W. C. Shine, John Cunningham and  
James Whilly Esqrs. But there not being  
a quorum

Mr. Shine proposed and it was agreed  
to adjourn the business to be transacted to the  
monthly meeting 2<sup>d</sup> August

Monday August 3<sup>rd</sup> 1886

No business was ~~had~~ transacted today there not being a quorum; only P. Culkin Esq. B.G.B. John Mac Philpin, John H. Begley & S. Carroll Esq.s attending  
Adjourned to Monday 9<sup>th</sup> August

August 9<sup>th</sup> 1886

Adjourned meeting was held today.

Commissioners present

Patrick Culkin Esq. B.G.B. presiding  
Lawrence Burke, T. A. Swan M. C. Shine  
M. McHugh and Michael Fahy Esq.s.

The minutes of the previous meeting having been read and signed and the financial business disposed of

Tenders for printing from Messrs. R. J. Kelly and Francis Bourke were read and considered.  
The tender of the former was £9, that of the latter £9, as follows. Which was proposed by Mr. Fahy seconded by Mr. Burke and unanimously accepted

To the Chairman and  
Town Commissioners of Tuam

Tuam Augt-2<sup>nd</sup> 86

Gentlemen  
I propose and agree to do all the printing in connection with your Board (except crane dockets) for twelve months from date hereof

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for the sum of six pounds and ten shillings sterling  
your obt st  
Francis Counell

A letter to the Chairman from the Postmaster General was read intimating that negotiations for a new contract for the mail service with the Waterford and Limerick Railway Company had at length been brought to a satisfactory conclusion and that an improved day mail service on the Fermoy Branch line commence on the 2<sup>nd</sup> August 86 had been arranged for.

At the suggestion of Mr. Fahy, the Clerk was ordered to write to the District Inspector of police Mr. J. J. Brooke asking sanction to remove to the barrack yard the Town ladders where they could be easily had in case of an outbreak of fire.

Attention having been drawn to the gas contract which was soon to expire, it was agreed that a special meeting be held on the 13<sup>th</sup> Inst (three Commissioners to form a quorum) to arrange with the Directors of the gas Company regarding the Town lighting for the ensuing year.

The Board adjourned  
Signed on behalf of the Board

August 13<sup>th</sup> 1886

Special meeting of the Board was held to-day to arrange with the Directors of the Gas Company as to the town lighting for the succeeding year.

The Commissioners present were  
Patrick Fulkin Esq. Michael Fahy and  
Patrick McHugh Esq.  
Patrick Murphy Esq. director and John Murphy Esq.

See Gas Company attended

after the subject had been discussed it was agreed between the Board and representatives of the gas company that the amount of the current contract about to terminate £74. 10 be reduced £5. Some of the street-lamps not having been lighted on certain nights during the winter season

The Board offered £72. 10 for the lighting of the street lamps for the ensuing year which offer Mr. Patrick Murphy director said he would submit to the other directors of the Gas Company

The meeting then ~~adjourned~~ separated

Signed on behalf of the Board

August 20<sup>th</sup> 1886

A meeting convened by requisition was held today for the purpose of considering letters received from Messrs Chancellor & Son and Head Constable Lang and of fixing a day for letting the Tolls and Customs for the ensuing year

Commissioners present were

Patrick Bulkin Esq. G.C. presiding  
M. B. Shine, John MacPhilpin, Patrick McHugh  
M. Mahy and C. Burke Esqrs.

The letter from Messrs Chancellor & Son was read as follows:-

Messrs The Town Commissioners  
Luan

August - 13<sup>th</sup> 1886

Gentlemen

In reply to ~~you~~ the letter of your acting Town Clerk of the 11th Inst. Written on your behalf in reference to our action against you, we beg now to say that we have decided to accept your offer of £ 50 now and the balance £ 40 in three months from this date for which latter sum we enclose bill on you which kindly perfect and return in course of post, as we require to make use of it at once.

We may mention that we have received several letters from several most respectable inhabitants of Town, assuring us that the clock gives entire satisfaction to the community at large and is moreover a credit to our firm but as we have no desire to have ~~sue~~ recourse to unpleasantness in collecting our money we have agreed to your proposal and will therefore expect to have your cheque for £ 50 in course of post.

yours faithfully  
Messrs Chancellor & Son  
J R Scott

P.S Kindly return enclosed bill duly accepted - We <sup>have</sup> drawn it at a date so as to suit your meeting in November

b/s

The Chairman proposed and Mr MacPherson seconded:-

"That £ 50 be now given to Messrs Chancellor & Son as first instalment, the balance £ 40 in November next, in accordance with a resolution passed 15<sup>th</sup> March last."

Mr Shine moved as an amendment but got no seconder

"That this Board desires to place on record their dissatisfaction with the bell of Town Clock supplied by Messrs. Chancellor inasmuch as it is not what they contracted to supply, being on the contrary useless and apparently cracked and devoid of the mellow tone guaranteed. This Board therefore require Messrs. Chancellor to fulfil their contract by supplying a superior bell, and until

they refuse to pay any money on account for their  
Contract"

The Chairman's proposition was declared passed  
and cheque £50 was accordingly filled for  
Messrs Blanckett & Son

Mr. Shine proposed and Mr. Burke seconded  
and it was unanimously resolved

"That this Board desires to place on record its  
sincere regret at the decease of Mr. Blwood, late  
Town Clerk, and to express its deep sympathy with  
the relatives of the deceased; and that copies of this  
resolution be forwarded by the Chairman to  
Mr. John Blwood and Mrs. Moylan

The Town Inspector Mr. Brough having  
reported that the occupant of the Cuam Herald  
office had not kept the Channel & footpath  
opposite the premises swept in accordance with  
the Town Improvement Act-

The Inspector was ordered to do his duty in the matter  
should the law be not complied with in future

It was ordered that Monday 13<sup>th</sup> September be  
fixed for setting the Tolls and Customs for the  
ensuing year

The pig fair in May to be held on the  
9<sup>th</sup> of the month

And to advertise <sup>the</sup> contract for setting and re-  
setting flags in such parts of the town as the  
Chairman <sup>may</sup> from time to time point out during  
the ensuing year tenders to be received and  
considered at meeting to be held on 6<sup>th</sup> Sept-

The subjoined letter was read from

Head Constable Lang<sup>m</sup> reply to Board's letter regarding  
the Town ladders

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P. Blwood Esq

Sir

In ~~ref~~ reference to your letter of 10<sup>th</sup> Inst  
I have to inform you that permission to keep the  
ladders in the Barrack yard could not be sanctioned

I am Sir

Yours obt st

H. Lang

H. B.

Mr. Shine suggested and it was unanimously agreed to  
that all the books and documents belonging to the Board  
be placed under the chairmans charge

The Board adjourned

Signed on behalf of the Board

Monday September 6<sup>th</sup> 1886

The usual monthly meeting was held to day

Patrick Bulkin Esq. B.L.B presiding

The other Commissioners present were

Patrick Lyons T. A. Spain Michael Fahy  
John J. Begley Edward Carroll John Cunningham  
and James Nohilly Esqns.

After the minutes of the previous meeting being  
read and signed, and the financial business  
disposed of

Tenders for the footpath flagging contract  
were considered

from Edward Kenny at 1/8 per square yard  
and Richard Dunleavy at 2/2 per square yard

Mr. Kenny's tender was accepted and is as  
follows

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Sept 6<sup>th</sup> 86

The Chairman & Town Commt<sup>s</sup> Yuan

I propose and agree to keep the flags  
in repair and reset new ones, supplying mortar  
& attendance for the sum of 1.8 (one shilling +  
eight pence) per square yard

Edward Kenny

The following report was read

To the secretary Local Government Board  
Dublin

Lenaboy 16<sup>th</sup> August '86

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Sir

I have the honour to state for the information of the Local Government Board for Ireland that I have audited the accounts of the Town Comms of Tuam for the year ended 29<sup>th</sup> Sept 1885, and to forward herewith an abstract of same duly certified by me. I have to report that owing to the illness of the Town Clerk for some months past, the accounts have been kept by his brother Mr Peter Blwood & the ledger and subsidiary accounts for the year under audit have been posted up by him. I have every reason to be satisfied with the way in which he attended to my directions for closing the accounts and has submitted it for my audit.

A loan of £ 800 has been obtained for completing the Town Hall, and of this £ 589 has been expended. Taking the loan and the expenditure for building out of the account, it would appear that the Commissioners ordinary expenditure has exceed their income by between £ 50 & £ 60

It would be well for them to see how this can be remedied in the future, as it cannot continue

There will, I am sure, be a revenue from the Town Hall, which appears to have been well constructed and adapted to public entertainments which will of course, be a source <sup>of income</sup> to the Comms. I merely draw their attention to the fact of the excess of expenditure over income, that they may watch carefully both the one and the other & keep out of financial difficulties

I have the Honour  
to be Sir  
your obedient servant

J. O'Hara Auditor

Mr Egan handed in the following notice

Dunam  
Sept. 6th '86

Notice of Motion:

"Take notice that at the next monthly meeting of the Board I or some member on my behalf will propose that the Town Clerk's salary be fixed at the sum of twenty five pounds per year.

Signed

" J. T. Egan"

The Board adjourned

Lined on behalf of the Board

Chairman.

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> September 1886

A Special meeting was held today pursuant to the following requisition:-

We the undersigned Commissioners request that you will convene a special meeting of the Board for Monday next 13<sup>th</sup> inst at 12 o'clock noon for the purpose of considering the advisability of inserting all advertisements of the Board in both local papers as heretofore and to define the scavengers duties.

M. C. Shine	Y. C.
J. Cunningham	Y. C.
J. F. Begley	Y. C.
C. Carroll	Y. C.
James Whitty	Y. C.
J. T. Egan	Y. C.
M. Fahy	Y. C.

L Burke J.C.  
 P. McHugh J.C.  
 M. H. MacNamara J.C.

Com<sup>tee</sup> present

Patrick Sulkin Esq & J.C presiding  
 The other Com<sup>tee</sup> present here  
 Pat<sup>th</sup> Lyons, Michael Falvey, M.C., Ward J.A. Egan, James  
 Hobley, Pat<sup>th</sup> McHugh, Lawrence Burke, Edward Carroll, M.C., Shine  
 & John Cunningham Esq<sup>s</sup>

There were two tenders for the Golls & Custom  
 for year commencing 1<sup>st</sup> inst  
 From Mr Lawrence Burke £460 and from  
 Mr Thomas Holan as follows:—

Guam 13<sup>th</sup> Sept 1886

The Chairman

The Guam Town Commissioners

Gentlemen

I propose & agree to take the Golls & Custom  
 of the Borough of Guam from the twenty  
 ninth day of September one thousand eight  
 hundred & eighty six to the twenty eighth day  
 of September one thousand eight hundred &  
 eighty seven as advertised and I offer for same  
 the sum of five hundred & forty pounds £540

I offer for my Sureties for the faithful ful  
 diment of some William Keepe Dunnmore  
 Pat<sup>th</sup> Tierney & his son Tierney both of Belmont

Dear Gentlemen yrs obdly  
 Thomas Holan, Guam

We the undersigned are willing to become sureties  
 for Thomas Holan for the above. Pat<sup>th</sup> Tierney Belmont  
 J Tierney Belmont  
 William Keepe Dunnmore

Bellintony  
13<sup>th</sup> Sept 1886

The Chairman  
The Guam Town Commissioners

Gentlemen

I am willing to become Surety for  
Thomas Dolan for the Rols & Customs of the P.D.  
-rough of Guam from the 29<sup>th</sup> day of Sept 1886  
to the 28<sup>th</sup> day of Sept 1887 at the sum of £540.

Yours Obedtly  
Daniel Corcoran  
Bellintony

(On the Motion of Mr Begley Seconded by  
Mr Carroll, Mr Dolans Surety was unanimously  
accepted.)

Mr Shine proposed & Mr Begley Seconded

"That the Guam Herald newspaper be  
given the advertisements of the Board for the  
sum of £2 as heretofore."

Michael C. Shine  
John F. Begley  
I beg to second the above proposition  
John F. Begley

Mr Lyons moved as an amendment and Mr  
Egan seconded that Mr Shines proposition be not  
entertained.

For the amendment. Messrs Fahy, McHugh, Ward,  
Whilly, Egan & Lyons (6)

Against Messrs Begley, Shine & Cunningham (3)  
Messrs Carroll & Burke did not vote.

The amendment was declared carried  
And the Meeting Separated

Signed on behalf of the Board  
C. Newman

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> September 1886

A Special Meeting pursuant to the following  
requisition was held today:—

Mr Peter Elwood Town Clerk, present,

"We the undersigned Town Commissioners (at  
the request of numerous Stockholders) require you  
to convene a meeting of the Town Board for Tuesday  
next 28<sup>th</sup> inst, at 12 M<sup>o</sup> noon for the purpose of considering  
the question of thoroughly advertising the next October  
Fair in this town as it appears the date in different  
public almanacs has been erroneously given."

Michael C. Spine G. C.  
J. Cunningham G. C.  
John F. Bigley G. C.  
E. Carroll G. C.  
James Whately G. C.

The following Commissioners attended

Patrick Sulkin Esq G. C. presiding  
Patrick Lyons, Michael Fahy, M. C. Ward, M. C. Spine, John F. Bigley  
Pat<sup>h</sup> McHugh, Edward Carroll, James Whately, Laurence Burke &  
John Cunningham Esq's.

Mr Shine proposed and Mr Begley seconded

"In as much as the dates of the coming Gavan October fair are erroneously given in Morris almanac, that the proper dates namely 19, 20 & 21<sup>st</sup> October be extensively advertised in the following manner: 5,000 large placards to be posted at the Railway Stations along the M.G.W & W L Railways and at Gullionasloe Fair also through the principal towns in this & the neighbouring counties, also that 3 advertisements be inserted in both local papers & in the "Western News" Ballinasloe. Also 2 Advertisements in "Freeman" & "Irish Times"

Mr Lyons proposed as an amendment & Mr Gally seconded:-

"That the fair be advertised in "Irish Times" & "Freeman" and that the placards as shown by the Chairman relative to the fair, be numerously posted in all places most likely to give publicity to the fair"

Carried for the amendment which was declared carried Messrs Gally, McHugh, Trubilly, Ward, Lyons & the Chairman (6)

Against:- Messrs Shine, Carroll, Burke Cunningham & Begley (5)

The meeting then Separated

Lined on behalf of the Board

Chairman

Borough of Tuam  
in the Co. of Galway to wit

Election 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 15<sup>th</sup> day of Oct. instant, in said Borough, in room of Messrs Michael b. Shine, Michael H. Macnamara, Edward Carroll John Cunningham and Michael Mannion who retire by rotation, but who are eligible for re-election

That every person entitled to vote may nominate 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 bhoislaín names and surnames of the persons nominated with their respective places of abode & description

That every nomination paper must be signed by the parties nominating and may be in the following form or to the like effect

I the undersigned of Tuam in the County of Galway hereby nominate the following person as a proper person to serve as Commissioners for the said Borough

Surname	Other name	abode	Rank Profission

Signed

That all nomination must be delivered to the Town Clerk Pro tem on or before the 11<sup>th</sup> day of Oct. instant

Dated this 5<sup>th</sup> day of Oct. 1856 Peter Blwood  
Town Clerk Pro tem

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> Oct. 1886

The usual monthly meeting was held today

Patrick Bulkin Esq. t.d.b. presiding

The other Commissioners present were

Patrick Lyons, Michael Fahy, John Mac Philpin  
W. G. Ward, James Whately, John Cunningham  
T. A. Spain, W. G. Shine, John F. Begley and  
Laurence Barron bogs.

Minutes of the last meeting having been read  
and signed and the financial business disposed  
of

Mr. Lyons handed in the following notice

I shall on this day month propose that this  
Board do rescind the arrangement with the present  
crane, relative to the potato market crane and  
reduce the salary he is now in receipt of to £30  
and that the Board do subsequently advertise for  
an assistant crane at a salary of £10 a year to  
attend each Saturday the potato or other market  
if required

It was then ordered to advertise for an  
assistant crane at the salary above named (£10)  
applications from candidates to be received and  
considered at the next monthly meeting

The following resolutions <sup>were</sup> ~~were~~ unanimously  
approved of

To the Chairman of the Town Commissioners

I am

Sir, — We have been requested by the committee  
of the Woodford Lums' Defence Association

to send you the following resolutions, which were proposed by Mr. Patrick Mc Dermott P. L. G. seconded by Mr. Francis Tully and carried unanimously, at a public meeting, held at Looscanne on Sunday last, the 19<sup>th</sup> instant.

Mr. Timothy Clarke in the Chair

Resolved, That we the tenants on the mountain property of Lord Clanricarde having destroyed every vestige of Clanricardism, which existed amongst us call upon all 'Clanrickreants' elsewhere to do likewise.

Resolved — That we stigmatise as an insult to the manhood and independence of the Citizens of Galway the presence in their square or park of the Statue of Lord Deakellin, brother to the present exterminating and money-lending marquis, and confidently call upon the citizens of Galway through their Town Board to assert themselves and have this long-standing nuisance abated.

Resolved: — That a copy of those resolutions be forwarded to our County and City members, to the Galway Town Board, the Tuam, Loughrea and Ballinasloe Town Commissioners

Signed

Timothy Clarke P. L. G. chairman  
Francis Tully secretary

Looscanne, Woodford Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup> 1886

Mr. Egan pursuant to notice proposed and Mr. Lyons seconded that the salary of clerk to the Board be reduced from £40 to £25—

Mr. Shine proposed and Mr. Mac. Philpin seconded as an amendment that the salary be as at present viz £40

There voted for the amendment Messrs.  
MacPhilpin, Ward, Shine, Tully & Besby (5)  
Against - Messrs. Carroll, Burke, Egan, Lyons and the  
Chairman (5)

There being a tie the chairman by his casting vote, decided against the amendment

Mr Shine then proposed as another amendment to Mr Egan's motion that the salary be £35

After some discussion it was unanimously agreed that the salary of Clerk be thirty pounds (£30) and that candidates for the office of Clerk be invited by advertisement.

Part of the duties to be the Clerk to attend at the weighhouse, issuing crane dockets on all market days if required.

And applications to be received and considered at next monthly meeting

The Board adjourned

Signed on behalf of the Board

Nomination paper for election of Commissioners for  
the Borough of Tuam, to be held on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of  
Oct 1886

The undersigned Reverend ~~of~~ Joseph Canton of 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 Name	Abode	Rank Profession
F. Latley	Thomas	Bishop St- Tuam	Blacksmith

Signed Joseph Canton C.C.  
Tuam Oct. 11<sup>th</sup> 1886

The said Thomas F. Latley was nominated in like  
form by M<sup>r</sup>. Michael Fahy and M<sup>r</sup>. Martin Diskin

Gleeson Michael, Vicar St. Tuam, Merchant was nomi-  
nated in like form by Rev. Joseph Canton M<sup>r</sup>. Charles H  
Blake and M<sup>r</sup>. Michael Fahy.

Glynn Martin J. Dublin Road Tuam, solicitor was  
nominated in similar form by Rev. Joseph Canton, M<sup>r</sup>.  
Charles H Blake and M<sup>r</sup>. Michael Fahy

O'Felanigan John A. Shop St Tuam. Merchant was  
nominated in similar form by Rev. Joseph Canton  
M<sup>r</sup>. Charles H Blake and M<sup>r</sup>. Michael Fahy

Silke John. Bishop St. Tuam. Blacksmith was nominated  
in similar form by Rev. Joseph Canton. M<sup>r</sup>. Michael Fahy &  
M<sup>r</sup>. Patrick McHugh

Notice of Nomination  
Town of Tuam  
Election of Commissioners

I the undersigned being the Town Clerk Pro tem  
for the said Town of Tuam hereby give notice that the  
Christian and Surnames of the persons nominated for  
election of Commissioners for the said Town and Borough  
of Tuam and their respective places of abode and description  
and the names of the persons nominating them are as follows

Surname	Other name	Abode	Rank Profession	Names of persons by whom nominated
Flatley	Thomas	Bishop St Tuam	Blacksmith	Rev. J. Cantor, M. Kelly & M. Dickin
Gleeson	Michael	Vicar St. Tuam	Merchant	Rev. J. Cantor, C. H. Blake & M. Kelly
Glynn	Markie J.	Dublin Rd. Tuam	Solicitor	Rev. J. Cantor, C. H. Blake & M. Kelly
O'Langhan	John A.	Shop St. Tuam	Merchant	Rev. J. Cantor, C. H. Blake & M. Kelly
Silk	John	Bishop St. Tuam	Blacksmith	Rev. J. Cantor, M. Kelly & P. Murphy

Signed

Peter Elwood

Town Clerk Pro tem

The foregoing was duly posted up through the town on the 14<sup>th</sup>  
day of October, 1886

### Notice of Candidates Elected Town of Tuam

### Election of Commissioners

I the undersigned being the returning officer for the  
election of Commissioners for the said Town of Tuam  
hereby give notice that the undersigned persons have been  
duly elected as Commissioners for the said Town: —

Surnames	Other Names	Abode	Rank Profession
Flatley	Thomas	Bishop St. Tuam	Blacksmith
Gleeson	Michael	near St. Tuam	Merchant
Glynn	Markie J.	Dublin Rd. Tuam	Solicitor
O'Langhan	John A.	Shop St. Tuam	Merchant
Silk	John	Bishop St. Tuam	Blacksmith

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Dated this 15<sup>th</sup> day of October 1886

Returning Officer

The foregoing were duly posted up the 16<sup>th</sup> day of Oct 1886

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Monday November 1<sup>st</sup> 1886

The usual monthly meeting was held to day

Patrick Calhoun Esq. Chairman presiding.

The other commissioners present were

Michael Fahy John F. Begley Martin J Glynn  
Martin C Ward James Flaherty Patrick Lyons  
James Nobilly John Dr. Philip Manus A Egan  
and John Silk Esquire.

Minutes of the last meeting having been read

#### Election of Town Clerk

Proposed by John F. Begley & Seconded by Michael Fahy  
that Francis Corbett be elected Town Clerk

Proposed by Thomas A Egan & Seconded by James Nobilly  
that Peter Quoade be elected

For Francis Corbett

John F. Begley  
Michael Fahy  
Martin C Ward  
Martin J Glynn  
James F. Flaherty  
the Chairman (6)

For Peter Quoade

Thomas A Egan  
James Nobilly  
Patrick Lyons  
John Dr. Philip Manus  
John Silk (5)

On the Motion of Mr. Loyous

It was agreed that the Cranner Thomas Deuyer do accept £30. for the duties of the weigh house and the crane at the square from the 1<sup>st</sup> day of October 86 to the 1<sup>st</sup> day 29<sup>th</sup> Sept 1887

Proposed by Mr. Flattery and seconded by Mr. silk

that William Deuyer be appointed Cranner at Potatoes Market at £10. per year

Proposed by Mr. Loyous and seconded by Mr. Fahy  
that John Butler be appointed

For. Wm Deuyer

For. John Butler

John silk

Martin J. Glynn

John T. Begley

Michael Fahy

Thomas Flattery (3)

Patrick Loyous

John M. Philpion

Proposed by Mr. Fahy and seconded by Mr. Flattery

that Samuel M. Sean's tender be accepted for  
the above months from the 1<sup>st</sup> day of November 1886  
to the 1<sup>st</sup> day of November 1887. to keep in proper  
working order the Town pumps water closets urinals  
of the Town Hall for the sum of £10.

Samuel M. Sean

I also will keep water supply for above  
closets urinals &c.

Monday November 8<sup>th</sup> 1886

Examined  
Meeting

Patrick Culkin Esq. chairman presiding  
The other Commissioners present were

Michael Fahy Thomas Flaherty Patrick McHugh  
Michael George and John O'Hanrahan Esquires

Town Commissioners office  
Novr 8<sup>th</sup> 1886

My dear Chancellor & Son  
Open

I am directed by the  
Town Commissioners to send you herewith  
cheque for £ 36. 4. 9 bal<sup>ee</sup> due to you for erection  
of Town Clock etc - and will thank you to  
acknowledge same & our clear rec't for all demands

I am  
Yours affecly  
Frank. O'Neill  
Town Clerk

Dublin Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> 1886

Mr. Francis Orleath  
Town Clerk.

Dear Sir

We beg to return the enclosed  
cheque £ 36. 4. 9 and are surprised your Commissioners  
would be guilty of treating us in such a manner  
after all the trouble we have been put to in this  
matter. We beg again to refer your Commissioners  
to the letter of the acting <sup>town</sup> Clerk written on their  
behalf on the 11<sup>th</sup> August in which they distinctly  
state they will settle the bal<sup>ee</sup> by giving £ 40. We  
must therefore ask you to send us this amount

O'DON

per return of post and save further trouble  
over the matter

Yours truly  
Dr Chancellor & Son  
Bathurst

Doune Commissioners office

10<sup>th</sup> November 1886

My dear Chancellor & Son  
Gen.

In reply to your letter of the 9<sup>th</sup> inst  
I have to acquaint you that the acting clerk has no authority  
from the Board to write you the letter of the 11<sup>th</sup> August and  
I refer you to his letter of the 22<sup>nd</sup> October last in which he  
then takes care of apprising you of deducting carriage  
according to your agreement. I also beg to remind you of  
your letter of Sept. 85 in which you desired the Board to pay  
carriage on your account. Said carriage to be deducted  
by your directions from the final payment of your contract.

The Board regrets this misunderstanding which  
they are sure must be most disagreeable both to you and  
to them

Yours respectfully  
Francis Corlett  
Your clerk

Dublin Nov. 11<sup>th</sup> 1886

Mr. Francis Corlett  
Your Clerk. Doune

dear Sir

In reply to your favour of the  
10<sup>th</sup> inst we beg to say again that all agreements regarding the  
price of the clock were cancelled by the Commissioners themselves through  
their acting Town Clerk in his letter of the 11<sup>th</sup> August in which the  
Commissioners proposed themselves to give £90. in full settlement  
of the matter. We accepted that offer in order to have the clock  
without further unpleasantness and in doing so we took off a sum  
of £15. - we never for a moment imagined that your Commissioners would  
think of breaking faith with us in this new settlement and

We must request you to send us the £40.  
and so end this very unpleasant business  
Yours faithfully  
for Chancellor & Son  
J N Scott

November 12<sup>th</sup> 1886

A special meeting was summoned  
pursuant to the following requisition

Sir.

You are requested to convene a meeting  
of the Commissioners on Monday next the 15<sup>th</sup> inst  
For the purpose of considering the Chancellor & Son  
letter and other letters of importance

Patrick Culkin C.C.C  
Michael Fahy J.C  
Patrick Joyce J.C  
John F. Begley J.C  
Malachy Malone J.C  
Patrick McHugh J.C  
Thomas Flattery J.C  
Michael Gleeson J.C

Sr.

Dr. Francis Corbett  
Town Clerk

Dublin Castle  
11<sup>th</sup> Nov. 1886

Sir.

I am directed by the Lord Lieutenant  
to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 1<sup>st</sup>  
instant in reference to your appointment to the office  
of Town Clerk of Dublin and to acquaint you that  
his Excellency is advised that his sanction to  
the appointment in question is not required

I am Sir  
Your obedient servant  
R. P. Hamilton

Dr. Francis Corbett  
Town Clerk  
Dublin

Poor Law Office  
I March 13<sup>th</sup>, November 1886

Sir.

The subject of a sufficient supply of good water for the Town of Tuam having been brought under consideration of the Board of Guardians of this Union at their meeting on Wednesday last by Dr. Todd Local Government Board Inspector I am directed to request that the Town Commissioners of Tuam will be so good as to inform the Guardians if they will consent to become the Sanitary Authority for the Town instead of the Board of Guardians the Guardians feeling that the Commissioners are better acquainted with what may be necessary in a sanitary point of view for the Town than the Board of Guardians can be

I am Sir

Dr Francis Corbett  
Town Clerk

Yours obedient servant  
John Morris  
Clerk of Union

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> November 1886

Special Meeting

Present. Patrick Culkin Esq. chairman presiding

John O'Flanagan Michael Fahy Michael Gleeson  
Martin D'Glynn & Patrick K. M. Hugh Esquires

Ordered that cheque be sent to Dr. Corbett over £40.

Tuam Commissioners office  
17<sup>th</sup> November 1886

Sir.

At an adjourned meeting of the Board on Monday last your communication of the 13<sup>th</sup> inst was laid before them and duly considered and after all due consideration of strictly adhering to their resolution of the 2<sup>d</sup> March 85 of respectfully declining to take up the sanitary business until the boundary is further extended in accordance with the Corke and Cotton Commission. Copies of this resolution has been ordered to be sent to your Board and the Local Government Board. I am Sir  
John Morris  
Clerk of Union

You are cordially  
Dr. Corbett  
John Morris  
Clerk of Union

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November 1886

Election of Chairman for the ensuing year

Present. Patrick Culkin

Michael Fehy Michael Gleeson John O'Hanrahan  
& Lawrence Burke Esquires

The object of the meeting was explained by the outgoing chairman. On his motion the Town Clerk was moved to the Chair

Proposed by Dr. O'Hanrahan and seconded by Dr. Lawrence Burke, that Mr. Culkin be elected chairman for the ensuing year was unanimously agreed to

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> December 1886

The usual monthly business meeting of the Board was held this day

Patrick Culkin Esq. chairman presiding  
Commissioners present

Michael Fehy Thomas Flatley John Hill  
Patrick McHugh Patrick Lyons Martin Glynn Esquires

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed and the financial business of the Board disposed of

Mr. Flatley handed in the following notice of motion

I take notice that I or some other Commissioner on my behalf will move at the next monthly meeting

of this Board that a committee be appointed to select a suitable site whereon to build a ballcourt for the use of the young men of this Town

Signed, Thomas Flattery  
and Martin J. Glynn

Mr. Glynn, proposed and Mr. Lyons seconded the following ~~motion~~ resolution

That we the Tuam Town Improvement Commissioners desire to earnestly impress upon the Directors and Shareholders of the Athlone and Tuam Railway Company the vital importance and desirability of their accepting the offer of the Midland for the purchase of the Athlone and Tuam line as we believe that such acceptance would <sup>be immense</sup> advantage to this Town and vicinity

The above resolution was unanimously approved of and ordered that copies be sent to the Secretaries of the Midland and Great Western ~~Railway~~ Waterford and Limerick Railway Companies

Tuam Commissioners office  
December 7<sup>th</sup> 1886

J. W. Green Esqr  
Sec. Waterford & Limerick

I beg to transmit herein copy of a resolution unanimously adopted by the Tuam Town Improvement Commissioners at their meeting held on Monday the 6<sup>th</sup> inst

Yours dear Sir  
Your obedient servant  
James Whittle  
Tuam Clerk

Secretary Midland & Great  
Western Railway Co. Boardroom  
Dublin

Tuam Commissioners office  
December 7<sup>th</sup> 1886

John J. Murphy Esqr

dear Sir I beg to transmit therein

Copy of a resolution unanimously adopted  
by the Swan Town Improvement Commissioners  
at their meeting held on Monday the 6<sup>th</sup> inst.

Secretary of Works &  
Swan St. Railway  
Company

I am dear Sir  
Your obedient  
Swan St. H.  
Town Clerk

Mr. William Stencells' tender for painting the  
metals of the Bridge giving same two coats of best  
material for £2 5. was accepted for £2 12 6

The washing place at the Bridge in Bishop St.  
was under discussion the clerk was ordered to report  
the matter to the Medical officer Doctor Douling:

Town Commissioners office  
John E Douling Esq M.D.

dear Sir

The washing  
place at the Bridge in Bishop St. was brought  
under the notice of the Board by one of the members  
and it was ordered by the Board to report the matter  
to you and to request that you will take immediate action  
to have the nuisance abated

I am dear Sir  
Your obedient servant  
Swan St. H.  
Town Clerk

Monday 31<sup>st</sup> Jany 1887

The usual Monthly meeting was held this day  
Patrick Culkin Esq. chairman presiding  
The other Commissioners present were

Michael Fahy Patrick M'Hugh Thomas Flattery  
Laurence Burke Martin O'Glynn John O'Flanagan  
and Michael Gleeson Esquires

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read  
and signed and the financial business of the Board  
disposed of

Mr. Flattery proposed in accordance with his notice  
of motion handed in at last monthly meeting and  
Mr. Glynn seconded that a Committee be appointed  
to select a suitable site whereon to build a Ball  
Court

The following Gentlemen were appointed as  
Members of the Committee

Patrick Culkin Patrick Lyons John O'Flanagan  
Thomas Flattery Laurence Burke Martin C. Ward  
and Patrick M'Hugh

The annexed communication was received from  
Doctor Dowling relative to the washing place at the  
Bridge in Bishop St.

Castlana House Limerick  
2<sup>nd</sup> Jan'y 1887

Dear Sir

Referring to your letter of the 30<sup>th</sup> ulto  
complaining of the filthy state of the surroundings of Bishop  
Street Bridge. I beg to say I have some months

ago reported the matter to the Board of Guardians for their consideration as sanitary authority. I am certainly of opinion the nuisance should be abated and shall draw attention immediately to your report

Yours faithfully  
John C Shulz M.D.

Mr. F. Corbett  
Town Clerk  
Ivane

It was ordered by the chairman to write to the Right Rev<sup>t</sup> & The Lord Bishop of ~~Dublin~~ <sup>Mayo</sup> as follows

Town Commissioners office  
Ivane 14<sup>th</sup> Sept 1887

My Lord

The attention of the Board has been directed to the state of the bushes on the Dublin <sup>Road</sup> overhanging the foot path, which are most dangerous to the public being a great thoroughfare for the inhabitants of the Town, on a former occasion my predecessor wrote to you on this matter when your Lordship was pleased to give directions to have them clipped and for which the Board felt very thankful

I have the honour to be

My Lord  
Your obedient servant

The Right Rev<sup>t</sup> The  
Lord Bishop of  
Ivane

F. Corbett. Town Clerk

The following is the reply from the Lord Bishop to the ~~original~~ letter

The Bishop has received Mr. Corbett's letter about the trees at Parkmore and it will be attended to  
Sept 17<sup>th</sup> 1887

The following Members of the Ball Court Committee  
met on Friday the 21<sup>st</sup> inst.

Patrick Culkin John O'Flanagan Thomas Glattery  
and Patrick Lyons

They considered that Meat Shambles the most  
suitable place wherein to build the Ball Court

Signed on behalf of the Board

Chairman

Special meeting  
By requisition

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July 1887

Patrick Culkin Esq. chairman presiding

The other Commissioners present were

Martin D. Glynn John O'Flanagan Thomas A. O'Farrell  
Laurence Burke Martin C. Ward Michael Foley Patrick Lyons  
John M. Philpott Michael Gleeson & John S. Egan

The following is a copy of the requisition pursuant to which  
the meeting was convened

Tuan 2<sup>nd</sup> July 1887

We the undersigned request that you will convene a meeting of the  
Tuan Town Improvement Commissioners to consider a resolution in  
favour of the proposed scheme for construction of a Railway from  
Tuan to Clarcarrow

Martin D. Glynn	J. C
Michael Foley	J. C
John T. Begley	J. C
Patrick McHugh	J. C
Martin C. Ward	J. C
John S. Egan	J. C
Patrick Culkin C.	J. C
John M. Philpott	J. C
Michael Gleeson	J. C
Thomas A. O'Farrell	J. C
Laurence Burke	J. C

John

The Town Clerk

Tuan

Mr. Glynn proposed and Mr. Burke seconded  
the following resolution

Resolved

that we the Inland Revenue Improvement  
Commissioners strongly recommend the Privy Council  
to sanction the proposed scheme of Railway from Tuam to  
Claremorris as we are of opinion that its construction would  
perfect the railway communication between Connaught  
and Munster, we desire further to express our opinion  
that the traffic along the proposed route fully justifies  
the conclusion that the line will be a profitable one apart  
from its utility in filling up what has been for so long a  
period recognised as the missing link in the railway  
system of the west of Ireland

Signed Martin J. Glynn  
Laurence Burke

Mr. O'Flanagan proposed and Mr. Lyons  
seconded the following amendment

A poll was taken which resulted as follows

For the resolution

Martin J. Glynn  
John M. Philbin  
Michael Fahy  
Martin C. Ward  
Thomas A. Egan  
Laurence Burke

For the amendment

John silk  
Patrick Lyons  
John O'Flanagan  
Patrick Culkin

Majority in favour of the resolution three

The Clerk was ordered to send a copy  
of the resolution to the Privy Council

The following was an amendment and  
Mr. O Flanagan proposed it and Mr. Loyens  
seconded.

I propose as an amendment to the resolution before  
the meeting that we the Four Commissioners representing  
the general opinion of the Town's people are strongly opposed  
to any act on our part that might be taken to assisting the Waterford  
Waterford and Limerick Railway Co. in again getting the control  
of the Tralee and Athlone, or a account of the injury they have  
done to the trade and markets of this Town by the excessive  
rates charged on their system, and the ~~various~~ various manner  
generally in which they have worked the line, and that as we  
consider them now coming forward as promoters of the Tralee  
and Athlone railway is done merely for the object of  
influencing Parliament in granting them a renewal of their  
lease of the Tralee line, and not in the interests of the taxpayers  
on whom they are trying to fix a heavy guarantee for the  
construction of, and payment of dividends from the proposed  
railway. That we hereby pledge ourselves to do all we  
can to prevent their again getting control of the Tralee and  
Athlone line or the working of the Tralee or Limerick  
line.

Signed John O' Flanagan  
Patrick Loyens

A poll was taken which resulted as follows

In the resolution

Michael Gleeson  
John M. Philpot  
Michael Fahy  
Martin Ward  
Thomas O'Brien  
Laurence Beale  
Martin O'Glynn (7)

In the amendment

John silk  
Patrick Loyens  
John O' Flanagan  
Patrick Culkin (4)

Majority in favour of the resolution three

The Clerk was ordered to send a copy of the

# Resolution to the County Council

Mr. O'Flanagan proposed and Sirnoo seconded that a copy of the amendment he also sent a pro forma take which resulted as follows

For the amendment  
John silk  
Patrick Lyons  
Michael Fahy  
John O'Flanagan  
Patrick Culkin (5)

against  
Michael Gleeson  
John McPhilpin  
Martin C Ward  
Thomas A. Egan  
Laurence Burke  
Martin J Glynn (6)

Majority against the amendment one

Signed on behalf of the Board

Chairman

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> Feby, 1887

The usual monthly meeting was held this day  
Patrick Culkin Esq. chairman presiding  
The other commissioners present were

Patrick Lyons Laurence Burke Michael Fahy,  
John O'Flanagan & Patrick McHugh Esquires

The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed to  
and the financial business of the Board disposed of

The Board then adjourned to Monday  
the 14<sup>th</sup> inst.

Adjudged Meeting Monday 14<sup>th</sup> February 1887

Patrick Calkin Esq C.J.C. present

In consequence of the non attendance of the other members  
the meeting stands further adjourned to next Monday meeting

Geo. Garbett  
Town Clerk

The following telegram was received from Francis O'Connor Esq C.C. Ennis  
Ennis 21<sup>st</sup> Feb 1887

To Town Clerk Ennis

Let me know did Commissioners  
take possession of Hall before September 1885 if so what date  
will reply

Francis O'Connor Ennis

Reply.

To Francis O'Connor Ennis

Commissioners held meetings in Lower Room from 1<sup>st</sup> June  
1885 did not get possession till September following

Geo. Garbett  
Town Clerk

To Town Clerk Ennis

Let me know by return post  
if defects shown in building before first Sept 1886 and any  
other information

Francis O'Connor

Lower Commissioners office  
Ennis 21<sup>st</sup> Feb 1887

Francis O'Connor Esq C.C.

dear Sir

In reply to your telegram

I beg to say that the commissioners took up the building on the  
16<sup>th</sup> Sept 1885 and that Mr. Brady who has charge of the Town

Clock reported to the Commissioners previous to that  
the existing state of the Tower and wrote to the architect  
Mr. Donnellan what effect the Town Clerk also wrote by  
directions of the chairman, complaining of the several leakages  
and the unpruned state of the building and got no reply

Mr. Donnellan did not come here until after he received  
Mr. Donnellan, the Town architect report of the unfinished  
state of the building, particulars of which has already been  
supplied to you

I am dear Sir

You will see at

Dear Clerk

Town Clerk

Special  
Meeting

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Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> Feby 1887

Having received ~~the~~ telegram from Mr. Conway  
Sol. to the Board in which he suggested the desirability  
of convening a special meeting of the Board for the purpose  
of considering Mr. Conway's letter Mr. O'Connor report  
plan and specification of building and after due consideration  
the Board was unanimous in directing the Clerk to notify  
Mr. Conway to submit case to imminent Council

Iowa Commissioner office  
Iowa 24<sup>th</sup> Feby 1887

P. J. Conway Esq.

dear Sir

Acting on your telegram of yesterday  
a special meeting was convened for 12 o'clock today the  
following members attended, the chairman, Mr. Collier  
Mr. Fahy Mr. Ward Mr. Silas Mr. Egan & Mr. Angier  
at which your letter Mr. O'Connor report plan respecification  
was considered and which after careful consideration the  
Board were unanimous that you would submit the case  
to Council and they believe that Mr. Conway has made a good  
case. The chairman thought well of having the minutes  
documents to keep from the minutes and sent for your consideration

~~An~~ further information you require he will be happy to send you. The Commissioners are most anxious about the case.

Your dear Sir  
The Collector  
Franklin Webb  
Your Clerk

Special  
Meeting }

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> July 1887

Patrick Culkin Esq C I C presiding

The other commissioners present were

Michael Fahy John silk Martin Ward  
Thomas A Egan & Patrick M Hugh Esquires

Having received a telegram from Mr Conway sol. to the Board in which he suggested the desirability of convening a special meeting of the Board for the purpose of considering Mr Conway's letter Mr O'Conor's report plan and specification of building and after due consideration the Board was unanimous in directing the Clerk to write to Mr Conway to submit case to imminent Council.

Your Commissioners office  
Tuan 24<sup>th</sup> July 1887

J. J. Conway Esq

dear Sir

Acting on your telegram of  
yesterday a special meeting was convened at 12 o'clock noon.  
to day the following members attended the Chairman Mr Culkin  
Mr Fahy Mr ~~Hugh~~ silk Mr Ward Mr Egan & Mr Hugh Esq  
at which your letter Mr O'Conor's report plan & specification  
was considered and which after careful consideration the Board  
were unanimous that you would submit the case to Council and  
they believe that Mr O'Conor has made a good case

The chairman thought well of having the enclosed documents taken from the minutes and sent for your consideration  
any further information you require he will be happy  
to send you. The commissioners are most anxious about the  
case

I am dear Sir  
Yours etc &c  
Dr. C. White  
Chairman

Signed on behalf of the Board

Chairman

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> March 1887

The usual Monthly Meeting was held to day

Patrick Culkin Esq: Chairman presiding

The other commissioners present were

Michael Fahy Martin O'Glynn Saucree Barrister  
Patrick Murphy Thomas Kelly & John O'Hanrahan Esquires

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and  
signed & the financial business of the Board disposed of

The following letter was read from Mr. Ward

Patrick Culkin Esq: C. J.C

Dear March 7<sup>th</sup> 1887

M.

I beg to place my resignation  
before the Board this day, as I do not intend to act as a  
member any longer -

I am dear Sir  
respectfully yours  
Martin O'Ward

Mr. Glynn proposed and Mr. O'Flanagan seconded  
that the Clerk be directed to write to Mr. Ward to reconsider  
his decision.

Mr. Glynn proposed & Mr. Fahy seconded the  
following resolution

That we the Quay Town Improvement Commissioners hereby  
place on record our entire disapproval of the high handed action  
of the Government in removing from the chairmanship of Waterford  
Sir Thomas Esmonde whose only crime has been his unceasing  
and untiring efforts to promote the interests of the tenantry of Ireland

Signed      Martin J. Glynn  
                Mr. Fahy

The Clerk was ordered to send copies of the above resolution  
to Sir Thomas Esmonde and to the Chief Secretary for Ireland

The Board then adjourned to Monday the 14<sup>th</sup> inst.

Signed on behalf of the Board

Chairman

Dunraven Commissioners office  
March 7<sup>th</sup> 1887

Martin C Ward Esq. F.C.

Sir

Your letter of resignation having been  
read at meeting of the Board to day, it was unanimously resolved to ask  
you to reconsider the matter, with a view that you would withdraw the  
letter and continue a member of the Board. all the members present  
desire you would do so, and will, should you determine otherwise deeply  
regret it.

I am Sir

Your obt servt  
Dr. A. G. Webb  
Dunraven

Town Commissioners office  
Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> March 1887

Sir Thomas H. G. Lamond, Bart  
my  
Sir.

I have been directed by  
my board at its meeting to day, to forward you copy  
of resolution as hereunder passed unanimously

I have the honour  
to be your obedient  
G. J. White  
Town Clerk

Town Commissioners office  
Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> March 1887

The Right Hon S A Balfour M P  
Chief secretary for Ireland

Sir.

I enclose copy of resolution passed unanimously at a meeting  
of the Town Board held on the 7<sup>th</sup> inst

I have the honour to be  
your obedient  
G. J. White  
Town Clerk

Adjourned  
Meeting }

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> March 1887

Patrick Caldon Esqr C. I. C. present

In consequence of the non attendance of the other  
members the meeting stands further adjourned  
to next monthly meeting

G. J. White  
Town Clerk

Special Meeting } Monday 21<sup>st</sup> March 1887  
 By requisition } Patrick Cullin Esq chairman presiding

The other commissioners present were

Thomas A. Egan Michael Gleeson Patrick Lyons  
 and Patrick McHugh Esquires

The following is a copy of the requisition parchment to which  
 the meeting was convened

Dr. Francis Corlett Esq  
 Town Clerk

Sir

In the undersigned request that you  
 will convene a meeting of the Inland Revenue Commissioners  
 on Monday the 21<sup>st</sup> inst. for the purpose of protesting against the brutal  
 conduct of the authorities in Yonghal and also to consider a resolution  
 adopted by the Galway Grand Jury relative to the state of the Country

Signed.

Patrick Lyons	2. C
Patrick McHugh	2. C
Martin J. Glynn	2. C
Michael Gleeson	2. C
Thomas Flattery	2. C
John Sibley	2. C
James Nohilly	2. C
Patrick Cullin	c. 2. C
John M. Philpott	2. C

Mr Egan proposed and Mr Gleeson seconded  
 the following resolution

Resolved.

We the Inland Revenue Commissioners at a special  
 meeting called for the purpose, enter our protest against the action  
 of the Galway Grand Jury in passing a resolution relative to the  
 state of the Country. We emphatically deny that there is any

increase of crime, on the contrary we hold that the Country  
is unexceptionally free from crime and outrage and we deny  
the right of such a self constituted and non ~~representative~~  
representative body to put forward such a resolution which we  
consider a libel on the peaceful inhabitants of this Country

Signed. Thomas A. Egan  
Michael Gleeson

The following resolution was proposed by Mr. Loyne  
and seconded by Mr. McHugh

Resolved,

That we the Town Commissioners of the Borough of  
Dunow take this as our earliest opportunity to protest against  
the arrest and imprisonment of Rev'd Father Muller which we  
look upon as an insult offered to all Catholics. We also  
hail with untold and pleasure Father Muller's conduct whose  
noble example still further strengthens the bonds of friendship  
between priest and people, thus adding fresh vigour to our  
National aspirations, which we shall never cease until we  
have free and happy homes. We also condemn in the  
strongest manner the brutal murder of poor Hanlon by  
the police in Mysore, to the relatives of the deceased we  
extend our sincere sympathy.

Signed. Patrick Loyne  
Patrick McHugh

It was proposed by the Chairman ~~and seconded~~  
~~and seconded by Mr. Egan~~ that a copy of the  
foregoing resolution be sent to Father Muller and  
also

Proposed by the chairman and seconded  
by Dr. Egan that the Clerk be ordered to send a  
copy of the foregoing resolution to the Rev'd Father Muller  
and also to the Marquis of Salisbury and the  
chief secretary for Ireland

~~To the Commissioners Office  
London 24<sup>th</sup> March 1887~~

~~To the Most Hon. the Marquis of Salisbury  
20 Arlington Street  
London S.W.~~

~~My Lord Marquis~~

~~May I please your Lordship. By direction of my Board  
the Queen's Improvement Commissioners enclose you  
copy of resolution adopted by them at their meeting on the 21<sup>st</sup> inst.~~

~~It is honour to be  
My Lord Marquis your Lordship's  
Most Obedt Servt  
P. C.  
Your Clerk~~

~~To the Commissioners Office  
London 24<sup>th</sup> March 1887~~

~~Mr. A. deasler~~

~~I have been directed by my Board at its  
Meeting to day, specially convened for the purpose to send you  
hereunder copy of resolution passed by them unanimously  
Patrick Culkin Esq Chairman presiding~~

~~I am Mr. A. deasler  
Your Obedient  
Servt  
P. C.  
Your Clerk~~

~~To the Commissioners Office  
London 24<sup>th</sup> March 1887~~

~~To the Most Hon. the Marquis of Salisbury  
20 Arlington Street. London S.W.~~

~~My Lord Marquis~~

~~Dear Lord Marquis. May it please  
your Lordship. By direction of my Board the Queen's Improvement Commissioners  
enclose to you copy of resolution adopted by them at their meeting on the 21<sup>st</sup> inst.~~

~~It is honour to be my Lord Marquis your  
Obedt Servt  
P. C.  
Your Clerk~~

Done Commissioners office  
Guan 21<sup>st</sup> March 1887

The Right Hon J A Balfour M P  
Chief Secretary for Ireland

Sir.

I have the honour to send  
you copy of resolution passed unanimously at a special  
Meeting of the Board convened this day

I have the honour to be  
Your obedient servant  
J. G. Lubbock

Done this

Signed on behalf of the Board

Chairman

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> April 1887

The usual monthly meeting was held today

Patrick Calkin Esq. chairman presiding

The other commissioners present were

John O'Hanagan Thomas A Egan John W. Philpott  
Thomas Flattery John Sils Michael Fahy Lawrence Burke  
Martin & Glynn & Patrick McHugh Esquires

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed  
and the financial business of the Board disposed of.

Proposed by Mr. Fahy & seconded by Mr. W. Philpott  
and unanimously agreed to that Doctor Donlevy be elected  
a member of this Board in room of Mr. Martin & Ward resigned

The changing of the Pig Fair from the 10<sup>th</sup> May to the  
day previous the 9<sup>th</sup> was under discussion it was ordered  
that 300 placards be got for that purpose

Mr. Glynn drew the attention of the Board to the Bell Court which was deferred until Mr. Conway sol. to the Board confer with the Sandford Dr. Higgins

On the motion of Mr. Egan it was arranged that a committee of the whole board meet on Friday next at the hour 1. o'clock P.M. to try and get a more suitable place for the Weighing Machine and if they did not succeed that tenders be invited for erecting a weigh house in the Square

~~Mr. Glynn proposed and Mr. Flattery seconded the following resolution and it was unanimously resolved that the Clerk be ordered to send copies to the Prime Minister Chief Secretary Right Hon. W. E. Gladstone Charles Stewart Parnell Esq. M.P. and Coml. John P. Nolan. M.P.~~

Mr. Glynn proposed and Mr. Flattery seconded the following resolution

We the Tenant Farmers Improvement Commissioners hereby protest in the strongest possible manner against the measure of coercion proposed by the present Government. we are of opinion that the state of our country in no manner justifies the action of the Government, as it was never in a more peaceable state. we look upon it <sup>in</sup> no other light than as a sort of relief Bill to assist landlords in the collection of impossible and unjust rents

Signed Martin D. Glynn  
Thomas Flattery

It was unanimously resolved that the Clerk be ordered to send copies of the above resolution to the Prime Minister Chief Secretary Right Hon. W. E. Gladstone M.P. Charles Stewart Parnell Esq. M.P. and Coml. J. P. Nolan M.P.

The following letters were read

Chief Secretary's Office Dublin Castle  
10<sup>th</sup> March 1887

Sir

I am directed by Mr. Balfour to acknowledge

The receipt of a copy of the resolution passed at a  
Meeting of the Swan Down Improvement Commissioners  
on the 7<sup>th</sup> inst. respecting the removal of Sir Thomas  
Esmonde from the shirevalty of Waterford  
Yours obediently  
J. S. Woods

J. Curbett Esq

House of Commons  
March 16<sup>th</sup> 87

Dear Sir

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter  
of March 7<sup>th</sup> enclosing a copy of the resolution passed by  
the Swan Down Commissioners relative to my suspension  
in the Waterford shirevalty. I feel very much complimented  
by the action of the Swan Down Commissioners in this matter  
and will ask you to kindly convey to them the expression  
of my sincere thanks. I have not been able to receive  
the receipt of the resolution before now but ~~that~~ for the last  
week have been unwell and unable to attend to business

I am dear Sir  
With great respect  
Thomas W. Nathan Esmonde

J. Curbett Esq  
Town Clerk

Adjourned }  
Meeting }

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April 1887

~~Patrick Culkin Esq Chairman and  
Martin J. Glynn Esq. were ~~not~~ <sup>not</sup> ~~able~~ <sup>able</sup> to attend in consequence  
having a Glorom there was no meeting held.~~

Special Meeting }  
By requisition }

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> April 1887

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> April 1887

Special meeting convened by the following requisition

At the undersigned request you will convene a meeting of the Inman Town Improvement Commissioners to consider Mr. Concourse's sol. letter relative to taking possession for rent of Fair Green

Martin J Glynn	2. c
Patrick Loyne	2. c
Patrick Calkin	2. c
Michael Fahy	2. c
Thomas Flatty	2. c
Patrick MHugh	2. c
Thomas A Egan	2. c
James McMillin	2. c
Michael Gleeson	2. c
John T Begley	2. c
John Silk	2. c

Is.

The Town Clerk

Inman

Present: Patrick Calkin Esq. chairman  
Lawrence Burke and Thomas Flatty Egan

There not being a quorum there was no meeting held  
The chairman ordered that the following notice be inserted in  
the Inman News

#### Notice to Contractors

The Inman Town Commissioners invite  
tenders and specifications for the erection of a red Brick High House  
in the square with a cut stone base at least three feet over the  
foundations. The work to be fully completed in one month from the date  
of the tender being delivered. said tenders to be considered at the next  
monthly meeting of the board. The lowest or any tender need not be  
accepted.

By order

Frank Calke

Town Clerk

The following communication having been received  
from the Clerk, Dublin Corporation a special Meeting  
was held on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> April to consider it.

Town Clerk's Office  
City Hall  
Dublin 19<sup>th</sup> April 1887

M.

I am directed by the Corporation of Dublin to request  
you will bring under the consideration of your Board the  
following resolutions unanimously adopted at a special Meeting  
of the Municipal Council of Dublin held yesterday to consider  
the provisions of the Criminal Law (Ireland) Amendment Bill

Resolved. That we, the Municipal Representatives of the citizens  
of Dublin, in Council assembled hereby express, on their behalf  
as well as on our own, our indignation and astonishment  
at the introduction into the House of Commons of an Irish  
Crimes Bill of such a despotic character, that if  
passed into law, it will annihilate civil liberty in  
Ireland. We protest in the face of the civilized world  
against the conduct of the Government of England. We  
protest a country that has for years proclaimed itself  
the propagandist of civil liberty all over the world  
in now endeavouring to pass this atrocious penal law  
in the purpose of suppressing the rights and liberties of  
the people of Ireland. That Ireland having been for the  
last thirty-five years subjected to the worst system of  
Government, as regards her material interests, of any  
country in the civilized world, our people are now  
threatened to be persecuted with a penal as bad as the  
worst of those passed during the eighteenth century  
against such a system we again solemnly  
protest.

That the action taken by the Council this day  
be forthwith communicated to the Premier, to Mr. Gladstone  
Mr. Parnell, the Right Hon. the Lord Mayor, the  
High Sheriff and the Members of this Council  
now in Parliament, and that copies hereof be

forwarded to the Municipal and other representative  
Boards in Ireland

I am etc  
Your obedient servant  
John Resbridge  
Town Clerk

The meeting consisted of

Patrick Calster Esq chairman presiding  
Martin J. Glynn, Lawrence Bentle Patrick McHugh  
and John Silo Esquires.

Dr. Glynn proposed and Dr Bentle seconded  
the adoption of the aforesaid resolutions which was unanimously  
agreed to and ordered to be inserted on the minutes

I John C. Douglass do 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 the Town  
Councils and Local Boards Act 1889.

And that I am in occupation of a dwelling house in the  
Town of Limerick to the relief of the poor at the rent annual  
value or upwards of £4

Subscribed before me this  
Witness

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 1887

The usual monthly meeting of the Board was held to day

Patrick Calster Esq chairman presiding

The other Commissioners present were.

John F. Begley Lawrence Bentle John Silo  
Michael Fahy Thomas & Egan & Patrick McHugh Esquires  
The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed and  
the financial business of the Board disposed of

The erection of the weigh house was under discussion. The notice inviting tenders for same being insufficient, it was agreed that Mr. Donnelan ~~to~~ prepare plans & specifications for which Mr. Foley proposed and Mr. Begley seconded that he <sup>be</sup> paid £1-. It was then proposed by the chairmen and unanimously agreed to that a committee of the whole board do meet on Friday next the 6<sup>th</sup> inst for the purpose of considering the plans and specification.

The proportion of dog tax that the Petty sessional Clerks is supposed to lodge to the Cr. of the commissioners was in an discussion. The Clerk was ordered to write to Mr. O'Shaughnessy the Registrar of Petty Sessional Clerks with the view of ascertaining from him the scale upon which such tax is apportioned.

After which the meeting adjourned to Monday next the 4<sup>th</sup> inst.

The following <sup>letters</sup> correspondence was received & read

House of Commons  
April 15<sup>th</sup> 1887

Sir.

I am directed by Mr. Gladstone to acknowledge with his cordial thanks the receipt of the resolution which you have done him the honour to transmit to him on behalf of the Town Commissioners, after

I am Sir

Daniel Corbett Esq

My obedient servant  
Edward ~~Spencer~~ Spencer Leyton

House of Commons  
21<sup>st</sup> April 1887

Dear Sir

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of the resolution of the Town Commissioners against the Coercion Act proposed by the present Government, when I shall

an opportunity of speaking on the measure I shall urge the argument which the resolution embodies that Ireland as exemplified by the Limerick District is in the most peaceful condition and in no way wishes for, or requires such drastic legislation.

I am

Chairman Limerick Town

Commissioners, Limerick

after the reading of the foregoing communication the meeting adjourned to Monday next the 9<sup>th</sup> inst.

Present.

Believe me

Faithfully yours

J. P. Nolan

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May 1887

Patrick Culkin Esq. Chairman

There was no other Member in attendance

Adjourned  
Meeting

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May 1887

In consequence of the non attendance of the Members the meeting stands further adjourned to Monday next the 16<sup>th</sup> inst.

Frank Cribbitt

John Clark

Spoken on behalf of the meeting

Chairman

Adjourned  
Meeting

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> May 1887

Present

Patrick Culkin Esq. Chairman

John T. Begley and Lawrence P. Mc. Egan,

There not being a quorum the meeting was not held and was further adjourned to Monday next the 23<sup>rd</sup> inst.

Frank Cribbitt

John Clark

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 1886

A adjourned meeting ) In consequence of the non attendance of the  
members the meeting was further adjourned  
to next monthly meeting Monday 6<sup>th</sup> of June  
Signed  
John C. H. P.

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June 1887

The usual monthly meeting was held today

Patrick Cullin Esq chairman presiding

The other commissioners present were

John O'Flanagan Horatio A. Egan John E. Donley M.D.  
Michael Fahy & Laurence Burke Esquires

Mr. John E. Donley having signed his  
declaration took his seat as a member the Board

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and  
signed & the financial business of the Board approved

Owing to an omission in the placards inviting  
tenders for the street cleaning &c the contract  
was ordered to be re-advertised and that the  
Contractor be required to give two solvent sureties  
with their consents in writing to bind us a bond for  
the performance of the contract to the satisfaction of  
the chairman on the time being

The following letters were read a

1587  
87  
Sir.

Duthie Castle  
9<sup>th</sup> May 1887

In order to explain the matter referred to in your letter of 6<sup>th</sup> inst it is necessary to enter into the following details.

Salaries of P. S. Clerks were originally composed of (1) fees i.e. produce of stamps (2) sums payable in respect of fines (3) poundage on dog tax

Until the passing of the P. S. Clerks Act 1881 (44 & 45 Vic c 18) salaries were varied annually & raised or lowered according to the rise or fall of receipts for fees, fines & dog tax in each district. That Act (sec 1) abolished a revenue & provided that salaries should not be reduced below the amount fixed at appointment or at any time during the tenure of office. It contained a further provision (sec 2) under which is authorized the deduction from the surplus dog money payable to Local Authorities of the sum by which the moneys (arising from fees, fines and poundage on dog tax) primarily available for clerks salaries fall short of the amount of those salaries.

It is obvious that the sum so to be deducted from surplus dog money in order to make up clerks salaries would be increased (1) by additions to salaries (2) by falling off in receipts for fees &c.

Both these causes have operated to increase the deductions (a) In 1881 soon after the passing of the Act a system of increments to Clerks salaries was created by the Lord Lieutenant, the effect of which has been to increase these by about £9,000 a year (b) There has been from 1880 to the present time a falling off in receipts for fees & fines, the totals for the last three years have been for 1884 £43,000 for 1885 £38,800 for 1886 £36,000.

The result of the two causes has been to necessitate increased deductions from the surplus dog money payable to Local Authorities all over Ireland, the sums deducted being added to the moneys available for clerks salaries from fees, fines and poundage on dog tax in order to make up those salaries.

The effect of these deductions on Dublin has been to reduce the supplies surplus dog tax payable to that Town  
 In 1885 (in respect of dog tax                          in '84) £ 3. 14. 4  
 In 1886 }    "                          85) £ 2. 10. 0  
 In 1887 }    "                          86) £ 1. 2. 4

The amount of surplus paid to Dublin in 1880 before the passing of the Act was £ 6. 3. 9

The

The receipts for Dog Tax in Tuam for 1884 was £17 2.- for 1885 £15 8- for 1886 £13. 6-

In conclusion I beg to say that a step has been taken in the only direction which the existing state of the law permits to diminish the charge for clerks salaries by an order of His Excellency, the Lord Lieutenant of the 6<sup>th</sup> day of December 1886 reducing the scale of salaries of clerks appointed after that date

I am

sir

Your obedient servant  
M Martelli

for Registrar

Francis Arlott Esq

Town Clerk

Town Commissioners Office

Tuam

Dublin Castle

10<sup>th</sup> May 1887

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87

Sir.

In reply to your letter of 9th inst I beg to inform you that upon referring to the returns in this department I find that a moiety of the fines for drunkenness in the Town of Tuam is paid to the Constabulary & the remainder to the Town Council

I am sir

Your obedient servant  
M. Martelli

for Registrar

The Town Clerk

Tuam

The chairman proposed & Mr. Fahy seconded that the Clerk be directed to insert the foregoing letters on the Minutes was unanimously agreed to

The Clerk was also directed to write to Mr. P J Gannon Clerk Petty sessions

to request that he would furnish the Board with returns of the dog tax and fines for drunkenness within the Borough for the last three years.

After which the Board adjourned the meeting to Monday next the 13<sup>th</sup> inst.

Signed.

adjourned  
meeting }

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> June 1887

Patrick Calkin Esq. chairman presiding

The other commissioners present were

John O'Flanagan John Begley Lawrence Brumle  
Michael Fahy & Patrick M. Hugh esquires

Tenders for cleaning contract were opened. There were two tenders as follows. Thomas Nolan £47. 10. 0 and John Flaherty £43. 10. 0. John Flaherty being informal. Mr. Fahy proposed and the chairman seconded that Thomas Nolan's tender be accepted was unanimously agreed to. The tender is as follows

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> June 1887

The Chairman

The Four Commissioners

James

John

I propose and agree to take and become contractor for the cleaning & raking of the streets & lanes within the town from the 2<sup>d</sup> July 1887 to the 2<sup>d</sup> July 1888 according to advertisement for the sum of £47. 10. 0 and I offer for my services for the faithful fulfilment of same Mr. Michael O'Brien James and Mr. Patrick Seeson Ruane

Sam Grilleman Jr. A.B.A.S.  
Thomas Nolan Ruane

We the undersigned will become severally  
Thomas Nolan for the above

Michael C Shine  
Patt. Seesn  
J. Dunn

Mr. O. Flanagan brought under the notice of  
the Board the unsanitary state of the river at Mr.  
Blakiss store and at the little Mill and after some  
discussion on the matter, handed in the following  
resolution.

I propose that the opening to the river at  
Mr. Blakiss store, and at the little Mill near Mr.  
Sugdens house <sup>be</sup> temporarily closed during the  
present dry weather and that the pump be  
removed from Mr. Blakiss to the Carragh entrance  
to the river, was unanimously agreed to

Signed John O Flanagan  
Michael Fahy

The Clerk was directed to communicate with the  
Sanitary authorities as follows

From Commissioner office

Done 14<sup>th</sup> June 1887

Sir.

Attention having been called at the meeting of my Board  
on Monday last to the outbreak of typhus fever in this  
Town. I was directed to request that you would bring under  
the notice of your sanitary Board tomorrow the necessity  
of clearing the river from the Carragh factory to the Mill  
pond at the Bridge in Shop street which part of the river  
is at present in a condition dangerous to the public health

Dear Sir

At John Morris

Clerk Town Council. Tuam

The Board then adjourned

You obedient servant

Frank McGett

Town Clerk

## Notice to Contractors, Scaping & Cleansing the Streets

Take notice that the Inman Town Improvement Commissioners will, at their monthly meeting on Monday, 13<sup>rd</sup> June next receive and consider proposals from parties willing to contract for the sweeping, cleansing and watering of the streets and lanes within the Town and Removing the Manure and loose stones therefrom for 12 months from the 2<sup>nd</sup> July 1887 to 2<sup>nd</sup> July 1888. The extent of the streets to be cleansed is as follows viz. The square Bishop street to the end of the Dead wall, Shop street as far as Mr. McDonnell's Garden wall Tallaghty Road as far as the Fair Green gate, Ballygaddy Road as far as Mr. Rishworth's Wool store, Galway Road as far as the church gate Vicar street as far as church view House, Dublin Road as far as the Convent gate and the footpaths on both sides as far as Mr. Burke's gate, Circular Road, The Mall, Stable Lane Saw pit Lane church Lane Chapel Lane Evans Lane and over the Bridge as far as Mr. Rishworth's stores the New Potatoe Market place and all flagways Pavements and channels in front of ruins and unoccupied spaces.

Scaled tenders endorsed tender  
for cleansing, enclosing the names of two solvent sureties  
with their consents in writing to join in a bond for the perfor-  
mance of the Contract to the satisfaction of the chairman for the  
time being, will be received in the letter box of the Board  
Room up to the taking of the chair on the above named  
day. By order.

Frank Whett. Town Clerk

Commissioner of Inman  
June 4<sup>th</sup> 1887

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> July 1887

In consequence of the non attendance of the members  
the meeting stands adjourned to Monday next the 11<sup>th</sup> instant

Frank Whett  
Town Clerk

Adjourned }  
Meeting }

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July 1887

Patrick Culkin Esq. Chairman Present

The other Commissioners present were

John O'Hanagan Michael Gleeson James Whilly  
Patrick McHugh John silk & Michael Fahy Esquires

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed  
& the financial business of the Board disposed of

The following letters were read

Petty Sessions Team  
13<sup>th</sup> June 1887

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your communication demanding that I should supply you with certain Returns for the information of the Team Town Commissioners. viz. the compilation of Returns such as these, for so long a period as three years, would entail considerable trouble and involve no small share of expense and under the circumstances perhaps you would be good enough to inform me in the first place who would defray the expense, and in the second place under what statute and by what authority your Board is empowered to demand such Returns.

I am Sir

Your faithful servant  
P. J. Gavanum  
C. P. S.

Dublin Castle

20<sup>th</sup> June 1887

Sir

In reply to your letter of the 16<sup>th</sup> inst, I beg to say that as it does not appear to form part of the duty

of a clerk of Petty sessions to furnish the returns sought by the Town Commissioners of Duan. I am not in a position to direct the Clerk to do so. I beg to add that there is no scale of charges which would enable me to say what would be a fair payment for making out such returns, in case he undertook the task. I enclose a statement showing the amounts received for Dog Tax in Duan for the years 1884, 1885, 1886, and giving such information as the returns made to this Department enable me to furnish with respect to fines for Drunkenness within the Borough of Duan for each of those years.

If the Commissioners desire a detailed statement of the cases in which the fines were imposed & if they will signify their desire to inspect & make extracts from the order books for that purpose, I shall be happy to submit their request to His Excellency, the Lord Lieutenant, who has power under 14 & 15 Vic. c 93 sec 5, to permit an examination of the books, in cases which require or justify such examination.

I am sir

Duan Corbett Esq

Town Clerk Duan

John Gladwin Suratt

R D Shaughnessy

### Duan Petty Sessions

Year	Amount of Dog Tax						Lodged in Bank
	Received	Paid to Commissioners					
1884	17 2	"	3 19	44			shortable 1. 14. 4
1885	15 8	"	2 10	"			ov 3 - 19. 4
1886	13 6	-	1 2	4	*		ov 2 - 10. 0
							+ 1. 2. 4 is for year to 1887

Year	Amount of Drunkenness Fines						Lodged in Bank
	Paid to Commissioners	Paid to Constabulary					
1884	15 12 3	15 12 6	1884		16	"	"
1885	12 7 9	12 7 9	1885		13	11	3
1886	11 9 .	11 9 .	1886	39. 14. 0	10	2	9
		39 9 3					4. 9 lodged in excess of returns

N.B. There are no means in this Department of ascertaining the amount of fines imposed for Drunkenness within the Borough. No 2 presumably shows the amount of such fines which were paid as it appears the constabulary prosecute in all such

Cases at Inam, so that all sums received in respect of them become payable in moieties to the constabulary and the Town Commissioners. The Return No 2 is taken from accounts rendered to this Department by the Clerk of Petty Sessions

There was a letter read from Mr Thomas Nolan (Toll Farmer) asking the Board for an abatement in his rent for the present year tolls & customs the consideration of which was deferred

The Clerk was directed to write to Mr. Harris as follows.

Town Commissioners  
Inam 13<sup>th</sup> July 1887

John Harris Esq C E  
dear Sir.

I am directed by the chairman to remind you of your promise of sending Plans & specifications for Nigh House. He desires me to request that you will be kind enough let him have them at your earliest convenience.

Yours very truly  
James Collett  
Town Clerk

The Board were adjourned

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> August 1887

Patrick Collett Esq - C I C present  
not having a quorum the meeting was adjourned to Monday next the 8<sup>th</sup> inst.

James Collett  
Town Clerk

Special meeting  
by requisition

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> Augt 1887

Patrick Collett Esq chairman presiding

The other commissioners present were

Marko J Glynn Thomas A Egan John O'Flanagan  
John C Donley M.D. Patrick McHugh John Silke  
& Michael Gleeson

The following is a copy of the requisition pursuant to which  
the meeting was convened

In the undersigned request you will convene a meeting  
of the Gram Town Improvement Commissioners on Friday  
next the 5<sup>th</sup> inst. for the purpose of considering their specifications  
of Hugh House

Signed

Patrick Caldwin	C.C.
Patrick Lyons	C.C.
Michael Fahy	C.C.
John F Begley	C.C.
James Nohilly	C.C.
Michael Gleeson	C.C.
Patrick McHugh	C.C.

To.

The Town Clerk  
Gram

2<sup>nd</sup> August 1887.

After some discussion on the  
matter the Clerk was ordered to write to Mr. Harris to  
say that the design was approved of and to request  
that he would send specifications accordingly, providing  
a fire place and stating that they would wish the work to be  
completed within a month from date of contract

The meeting then adjourned

Signed authority of the Board

Patrick Caldwin Chairman

adjourned monthly } Monday 8<sup>th</sup> August 1887  
Meeting }

Patrick Caldwin Esq. C.C. presiding

The other commissioners present were

John O'Hanagan Thomas Flattery John Silke

Michael Fahy Martin O'Glynn & Patrick M. Hough Esqrs.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read & accepted  
& the financial business of the Board disposed of

~~Mr. O'Hanagan proposed and Mr. Flattery seconded  
that the following members be appointed a committee  
to revise the schedule of tolls charged in Guernsey and if  
found advisable to exempt certain articles now subject to  
toll and add to schedule articles which are now admitted  
to the Market free~~

~~Mr. O'Hanagan proposed and Mr. Flattery seconded  
that the following members be appointed a committee~~

~~Patrick Culkin Michael Fahy William Hunter Thomas A. Egan  
John T. Begley Martin O'Glynn John O'Hanagan  
Laurence Burke and Patrick M. Hough  
to revise the schedule.~~

~~Mr. O'Hanagan proposed and Mr. Flattery seconded  
that the following members be appointed a committee~~

~~Mr. Culkin Mr. Fahy Mr. Flattery Mr. Egan Mr. Begley  
Mr. Glynn Mr. O'Hanagan Mr. Burke & Mr. M. Hough~~

To revise the schedule of tolls charged in Guernsey and  
if found advisable to exempt articles now subject  
to toll and add to schedule articles which are now  
admitted to the Market free. After some discussion  
on the matter, the further consideration was deferred until  
Thursday next the 11<sup>th</sup> inst and the Clerk was directed to  
notify to each of the above members that they were so  
appointed and to request their attendance on that day.

~~The Clerk was ordered to write to the secretary  
of the Gas. Co. as follows~~

*Isaac Commissaries Officer  
9<sup>th</sup> August 1887*

Sir.

Write by arrangement of my Board to inform you that they request the Director of the Gas Company to meet them on Thursday next the 11<sup>th</sup> inst. at 12 o'clock noon in the Town Hall to arrange the lighting of the Town Lamps and Clock for the ensuing year.

Your obedient servant  
Patrick Calkin

John Murphy Esq.  
Soc. Gas. Co.  
Chairman

Your clock

It was agreed that the Cranes and assistant Cranes should in future attend at the hours specified namely all Market days at 7 o'clock A.M. and on week days at 8 o'clock A.M.

The meeting was then further adjourned to ~~Wednesday next~~<sup>Thursday</sup> the 11<sup>th</sup> inst.

adjourned meeting)

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> August 1887

Patrick Calkin Esq chairman presiding

The other commissioners present were

John O'Hagan Thomas Flattery John T. Begley Laurence Burke  
Patrick McHugh Michael Fahy & Martin O'Gorman Esquires

Michael Fahy Martin O'Glynn & Pahk McHugh Esqrs

The Minutes of the previous meeting having been read  
Agreed and the financial business of the Board disposed of

The following letter letter was read from Mr. Harris

Galway Augt 6<sup>th</sup> 1887

Dear Sir

Saw in receipt of your letter of yesterday and regret  
to say I shall not have time to draft and get a copy of  
specification by Monday next and as it will require  
the Plan of Weigh House to refer to - but will let you have  
Plan & specification complete for contract in two days of the  
receipt of the former. I fear you will not get any contractor  
to complete the work in so short a time as one month, nor do  
I think you would get the work done in a satisfactory manner  
in so short a time. I would suggest two months as the limit

Yours faithfully  
John Harris

Jr.

J Corlett Esq  
from Clerk  
Gaam

Mr O'Hanrahan proposed and Mr Hallay seconded  
that the following members be appointed a Committee

Mr Culkin Mr Fahy Mr Flattery Mr Egan Mr Begley  
Mr Glynn Mr O'Hanrahan Mr Brindle & Mr McHugh

to revise the schedule of tolls charged in Gaam and if  
found advisable to exempt articles now subject to toll  
<sup>Certain</sup> and to schedule articles which are now admitted to the  
Market free, after some discussion on the matter the  
further consideration was referred until Thursday next the 11<sup>th</sup>  
inst. and the Clerk was directed to notify to each of the above  
members that they were so appointed and to request their  
attendance on that day

The clerk was also ordered to write to the secretary of the Gas Co. as follows

Town Commissioners Office  
9th August 1857

Sir

Send to my direction of my Board to inform you that they request the Directors of the Gas Company to meet them on Thursday next the 11<sup>th</sup> Inst. at 12 o'clock noon in the Town Hall to arrange the lighting of the Town lamps and clock for the ensuing year

Your obedient servant  
George Webb  
Town Clerk

John Murphy Esq  
Tlc. Gas. Co.

Seamus

It was agreed that the Councillor and assistant should in future attend at the hours specified namely on all market days at 7 A.M. and on week days at 8 A.M.

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> August 1857

A Meeting of Committee to arrange and to revise the schedule of Tolls etc

Patrick Culkin Esq chairman presiding

The other members of the Committee present were

John O'Flanagan Thomas Flatty John J Begley Lawrence Burke  
Patrick McHugh Michael Daly & Martin J Glynn Esqrs

Adjourned monthly)      Monday 8<sup>th</sup> August 1887  
Meeting      }  
                    }  
                    Patrick Culkin Esq. chairman presiding

The other commissioners present were

John O' Flanagan Thomas Flaherty John silk Michael Fahy  
Martin S. Glynn & Patrick McHugh Esquires

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed  
and the financial business of the Board disposed of.

There were two tenders for printing and advertising one  
from Francis Connell for £6. 10. and the other from  
John Mc Adam Jr £ 4. 15. 0

Mr. Glynn proposed and Mr. O' Flanagan seconded  
that John Mc Adam tender be accepted which was  
unanimously agreed to. The following is a copy of the advertisement  
meeting tenders

To the notice that the Limerick Town Improvement  
Commissioners will at their <sup>next</sup> monthly meeting on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> August  
next receive and consider proposals from all parties willing to do all  
the Printing and Advertising in connection with the board (except  
Crane Tickets) for twelve months. the lowest or any tender not  
necessarily accepted.

Scaled tenders endorsed under PW  
Printing and advertising will be received in the letter box of  
the Board room up to the taking of the chair on the above  
named day.

By order  
Francis Abbott. Town Clerk  
Commissioners office 23<sup>rd</sup> July 1887

The following letter was read from Mr. Morris

Galway August 6<sup>th</sup> 1887  
dear Sir

I am in receipt of your letter of yesterday and report

to say I shall not have time to draft & get a copy of specification by Monday next and to do so shall require the plan of Weigh House to refer to - but will let you have a plan & specification complete for contract in ten days after receipt of the former. Dear you will not get any contractor to complete the work in so short a time as no month nor do I think you would get the work done in a satisfactory manner in so short a time. Donia suggest two months as the limit

Yours faithfully

John Harris

J. Corbett Esqr  
Town clerk  
Iaam

Mr & Flanagan propose and Mr. Flattery seconded the following  
Members be appointed a committee

Mr. Culkin Mr. Fahy Mr. Flattery Mr. Flynn Mr. Begley Mr. Glynn  
Mr. Burke Mr. O'Hanrahan & Mr. McHugh

To revise the schedule of tolls charged in Iaam and of those  
admissible to exempt certain articles now subject to toll and add  
to schedule articles which are now admitted to the market free

After some discussion on the matter the further consideration was  
refused until Thursday next the 11<sup>th</sup> inst. and the Clerk was directed  
to notify to each of the store members that they were so appointed  
and to request their attendance on that day.

The Clerk was also ordered to write to the Secretary of the Gas  
Co. as follows

In a commissioners office  
Iaam 9th August 1857

Sir

Write by directions of my Board to inform you that they request  
the Directors of the Gas Company to meet them on Thursday next the  
11<sup>th</sup> inst. at 12 o'clock noon in the Town Hall to arrange the lighting  
of the Town Camps and clock for the ensuing year

John Murphy Esqr  
Sec Gas Co  
Iaam

Your obedient servant  
Jno Corbett  
Town clrk

After some discussion as to the attendance of the Cranes  
Some cranes but the assistant crane should in future  
attend at the hours specified namely on all Market days  
at 7 o'clock in the morning and on work days at 8 o'clock A.M.

The meeting was then further adjourned to Thursday next the  
11<sup>th</sup> inst. And it was voted to convene a special meeting of the members present  
Committee for that day.

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> August 1887

Special meeting of Committee to arrange and revise the  
schedule of tolls for the ensuing year.

Present. Patrick Culkin Esq chairman presiding

The members present John O'Hanagan Thomas Flattery  
John T Begley Lawrence Burke Patrick McHugh  
Michael Daly & Martin O'Gorman Hayes

Ordered that 300 placards be put in Sept Fair and  
that a special meeting be convened for Wednesday next  
the 17<sup>th</sup> inst -

Special meeting  
by requisition

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> August 1887

There not being a quorum there was no  
meeting held. The chairman and Mr. McHugh were the only  
members present. The meeting stands adjourned to Monday  
next the 21<sup>st</sup> inst.

Frank C. Clark

adjourned special  
Meeting

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> August 1887

Upon by members that a Motion was  
made by Mr. Clark & the chairman. There not being a quorum  
the meeting stands further adjourned to Monday next the  
29<sup>th</sup> inst.

Frank C. Clark

Tom Clark

The following is the resolution pursuant to which the meeting was convened.

We the undersigned request you will convene a meeting of the Inman Town Improvement Commissioners for the purpose of adopting the regular schedule of the meeting of the 11<sup>th</sup> inst. and also to arrange with the Directors of the Gas Co. for the lighting of the town lamps for the ensuing year.

P. Caulder	C. J. C
Patt <sup>t</sup> . Lyons	J. C
Mr. Fakay	J. C
John F. Begley	J. C
J. A. Egan	J. C
James McHugh	J. C
Michael Gleeson	J. C
Patt <sup>t</sup> McHugh	J. C

Do

In town clark  
Duane

Adjourned special  
Meeting

On day 22<sup>nd</sup> August 1887

The only members that attended were Mr. McHugh & the Chair man. There not being a quorum the meeting stands adjourned to Monday next the 29<sup>th</sup> inst.

*Frank Collier*  
Town Clark

Adjourned special  
Meeting

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> Augt 1887

Patrick Collier Esq. chairman presiding

The other commissioners present were

Matthew O'Gorman Thomas Flattery Patrick McHugh  
Michael Gleeson John F. Begley & John O'Hanrahan Esquires,  
ordered to advertise the letting of the Tolls and Customs for the

ensuing year. to come off on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> Sept next

Ordered to have 200 Posters printed and distributed  
directing the attention of buyers and sellers that the Peig Fair  
is to be held on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> Sept next on the eve of  
the sheep and cattle Fair

Ordered to advertise and invite tenders to be received  
at the monthly meeting of the Board on Monday the 5<sup>th</sup> Sept  
next for the erection of the weigh house

The consideration of an arrangement with the Gas Co. for lighting  
of the Town lamps relocked for the ensuing year was further  
adjourned owing to the non attendance of any of the Directors

After careful consideration of the revised schedule of  
Duties and Customs. it was unanimously adopted

The Clerk was directed to notice Mr. Nolan the Contractor  
that if he did not remove the scaffolding &c deposited in  
several places within 3 days from date of this notice. that  
the Town Inspector was empowered to employ Men and  
Horses to have it removed at his expense

For meeting their adjournment

The following letter was read from Mr. Adams

Neville Office London  
22<sup>nd</sup> August 1887

F. Corbett Esq.

Dear Sir

Mr Kelly has written me to say  
that he will not be bound by the contract given him  
before and refusing to allow the work to be done

I am Your faithfully  
J. M. Adam

For meeting their adjournment

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Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September 1887

The usual monthly meeting was held to day

Patrick Colvin Esq chairman presiding

The other commissioners present were

John T. Besley John L. Donnelly Martin & Glynn Monk John  
John silk Michael Gleeson Patrick N. Lyons Thomas A. Glynn  
and John O'Hanley Esqrs.

The minutes of the preceding meeting having <sup>M 5</sup> been read and signed.

The financial business was proceeded with and disposed of.

The auditors report was read as follows

Town Commissioners of Tuam  
Report on account  
29<sup>th</sup> September 1886

Senaboy, 15<sup>th</sup> July 1887

In

I have the honour to report for the reformation of the Local Government Board for Ireland, that I have audited the accounts of the Town Commissioners of Tuam for the year ended the 29<sup>th</sup> September 1886.

Abstract duly certified is herewith sent

The Board is aware, that the Town Hall of Tuam was burnt down, and has been rebuilt and that to supplement the amount recovered from the insurance company a sum of £800 was advanced by the Board of Works as a loan.

In anticipation of that loan the National Bank had advanced certain sums, which were pressed for by the contractor for the rebuilding of the Town Hall, and in the last account submitted for audit, I passed a certain amount charged for interest on such advance, but I had no intention, that it

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Should be taken as a precedent for allowing interest on over draft, shall therefore disallow and struck out of this account under audit £1. 19. 6 charged by the Bank as interest on over draft to 29<sup>th</sup> Sept 1886 without sanction.

There is a further charge made for interest by the Bank in the Current account and it is for the Local Government Board to consider, whether, taking into account that 'extras' has followed in closing the Building account, and a last instalment of cost of Town Clerk has been settled, interest to June 1887 can be allowed.

If the Board allows this it should be distinctly understood that any further sum thus charged will be disallowed.

The financial state of the Town Commissioners affairs is most unsatisfactory - Their revenue is derived almost exclusively from the proceeds of the Tolls which are farmed, and do not now produce within £200. a year of the amount derived from them 5 or 6 years ago.

The total available income from all sources in 1886 including an arrear of Tolls of 1885 was £569 while the expenditure for the same period was £758. showing an excess of expenditure over income of £169.

Even allowing for the extras in the Building account, and the cost of the Town Clerk. The Commissioners in ~~excess~~ of their expenditure is considerably in excess of their ordinary income.

Their expenditure must therefore be cut down, and their attention must at once be drawn to this necessity.

The present Town Clerk has been appointed since my last Audit, and I am quite satisfied with the way in which he has closed the accounts of the late Town Clerk and has submitted them to me for audit.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your Obedt Servt

J J Ross

Auditor

Do.

Th secretary

Local Govt. Board

Dublin

The following letter was then read from the Board's solicitor

Dublin 2<sup>nd</sup> sept 1887

44 Wellington Quay

Dear Sir

After the best consideration the Local Government Board would give to the request of the Duan Town Commissioners that Colonel O'Hora should be directed to sanction the payment of interest to the National Bank on the Commissioners over draft the Local Government Board have come to the conclusion that they are powerless to do so as it would not be legal. But as it appears by your last letter that the erection of the Town Hall cost a sum of £1776. while the Town Commissioners had only £1350 to meet it. made up of the £800 loan and £550 received from the Assurance Co., they are prepared to consider an application from your Board, duly convened by notice, for liberty to apply to the Boardworks for a further loan of £400, and such application must be accompanied by certificates from the Architect and Contractor that the building actually cost the £1776 stated in the letter referred to.

Yours truly  
P J Conway

The Town Clerk  
Duan

At discussion there upon, in the course of which it was suggested that steps be taken to dispense with the services of the Local Government Board and that the National Bank be appointed as Treasurer at a certain salary to compensate for interest on the Commissioners over drafts from time to time. Further consideration of the suggestion was deferred to next meeting of the Board.

There was but one tender that from Mr. Thom as Egan at £80. for the contract to build a new weigh house according to Plan & specification and it being high the clerk was ordered to readmit the Contract in the Duan Town Library vindicator. tenders to be considered at meeting to be held on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> inst. The following is a copy of the advertisement

Notice to Builders. Tenders are invited for the erection of a toll and weigh house in accordance with the Plans and specification prepared by Mr. J. Han is & C. Architect which can be seen at the Town Hall Duan between the hours of 10 a.m and 12 p.m. Tenders to be delivered to us on or before the 12<sup>th</sup> sept inst up to the taking of the chair. The lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted by us. *Han is & C. Architects*

The following proposal was received and accepted  
from Mr. Wm Stockwell

Treasur Sept 5<sup>th</sup> 1887

I.

To Chairmen and Town Commissioners. Treasur

Writtemen

I propose we agree to paint 3 schedule Boards  
our letter same with all additional lettering required to the  
satisfaction of the board for the sum of three pounds and  
to make <sup>and</sup> <sup>English</sup> 3 new boards for all I accept in full  
the sum of £4.10.

William Stockwell  
Painter

The following letter was read from the Contractor for keeping  
the Town clock in repair

Treasur Sept 5<sup>th</sup> 1887

To Chairmen Town Commissioners

Sir.

I beg leave to inform you that a new oil cloth is  
required to cover the works of the Town clock as the one  
you ordered last year is worn into shreds

During the last wet days the rain poured in through  
the tower and down over the works of the clock. and will  
continue to do so as the great heat of the summer has opened  
the gaps which <sup>was</sup> made for the last two years.

I respectfully beg leave to suggest to get a piece  
of lead stopped round the tower at the outside under the  
louvres which will have the effect of preventing the water  
from entering at all and will not cost much two or three pounds

Your obt

C. Brady

The Board ordered that the oil cloth be provided

The Board then adjourned to Monday next  
the 10<sup>th</sup> inst

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adjourned } Monday 12<sup>th</sup> Sept 1887

Meeting }

Patrick Culkin Esq. chairman presiding

The other commissioners present were

Martin J Glynn Michael Fahy John O'Hanagan Lawrence Burke  
Thomas Flattery John T Beyley Thomas A Egan Patrick M. Hugh  
John silk Michael Gleeson & John C Donley M.D. Esquires

There was <sup>only</sup> one tender for the Tolls & Customs of the ensuing  
year which was from the present Toll Farmer Mr Thomas Nolan  
who offered £ 425. This sum being considered too low it was  
ordered to advertise the Tolls & customs again. tenders for same  
to be received & considered on the 26<sup>th</sup> inst.

Contract to build the weigh house was ordered to be  
re-advertised. tenders for same to be received and considered  
on the 19<sup>th</sup> inst

adjourned } Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September 1887

Meeting }

Patrick Culkin Esq. chairman presiding

The other commissioners present were

Thomas Flattery Michael Fahy Thomas A Egan  
and Patrick M. Hugh. Esquires

There was <sup>only</sup> one tender from Mr. Thomas Egan at £ 78  
for a contract to build ~~a new~~ a weigh house it being considered too  
high. The erection of it was ~~postponed~~ <sup>defered till</sup> next spring  
and ~~order made~~ that the present weigh house be put in thorough  
repair.

The following resolution was proposed by  
Mr Thomas A Egan and seconded by Mr Fahy.

That we take this our first opportunity of meeting to protest

against the brutal and cowardly action of the Police in  
murdering defenceless people at Mitchells Town and we believe  
they were bounden on to do so by the esthetic Tyrant  
Balfour and his satellites and that we express our warmest  
sympathy with that sterling Patriot Mr. M'OBrian M.P.  
in his prison cell. The Clerk was ordered to send copies of  
this resolution to the chief secretary for Ireland and to Mr. M'OBrian M.P.

Signed      Thomas de Lys  
               Michael Fahy

The meeting then separated

Special meeting for letting of the Tolls & Customs

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> Sept 1887

Patrick Colkin Esq. chairman presiding

The other members present were

Michael Fahy Seancive Blundell Patrick Lyons  
Patrick McHugh John Kirk & John E. Donlevy M.D. Esq's

There was only one tender for Tolls & Customs before the  
Board. That of Mr. O'Leary the present toll farmer for £450

Mr. Fahy proposed & Mr. Blundell seconded and it  
was unanimously agreed to that Mr. O'Leary's tender  
be accepted

The tender is as follows

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> Sept 1887

The chairman

The Inland Revenue Commissioners

Ganters

Do propose and agree to take the Tolls & Customs  
of the Borough of Duan from the 29<sup>th</sup> day of September 1887  
to the 28<sup>th</sup> day of Sept 1888 according to advertisement

I offer for same the sum of £450. 0. 0 I offer for my  
 Sureties for the full & full fulfillment of same W<sup>m</sup> Keepe  
 Duncormick Patrick Currey and John Currey both of Belmont  
 You doth accept  
 Thomas Nolan

We the undersigned are willing to become sureties for  
 Thomas Nolan for the above

Pat Currey Belmont  
 J. Currey Belmont  
 William Stiffe Duncormick

The following was also attached to the tender

September 26<sup>th</sup> 1887

The chair man

the Town Councilman

Gattemore

I am willing to become surety for Thomas Nolan  
 for the Golls & Customs of the Borough of Tuam from the 29<sup>th</sup>  
 September 1887 to the 28<sup>th</sup> September 1888 as advertised in  
 the sum of £450 0. 0

I remain your obd<sup>r</sup>

Daniel Corcoran

Ballintubber

The following is the advertisement referred to in Mr. Nolans letter

In Golls & Customs of the Borough of Tuam

To be let on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> sept next from 29<sup>th</sup> Sept 1887 to 28 Sept 1888

The term of payment to be as follows - The Goll Farmer to pay  
 his bills joined by two sufficient sureties for the amount of his contract. The first  
 of said bills for £150 to be made payable on the 24<sup>th</sup> October next, and the  
 last £150 of the contract by five bills in equal proportions. The first payable  
 on the 1<sup>st</sup> January 1888 the second on the 10<sup>th</sup> March the third on the 10<sup>th</sup> May the  
 fourth on the 4<sup>th</sup> July and the fifth on the 10<sup>th</sup> Sept in same year

The tenders and sums offered to be in writing signed by the applicant and two solvent sureties will be rec'd in the letter box of the boardroom up to the taking of the chair on the abovesigned day. A guarantee society will be accepted as security. The commissioners do not bind themselves to the highest or any tender. The contractor or tenant declared will have to fulfil the conditions required by the Board and to pay half legal expenses which will be explained by the Clerk.

The annual schedule of the Bills to be payable within the Borough can be seen or applied to the Clerk

Possession will be given on the 29<sup>th</sup> next

By order of the commissioners

Mr. Clark

Mr. Clark

Commissioners Office  
Augt 29<sup>th</sup> 1857

Mr. Faby proposed and Mr. Board seconded the following resolution

Having heard with regret that Mr. John Glynn has ceased his connection with the Union Bank and is about leaving Town we desire to place on record our high opinion of him as a reporter and conversant and to bear testimony to the accurate reports he has always furnished of our meetings and to his uniform courtesy to every member of this Board.

Sympa      Mr. Faby  
Insurance Bank

The meeting then adjourned

The chairman brought under the notice of the Board the action of the auditor in not allowing what he over drew in drafts and suggested that the Bank be allowed some compensation for acting as Treasurer to the Board.

The meeting then separated

of the Minions of the Castle in insulting the insignia of  
the City Dublin on the occasion of the recent trial of the  
Lord Mayor. When ancient Charters and Privileges -  
conferred on the Lord Mayor of Dublin were suddenly  
interfered with and set at Nought and dishonoured

Yours

James Flatty  
Solicitor to the

The Clerk was ordered to send a copy of the above  
resolution to the Prime Minister the chief secretary  
Lord Mayor of Dublin and Mr O'Brien Esq &c &c the  
Freemans Journal United Ireland the Nation Irish  
News and Irish Herald.

The meeting then separated

Special meeting }  
By resolution.

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October 1887

Patrick Collier Esq Cll presiding

The other commissioners present were

Michael Foley, James Flatty, Lawrence D'Arcy  
and Michael Gleeson

The following is the registration pursuant to which the  
Meeting was convened

be the undersigned request you will  
convene a meeting of the Town Council in your present Commissioners  
for the purpose of protesting against the insults offered by the authorities  
to all the corporate bodies in Ireland at the recent trial of the  
Lord Mayor of Dublin

Patrick Collier Esq	0	1.0
Patrick Dwyer	0	1.0
Patrick McHugh	0	1.0
Michael Gleeson	0	1.0
John E. Donley M.D.	0	1.0
James Mcnelly	0	1.0
John F. O'Reilly	0	1.0
Thomas Flatty	0	1.0
John Kelly	0	1.0
S. A. Lagan	0	1.0
W. J. Glynn	0	1.0
M. J. Flynn	0	1.0

To

The Town Council

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11<sup>th</sup> Oct 1887

~~The following resolution was proposed by Mr Flatty  
and seconded by Mr Burke~~

~~That we record our indignation at the  
corporate body at the disgraceful and illegal action of  
the Ministers of the Castle in insulting the insignia of the  
City of Dublin on the occasion of the recent trial of the  
Lord Mayor when ancient Charters and Privileges  
conferred on the Lord Mayor of Dublin were rudely  
interfered with and set at naught and dishonoured~~

~~Signed~~

~~Thomas Flatty  
Solicitor Burke~~

~~The Clerk was ordered to send copies of the above resolution  
to the Prime Minister the chief secretary Lord Mayor  
of Dublin and Mr O'Brien Esq M P the Freeman  
Journal Northern Ireland and the Nation Irish News  
and Ulster Herald~~

~~The meeting then separated~~

Borough of Tuam

In the County of Galway, to wit

Election of Five commissioners for the Borough of Tuam  
in the County of Galway

To the Notice

That an election of Five commissioners will be held for the  
Borough of Tuam on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of October, just, in said Borough  
in room of Messrs Patrick Colgan Thomas & Sean Patrick Lyons  
John T Begley and Lawrence Beadle who retire by rotation  
but who are eligible for re-election

That every person entitled to vote may nominate him or  
(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 nomi-  
nated with their respective places of abode & description

That every nomination paper must be signed by the  
parties nominating, and may be in 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 names	abode	Rank or Profession

Signed

That all nomination papers must be delivered to the  
Town Clerk on or before the 11<sup>th</sup> day of October just

Dated this 6<sup>th</sup> day of Oct 1887

Frank Gribell

John Clark

Copies of the foregoing were duly posted  
up on the 7<sup>th</sup> inst.

## Notice of Nomination In re of Town. Election of Commissioners

I the undersigned being the Town Clerk for the said Town  
of Duan hereby give notice that the Christian names and  
surnames of the persons nominated or elected as  
Commissioners in the said Town and Borough of Duan,  
and their respective places of abode and description  
and the names of the parties nominating them are as  
follow

Surnames	Middle names	Places of abode of persons nominated	Description of Person nominated	Name of persons by whom Nominated
Begley	John F.	Bishopst Duan	Grocer	Michael Fahy. Michael C. Shine Patrick McHugh
Burke	Lawrence	Recrds Duan	Merchant Farmer	Thomas A. Egan Patrick McHugh Patrick O'Brien
Cullen	Patrick	Shop st Duan	Merchant	J. A. Egan Patrick McHugh Patrick Lyons
Egan	Herman	Dublin Road Duan	Grocer	Michael Fahy Patrick McHugh
Lyons	Patrick	Shop st. Duan	Merchant	Thomas A. Egan Patrick McHugh
Shine	Wm. C.	The square Duan	Merchant	Wm. S. Walsh John Begley Wm. O'Boyle Michael C. Shine

### Notice

Notice is hereby given that the above election will  
be held in the Town Hall, Duan on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> Oct inst.

Polling Booth to open at 8 o'clock a.m. and close  
at 8 o'clock P.M. Signed

Dated 11<sup>th</sup> day October 1887

James Corlett  
Town Clerk

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 1887

The usual monthly meeting was held to day

Patrick Culkin Esq. C.I.C. presiding

The other commissioners present were

Michael Fahy Thomas & Egan John Sill Martin & Glynn  
and Patrick McHugh Esquire

The minutes of the preceding meetings having been read & signed

The financial business of the Board was adjourned  
till this day next the 10<sup>th</sup> inst

The Chairman Mr. Culkin proposed & Mr. Fahy seconded  
that the National Bank be paid a sum of Ten pounds per year  
as Treasurer to the Board which was unanimously agreed to

Proposed by Mr. Glynn and seconded by Mr. Egan

That we the Dromane Town Improvement Commissioners respectfully  
request the Post Master General to favorably consider at his  
earliest convenience <sup>to facilitate</sup> the early signing Memorial recently  
presented to him, calling for a night Mail Train to serve  
us we are strongly of opinion that the requirements of this  
important Town and district urgently demand same

Signed Martin & Glynn  
J. J. & T. Egan

The Clerk was ordered to send copy of the above resolution to the  
Post Master General

Mr. Egan proposed and Mr. Fahy seconded that this meeting  
be adjourned as a mark of respect to the memory of  
Mr. Edward Brady officer of this Board

The meeting then separated

Borough of Tuam

In the County of Galway, to wit.

Election of Five Commissioners for the Borough  
of Tuam, in the County of Galway

In the nature

That an election of five commissioners will be held in the Borough of Tuam on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of October instant in said Borough in room of Messrs. Patrick Calkin Horne & Co., Patrick Dwyer, John T. Begley and Lawrence Burke, who retire by rotation but who are eligible for re-election

That every person entitled to vote may nominate 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 & description

That every nomination paper must be signed by the parties nominating and may be in the following form or to 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 names	abode	Rank. Profession

Signed

That all nomination papers must be delivered to the Town Clerk on or before the 11<sup>th</sup> day of October Inst -  
Dated 6<sup>th</sup> day of October 1887

George Heffernan  
Town clk R