

Monday, 10th Dec, 1900

Adjourned Meeting

Commissioners present, Messrs James McDermott (Chairman of the Board), James J. Bealey, Patrick Cullin, Francis McGeoghegan, Francis Keane, Michael C. Shine, John Connelley and Thos B. Costello

The following letter was read from Mr Shine, T.C., :-
"Duan Dec 10th, 1900.

"Dear Mr Glynn, - As I am engaged making a valuation of the effect of the late Lord Oranmore, I will be unable to attend today's meeting of the Town Commissioners. I trust my resolution to light additional lamps will be adopted, also in reference to railway matters. It would be well to get the Board make an order for the hose I have suggested. Yours truly
Michael C Shine"

After some discussion it was unanimously passed that five additional lamps be lighted: (1) between the Court House and the Deanery gate; (2nd) at Mr Bealey's corner, the Square; 3rd at Michael Burke's Bishop street; 4th at Michael Walsh's, Vicar St., and 5th at Terboy road, Contractor to charge £2 for each lamp from date to end of lighting contract in May next

Dr Costello proposed and it was ordered unanimously that the fire ladders be painted

It was also ordered that Mr M.C. Shine do get the requisites (named by him) for putting up the hose,

The question of procuring more hose was deferred.

Dr Costello proposed in accordance with notice "that the Town Inspectors' salary be restored to its former rate"

After some discussion, Dr Costello proposed and Mr Cullin seconded that the Town Inspectors' salary be raised to £13.

Passed unanimously

The Clerk was directed to write to the Great Southern & W. Ry Co., requesting that they run to Claremorris on Wednesday and Saturday, the train arriving at Duan from Athlone, at 5.35 pm and to have train leaving Duan at 12.00 for Athlone, changed to 12.30

Statement of accounts for year ending Dec 1900 submitted by the Clerk was ordered to be printed and a copy be given to each member of the Board

The Kruger G.A.A. Club applied for and were granted the use of the Board room for half an hour each Tuesday evening, the time to be fixed by the Chairman

7 January 1901

Signed on behalf of the Board

Michael C Shine

Chairman

Monthly Meeting

Monday, 7th January, 1901.

Commissioners present, Messrs Michael C Shine, James J. Bealey, Francis Keane, Patrick Murphy, Francis McGeoghegan, J. Glynn, Patk Canavan, and Dr T. B. Costello.

On the motion of Mr Canavan seconded by Mr Glynn, the Chair was taken by Mr Shine who presided during the proceedings.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurer's Account showed balance against the Board, £120.2.9

Cheques were ordered and signed for

John Glynn	£3.6.8
Thos Dwyer	2.10.0
Jas McDermott Esq	10.0.0
D J Kirwan & Sons	9.18.8
D J Kirwan & Sons	6.1.10
Tobias McD Hugh	1.19.10
Messrs Bentley & Co	4.5.6
John Glynn for	
John Butler	£1.5.0
B McD Hugh	1.1.8
Thos Dwyer	10.0
H McD Hugh	10.0
D Crisham	7.6
J A Walsh	4.0
Railway Co	2.4.6
Thos Hyland	10.0
B McD Hugh	4.2.8
M Kelly & J Dunne	5.0.0
M Keegan & P Corcoran	3.2.0
D Crisham	2.6
	£18.19.10
	£57.2.4

It was ordered to advertise for contractor to put down new flags and to raise and reset old flags, new flags, lime and sand to be supplied by the Board and the work to commence at the Cathedral Gate.

Ordered also that Mr Thomas Egan, long since declared contractor for making sewer from rear of Town Hall to main sewer in front and not having yet commenced the work, be asked by the Town Clerk relative to it

Ordered further that the Town Clerk write to the Railway, as to their exorbitant charge for carriage of a wagon of received from Messrs Bentley & Co, Dublin, Ennistymon, Co. Clare.

On the motion of Mr Murphy it was unanimously ordered that the Town Clerk write to the Great Southern and Western Railway Co, drawing their attention to the want of ample sidings at Tuam Station for the railing of stock.

The Chairman proposed and Mr Begley seconded the following resolution which was unanimously adopted:—

"That we, the Tuam Town Commissioners, take this the earliest opportunity of placing on record our abhorrence of the fearful crime perpetrated in the Town Hall on Christmas Eve when the Billiard cloth of the Temperance Society was cut and the table otherwise injured, causing great inconvenience to the large number of members as well as bringing disgrace on the Town. We beg to sympathise with the members of the Society and express our approval of their action in seeking compensation for the malicious injury. That copies of this resolution be sent to Rev J. Mac Dermott C.A., President of the Temperance Society, and Mr P. M. Concanan Am. Sec."

There were two tenders for Contract for supplying according to advertisement twelve plates of enamelled iron with names of streets in Irish and English. One from Messrs McDonnell & Co at 6 per letter; the other from Messrs Wm Stockwell & Son at bulk sum of £3.10.0 and putting up the plates, 10/- total £4.

Messrs Stockwell & Sons was unanimously accepted.

Mr Murphy gave the following notice:—

"Take notice that I or some Commissioners on my behalf will move at the next monthly meeting that we, the Tuam Town Commissioners, are strongly in favour of the Bill promoted in this Session of Parliament by the Great Southern and Western Railway Company to acquire running powers over the Midland Great Western Railway System from Athlery to Athlone and thereby afford railway facilities which will tend to develop Commerce and agriculture and materially assist in further developing our fairs the second largest in Ireland; and we request our Parliamentary representatives to support the measure."

Mr Costello gave the following:—

"Take notice that I or some members of the Board on my behalf will move at the next monthly meeting that we, the Tuam Town Commissioners request the Midland Great Western Railway Company to apply for running powers over the railway from Athlery to Claremorris."

Signed on behalf of the Board

Jas. McDonnell

Chairman

14 Feb 1901

(Form No 8)

Notice of Result of Election

Town of Tuam

Election of Commissioners for the above Town in the year, 1901.

I, the undersigned, being the Returning Officer for the said Town, do hereby give notice that the Candidates at the Election whose names are entered hereunder have been declared duly elected Commissioners:—

John Connelly, Shop street, Tuam, Merchant,
John E. Dowling, Eastland House, Tuam, Medical Doctor,
Joseph Aloysius Glynn, Dublin Road, Tuam, Solicitor,
Francis Meagher Shop street, Tuam, Draper,
Edward Patrick O'Hanoghan, Lisadyra, Tuam, Solicitor,

Dated this 7th day of January, 1901.

John Glynn,
Returning Officer.

I, John Connelly, having been chosen Commissioner for the Town of Tuam, hereby declare that I take the said office upon myself and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof according to the best of my judgment and ability.

Made and subscribed before me this

23rd day of January, 1901

John Glynn
Town Clerk

John Connelly

I, John Edward Dowling, having been chosen Commissioner for the Town of Tuam, hereby declare that I take said office upon myself and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof according to the best of my judgment and ability.

Made and subscribed before me this

4th day of February 1901

John Glynn
Town Clerk

John Edward Dowling

I, Joseph Aloysius Glynn, having been chosen Commissioner for the Town of Tuam, hereby declare that I take said office upon myself and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof according to the best of my judgment and ability.

Made and subscribed before me

this 4th day of Feb 1901

John Glynn
Town Clerk

Joseph A. Glynn

I, Francis Meagher, having been chosen Commissioner for the Town of Tuam hereby declare that I take the said office upon myself and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof according to the best of my judgment and ability.

Made and subscribed before me this 23rd day of January, 1901. Francis Meagher.
John Flynn
Town Clerk

I, Edward Patrick O'Hanagan, having been chosen Commissioner for the Town of Tuam hereby declare that I take the said office upon myself and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof according to the best of my judgment and ability.

Made and subscribed before me this 4th day of February 1901. Edward P. O'Hanagan.
John Flynn
Town Clerk

I, James McDonnell, having been chosen Chairman for the Commissioners of the Town of Tuam, hereby declare that I take the said office upon myself and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof according to the best of my judgment and ability.

Made and subscribed before me this 23rd day of January, 1901. James McDonnell.
John Flynn
Town Clerk.

Wednesday, 23rd January, 1901

Annual Meeting for Electing Chairman for the ensuing year.

Commissioners present, Messrs Michael C Shine, James J Begley, Francis Keane, Michael Higgins, Francis Meagher, John Connelly, John MacPhelim, Patrick Casavan, Thomas D Costello M.D., and James McDonnell

The Clerk read Returning Officer's statement of result of the late Election of Commissioners, as recorded on page 402.

Messrs John Connelly and Francis Meagher signed their Declaration as Commissioners.

On the motion of Mr Costello seconded by Mr Meagher, the Chair was taken by Mr Shine rem. Con.

Mr MacPhelim proposed that Mr James McDonnell be re-elected Chairman for the ensuing year

Mr Meagher seconded the proposition.

Passed unanimously.

Mr McDonnell then signed his Declaration as Chairman, took the Chair and returned thanks.

Mr Shine proposed and Mr Costello seconded a vote of thanks to the Press for having attended and reported the meetings of the Board throughout the year

Passed unanimously

Signed on behalf of the Board

James McDonnell. Chairman

4 Feb 1901

Monday, 4th February, 1901.

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners present, Messrs James M. Donnell (Chairman of the Board), Michael C. Shine, Patrick Murphy, J. Dowling M.D., James J. Begley, C.P. O'Hanaghan Solr., Patrick Culkim, John MacPhelim, John Carmelly, Francis Keane, J. Glynn Solr., and J.B. Costello M.D.

D^r. Dowling, Mr Glynn and M^r. O'Hanaghan signed their declaration as Commissioners.

The Minutes of the previous Meetings were read and signed.

The Treasurer's Account showed Balance against the Board £177.5.1

Cheques were ordered and signed for

John Glynn	£3.6.8
Thos Dwyer	2.10.0
Jas M. Donnell Esq	10.0.0
Joseph Fenner	2.10.0
John Glynn	5.0.0
W ^m . Stockwell & Sons	4.15.0
John Glynn for John Butler	£1.5.0
B. M. Hugh	1.1.8
D. Dwyer	10.0
Michl Keegan	1.4.0
Pat Corcoran	1.2.0
B. M. Hugh	12.0
Michl Keegan	10.0
Jas Timmerly	18.0
John Glynn	10.0
	£ 7.12.8

£ 35.14.4

There was but one tender for the Slapping Contract Mr Thomas Egan's, at 2/0 per square yard which being considered too high was rejected and it was ordered to re-advertise, tenders to be considered at next monthly meeting

Tenders for supplying Crane docket, two gross (288) books, 100 docket in each book, were received from Messrs O'Brien & Ard, 62 Great Britain St Dublin, at 2 3/4 per book; Messrs O'Laughlin Shields and Boland, at 3 1/2; Mr John Falconer, @ 4 1/2; Mr Dollard, at 4 3/4; and Mr Robert Farrell @ 5.

The lowest tender, Messrs O'Brien & Ard, was accepted



Mr Murphy proposed according to notice:-

"That we the Inam Town Commissioners are strongly in favour of the Bill promoted in this Session of Parliament by the Great Southern & Western Railway Co. to acquire running powers over the Midland Great Western Railway System from Athlery to Athlone and thereby afford railway facilities which will tend to develop Commerce and agriculture and materially assist in further developing our fairs now the second largest in Ireland and that we request our Parliamentary representatives to support the measure."

D^r. Dowling seconded the motion as an amendment. D^r. Costello proposed and Mr. Culkim seconded that the following be added to Mr. Murphy's aforesaid proposition:-

"And we are also of opinion that it would be to our material advantage if running powers were granted to the Midland Great Western Railway Co over the Great Southern & Western line between Athlery and Dollyssdare."

There voted for D^r. Costello's proposition: Messrs Culkim, Begley, D^r. Costello and the Chairman (4). Against - Messrs Shine, D^r. Dowling and Murphy (3). The remaining Members of the Board declined to vote. D^r. Costello's amendment was declared carried.

Both propositions were declared carried. The entire resolution including the amendment was declared carried unanimously. It was ordered that the Great Southern & Western Railway Co be requested to have copies of all their placards sent to the Town Clerk and to the Clerk District Council announcing train changes of importance to the Town and District.

And that henceforward all the street scrapings be removed to Mr Moran's portion of the Fair Green

And also that the Clerk include in Circular for next monthly meeting for consideration the necessity of painting the Town Hall

Signed on behalf of the Board,

Michael C. Shine Chairman

4th March, 1901.

Monday, 4th March, 1901.

Monthly Meeting.

Commissioners present, Messrs M.C. Shine, Patrick Murphy, E.P. O'Hanaghan, Esq.; Francis Keane, Francis Meagher, Thomas B. Costello, M.P.; Patrick Conavan, and John Connelly Esq. and J. Glynn Esq.

Mr Murphy proposed and Mr O'Hanaghan seconded that Mr. Shine take the chair.

Passed unanimously.

Mr Shine then took the chair.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurer's account showed balance against the Board £212.19.5

Cheques were ordered and signed for -

John Glynn		£3.6.8
Thos Dwyer		2.10.0
Gas McDermott Esq		10.0.0
M. St. Loughlin Esq.		20.0.0
Local Government Board		13.12.4
Michael Lynskey		10.6.8
D. J. Kirwan & Sons		6.1.10
Thos Egan Builders		12.10.0
John Glynn for		
John Butler	£1.5.0	
B. McHugh	1.1.8	
G. French	12.6	
J. Dwyer	8.0	
Michael Keegan	11.0.0	
P. Corcoran	8.0	
Tom Lyons	11.0	
Michael Keegan	6.0	
Turf for Boardroom etc	10.8	
for B. McHugh		£ 6. 2. 10
		£ 84. 10. 4

There were two tenders for the flagging contract: One from Thomas Egan at 2/0 per square yard; the other from Michael Shaughnessy at 7/6 per square yd for setting new flags and 9 per square yd for re-setting old flags.

The Board supplying lime and sand, both tenders were considered too high and it was ordered to re-advertise the contract, Contractor to find himself everything except flags, tenders to be considered at next monthly meeting, and the contract to be carried out under the supervision of the Town Inspector and to the full satisfaction of the Board.

Mr Thomas Egan was ordered a cheque for amount of sewer contract £12.10.0, the Board's Engineer, Mr R.D. Kirwan Esq. having certified the work was completed to his satisfaction.

The Town Inspector, Mr B.M. Hugh reported that the wall of the Plate Market on the Woodlore side was in a dilapidated state and recommended that it be repaired without delay, also that the roof of the Town Hall lobby was leaking and the floor in a bad way from rain in consequence.

Ordered that Mr James M. Donnell be asked to repair Plate Market wall at his own expense and that the Engineer Mr Robert J. Kirwan Esq. be requested to examine the Town Hall lobby roof and report thereon to Committee consisting of Messrs Michael C. Shine, Patrick Murphy and Francis Keane.

At suggestion of Mr Patrick Murphy the clerk was directed to look up the records of the Board to ascertain if there was an undertaking by those who broke out doors and windows on the Plate Market to close up same whenever the Board called upon by the Board to do so.

The following resolution proposed by Mr Francis Keane and seconded by Mr D.J. Glynn was passed unanimously: -

"That we, the members of the Inam Town Commissioners, representing one of the most historic and most Catholic towns in Ireland, protest most emphatically against the opprobrium sought to be cast upon us by the oath taken by the present King of England on his accession and we call upon his Majesty's Ministers, to have repealed this obnoxious declaration.

"That copies of this Resolution be sent to the Prime Minister, the Chief Secretary for Ireland, the Chairman of the Irish Party, Mr John E. Redmond, to Colonel Nolan and the other members for Galway County."

The following letter was read: -

Inam, March 4th, '01.
My dear Sir, - As I cannot attend the Board to-day I would feel obliged by your asking the Commissioners to let me have cheque for Gas etc to May, 1900.

Yours very truly,

James M. Donnell

"John Glynn Esq."

Consideration of the matter was adjourned to next monthly meeting.

Question as to painting the Town Hall was postponed for consideration.

At suggestion of Mr Costello, the clerk was directed to write to Mr H.D. Concanon Esq. and to Mr R.D. Kirwan Esq. for & furnish their respective bills to date.

Report from Local Government Board Auditor, Captain Graham Wynne on the Board's Account for year ended 31st March, 1900, was received and read.

Signed on behalf of the Board,

1st April 1901

Patrick Calkin

Chairman

Monday, 1st April, 1901,

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners present, Messrs Michael C Shine, James J Besley, J A Glynn Esq, Francis Keane, E P O'Hanagan, Esq; Patrick Cullen and John MacPhillipin.

On the motion of Mr Glynn, Mr Cullen was unanimously voted to the chair.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurer's Account showed balance against the Board, £204.9.9

Cheques were ordered and signed for

John Glynn	£3.6.8
Thos Dwyer	2.10.0
Jas McDonnell Esq	10.0.0
Michl Lynskey	16.6
Edmond Concaun	21.7.6
B H O'Reilly	4.14.0
Reps of the late Mr Michl Cloran	20.0.0
James McDonnell Esq	30.0.0
John Glynn for B McHugh	£1.11.8
H McHugh	10.0
D Crisham	7.6
Thos Dwyer	8.0
Michl Keegan	1.0.0
Tom Lyons	12.0
Tom Keegan	2.0
B McHugh	12.6
Messrs Hockwell & Sons	1.0.0
	£ 5.13.8
John Butler	1.5.0
	£ 99.13.4

On the motion of Mr Shine seconded by Mr Glynn a cheque for £20 was ordered and signed for representatives of the late Mr Michael Cloran on account of rent due them for Fish Market and portion of Fair Green and also a cheque for £30 to Mr James McDonnell on account of Gas account.

There was but one tender for the flagging contract, Michael Shaughnessy's, which, on the motion of Mr Glynn seconded by Mr Shine was unanimously accepted viz: To set new flags, at 1/6 per square yard; to re-set old flags, at 9^d per square yard; to supply and set new kerb, at 1/3 per lineal foot, and to re-set old kerb, at 3^d per lineal foot, Contractor to supply lime and sand and to commence work on 8th inst. weather permitting.

A Committee was appointed, consisting of Messrs McDonnell, Cullen, Shine, Keane, and Besley to look after the flagging work.

It was ordered that the Board's solicitor, Mr H A Concaun, be instructed to draw up a document to be signed by all who have doors and windows on the walls of the Potato Market, undertaking to close up same whenever they be called upon by the Board to do so.

Mr Glynn, on behalf of Tuam Branch of the Garlic League, applied for use of the Board room for Irish Concert to be held on 18th inst. and it was unanimously granted.

It was ordered to put placards announcing that Pigs would not be allowed on the streets on eve of the Pig Fair and that the Town Inspector have them removed therefrom.

A letter was read from Hugh McHugh, Caretaker of Potato Market and the Board's Ladders applying for increase of salary.

The following notice handed in was accepted:—
 "Take notice that I or some member on my behalf will move at the next monthly meeting that Hugh McHugh's salary be increased"
 "Francis Keane".
 April 1st, 1901.

Signed on behalf of the Board,

Michael Shine Chairman.

May 6th, 1901.

Monday, 6th May, 1904

Monthly Meeting

Commissiners present Messrs Michael Shine Francis Keane, Francis Meagher, Patrick Canavan, E P O'Hagan and J D Costello and John Connelly.

On the motion of Mr Canavan seconded by Mr Meagher, Mr Shine took the chair and presided

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurer's Account showed balance against the Board £307.3.1

Cheques were ordered and signed for

John Glynn		£3.6.8
Thos Dwyer		2.10.0
Local Govt Board		4.5.0
D H Braddell		35.16.8
Messrs O'Brien & Aris		3.6.0
J D Kerwan & Sons		9.15.3
Michael Shaughnessy		5.2.1
Messrs Nozzy & Co		1.2.0
John McCoy		1.1.8
Earl McDonnell Esq		10.0.0
John Glynn for		
John Butler	£1.5.0	
Bill Hugh	1.1.8	
Thos Dwyer	10.0	
Bill Hugh	9.6	
Mrs Kennedy	8.6	
P Cannon	2.6	
Thos Lyons	18.0	
Michl Keegan	1.2.0	
Rath Culham	4.0	
John Glynn	10.0	
Carriage on Crane books	1.8	
D Crusham	6.0	
Thos Broderick	7.6	
		£ 7.6.8 (4)

£83.11.8

Mr B McHugh Town Inspector, reported that the sewer from here of Town Hall to Main Sewer in front recently repaired is not at present in working order owing to liquid mud flowing over the gratings from the yards of Mr J Waldron and Mr P Byrne. The passage is completely blocked with barrel boxes and other obstacles. The surface of the passage requires to be cleared out & re-paved. Mr Waldron has broken out from his shop a door into the passage, opposite the young Men's Billiard Room window. The Fish Market has not been cleared out yet. All the new flags are set by the Contractor.

A notice was served by the District Council as Sanitary Authority requiring that nuisance at the here of the Town Hall caused by defective sewerage be abated within 48 hours after service of the notice.

It was unanimously ordered:

"That the Engineer Mr P Herwin B.E. be communicated with regarding the defective sewerage he having certified that the Contractor Mr Egan had done the sewerage work satisfactorily

"That the Town Inspector have the manholes opened and the sewer flushed with a hose, the passage cleared of all rubbish and its surface re-paved.

"That the persons putting manure in the passage be required to remove it therefrom twice a week.

"That a portable box be provided for the passage to put ashes and refuse into.

That Mr J Waldron be noticed to leave no box, barrel, or other obstacle in the passage in future.

Ordered also that if the manure is not removed from the Fish Market, the matter be reported to the Sanitary Sub-officer

And that a quantity of flags be ordered of Messrs Bentley & Co Dublin, Ennistymon B. Glare.

Mr Francis Keane proposed and Mr Meagher seconded that the salary of Hugh McHugh, Caretaker of the Potato Market and the Board's ladders be increased by £2 (two pounds) per year.

Passed unanimously.

Messrs John Murphy and Thomas Dwyer were appointed Enumerators for the May Sheep and Cattle Fairs at the usual remuneration viz £1 each per day

It was ordered to advertise the May Fair in the Dublin Daily newspapers

Signed on behalf of the Board

Jas. M. Donnell.

Chairman

3rd June 1904

Monday, 3rd June, 1901.

Monthly Meeting.

Commissioners present, Messrs James M'Donnell (Chairman of the Board), Michael C Shine, Patrick Conavan, Patrick Murphy, Francis Meagher and Joseph K Glynn and James J Begley.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and signed

The Treasurer's Account, submitted, showed Balance against the Board, £300.14.5.

Cheques were ordered and signed for -

John Glynn	£3.6.8
Thos Dwyer	2.10.0
Gas M'Donnell Esq	10.0.0
Joseph Fenfer	2.10.0
John Murphy	2.0.0
Thos Dwyer	2.0.0
Gas M'Donnell Esq	17.15.1
John Glynn for -	

John Butler	£1.5.0
B M'Hugh	1.1.8
J Dwyer	8.0
Mary Connolly	1.0.0
J French	12.6
Michl Keegan	18.0
Tom Lyons	12.0
Michl Keegan	4.0
Tom Lyons	4.0
Pat M'Nally	5.0
Matthias Jones	17.6
Pat Hare	12.6
Matthias Jones	10.0
Pat Hare	10.0
Gas Deenaphety	1.5.6
D'Crisham	4.0
J M'Coay	1.3.10

£ 11. 13. 6
£ 51. 15. 3

The Clerk was directed to ascertain which was cheaper - to get flags from Messrs Benton, Doolin, Ennistymon or from Messrs Clohersty & Temple Galway.

It was ordered to get Contractor for flag setting to set old flags in ~~set~~ bad spots here and there through the town until new flags are provided.

The following resolution was adopted unanimously: -

"That the resolution of the Irish County Councils' General Council with reference to Irish Industries be adopted by us and entered on our Minutes and that in future a clause be inserted in all our advertisements for supplies as follows: - Preference will be given to articles produced in Ireland, provided the Irish goods be of satisfactory quality and fair price. All tenders must state whether the goods tendered for are of Irish manufacture, and Contractors whose tenders have been accepted must prove that the goods they supply as Irish-made, are Irish-made."

Signed on behalf of the Board

James M'Donnell.

Chairman

July 1st 1901

Monday, 1st July, 1901

Monthly Meeting.

Commissioners present, Messrs James M'Donnell (Chairman of the Board), M C Shine, Francis Meagher, Francis Keane, and Michael Liggins.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurer's Account showed balance against the Board, £352.9.8

Cheques were ordered and signed for

John Glynn	£3.6.8
Thos Dwyer	2.10.0
Gas M'Donnell Esq	10.0.0
J D Lawson Esq	10.0.0
R J Kelly Esq	12.0.0
John Glynn for	

John Butler	£1.5.0
B M'Hugh	1.1.8
J Dwyer	8.0
D'Crisham	7.6
P'culkin for	
Insurance	3.0
H M'Hugh	16.8
Matthias Jones	1.10.0
Pat Hare	1.10.0
Michl Keegan	18.0
Thos Lyons	12.0
Gas Timmerby	1.17.6

£ 10. 9. 4
£ 48. 6. 0

The following resolution received from Mr J. A. Glynn B.A. Solr, Hon Sec Tuam Gaelic League Branch was proposed by Mr Keane, seconded by Mr Shine and unanimously passed:—

"That we, the Tuam Town Commissioners, at our first meeting since the publication of the new rules of the Board of Intermediate Education, desire to protest against the low position the Irish language occupies on the programme and the insult sought to be put upon the language and nation thereby. We claim as Irishmen, and as having a desire for the proper education of our young fellow-countrymen to have ourselves put on a level with the Teutonic or Romano-Celtic Races by making Irish a compulsory subject in all the grades, and that copies of this resolution be sent to the Commissioners of Intermediate Education, and the M.P.s for the County of Galway."

Messrs Patrick Murphy J.C., E.P. O'Hanaghan J.C., and Mr McDonnell the Chairman of the Board were delegated to go before the Tuam Rural District Council and ask them to constitute the Tuam Water Works Committee a Drainage and Sewerage Committee to inquire into the question of the Tuam Sewerage and formulate a scheme for the approval of that Council.

It was ordered to advertise Contract for painting the Town Hall, Town Cross^{standing}, Town Lamps, Metal Work of Shop Street Bridge according to Specification made by Mr Stockwell, tenders to be considered at next monthly meeting

Also ordered that four ladders, 40ft, 35ft, 28ft, and 20ft be got from Messrs Cloherly & Scuple, Galway, same scantling as the last ladders, supplied by them to the Board,

And a wagon of flags (2 inch thick) from Messrs Bentley & Cooolin, Co. Clare, at price quoted by them, 2/9 per sq yd.

Chairman

James McDonnell.

5 Aug 1901

Monthly Meeting.

Monday, 5th August, 1901

Commissioners present, Messrs James McDonnell (Chairman of the Board), Michael O'Shine, E.P. O'Hanaghan J.C.; Patrick Murphy, Francis Keane, John MacPhelim, Francis Meagher, Patrick Cullin, and Patrick Canavan.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurer's Account showed balance due by the Board £310.15.8

Cheques were ordered and signed for

John Glynn	£ 3.6.8
Thos. Dwyer	2.10.0
Das McDonnell Esq	10.0.0
Joseph Lenfer	2.10.0
James Keullette	2.14.6
Prof. "Irish Independent"	1.5.0
John Glynn for	
John Butler	£ 1.5.0
Bill Hugh	1.1.8
Thos Dwyer	4.0
John Glynn	10.0
"Freeman's Journal"	7.0
"Daily Express"	8.0
Thos Dwyer	1.0
Michl Keegan	1.0.0
Thos Lyons	10.0
M Jones	12.6
B. M. Hugh	2.0
M Jones	7.6
P Hare	7.6
	£ 6.16.2
	£ 39.2.4

There was but one tender for the Painting Contract, that of Mr William Stockwell, amount £48.10.0

Mr Stockwell having agreed to reduce the amount of the tender to £40 Mr Shine proposed and Mr Meagher seconded that the tender at £40 be accepted which was passed unanimously, the contractor undertaking to have the work finished before or by 5th October next and, if not, to pay the Board the penalty of £2 per week for every week the work shall remain unfinished after that date, the clerk to draw up an agreement to that effect to be signed by the Contractor and his sureties.

Messrs Shine, Canavan, and Keane were appointed as Committee to look after the work.

Mr. James M. Donnell tendered to supply for ensuing year
Gas for lamps at £2.15.0 each; lamps at £1.7.6 each; Town
clock, £5; the Boardroom and Clerk's office per meter, £= 7.6 per 1000 cubic
feet; and two lamps at Fair Green on Fair nights, gratis.

On the motion of Mr. Shine seconded by Mr. Culkim the tender was
unanimously accepted.

The Toll Farmer having reported there were gaps on the Fair Green
wall, it was ordered to write to Messrs Concanon and Clewan requiring
them to have the gaps built up before next Fair, 10th Sept.

Dr. Dowling's seat being vacant owing to his not having attended
any meeting of the Board for the last six months, it was ordered to give
notice for next meeting to have a commissioner for the vacancy.

Ordered that a special meeting of the Board be summoned for Thursday
22nd inst to receive and consider tenders for ensuing year's Tolls and Customs
Schedule and advertisement to be the same as last year excepting one item
of the schedule viz Toll on Donkey Cart load to be two-thirds of that of a
Horse Cart load.

Ordered that the Board do be enquired as to whether the Railway Co
can be prevented from weighing at their station Tuam timber delivered there
from the Country around. The timber not being at the Commissioners'
weighbridge the Toll Farmer loses the toll.

Ordered that contract for ensuing year's printing and advertising be
advertised, tenders to be considered at the next monthly meeting, the contract
to include all printing in connexion with the August Horse Fair and
annual election of Town Commissioners, placards of fairs to be not smaller
than 36 inches by 20 inches, and year's supply of same to be delivered to the
Town Clerk within 14 days after date of acceptance of the contract tender.

Signed on behalf of the Board

Patrick Culkim Chairman

2nd Sept 1901

Thursday, 22nd August, 1901

Special meeting for letting of the Tolls and Customs for ensuing year
and Co-opting a Town Commissioner.

Commissioners present, Messrs James M. Donnell (Chairman
of the Board), Patrick Murphy, Patrick Culkim, Michael Shine,
and Francis Meagher.

There was but one tender for the Tolls and Customs, Mr Thomas
Nolan's for £600, offering as his sureties, Messrs Michael Hamill, Tuam
and John Tierney, Belmounst.

The advertisement having been read which was same as last
year (see page 352).

Mr Shine proposed and Mr Meagher seconded that the Tender
be accepted.

Passed unanimously.

On the motion of Mr Culkim seconded by Mr Murphy,
Dr. J. E. Dowling was unanimously Co-opted Commissioner
for seat vacant owing to his having attended no meeting of the Board for
the last six months.

Passed unanimously ~~to accept~~

Signed on behalf of the Board,

Patrick Culkim Chairman

2nd Sept 1901

I, John Edward Dowling having been Co-opted Commissioner
for the Town of Tuam hereby declare that I take said office upon myself
and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof according to the
best of my judgement and ability.
Made and subscribed before me
this 2nd day of Sept 1901

John Glynn,
Town Clerk.

John E. Dowling bid

Monday, 2nd September, 1901.

Monthly Meeting.

Commissioners present, Messrs Patrick Culkim, Patrick Murphy, Francis Keane, J. C. Dowling, M.D.; Michael C. Shine, and John MacPhipin.

D^r. Dowling read and signed his declaration as Town Commissioner.

On the motion of Mr Shine seconded by D^r. Dowling, Mr Culkim took the Chair, nem. con., and presided.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurer's account showed balance against the Board, £339.18.0

Cheques were ordered and signed for —

John Glynn	£ 3.6.8
Thos Dwyer	2.10.0
Das McDunnell Esq	10.0.0
Edmund Concanon Esq	21.7.6
Michael Lyaskey	14.9.8
John Glynn for	
John Butler	£1.5.0
B. McHugh	1.1.8
George French	12.6
Ingr. W. Measures	6.9
Thos Brodrick	10.0
J. Colman	1.0
P. H. M. Donnell	2.0
Joseph Murray	2.0
J. Finnerby	1.6
W. Cassidy	1.0
P. Keane	1.0
P. Kenny	1.0
John Gavin	1.6
M. Henry	1.6
Austin Downey	1.6
John Glynn	3.0
Michl. Keegan	16.0
Thos Lyons	10.0
Patrick Culkim	4.0
J. Keenaghty	4.6
J. McCoy	7.6
Patrick Dolan	1.4.0
J. Meagher	1.10.0
	£ 9.8.11
	£ 61.2.9

A tender was accepted from Messrs Stockwell & Sons for contract to paint woodwork of Weighhouse; gates of Potato Market and Fire Station, wooden enclosure for weighing Cattle; and gate, metal columns, beam, eave-shoot and downpipes of Fishmarket, — all for the sum of £4.5.0, the work to be done under the supervision of Committee consisting of Messrs Shine, Canavan & Keane.

Messrs John Murphy and Thos Dwyer were appointed Enumerators for the September and October Sheep & Cattle fairs at the usual remuneration, £1 each per day.

Only one tender was received for the annual printing and advertising contract, Mr R. J. Kelly's, amount, £25.

Mr Murphy proposed and D^r. Dowling seconded that the tender be accepted provided Mr Kelly reduces the amount to £24, same as the last contract.

It was ordered that a Carpenter be got to make necessary repairs in the Town Hall to be pointed out to him by the Town Inspector.

A letter was read from the Local Government Board requesting the Town Commissioners' views as to whether the existing law might be amended, empowering them to hold their monthly meeting on some day other than the first Monday of each month.

Consideration of the matter adjourned to the next monthly meeting.

Signed on behalf of the Board.

James W. Donnell.

Chairman.

7th October, 1901.

Monday, 17th October, 1901.

Monthly Meeting.

Commissioners present, Messrs James McDonnell (Chairman of the Board), Patrick Murphy, Patrick Canavan, Francis Keane, John Connelly, J. A. Flynn and E. P. Manamy.

The minutes of the last Meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurer's Account showed balance against the Board, £407.8.4
£311.0.9

Cheques were ordered and signed for

John Flynn		£ 3.6.8
Thos Dwyer		2.10.0
Jas McDonnell Esq		10.0.0
John Flynn for		
John Butler	£ 1.5.0	
B. McHugh	1.1.8	
A. McHugh	1.0.0	
D. Crichton	7.6	
J. Murphy	1.0.0	
J. Dwyer	1.0.0	
J. Kelleher	2.0	
J. McManamy	2.0	
D. Forde	1.11.8	
Michl Keegan	1.0.0	
Thos Lyons	1.0.0	
B. McHugh	1.4	
P. Kenny	2.0	£ 9.13.2
"Irish Times"		16.0
Stockwell & Sons		144.5.0
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		£ 70.10.10

A letter was received from the Local Government Board, of which a copy due notice had been given, in circular, to each Commissioner, asking for a statement of their views as to suggestion that the existing law might with advantage be amended by empowering Urban District Councils and Town Councils to hold their monthly meetings on some day other than the first Monday of each month.

Ordered to reply that the Board are in favour of the suggested amendment.

A copy of letter from the Local Government Board to the Tuam Rural District Council in reply to their resolution requesting extension of the boundary of the Town of Tuam was received and read, and adjourned to next monthly meeting for consideration.

A letter having been read from Mr R. J. Kelly relative to the annual printing and advertising contract, it was agreed to accept his tender (received the previous meeting day) for the work at sum named, £25.

Mr Nolan, Toll Farmer, not having cleared out or given up the Fish Market as directed by the Board it was ordered to instruct the Board's solicitor, Mr Concaun, to take legal proceedings to recover possession of same.

Ordered that Contractor for flagging (Michael Shaughnessy) be directed to put down new flags and re-set old ones wherever required and that some flags on Mr Laurence Burke's land be taken over and set.

Secretary, General Post office, wrote requesting consent to the erection of two telegraph poles in the kerb in pathway, in shop street, at points shown in plan accompanying his letter.

Request unanimously granted.

A letter was read from Messrs Bloherty & Scumple stating they now had a fine lot of Norway ladder spars and inquiring if they might go on with order of 29th July last for ladders (4).

Decided that the order be not renewed.

A letter was read from Mr M. C. Shine recommending that an excellent suggestion in Tuam Herald as to erecting a collapsible stage in the Boardroom, Town Hall, be considered with a view to its adoption.

Referred to the Painting Committee appointed at the September meeting, Mr J. A. Flynn to act with them as member.

Ordered that the Clerk attend before the Income Tax Commissioners at Claremorris in appeal against the Surveyors' assessment.

Signed on behalf of the Board

Michael C. Shine Chairman

Nov 4th 1901

Monday, 4th November, 1904.

Monthly Meeting.

Commissioners present, Messrs Michael O'Shine,
J. A. Glynn, John, John MacPhelin, James J. Besley, Francis Meagher,
John E. Dowling M.D., and John Connelly

On the motion of Mr Glynn seconded by Mr MacPhelin, the Chair
was taken by Mr Shine who presided.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and signed

The Treasurer's Account showed balance against the Board, £231.11.7

Cheques were ordered and signed for

John Glynn	£3.6.8
Thos Dwyer	2.10.0
Das M'Donnell Esq	10.0.0
Reps of late Michael Cleary Esq	7.10.0
Joseph Kenner	2.10.0
John Murphy	2.0.0
Thos Dwyer	2.0.0
Richd J Kelly Esq	12.0.0
Bentley & Co	6.14.3
W J Laughlin Esq	9.5
Michael Shaughnessy	5.0.0
John Glynn for	
John Butler	£1.5.0
B. McKugh	1.11.8
J Dwyer	6.0
Mary Connelly	1.0.0
J Glynn	10.0
J Glynn	12.3
Michael Keegan	1.16.0
Thos Lyons	1.10.0
M Jones	6.0
J Harlow	4.0
J Feenaghty	4.0
M Jones	2.6
Wm Reilly	4.0
Mrs Kennedy	10.0
P. Hare	2.6
J Feenaghty	3.0
B. McKugh	4.6
J Glynn	1.6
J Glynn	14.6
B. McKugh	10.0
Thos Dwyer	2.0.0
John Butler	2.0.0
	15.7.5
	£69.7.9

Thomas Dwyer (Cramer) and John Butler (assistant Cramer) were ordered
the above, £2 each, - usual biennial grant - for a winter overcoat.

A bill from Mr Laurence Burke for flags and crossing stones was referred to
Mr M'Donnell, Chairman of the Board.

Thomas Daly, Carpenter, tendered to erect a stage in the Board Room according
to specification and to the satisfaction of Committee (Messrs Shine, Keane, Conaway,
and Glynn) and himself finding all materials and labour, - for the sum of £9.

Accepted unanimously, question as to erecting a gallery to be referred to the above
Committee and reported upon.

Letter from the Local Government Board re Town Boundary Extension was again
adjourned to next monthly meeting notice of same to be given in Circular.

Application was made by Messrs J J Curran and J Bruen Hon Sec, Commercial
Young Men's Dancing Class for use of the Board room for the season, on Monday,
Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday, and Sunday each week, from 8.00 pm to 10.30 pm.

Granted unanimously, subject to alteration of the hours should the room be
required for other meetings.

Following letter was read from the chairman of the Board: -

"Tuam 4-11-04.

"My dear Sir, "As I am unable to attend your meeting today I would suggest
that you request the Drovers of the Town not to block the thoroughfares in
the outrageous manner in which they have been recently doing by having the
greater portion of the goods in their establishment exposed for view. No purpose
is served by such display, goods are undoubtedly injured and the public much
inconvenienced.

"James M'Donnell."

"John Glynn Esq."

Consideration postponed till next monthly meeting, notice of
the letter to be given in Circular.

A resolution from Lismore Union was adopted nem con viz: -

"That the time has arrived for a full and searching inquiry
into the administration in connection with the police force in this County,
its numerical strength in proportion to population, the danger of the prevalence
of police manufactured crime, as publicly charged in the case of Sergeant
Sheridan and not yet contradicted and we call upon our Parliamentary representatives
for such inquiry as soon as Parliament re-assembles."

An application from William O'Connor for a victualler's stall was adjourned
to next monthly meeting.

At suggestion of the Chairman (Mr Shine) it was ordered to give notice in next circular that question of renewing order for fire ladders would be considered at next monthly meeting.

The Chairman proposed and Mr Meagher seconded the following resolution, which was unanimously passed:-

"That we, the Tuam Town Commissioners, beg to call public attention to the action of the Railway Companies connected with the town, namely the Great Southern and Midland Companies and to their recent policy of not properly and sufficiently advertising the fairs of the Town and County. We refer particularly to the late October fair which was not locally advertised at all. We consider that all local fairs, markets and race meetings and the railway facilities therefor should be locally advertised, and that a mere announcement in an obscure part of the Dublin papers which have no recognised country circulation does not fulfil this purpose or satisfy this want. If railway companies wish to secure the support of the local public they ~~must~~ must pay that public the compliment of making known to it through the usual mediums of provincial advertising which are known to and supported by them, their traffic arrangements and the changes they make from time to time so that they may be known to the interested public. That copies of this resolution be sent to the local papers and the Great Southern and Midland Companies."

The following resolution proposed by Mr Glynn and seconded by the Chairman was unanimously passed:-

"That owing to the very many complaints made in connection with the sending away of sheep by rail on the occasion of the Tuam October Fair the Tuam Town Commissioners wish to know if the Great Southern and Western Railway Co kept 200 Midland wagons for several hours at Athlery Station and would not allow them into Tuam until their own supply of wagons ran short. And that copies of this resolution be sent to the Traffic Managers of the Great Southern & Midland Railways."

Signed on behalf of the Board,

Michael C Shine Chairman.

Dec 2nd 1901.

Monday, 2nd, December, 1901
Monthly Meeting.

Commissioners present were Messrs Michael C Shine, Patrick Anavan, Francis Keane, Francis Meagher, Michael Higgins, John Connelly,

On the motion of seconded by
The Chair was taken by Mr Shine who presided during the proceedings.

The Minutes of the previous Meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurer's account showed balance against the Board £300.19.4

Cheques were ordered and signed for

John Glynn	£3.6.8
The Dwyer	2.10.0
Das McDermott Esq	10.0.0
The Baby	9.0.0
Laurance Burke	2.0.0
John Glynn for	
John Butler	£1.5.0
B McHugh	1.1.8
The Dwyer	8.0
J French	12.6
D H Burke	6.4
Messrs Morris & Sons	18.0
Mich Keegan	1.0.0
The Lyons	1.4.0
B McHugh	7.2
	£4.2.8
	£33.19.4

Letter from the Local Government Board relative to proposed extension of the Town Boundary adjourned, the previous meeting, was, on the motion of Mr Anavan seconded by Mr Keane, again adjourned to next monthly meeting, when, if no action is taken regarding the matter, it will not be further adjourned but allowed to lapse.

Letter from the Chairman of the Board (Mr Mc Donnell), with reference to droppers piling up goods in the streets for exhibition and thereby causing public inconvenience, adjourned, the previous meeting was read but no action was taken thereon.

William O'Connor's application for a victualler's stall in the "Meat Market" was refused, the tenants, Franch Bros, having objected.

Order made last July to procure four ladders from Messrs Claberty & Sempie Galway was renewed, the ladders to be 40, 35, 28 and 20 ft respectively.

A resolution received from the Loughrea District Council condemning the action of Lord Ashdown in evicting his Catholic herd and workmen was adjourned to next monthly meeting for consideration.

A Specification and Tenders for erecting a gallery in the Town Hall submitted by Thomas Fahy, Carpenter were unanimously accepted the amount being reduced to £4.10.0 and the work to be done to the satisfaction of the Board.

Chairs for Market Scales were ordered to be procured from Messrs, McDonnell & Co.

A letter was read from the Committee Tuam Commercial Dancing Classes thanking the Board for granting them the use of the Boars Room and intimating that the Commissioners were elected honorary members of the Dancing Class.

Manager, Midland Great Western Railway replied that the Board's resolution with reference to the necessity of Company advertising the Tuam Fairs in the Tuam newspapers would receive attention and that as to complaint about the arrangements for the forwarding of sheep from the late October fair, it was a matter entirely for the Great Southern & Western Co.

A letter was read from Manager Great Southern & Western Railway stating that the question of the advertising of the Tuam ~~October~~ fairs shall have his special attention in future and that the statement that his Co kept 200 wagons for several hours at the Athenry on the occasion of the recent Tuam Oct. fair and would not allow them into Tuam until their own wagons ran short was not correct.

Signed on behalf of the Board

Michael C. Shine Chairman

January 6th 1902

Monthly Meeting Monday, 6th January, 1902

Commissioners present, Messrs Michael C. Shine, John Connelly, Francis Meagher, Patrick Canavan, John MacPhillipin, Francis Keane, Edward P. O'Flanagan Esrs.

On the motion of Mr. Canavan seconded by Mr. Meagher, Mr. Shine took the chair and presided.

Minutes of the last Meeting were read and signed.

Treasurer's account showed balance against the Board £244.18.8.

Cheques were ordered (and signed) as follows, for

John Flynn	£3.6.8
Thos Dwyer	2.10.0
Gas McDonnell Esq	10.0.0
Ch. Braddell	35.11.8
Thos Fahy	4.10.0
Michl Wynne	14.9.2
M. J. O'Loughlin	23.12.6
John Flynn for John Butler	£1.5.0
B. M. Hugh	1.1.8
Thos Dwyer	12.0
Hugh M. Hugh	1.0.0
J. Brisham	7.6
John Silk	12.6
Patk Dolan	18.0
Michl Keegan	1.8.0
Thos Wynne	1.12.0
B. M. Hugh	9.10
	£ 9.6.6

£ 103:6:6

A letter was read from Messrs O'Herby & Sample, Galway, suggesting that the Board take a 45 ft ladder they had on hand instead of a 40 ft, one of the four ladders recently ordered.

Mr. Connelly proposed and Mr. Keane seconded that the 45 ft ladder be accepted.

Passed unanimously.

A letter from the Local Government Board in reply to Tuam Rural District Council's application for extension of the Boundary of the Town of Tuam, several times adjourned, was read and allowed to lapse, no Commissioners proposing anything with reference to it.

A resolution as follows, from the Black Rock Urban District, was proposed by Mr. Keane, seconded by Mr. Conaway and adopted unanimously:—
 "That this Council petition Parliament to make such legislative provision in the coming Session of Parliament as will enable tenants in towns to claim compensation for all permanent improvements within the meaning of the 17th Section of the Land Act of 1840 or provide indefeasible title similar to that accorded by the Landed Estates Court."

The following resolution passed by the Loughrea Rural District Council was proposed by Mr. Connelly and seconded by Mr. Keane for adoption:—
 "That we condemn the action of Lord Ashburn Woodlam, in evicting his Catholic herds and workmen and replacing them by Orange bootmen as arbitrary and tyrannical, and calculated to disturb the peace of the locality. As his Lordship can find no fault to his employees except their religion we think his Lordship's action unchristian and uncharitable."

Adopted unanimously.

The Chairman (Mr. Shine) gave notice as follows:—
 "Take notice that for some members of the Town Board will at next monthly meeting move that a Gas Lamp be erected and lighted in Bishop's street at turn to Gurnanes Race Course.
 "Michael C. Shine".

6/1/1902

A circular having been received inviting delegates to annual Convention of the United Irish League in Dublin on 8th January, Mr. O'Hanagan was deputed nominator to represent the Board at the Convention.

It was ordered that a wagon of best Malbay flags be got from Messrs. O'Leary & Temple, Galway, Mr. D. M. Hugh Town Inspector, to go to the flag store and select the flags; also ordered that the contractor for flagging go on repairing the flagged footpaths wherever necessary.

At suggestion of the Chairman (Mr. Shine) it was ordered to repair crossing in Bishop's street, at entrance to the College yard, &c.

Signed on behalf of the Board
 J. W. Doolan. Chairman

Form, No 8.

Notice of Result of Election

Town of Tuam

Election of Commissioners for the above Town
 in the year, 1902.

I, the undersigned, being the Returning Officer at the Election for the said Town, do hereby give notice that the Candidates at the Election whose names are entered hereunder have been declared duly elected Commissioners:—

James Joseph Begby, Bishop Street, Tuam, Merchant,
 Thomas Bodkin Costello, Bishop Street, Tuam, Medical Doctor,
 James McDonnell, Waterslade, Tuam, Merchant,
 Patrick Murphy, Shop Street, Tuam, Merchant,
 Michael Cornelius Shine, Bishop Street, Tuam, Merchant & Auctioneer.

Dated this 15th day of January, 1902,

John Glynn,
 Returning Officer.

I, James Joseph Begley, having been elected Commissioner for the Town of Tuam, hereby declare that I take said office upon myself and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof according to the best of my judgment and ability

Made and subscribed before me this 23rd day of January 1902
John Glynn
Town Clerk
James J. Begley

I, Thomas Bodkin Costello, having been elected Commissioner for the Town of Tuam, hereby declare that I take said office upon myself and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof according to the best of my judgment and ability

Made before me and subscribed before me this 3rd day of Feb 1902
John Glynn
Town Clerk
Thomas B. Costello

I, James Mc Donnell, having been elected Commissioner for the Town of Tuam, hereby declare that I take said office upon myself and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof according to the best of my judgment and ability

Made and subscribed before me this 16th day of January 1902
John Glynn
Town Clerk
James Mc Donnell

I, Patrick Murphy, having been elected Commissioner for the Town of Tuam, hereby declare that I take said office upon myself and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof according to the best of my judgment and ability

Made and subscribed before me this 16th day of January 1902
John Glynn
Town Clerk
Patrick Murphy

I, Michael Cornelius Shine, having been elected Commissioner for the Town of Tuam, hereby declare that I take said office upon myself and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof according to the best of judgment and ability

Made and subscribed before me this 16th day of January 1902
John Glynn
Town Clerk
Michael Shine

I, James Mc Donnell, having been chosen Chairman for the Commissioners of the Town of Tuam, hereby declare that I take said office upon myself and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof according to the best of my judgment and ability

Made and subscribed before me this 2nd day of Feb 1902
John Glynn
Town Clerk
James Mc Donnell

A Special Meeting. Thursday, 16th January, 1902.

A Special meeting pursuant to the following resolution was held on the above day at 6 pm. :-
"We, the undersigned, being members of the Town Commissioners of Tuam hereby require you to call a special meeting of the Town Board to consider the charges of Religion's Intolerance on the Great Southern and Western Railway as formulated in the "Leader" newspaper of the 4th January 1902.

- "Date this 13th day of January, 1902.
(Signed) " Joseph A Glynn, J.B.,
" Jas J. Begley, J.B.,
" Michael C. Shine, J.B.,
" Michael Saggins, J.B.,
" Francis Meagher, J.B.,
" Francis Keane, J.B.,
" Patrick Canavan, J.B.,
" John Connelly, J.B.,
" Patrick Cullen, J.B.,"

To John Glynn, Town Clerk, Tuam.

The following Commissioners were present :- Messrs James Mc Donnell (Chairman of the Board), Patrick Murphy, John Connelly, Francis Keane, Michael C. Shine, J. A. Glynn, P. O. Hanagan, Francis Meagher, Patrick Canavan,

Mr Glynn proposed and Mr Meagher seconded the following resolution which was passed unanimously :-

"That we, the Tuam Town Commrs at meeting specially summoned, protest against the action of the Directors of the Great Southern & Western Railway Co., in appointing non-Catholics to the most lucrative positions on the Railway to the exclusion of Catholics whose only bar to promotion lies in their religion. That we urge the Catholic Shareholders to see that the grievances of the Catholic officials are brought before the next meeting of the Company & we call upon all Catholic traders to mark their sense of the bigoted action of the G.S. & W. Ry Co. by insisting on a guarantee of religion's equality in all branches of service as a condition of their continued support. That copies of this resolution be sent to all County, District, and Urban Councils in County, Leinster and Munster to the Chairman of the Great Southern & W. Ry Co. and to John Redmond M.P. and to the Press"

Signed on behalf of the Board
James Mc Donnell
Chairman

3rd Feb. 1902,

Thursday, 23rd January, 1902.

Election of Chairman.

The annual meeting for electing Chairman of the Board for the ensuing year was held on above date.

Commissioners present, Messrs James McDonnell (Chairman of the Board), Patrick Murphy, James J. Dwyer, John Connelly, Patrick Murphy, Bulkin, Patrick Canavan, Joseph A. Glynn, E. P. O'Hanagan

Mr Bulkin proposed and Mr Murphy seconded that Mr James McDonnell be re-elected Chairman for the ensuing year.

Passed unanimously.

Signed on behalf of the Board

James McDonnell. Chairman

3rd Feb, 1902.

Monday, 3rd February, 1902.

Monthly Meeting.

Commissioners present, Messrs James McDonnell (Chairman of the Board), Mr Shinn Patrick Canavan, Thomas B Costello M.D., E. P. O'Hanagan Esq., Francis Meagher, John Connelly,

Minutes of the last meeting were read and signed.

Treasurer's account showed balance against the Board £348.5.2.

Cheques were ordered and signed for -

To Mr Glynn	£ 3.6.8
" Dwyer	2.10.0
" Leufer	2.10.0
" Gt Stm & W. Ry Co.,	1.10.6
" John Glynn for -	
John Butler	£ 1.5.0
Bill Hugh	1.1.8
" Dwyer	8.0
" Glynn	10.0
" Glynn	12.6
" Kegan	1.4.0
" Lyons	1.8.0
" Jones	10.0
" Hare	10.0
" McHugh	9.8
" McHugh ^{10.0} / _{5.0}	15.0
	£ 8.13.10
	£ 18.11.0.

Mr Shinn's motion of which he had given notice viz: "That a gas lamp be erected and lighted in Bishop street at the turn to Gurravon Race Course." - was unanimously adjourned to next July meeting of the Board.

An Estimate of the probable cost of laying pipe and erecting the lamp ready for use was furnished by Mr Browne, Gas Manager, amount, £25.2.2.

Signed on behalf of the Board,

Michael C Shinn Chairman.

3rd March 1902.

Monday, 3rd March, 1902.

Monthly Meeting.

Commissioners present, Messrs Michael C Shine (in the chair), Patrick Canavan, Francis Keane, J. Dwyer, John Glynn, John Glynn, Patrick Cullin, Francis Meagher.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurer's Account showed balance against the Board, £36.16.2

Cheques were ordered and signed for

John Glynn	£3.6.8
Thos Dwyer	2.10.0
John Glynn	5.0.0
Thos Egan	1.0.0
John Glynn for	
John Butler	£1.5.0
B. McHugh	1.1.8
J. Dwyer	8.0
J. French	12.6
M. Shanahan	5.0.0
Tom Lyons	1.0.0
Michl Keegan	14.0
P. Cullin	8.4
B. McHugh	9.4
J. Timmerly	7.6
M. Keegan	1.0.0
J. Dwyer	1.0
B. McHugh	5.0
	£12.12.4
	£24.9.0

A letter was read from Mrs Laughlin requiring the Board to make a footpath in front of three houses which she has built on the Mall. As she understood it was the duty of the Commissioners to do so she would be obliged by their seeing to it at once.

Adjourned to next monthly meeting.

Acknowledgments were received and read from Limerick, Loughrea, and Portlanna Boards of Guardians of the Commissioners' resolution, re alleged Religious Bigotry on the Great Southern & Western Railway.

Mr Heullette, Station Master, Tram, appeared before the Board to reply to a Complaint which he had heard would be made to them by the Midland Railway Co against the Great Southern & Western Railway Co as to train service.

There was nothing in writing from the Midland Co. on the subject and when there would be, the Board ordered, Mr Heullette should be informed.

Signed on behalf of the Board

Michael Shine Chairman

7th April 1902

Monday, 7th April, 1902.

Monthly Meeting.

Mr Michael C Shine and subsequently Mr James McDonnell (Chairman of the Board) presiding. Other Commissioners present, Messrs Patrick Cullin, Francis Meagher, Michael Goggin, James J. Begley, John MacPhelin and Francis Keane.

Also present, Rev John Mac Dermott Rom and Mr James Heulatt, Stationmaster, Tram.

The Minutes of the previous Meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurer's Account showed balance against the Board £237.7.1

Cheques were ordered and signed for

John Glynn	£3.6.8
Thos Dwyer	2.10.0
Jas McDonnell Esq	30.0.0
D. O. Kerivan & Sons	11.19.4
B. H. & Kelly Esq	4.14.0
John Glynn for	
John Butler	£1.5.0
B. McHugh	1.1.8
Thos Dwyer	10.0
H. McHugh	1.0.0
D. Crisham	7.6
Michl Burke	3.0
Tom Lyons	1.7.0
Michl Keegan	1.0.0
B. McHugh	12.2
	£7.6.4
	£59.16.4

Auditor's Report on the Board's Accounts for year ended 31st March 1901 was laid before the Board.

At suggestion of Rev J Mac Dermott Adm who appeared before the Board,
Mr Bullin proposed and Mr Begley seconded -

"That the Town Inspector, Mr Bell McHugh, be directed to inform
John Doff that he must have his hobbyhorses, swing boats etc cleared out of the
Potato Market by end of week, Friday, 11th inst."

Passed unanimously.

It was ordered to issue notice requiring all householders in the Town to
sweep and keep clean the public footpaths along their dwellings.

Also ordered that a wagon of flags be got from Messrs Claherty & Sample.

A letter from Mrs Laughlin, adjourned from previous meeting, requesting
the Board to flag the footway along new houses she has built on the Mall,
was merely marked "read", the Rural District Council being the body to
apply to in the matter.

A communication having been read from the Midland Great Western
Railway Co as to train service on the Great Southern & Western Railway,
The Chairman (Mr M. Donnell) asked Mr Huleatt (who was
present) to get his Company (the Great Southern & Western) to give the public
proper accommodation.

Mr Huleatt said that the Goods Train, required, was
put on that morning.

The following resolution proposed by Mr Keane and seconded
by Mr Shine was unanimously passed:-

"That we, the Town Commissioners of Tralee, have
heard with astonishment and indignation that the Intermediate Board of
Education has appointed a foreigner as Irish Examiner for the current
year; and further, that in future, foreigners only will be appointed to
examine Irish boys and girls in their own National Language: that we
resent and condemn this action; firstly, because it reflects on the character,
honesty and honour of the Irish gentlemen - there can be no question of their
scholarship and competency - who have up to the present examined in Irish;
secondly, because it treats with wanton contempt and indignity native
Irish scholars - there being an abundance of highly qualified examiners
in Ireland; and lastly, as Irishmen and Irish women, we protest against
the gross, outrageous, and to our mind, premeditated insult to our Country,
contained in this latest action of the Intermediate Board."

It was ordered on suggestion of Mr Shine that Messrs Morris & Son be
written to for a half dozen hose lifters.

Mr McHugh, Town Inspector, having reported to the Board that John
O'Connor, Victualler, and the French Bros. were not paying the rent of the
portico they hold of the Meat Market as weekly tenants, the Frenches owing
to date £5.13.0 and O'Connor £2.7.0,

It was ordered to put the matter in the hands of the Board's
hands, Mr Concaun to make them pay or take up possession from them.

The following resolution from the Clones Urban Council was
unanimously adopted:-

"That having before us the fact that the Railway Rates
in Ireland are exorbitant and against the development of our National
resources, we call upon the Government to take over the control of the
Irish Railways and manage them for the benefit of the Country."

Signed on behalf of the Board,

James M. Donnell.

Chairman

May 5th, 1902.

Monday, 5th May, 1902

Monthly Meeting: Commissioners present, Messrs James McDonnell (Chairman of the Board), Michael C Shine, Francis Meagher, Patrick Canavan, Joseph A Glynn, solr; and C P O'Hanagan, solr;

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurer's account showed balance against the Board £297.3.5

Cheques were ordered and signed for -

John Glynn	£ 3.6.8
Thos Dwyer	2.10.0
Jas McDonnell Esq	10.0.0
Joseph Lemfer	2.10.0
Rpts of the late Mr. Cloran	7.10.0
John Glynn for	
John Butler	£ 1.5.0
B W Hugh	1.1.8
T. Dwyer	8.0
Mary Connolly	1.0.0
J Glynn	10.0
Gt. S. & W. Ry. Co.	14.0
Michl Shaughnessy	4.5.0
Michl Keegan	16.0
Tom Lyons	1.2.0
P Bulkin	4.0
B W Hugh	4.6
Thos Hyland	5.0
	£ 11.15.2
	£ 37.11.10

Messrs John Murphy and Thomas Dwyer having as usual applied for the posts of Enumerators for the May Sheep and Cattle fairs were appointed cum bon at the usual remuneration of £1 per day

Ordered that the caretaker of the Town Clock leave the entrance room to the Clock tower open for use of the Gaelic Concert on night of 6th inst.

Also that Messrs Concanon solr. and Kirwan B.E. be asked to furnish particulars of their respective accounts as suggested in his last report by the Local Government Auditor.

It was agreed to let Mr Concanon solr. deal as he may deem advisable with French Bros, Cyclists and John O'Connor Victualler whom the Board had ordered to be proceeded against for non-payment of rent.

Signed on behalf of the Board.

2nd June 1902

Michael C Shine

Chairman

Monday, 2nd June, 1902

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners present: Messrs Michael C Shine, and subsequently James McDonnell (Chairman of the Board) presiding; Patrick Canavan, James D Beggly, John Mac Millan, Francis Keane, John Connolly, Francis Meagher and Dr. J B Costello.

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read and signed.

Treasurer's account showed balance against the Board £244.15.3

Cheques were ordered and signed for

John Glynn	£ 3.6.8
Thos Dwyer	2.10.0
Jas McDonnell Esq	10.0.0
R J Kelly Esq	12.10.0
R J Kirwan Esq	10.0.0
John Glynn for John Butler	£ 1.5.0
B W Hugh	1.1.8
Thos Dwyer	8.0
G French	12.6
G S & W Ry Co	2.11
Thos Dalry	2.6
John Murphy	2.0.0
Thos Dwyer	2.0.0
Thos Lyons	1.2.0
Michl Keegan	16.0
Mrs Kennedy	8.6
	£ 9.19.1
	£ 48.5.9

On the motion of Mr. Shine seconded by Mr Keane, Dr. J. C. Dowling was unanimously co-opted to seat vacant through his not having attended any meeting of the Board during the previous six months.

Mr Beggly proposed and Mr Shine seconded that steps be taken to suitably celebrate the Christian Brothers' Centenary

It was decided to call a public meeting of the inhabitants of the Town for Sunday, 8th inst, 1 o'clock for the purpose.

Mr Keane drew attention to the necessity for establishing industries in the Town for the employment of the People - a woollen factory, etc.

Mr Shine proposed and Mr Connolly seconded that a Committee of the Board be formed to consider the matter, and the following were appointed: - Dr. Costello, Francis Keane, Francis Meagher, James D Beggly and the Chairman.

Mr. Breyer proposed and Mr MacPhiggin seconded that resolution of the Board passed some years ago to publish their advertisements in the Irish Language as well as in the English be complied with.

At the suggestion of Mr Shine, it was agreed to let the matter stand over till the Board are advertising the printing and advertising contract for next year

Signed on behalf of the Board.

Jas. McDonnell. Chairman

July 7th 1902

I, John Edward Dowling, having been Co-opted Commissioner for the Town of Tuam, hereby declare that I take said office upon myself and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof according to the best of my judgment and ability

Made and subscribed before this 7th day of July 1902

John Glynn
Town Clerk

John Edward Dowling

Monthly Meeting.

Monday, 7th July, 1902

Commissioners present, Messrs James McDonnell (Chairman of the Board), Michael B Shine, John E Dowling, M.D., Francis Keane, and Patrick Murphy, J.B Costello M.D

D. Dowling signed his declaration as co-opted member of the Board.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurer's Account showed balance against the Board £203.1.0

Cheques were ordered and signed for

John Glynn	£ 3.6.8
Thomas Dwyer	2.10.0
Jas McDonnell Esq	10.0.0

John Glynn for

John Butler	£ 1.5.0
D. W. Hugh	1.1.8
E. Dwyer	10.0
B. O'Reilly	3.0
H. M. Hugh	1.0.0
D. Briokam	7.6
D. H. Burke	7.0
Michl Shanahan	5.0.10
Thos Lyons	1.0.0
Michael Keegan	16.0
Thos Lyons	4.0
£ 11. 15.0	
£ 27. 11.8	

Shop street having fallen out of Contract, the Clerk was directed to write to Mr Perry, Co Surveyor, to know what arrangements he has made for the cleansing of that street.

Mr Keane having asked would any step be taken for the purpose of getting up a woollen factory in the town and suggested that the Committee meet and do something practical.

The Chairman said he would do anything in his power to forward the project and would attend meeting of the Committee that evening at 8 o'clock. He thought the Committee should apply to Mr Smith of the Athlone Woollen Factory for information.

Mr Shine proposed according to notice that a new lamp be erected and lighted in Bishop street at the turn to Gurrane's Race Course.

J. Costello moved and Mr Murphy seconded that the proposed lamp be not erected.

There voted for Dr Costello's motion - Messrs Murphy & Costello (2)
Against - Messrs Shine, Keane, and Dowling (3).

Mr Shine's proposition was declared carried by a majority of one.

Ordered that a wagon of flags be got from Messrs Bloherly & Sample, Galway
Also that the August Horse Fair be placarded as usual.

Signed on behalf of the Board

James McDonnell

Chairman

August 4th, 1902.

Wednesday, 23rd July, 1902.
8.30 pm.

A Special Meeting

Commissioners present, Messrs James McDonnell (Chairman of the Board), Francis Keane, J B Costello M D, James J Begley and Michel L Shine.

The following report submitted by Committee was read and adjourned to next monthly meeting of the Board for consideration: -

Gentlemen - As requested by you, we visited Athlone on Monday and had an interview with Mr Smith as regard the feasibility of establishing a woollen factory in Inam. Mr Smith says that, roughly speaking, a Capital of £10,000 would be necessary, £3000 of which would be spent on machinery, £2000 in providing premises and motive power, the remaining £5000 to be used as a working Capital. He is of opinion that there is ample room for the establishment and working of such a concern, but he deprecates the idea of a public Company, who are absolutely ignorant of the trade undertaking such a business, and suggests that if they could get a working manager who would take £500 or £1,000 worth of shares in the Company, a woollen factory might be made a success. Mr Smith received us with utmost courtesy for which we owe him our best thanks. We only hope that he may live long and prosper, and add still further to the great success which he has attained; and, indeed, he may well feel proud of the magnificent establishment of which he has been the founder.

"James McDonnell, Chairman,
"Francis Keane,
"J B Costello,
"James J Begley.

On the motion of Mr Shine of Mr D a vote of thanks was unanimously passed to the Committee for their satisfactory report.

Signed on behalf of the Board,

James McDonnell

Chairman

July August 4th, 1902.

Monthly Meeting

Monday, 4th August, 1902

Commissioners present, Messrs James McDonnell (Chairman of the Board) Michael C Shine, Patrick Conavan, John Connelly, James J Begley, Francis Keane, Patrick Murphy, John MacDermidin, and E P Hanagan Esq. Esq.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurer's account showed balance against the Board £230.12.8

Cheques were issued and signed for

John Glynn	£ 3.6.8
Thos Dwyer	2.10.0
James McDonnell Esq	10.0.0
Bloherly & Sample	17.9.7
Agent Bank of Ireland	10.0.0
D J Keenan & Sons for Capt Dick	19.7.0
Board of Public Works	35.1.6
Joseph Keenan	2.10.0
Reps of late Michel Moran (in lieu of unissued cheques)	35.0.0
John Glynn for John Bull	£ 1.5.0
P M Hugh	1.1.8
J Dwyer	6.0
J Glynn	10.0
Int S & W Ry Co	1.18.0
J Glynn	1.5.0
Inst of W & Measures	5.6
Tom Lyons	13.0
Michel Keenan	4.0
Michel Dwyer	2.0
	£ 7.10.2
	£ 142.14.11

A bill was submitted from Mr H J Concanan for costs in connection with the Board's Petition to the Local Government Board to extend the Town Boundary £30.9.1

Referred to a Committee consisting of Messrs M C Shine and Patrick Murphy with the Town Clerk to examine and report to the Board on it.

Schedule of Tolls and Customs was revised and allowed to stand unaltered with the exception of one item, Eggs, which will be charged at the rate of one halfpenny per hundred if advised by the Board's sol. that it can be legally collected from the buyer, otherwise the toll on eggs shall continue as at present. (See Schedule)

List of Fairs was revised but no change was made. It was the opinion that the July Fair should be altered as other provincial fairs clash with it. The matter to be further considered at a future meeting and decided in time next year for advertising in the almanacs for 1904.

The Tolls and Customs for year 1902-1903, were ordered to be advertised for next monthly meeting, 1st Sept. Also the Printing and Advertising Contract.

Report by Woollen Factory Committee adjourned from special meeting held on 23rd July last, was read.

Mr Shine proposed, Mr Canavan seconded and it was unanimously passed -
"That a public meeting of the inhabitants be convened for a date to be fixed after the Archbishop and Father McDermott have come home, to consider the project."

The following notice was handed in and accepted: -

"Take notice that I or some member of the Board will move on my behalf at the next monthly meeting of the Board that the resolution authorising the erection of a Lamp in Bishop Street at a cost of £25, be rescinded".
P. Murphy.

"4th August, 1902".

Signed on behalf of the Board,
Michael C Shine Chairman

1st September, 1902

Monthly Meeting.

Monday, 1st September, 1902.

Commissioners present, Messrs M C Shine (in the chair), Francis Keane, Michael Goggin, Patrick Canavan, E P O Hanagan, J. O.; Joseph A Glynn J. O.; and John MacPhelim.

Minutes of the last Meeting were read and signed.

Treasurer's Account was submitted showing balance against the Board £338.7.7

Cheques were ordered and signed for

John Glynn	£ 3.6.8
Thos Dwyer	2.10.0
Jas M'Donnell Esq	10.0.0
Michael Shanplinessy	5.0.0
Edmund Concanan Esq	21.3.9
Local Govt Board	4.5.0
Michael Lynskey	11.9.11
Michael T. Mullin	13.10.0
John Glynn for	

John Butler £ 1.5.0

B. M. Hugh 1.1.8

G. French 12.6

J. Glynn 10.4

Thos Foley 15.0

Michael Keegan 6.0

Tom Lyons 8.0

Wm Stookwell 6.0

£ 5.4.6

£ 76.9.10

The Clerk stated that the Board, in the year 1897, per its then Chairman, Mr Patk Culklin, became contractor to the County Grand Jury for keeping in repair etc the road between the Town Cross, Duam, and the turn to Gardenfield for five years, at £6 per annum. The Board advertised for a person to do the work and accepted a tender from Mr Michael T. Mullin (See Minute, page 260) who executed the Contract for the full period (terminated last July) for £54 per annum: The difference, £6, amounting in five years to £30 to go to the credit of the Board. Mr Culklin, in whose name the contract was taken, received the County cheques and disposed of them, lodging with the Board's Treasurer, only £6 of the £30, and leaving the Board's contractor, Mr Mullin, unpaid the last quarter, £13.10.0, which the Board, being bound to, paid to him. Mr Culklin therefore owes the Board £30 less £6, together with £13.10.0, that is to say, £37.10.0 in all.

Proposed by Mr Glynn, seconded by Mr Keane, and passed unanimously that the Board's solicitor be instructed to apply to Mr Culklin for that amount (£37.10.0).

There was but one tender, Mr Thomas Nolan's, for the Tolls and Customs for year ending 28th Sept 1903, amount £600, and sureties Messrs Michael Hamell Duam and John Tierney Belmont.

On the motion of Mr Glynn, seconded by Mr Canavan, the tender was unanimously accepted.

There was no tender for the Printing and Advertising (in English) contract.

Mr Mac Philpin proposed to publish in the Irish Language and Irish Characters all the Board's advertisements for one year for £5.

Ordered to re-advertise the contract, tender for same to be considered at adjourned meeting, 8th instant.

The Dean Brown, Thomas Dwyer, applied for and was ordered, a man to assist at the Crane, Market Square, during the winter months.

It was also ordered to notify in circular for next monthly meeting, motion to consider whether date of July and August (horse) fairs should be changed.

A letter was read from Dr Costello as follows:-

" Bishop street, Duam, Co Galway,
" 29th August, 1902.

" Dear Mr Glynn, - I beg to resign being Commissioner for the Borough of Duam, - I am yours faithfully,

" Thomas D Costello.

" I Glynn Esq, Duam black, Duam."

Ordered that Dr Costello be asked to re-consider the letter.

The Board's Bill Poster, Daniel Brisham, applied for increase of salary or remuneration for extra work there being recently a considerable increase of bill posting owing to new horse fair etc.

Consideration adjourned to Monday, 8th instant.

Mr Patrick Murphy's motion of which notice had been given "to rescind" resolution authorising the erection of a lamp in Bishop street at a cost of £25" dropped, no member of the Board proposing the rescission.

Messrs Thomas Dwyer and John Murphy applied for and were appointed to the enumerators of the Sept Fair and for the October fairs also, at the usual remuneration, £1 each per day.

The following resolution, proposed by the Chairman and seconded by Mr O'Hanagan, was unanimously passed -

"That we, the Duam Down Commissioners protest against the infamous and unchristian attitude of the French Republic in the present war upon the Nuns and other religious orders in the land which has heretofore been known as the first daughter of the Catholic Church".

The Board adjourned to Monday, 8th instant.

October 6th 1902

Signed on behalf of the Board
Michael C. Shine Chairman

Monday, 8th September, 1902.

Adjourned Meeting.

Commissioners present, Messrs Michael C Shine (in the chair), Francis Keane, Patrick Canavan, John Mac Philpin, and James D Beggley.

There was but one tender, Mr Richard J Kelly's, for the Printing and Advertising (in English) contract, for one year, according to advertisement for £25 - from 6th September 1902 to 6th Sept 1903.

Accepted unanimously.

A tender from Mr John Mac Philpin to advertise for one year all the Board's advertisements in the Irish Language and Irish Characters for £5 was unanimously accepted.

Application of the Board's Bill Poster, Daniel Brisham, for increase of salary, adjourned from the last meeting, having been read and discussed,

Mr Mac Philpin proposed and the Chairman (Mr Shine) seconded that the Bill Poster's salary be increased from £1.10.0 to £2.0.0 per year.

Passed unanimously, the increase to date from end of current quarter.

A letter was read from Dr Thomas D Costello stating he regretted that he could not alter his decision as to his resignation of the position of Commissioner.

Dr Costello's resignation was then accepted nem con.

Mr Beggley proposed and Mr Mac Philpin seconded that Mr Edward J Guy be co-opted as Commissioner in room of Dr Costello.

Mr Canavan proposed and the Chairman (Mr Shine) seconded Mr Rath E. Carroll for co-opting to the vacancy.

There voted for Mr Guy - Messrs Beggley and Mac Philpin (2), and for Mr Carroll - Messrs Canavan and the Chairman (2).

Mr Keane declined to vote.

The Chairman gave his casting vote to Mr Carroll and declared him duly co-opted.

At Mr Keane's suggestion it was ordered ~~it was ordered~~ to notify in circular that at next monthly meeting the want of public urinals in the town, would be brought under notice with the view to taking steps to have such erected.

Rev Father Ding, O.M.S., Inchacore, Dublin, wrote saying that the Pilgrimage Committee would be pleased to act as a medium of communication if the Board should wish to send a message of Congratulation to the Holy Father.

Mr. Bogley proposed and Mr. Canavan seconded the following resolution: "That we, the Tuam Town Commissioners, at this our first meeting since His Holiness the Pope was by Divine Providence enabled to celebrate the 24th anniversary of his Coronation and enter the year of his Pontifical Jubilee, humbly and reverently desire to offer and lay at his feet our warmest congratulations, and we further hope that one of the most illustrious of the successors of St. Peter may be saved for many a long year to sway the destinies of the Roman Catholic Church of which he has proved himself so holy, able and revered a ruler." Copy to be sent to Father King, O.M.F., Inchacore, Dublin.

Passed unanimously.

It was ordered that Contract for the annual lighting be considered at the next monthly meeting notice of same to be given in Circular.

Signed on behalf of the Board,

October 6th 1902

Michael C. Shine Chairman.

I, Patrick E. Carroll, having been co-opted Commissioner for the Town of Tuam, hereby declare that I take said office upon myself and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof according to the best of my judgment and ability.

Made and subscribed before me this 6th day of Oct. 1902
John Glynn
Town Clerk

Patrick E. Carroll

I, Patrick Byrne, having been co-opted Commissioner for the Town of Tuam hereby declare that I take said office upon myself and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof according to the best of my judgment and ability.

Made and subscribed before me this 13th day of October 1902
John Glynn
Town Clerk

Patrick Byrne

Monthly Meeting.

Monday, 6th October, 1902.

Commissioners present, Messrs Michael C. Shine (in the chair), Francis Keane, Patrick Canavan, Patrick Carroll, John Cunnelly, and Francis Meagher.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and signed.

Treasurer's Account showed balance against the Board £824.17.5

Cheques were ordered and signed for

John Glynn	£ 3.6.8
Thomas Dwyer	2.10.0
James O'Donnell Esq	10.0.0
James O'Donnell Esq	5.0.0
W.D. Loughlin J.R.	9.4
John Glynn for John Butler	£ 1.5.0
Pat Hugh	1.1.8
Thos Dwyer	6.0
H. D. Hugh	11.0.0
D. Crisham	7.6
Thos Dwyer	1.0.0
John Murphy	11.0.0
Thos Lyons	12.0
Michl Keegan	6.0
	£ 6.18.2
	£ 28.4.2

A resolution was read from the Tuam Board of Guardians regarding inadequacy of Train service for the Tuam September Fair at which through want of wagons, stock had to wait over till next day.

A letter in reply, explanatory of the cause of the delay was read from the Great Southern & Western Railway Co.

Mr. Laurence Burke, Road Contractor, requested an expression of opinion from the Board as to how he had executed contract for paving Channels at High street, Bishop street and Vicar street in year 1901 - County Council work for which he has not yet been paid.

The clerk was directed to write to Mr. Perry County Surveyor stating it was the Board's unanimous opinion that Mr. Burke had done the work satisfactorily.

The Toll Farmer, Mr. Thomas Nolan, applied to the Board to have gaps on Fair Green walks made up before October Fair, A Committee consisting of Messrs Cunnelly, Keane, Carroll, Canavan & the chairman (Mr. Shine) was appointed to see to the matter on the following Friday.

Question as to changing date of July Sheep & Cattle fair and August Horse Fair was postponed.

The Clerk was ordered to write to the District Council calling their attention to the great want of public urinals in the Town and asking that they provide same if it is in their power to do so.

Contract for the annual lighting was adjourned to the following Monday, 13th inst.

Mr. Keane proposed and Mr. Carroll seconded that Mr. Patrick Byrne, Merchant, near sheet, be co-opted as Town Commissioner in room of Mr. Patrick Cullin, disqualified through non-attendance.

Passed unanimously.

Mr. P. W. Hugh, Town Inspector, reported that he had got possession for the Board from the Doll Farmers (Mr. Thomas Nolan) of the Fish Market, for which there had been obtained Government Decree at Quarter Sessions.

Ordered that the Fish Market be cleaned, whitewashed and put in proper order.

Consideration of Woollen Factory project was adjourned to the following Monday 13th inst, as was also motion to provide and erect extra weighing scales for the winter Markets.

Annexed is copy of letter received from Edmund Concaun Esq lessor of part of Duam Fair Green:-

"Bishop street, Duam, Sept 26th, 1902.

"Sir, The Duam Town Improvement Commissioners are hereby required to take notice that I have sold the land of Fissadyra to Mr Edward P. O'Hanagan, Esq., Duam, and that all rents accruing due out of Fair Green part of said lands after above date are payable to said Edward P. O'Hanagan by said Commissioners.

(Signed) "Edmund Concaun."

To John Glynn Esq., Town Clerk, Duam

The Board adjourned to Monday 13th instant.

Signed on behalf of the Board

Michael C. Shine

Chairman

Nov 3rd 1902

Adjourned Meeting.

Monday, 13th October, 1902.

Commissioners present, Messrs James McDermott (Chairman of the Board), Michael C. Shine, James J. Begley, E. P. O'Hanagan, D. J. Dowling, Patrick Byrne and Francis Keane.

Mr. Byrne signed his Declaration as Town Commissioner (See page 449).

It was unanimously decided to accept Contract for annual lighting same as last year with addition of one lamp at Sullinadaly road, new lamp at turn to Gurrans, Bishop to be lighted gratis for the year.

Mr. Carroll proposed and Mr. Dowling seconded that the Town Clock be lighted all night.

The question was adjourned to next monthly meeting.

It was ordered that extra weighing scales be provided and erected in the Market Square for the winter Markets and that a man be employed to attend same.

Mr. Shine having referred to question of changing date of the July and August (horse) fairs,

Mr. O'Hanagan said that under the Agricultural Board scheme there might be a subsidy got for the Horse Fair and suggested that the Clerk write to Secretary County Committee and Secretary Dublin Department for particulars as to subsidies for local shows.

Motion regarding Woollen Factory project dropped.

Mr. Dowling suggested a Bobbin Factory instead which could be established on a £1000 capital which not less than £10000 would be adequate for a Woollen Factory.

It was ordered to advertise the Oct four days fair in the "Freeman", "Independent", and "Irish Times" for three consecutive days.

Also that the Railway Company be written to stating that the Board was satisfied the next October fair would be as large if not larger than last year and asking that a sufficient number of wagons be provided for it. Let it be mentioned too that there is not loading room enough at the station, there should be a longer siding.

It was also ordered that the Board's solicitor, Mr. Concaun be asked for opinion as to who is bound by the lease of Fair Green (by Mr. Edmund Concaun to the Town Commissioners) to make up and keep in repair the walls and gates of the Freedom said Fair Green.

Signed on behalf of the Board,

Michael C. Shine

Chairman

Nov 3rd 1902

Friday (6 Dec pm), 24th October, 1902.

Special Meeting.

Commissioners present, Messrs James McDonnell (Chairman of the Board), Patrick Murphy, Patrick Canavan, John Connolly, Francis Keane, P.C. Carroll and E.P. Flanagan.

The object of the meeting was to consider what steps to take in face of the numerous complaints from all quarters about the insufficiency of train service for the October fair then just over - which caused inconvenience, trouble and loss to buyers and sellers, and hardship and bad treatment to stock, and which was calculated to injure the future fairs of the town.

After a lengthened discussion, it was ordered that the clerk write to the Board of Trade and the Railway & Canal Commission for information as to whether they could interfere in the matter if appealed to.

Signed on behalf of the Board

Michael C. Shone Chairman

Nov 3rd 1902

Monday, 3rd November, 1902

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners present, Messrs Michael C. Shone (in the chair), Francis Keane, Patrick Canavan, P.C. Carroll, Patrick Byrne, and E.P. Flanagan.

Minutes of the last Meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurer's Account showed balance against the Board, £203.1.7

Cheques were ordered and signed for

John Glynn	£ 3.6.8
Thomas Dwyer	2.10.0
Joseph Keifer	2.10.0
Gas McDonnell Esq	10.0.0
Thos Fahy	3.10.0
Rob Kelly Esq Ph	12.10.0
Globerty & Seuple	6.15.10
Reps of the late McLoran	7.10.0
Reps of the late Edmund Concaun	7.1.1.10
Thomas Dwyer	2.0.0
John Murphy	2.0.0

£ 73.14.4

Brought forward from opposite page £ 73.14.4

Cheque to John Glynn for	
John Butler	£ 1.5.0
Bill Hugh	1.1.8
Thos Dwyer	14.0
John Glynn	10.0
Mary Connolly	1.0.0
Matthias Jones	1.5.0
James Bell	3.0
Michael Roftery	2.0
Thos Lyons	14.0
Michl Keegan	16.0
Mrs Kennedy	8.6
	£ 7.14.2

£ 81.13.6

The Fish Market being now cleared out and possession of it in the hands of the Board, it was unanimously ordered that any person exposing fish for sale or otherwise in any part of the town except the Fish Market shall be prosecuted according to law.

A letter was read from Mr Gavin Lowe Dublin recommending that the Commissioners write to the Board of Trade and to Mr William Field M.P., Chairman Irish Cattle Dealers' Association Dublin placing the insufficiency of railway accommodation for Tuam fairs fully before them.

The Clerk was directed to write to both Railway Companies inviting representatives to an adjourned meeting of the Board to be held on Monday 10th inst to consider the matter in question.

Mr Carroll perceiving the feeling of the Board to be against it, did not go on with his motion to have the Town Clock diabolized all the night.

Question as to who should make up and repair the fair green walls having arisen, Mr Concaun, the Board's solicitor was asked for advice and he verbally told the Town Clerk that the Board had nothing to do with the matter.

It was then decided to ask the owners to join and make up the wall between their parts of the Fair Green.

The Chairman (Mr Shone) proposed and Mr Flanagan seconded the following resolution which was unanimously passed: -
"That we, the Tuam Town Commissioners, desire to place on record the expression of our regret in hearing of the death of Mr Edmund Concaun, formerly a member of this Board, and we wish to convey to our solicitor, Mr Henry Concaun and through him to the other members of his family our sincere sympathy in their affliction."

The Town Cramer, Thomas Dwyer, having reported that the Weighbridge and Oats and Potato scales wanted repairing, it was ordered that John Sell, Blacksmith be employed to do it.

It was ordered to advertise for a Contractor to cleanse the Potato Market and footpaths along the Potato Market, Town Hall and both sides of Shop Street Bridge for one year, tenders to be considered at next monthly meeting.
Messrs Stockwell & Sons' tender for painting and decorating the Town Hall £27.2.6 was accepted.
The Board then adjourned to Monday 10th inst.

Signed on behalf of the Board

Michael C Shine

Chairman

December 9th 1902.

Tuam, 10th November, 1902.

Adjourned Meeting.

Commissioners present Messrs James McDonnell (Chairman of the Board), Michael C Shine, Francis Keane, Patrick Byrne, Francis Meagher, Patrick E Carroll, J E Dowling M.D., John Mac Philpin and John Connolly.

Amongst others present were Messrs E A Keale, Goods Manager, Great Southern & Western Railway and J W Selling, Tuam District Superintendent, who both of whom explained as to the shortage of wagons for the Tuam Oct Fair.

Mr Shine proposed and the Chairman seconded the following resolution which was unanimously adopted:—

"That having heard the explanation of Mr Keale and Mr Selling representing the Great Southern Railway (the Midland not having sent a representative as requested) we consider same satisfactory but that we consider that loading accommodation at Tuam is not at all adequate, and we much ask that the Great Southern Company in future guarantee sufficient wagons independent of the supply from the Midland Great Western Railway Company"

Mr Henry M A Murphy Sobralway replied on behalf of the Reps of the late Mr Michael Blown to the Town Clerk's letter re Tuam Fair Green Boundary, stating he would be in Tuam the following week and see to the matter.

The Board also Mr Concanon wrote that considering the Commissioners have solely the right of holding fairs on both plots of the Fair Green it would be ridiculous, he thought, to imagine they would be bound to keep the fences in repair while the lands are practically in the possession of and used by the lessors for the entire year. If any damage was done to the during a fair, different considerations would arise and the Commissioners probably would have to repair the damage done. He thought it right to point out that under the lease from Mr Concanon the Commissioners are bound to keep whatever gates they may put up between the plots in good and sufficient order and repair and duly locked or fastened so that they may not be opened or admit of ingress to the lands demised by the said lease.

A letter was read from the Committee Tuam Dancing Class asking for use of the Board Room of the Town Hall for the class.

Consideration adjourned to next monthly meeting.

Signed on behalf of the Board

Michael C Shine

Chairman

December 9th 1902

Tuam, Nov 27th, 1902.

A Special Meeting.

Commissioners present, Messrs James McDonnell (Chairman of the Board), Michael C Shine, J E Dowling, James J Begley, Patrick Canavan, Francis Keane, John Connolly, Francis Meagher, Patrick E Carroll, E P O'Hanagan, Patrick Byrne, Patrick Murphy, J A Glynn, and John Mac Philpin

The Chairman proposed and Mr ^{Shine} ~~Dolan~~ seconded the following resolution which was passed unanimously:—

"That we, the Tuam Town Commissioners representing and voicing the feelings of the inhabitants desire to place on record our sense of the great loss which our country has sustained by the death of our most beloved Archbishop, the Most Rev D. MacEvilly, a distinguished Churchman and Patriot, and as a mark of respect that we direct that the municipal buildings be draped and also the portion of the town through which the funeral cortege passes and that the Commissioners with the Town Clerk attend the funeral."

"That copies of this resolution be sent to the Rev J O'Loole S.P., and the other members of the family."

Signed on behalf of the Board.

Michael C Shine

Chairman.

December 9th, 1902.

Monday, 1st December, 1902.

Owing to the death of the Archbishop, Most Rev. D. Mac Evilly, there was no meeting of the Town Commissioners on the above-named day and I, the undersigned adjourned to Tuesday, 9th instant, of which adjournment I have given notice in due time to each member of the Board.

Dated this 4th day of December, 1902,

John Glynn,
Town Clerk.

Tuesday, 9th December, 1902.

Adjourned meeting.

Commissioners present, Messrs Michael C. Shine (in the chair), Francis Keane, Patrick Curavan, Patrick Carroll, and Patrick Ryne,

Minutes of previous meetings were read and signed.

The Treasurer's account showed balance against the Board £284.15.1

Cheques were ordered and signed for

John Glynn	£3.6.8
Thos Dwyer	2.10.0
Geo McDonnell	10.0.0
John Silk	4.1.6
"Freeman's Journal"	12.0
"Irish Times"	1.1.0
"Daily Independent"	15.0
W Stockwell & Sons	27.2.6
John Glynn for	
John Butler	£1.5.0
B McHugh	1.1.8
Thos Dwyer	16.0
Michl Haughnessy	12.0
Presentation News	2.12.6
D Crisham	2.0
B McHugh	7.6
do	7.10
Tom Lyons	12.0
Michael Keegan	10.0
D Forde	2.10.0
G Branch	12.6

£11.9.0

£60.17.8

There was no tender for Contract to Cleanse the Potato Market and the footpaths along the Potato Market and Town Hall and both sides of Shop Street Bridge.

Ordered to re-advertise the Contract.

Mr. Shine gave notice that he would at next monthly meeting move that resolution to the effect that any requirement amounting to two pounds and upwards must be advertised for be rescinded as said resolution is calculated to cause inconvenience.

It was ordered that a fire grate be erected in the shed of Fishmarket and also a door, Messrs Carroll Keane and the Chairman (Mr. Shine) to see the work properly done.

The Chairman gave notice that he would move at next monthly meeting that the Board consider the advisability of providing for the Fishmarket a water supply from the mains of the Waterworks.

A letter was read from Committee, Dancing Class, that in respect of the memory of the Archbishop they adjourned the class and therefore withdrew their application for the use of the hall.

The Railway & Canal Commissioners forwarded letters which they had received from the Midland Great Western and the Great Southern & Western Railway Co.s in reply to the Town Clerk's communication about Storage of Wagons at Inam Station on the occasion of the late October fair. The letters were similar to those received by the clerk from the said Railway Co. and read at previous meeting.

The Board of Trade wrote that they could only deal with complaints about Railway Co.s, brought before them in accordance with the procedure laid down in the Railway & Canal Commission Rules, 1889, copy of which could be got for a shilling from Edward Punsby, 116 Grafton Street, Dublin.

A Copy ordered.

None of the advertisements of the Board having appeared in Irish in the "Inam News" as contracted for,

Mr Keane proposed, the Chairman seconded and it was passed nem con that the Contractor be asked for an explanation.

Signed on behalf of the Board

Michael C Shine Chairman

5th January 1903

Monday, 5th January, 1903.

Monthly Meeting.

Commissioners present, Messrs Michael C. Shine (in the Chair),
Edward P. O'Hanagan, Patrick Canavan, John Connelly and Francis Keane.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurer's Account showed Balance against the Board £212.12.9

Cheques were ordered and signed for

John Glynn	£3.6.8
Thos Dwyer	2.10.0
Gas McDonnell Esq	10.0.0
O. H. Braddell Esq	34.12.8
D. J. Kirwan & Sons	11.17.3
M. J. O'Loughlin	25.6.3
Michl Lynskey	11.9.8
John Glynn for John Buller	£1.3.0
B. MacHugh	1.1.8
H. MacHugh	1.0.0
D. Crisham	10.0
Thos Dwyer	18.0
Michl Shughnessy	5.0.0
M. C. Shine	18.6
Thos Lyons	13.0
Michl Keegan	8.0
B. MacHugh	8.10
Michl Shughnessy	1.0.0
Thos Dwyer	1.0
	£13.4.0

£112.6.6

It having been stated that the Board's advertisements were not being published in the "Inam News" in the Irish Language and Irish Character Mr. John Mac Shuilleain it was ordered that the contractor, Mr. John Mac Shuilleain be informed that if he does not carry out his contract in this respect the Board will not pay him.

Mr. B. MacHugh, Caretaker of Town Hall was ordered not to allow in future nails to be driven in boards and rails of the stage in Board Room which damages the timber, screws to be used instead.

The Chairman (Mr. Shine) proposed and Mr. Canavan seconded —
"That Resolutions in Minutes to the effect that any requirement amounting to £2 and upwards cannot be advertised for, be rescinded, as such resolution is calculated to cause inconvenience".

Passed unanimously.

It was ordered that a Contractor be advertised for to supply and connect with main, a pipe with necessary fittings to provide the Fish Market with water from the Water Works, tenders to be considered at next monthly meeting of the Board.

It was also ordered that in consequence of the increase recently in the number of Lamps the monthly instalment hitherto paid to the Contractor for public lighting, £10, be increased to £12.10.0 for the future.

There were two tenders for Contract to cleanse the Potato Market and footpaths along the Potato Market, Town Hall and both sides of Shop Street Bridge for one year: one from Laurence Burke, at £12; the other from Thos Lyons at 4/0 per week.

Thos Lyons having agreed to do the work for a year for £9, was declared Contractor. The Potato Market to be cleansed weekly and the footpaths daily and all the sweepings immediately removed. And the Contractor to be paid monthly.

Ordered that a wagon of flags ^{to} got from Messrs. Cloherty & Sample Galway.

Signed on behalf of the Board

James McDonnell.

Chairman

February 2nd, 1903

Form No. 8.

Notice of Result of Election.

Town of Tuam.

Election of Commissioners for the above Town in the year, 1903.

I, the undersigned, being the Returning Officer at the Election of Commissioners for the said Town, do hereby give notice that the Candidates at the above Election whose names are entered hereunder have been duly elected Commissioners:-

- Patrick Byrne Vicar street, Tuam, Merchant.
- Patrick Canavan Bishop street, Tuam, Merchant.
- Michael Liggins The Mall, Tuam, Merchant.
- Francis Keane Dublin Road, Tuam, Merchant.
- John MacPhilpin Waterlade Place, Tuam, Newspaper Proprietor.

Dated this 15th day of January 1903.

John Glynn Returning Officer.

I, Patrick Byrne, having been chosen Commissioner for the Town of Tuam hereby declare that I take the said office upon myself and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof according to the best of my judgment and ability.

Made and subscribed before me this 23rd day of January 1903 John Glynn Town Clerk

Patrick Byrne

I, Patrick Canavan, having been chosen Commissioner for the Town of Tuam hereby declare that I take the said office upon myself and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof according to the best of my judgment and ability.

Made and subscribed before me this 23rd day of January 1903 John Glynn Town Clerk

Patrick Canavan

I, Michael Liggins, having been chosen Commissioner for the Town of Tuam hereby declare that I take the said office upon myself and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof according to the best of my judgment and ability.

Made and subscribed before me this 23rd day of January 1903 John Glynn Town Clerk

Michael Liggins

I, Francis Keane, having been chosen Commissioner for the Town of Tuam hereby declare that I take the said office upon myself and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof according to the best of my judgment and ability.

Made and subscribed before me this 23rd day of January 1903 John Glynn Town Clerk

Francis Keane

I, John MacPhilpin, having been chosen Commissioner for the Town of Tuam hereby declare that I take the said office upon myself and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof according to the best of my judgment and ability.

Made and subscribed before me this 6th day of April 1903 John Glynn Town Clerk

John MacPhilpin

I, James MacDonnell, having been chosen Chairman for the Commissioners of the Town of Tuam hereby declare that I take said office upon myself and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof to the best of my judgment and ability.

Made and subscribed before me this 2nd day of February 1903 John Glynn Town Clerk

James MacDonnell

Friday, 23rd January, 1903.

Election of Chairman.

The annual meeting was held today for the purpose of electing a chairman for the ensuing year.

Commissioners present - Messrs Francis Meagher, John Connelly, Patrick Byrne, Patrick Canavan, Francis Keane, and Michael Liggins.

Messrs Byrne, Canavan, Liggins and Keane signed their respective declarations as Town Commissioners.

Mr Keane left the room before the taking of the Chair.

The Town Clerk, in the absence of the Chairman, presided.

Mr Connelly proposed and Mr Meagher seconded that Mr James MacDonnell be re-elected Chairman for the ensuing year.

Passed unanimously.

Mr MacDonnell was declared duly elected.

Signed on behalf of the Board for Chairman

2nd Feby, 1903.

Monday, 2nd February, 1903.

Monthly Meeting.

Commissioners present, Messrs James McDonnell (Chairman of the Board), Michael O'Shine, Patrick Byrne, Francis Keane, D. J. Dowling, Patrick E. Carroll and C. P. O'Mahagan Abs.

Minutes of the previous Meeting, were read and signed.

Treasurer's account showed Balance against the Board, £353.5.1

Cheques were ordered and signed for

John Glynn	£3.6.8
Thomas Dwyer	2.10.0
Joseph Fenfor	2.10.0
James McDonnell	12.10.0
Est. S. & W. Ry Co	1.10.6
John Glynn for	

John Butler	£1.5.0
Bill Hugh	1.1.8
T. Dwyer	12.0
Thos. Lyons	15.0
J. Glynn	10.0
M. O'Shine	15.6
Bill Hugh	9.6
Michl. Thompson	10.0
	£5.18.8
	£28.5.10

The Clerk stated that as directed by the Board at their previous Meeting he had informed Mr John MacPhillipin, Contractor for publishing the Board's advertisements in the Irish Language and Irish Characters that if he did not carry out the Contract the Board would not pay him and that Mr MacPhillipin replied he was ready and willing to do so if the Board sent him their advertisements written in the Irish Language

The Clerk, asked by the Board to write their advertisements in the Irish Language and send them so written to the Contractor, undertook to do so.

Rev John MacFermath Am. having brought under notice the want of a lamp at the Mercy House, Dublin Road, to light the way to the school there for girls attending night classes, it was ordered to erect a lamp, contractor's charge for the lighting to be same as for lamps at the two Cathedrals and Messrs Shine and O'Mahagan and D. J. Dowling and Mr Keane to see to the erection of same.

There was but one tender, Mr McCoy's for supplying pipes and fittings and laying same to supply water to the Irish Market from the Water Works according to Specification Amount £5.7.4.

The tender was unanimously accepted subject to measurement of pipes etc.

It was ordered that Mr B. McHugh, Town Inspector, see that the Irish Market be properly flushed.

A Copy of "Local Government (Ireland) Act 1902" having been received empowering Town Commissioners, to alter day and hour of their meetings, it was ordered that the Clerk give notice to each member of the Board that question as to their availing themselves of the provisions of the Act in this respect would be considered at next monthly meeting.

Mr. Shine having drawn attention to the necessity of providing more hose and fittings and of organising a Volunteer Fire Brigade, a Committee consisting of all the Commissioners present was appointed with power to consider the matter and order a supply of hose and fittings, the Committee to meet on Thursday 5th inst. at 12 o'clock (noon); and it was decided to summon a meeting of the inhabitants by placard, for Sunday 15th inst. 1.30 o'clock pm to take steps to get up a Fire Brigade.

Mr. P. E. Carroll gave notice that he would move at next monthly meeting — "That we the Tuam Town Commissioners desire to place on record our strong condemnation of the savage and vindictive sentence on Colonel Arthur Lynch, the Member for Galway which is due solely to the fact that he is an Irish Nationalist and that he took up arms in a cause which he honestly deemed to be just and right."

Mr. Michael O'Shine gave notice that he would move at next monthly meeting of the Board: — "That we, the Tuam Town Commissioners, call on the Government to release the members of Parliament and others imprisoned under the Coercion Act. This would be only fitting in view of the Legislation in connection with the Land Question intended to be introduced next session of Parliament, those gentlemen being imprisoned for advocating principles which are likely to become law."

Signed on behalf of the Board

J. McDonnell.

Chairman

2nd March 1903

Wednesday, 11th February, 1903

Meeting by Requisition

Pursuant to the following requisition a meeting was summoned for this day:-

"To John Glynn Town Clerk,

"We, the undersigned Town Commissioners of Tuam, hereby request you to convene a meeting of the Board for Wednesday Evening next, 11th February at 8 o'clock for the purpose of considering quotations for hose and fittings and of ordering a supply of same

(Signed)

" James McDonnell, C.D.C.,

" Michael B Shine T.C.,

" P. Murphy T.C.,

" James Depley T.C.,

" Francis Keane T.C.,"

Commissioners in attendance, Messrs James McDonnell (Chairman of the Board), Michael B Shine, Patrick Ryne, J. A. Glynn, Patrick Canavan, and E. P. O'Hanaghan.

Quotations for hose and fittings with samples were submitted from Messrs John Morris & Sons, Salford, Manchester, also quotations from Messrs Merryweather & Sons London

The Board decided that the clerk write again to Messrs Morris & Sons for quotation for rubberlined hose and for six straps for lifting hose and to Messrs Merryweather & Sons for a length of rubberlined hose (50 ft) at price quoted, £5, and a stand rest (9/0)

Signed on behalf of the Board

James McDonnell Chairman

20th March 1903

Monday, 2nd March, 1903

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners present, Messrs James McDonnell (Chairman of the Board), Michael B Shine, Francis Keane, Patrick Canavan, John Connelly, E. P. O'Hanaghan Esq, and Patrick Ryne.

The Minutes of the last Meetings were read and signed

The Treasurer's Account showed balance against the Board, £353. 5. 1

Cheques were ordered and signed for

John Glynn	£3. 6. 8
Mr Dwyer	2. 10. 0
Mr McDonnell Esq	12. 10. 0
John Glynn	5. 0. 0
Messrs Lydon Bros.	2. 5. 0
John Glynn for	

John Butler	£1. 5. 0
B. M. Hugh	1. 1. 8
Mr Dwyer	8. 0
Mr Lyons	13. 0
£ French	12. 6
B. M. Hugh	9. 0
Mr Murphy	3. 9
Mr Mylotte	3. 9
Michl. Thompson	10. 0
	£5. 8. 8

£31. 0. 4

The Chairman proposed and Mr Shine seconded the following resolution which was unanimously passed:-

"That we, the Tuam Town Commissioners representing and voicing the views of the inhabitants, present an address to his Grace Most Rev D^r Healy, our recently appointed Archbishop, at the Palace on whatever day his Grace may fix to receive it; and that the following be appointed to draw up the address, viz: the Chairman, J. A. Glynn, M. B. Shine, E. P. O'Hanaghan, Francis Keane and D. Dowling".

A Deputation from Tuam Gaelic League Branch viz Rev J. Mac Dermott Adm (President of the Branch), John Hamilton, John Hogan Esq, and P. M. Hayes, appeared before the Board urging that the Traders of the Town be requested to close their shops on St Patrick's Day.

The following resolution proposed by the Chairman and seconded by Mr Shine was unanimously adopted:-

"That we, the Tuam Town Commissioners request the Traders of Tuam to close their shops upon the Feast of the National Apostle, St Patrick until 2 p.m. o'clock thus giving an unanimous expression to the wish of the Board and to the much felt desire of the Tuam Branch Gaelic League to make St Patrick's Day in Tuam this year a record one. As Tuam has been admittedly a pioneer town in the Language Movement we pledge ourselves to assist the Branch by all means in our power."

Owing to the absence of Mr Carroll from the Meeting, the Notice of Motion standing in his name (on page 464), regarding the sentence on Colonel Arthur Lynch, elected M.P. for Galway was adjourned to next monthly meeting.

The Political Prisoners being released there was no necessity to propose the resolution of which Mr Shine had given notice (page 464).

Application from William O'Connor, Victualler, for a stall in the Meat Market in the was adjourned to next Monthly Meeting.

It was unanimously ordered to get from Messrs John Morris & Son, Salford, Manchester two 25 feet lengths of leather hose with Morris's Couplings of the same quality same at price charged by them for like hose in 1895.

Mr. O'Hanagan proposed and Mr Keane seconded - "That the hour and day of Meeting of the Town Commissioners of Tuam be, henceforth, 12 o'clock on first Tuesday in each month"

Passed unanimously.

It was ordered to advertise for a Contractor to repair, cope and dash the wall between Lisadryra and the Fair Green, tenders to be considered at next monthly meeting. The Cost to be defrayed by Landlord & Board respectively.

A bill from Messrs Lydon Bros Galway in connection with Galway Fire Engine wired for on the occasion of the Fire outbreak in Mr McDonnell's Establishment in Tuam, amount £2.5.0 was forwarded by the Galway Urban Council for payment.

Payment, unanimously ordered.

Signed on behalf of the Board

Michael C. Shine Chairman

April 6th, 1903.

Monday, 6th April, 1903.
Monthly Meeting.

Commissioners present, Messrs Michael C. Shine (in the chair), John MacPhilpin, John Connelly, Patrick Byrne, Patrick C. Carroll, Pat Canavan, Francis Meagher, Francis Keane, and Patrick Murphy.

Mr. MacPhilpin read and signed his Declaration as Town Commissioner.

The Minutes of the previous Meeting were read and signed.

Treasurer's Account showed balance against the Board £294.5.5

Cheques were ordered and signed for

John Glynn	£3.6.8
Thos Dwyer	2.10.0
Gas McDonnell Esq	12.10.0
E.P. O'Hanagan Esq	21.1.10
Pat O'Rully	4.14.0
Local Government Board	4.5.0
John Morris & Sons	1.3.0
John MacPhilpin	2.10.0
John Glynn for John Butler	£1.5.0
Bill Hugh	1.1.8
Thos Dwyer	10.0
Thos Lyons	15.0
H. W. Hugh	11.0.0
D. Crisbam	10.0
B. W. Hugh	10.6
D. Crisbam	1.6
Mrs Kennedy	8.6
Darby Torde	15.0
W. Stockwell	6.0
Daniel Crisbam	1.10.0
	£8.13.2
	£60.13.8

There was read an application from the General Post Office Telegraph Department for permission to erect a telegraph pole at Town Hall.

Ordered that the Telegraph Department be requested to send down a representative to attend at Meeting of the Board on 14th inst with a view to select a different site for the pole.

Mr. Carroll proposed and Mr. Keane seconded the following resolution of which the notice had been given and which was unanimously passed:

"That we, the Tuam Town Commissioners desire to place on record our strong condemnation of the savage and vindictive sentence on Colonel Arthur Lynch the Member for Galway which is due solely to the fact that he is an Irish Nationalist and that he took up arms in a cause which he honestly deemed to be just and right." Copies to be sent to the Home Secretary, to Chief Secretary for Ireland, to Mr. John E. Redmond M.P. and to the M.P. for the County and Borough of Galway.

There were three tenders for contracts to repair, cope and dash (according to advertisement) the wall between Lysadryra and the Fair Green: 1st. from James Moran at 9/0 per lineal perch; 2nd. from Michael Shaughnessy at 7/6, ditto; and 3rd. from John Philbin and Pat Hayes at 12/0 ditto.

The only tender the Board decided should be considered was Shaughnessy's but the said advertisement not being sufficiently explicit, it was ruled that the same referred to a Committee consisting of Messrs McDonnell, Murphy and O'Hanagan with power to arrange with Shaughnessy as they may deem right and to report to the Board at adjourned meeting on 14th inst.

A circular having been read inviting delegates from the Board to attend National Convention called by the National Directory of the United Irish League to be held in Dublin on 14th & 15th inst, Messrs O'Hanagan and MacPhelin were appointed members as delegates.

Messrs O'Hanagan and MacPhelin were also appointed as delegates to the Irish Industrial Conference to be held on 15th April in Dublin.

Ordered that a dozen of chairs be got for the Board Room

Also ordered that Daniel Crisnam the Board's Bill Poster be given 30/- in advance on a/c of salary to enable him to thatch his house.

Adjourned to Tuesday 14th April, inst.

Signed on behalf of the Board

Jas. McDonnell. Chairman

May 4th 1903

Tuesday, 14th April, 1903.

Adjourned Meeting.

Commissioners present, Messrs James McDonnell (Chairman of the Board), James D. Bely, Patrick Canavan, Francis Keane, Joseph A. Glynn and Francis Meagher.

Mr. Pennington of the G.P.O. Telegraph Department appeared before the Board as requested for the purpose of selecting a different and more suitable site for telegraph pole than front of the Town Hall.

The Chairman having said that as soon as his premises (recently burned down) were rebuilt the telegraph wires could as hitherto be there attached, it was decided now on to grant the application temporarily, the G.P.O. Telegraph Department to guarantee they would remove the pole as soon as the Chairman's premises were rebuilt.

Mr. Pennington said he would report to his department and that a form of agreement to that effect would be sent down.

Mr. O'Hanagan's specification having been read to Michael Shaughnessy (who had tendered), he agreed to build new wall from Mr. Hayes' to top (between Lysadryra and Fair Green on the west side), 4ft 3 inches under coping with a layer of mortar in middle and a layer of mortar under coping, Coping to be at least 9 inches and both sides of wall

wall dashed, the contract to be completed not later than 1st June ^{next} and to the satisfaction of the Committee (Messrs McDonnell, O'Hanagan & Murphy), at the rate of 12/0 per lineal perch.

William O'Connor's application for a Victualer's stall was further adjourned to next monthly meeting of the Board,

Signed on behalf of the Board,

Jas. McDonnell.

Chairman

4th May 1903

Monday, 4th May, 1903.

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners present, Messrs James McDonnell (Chairman of the Board), Michael B. Shine, Patrick Carroll, Francis Meagher, Francis Keane, and Joseph A. Glynn.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed.

Treasurer's account showed balance against the Board £354.19.1

Cheques were ordered and signed for

John Glynn	£ 3.6.8
Thos Dwyer	2.10.0
Joseph Kenfor	2.10.0
Jas McDonnell Esq	12.10.0
Reps of the late Mr Michael Bloran	7.10.0
Messrs Merryweather & Sons	5.9.4
Mr O.A. Bradwell	34.1.4
Colbert & Temple	6.15.4
R. Kelly	12.10.0
John Glynn for John Butler	1.5.0
Bill Hugh	1.1.8
Thos Dwyer	8.0
Mary Connolly	1.0.0
Thos Lyons	15.0
John Glynn	10.0
Est J & W. Ry Co	2.11
Michael Shaughnessy	7.0.0
R M Hugh	7.2

£ 12.9.9

£ 99.12.5

It was ordered to repair and paint the Cattle Weighing Machine Pan, Estimate of Cost of same to be first job and submitted to the Chairman for sanction

Messrs John Murphy and Thomas Dwyer were unanimously appointed Enumerators for the May, Sheep and Cattle Fairs.

William O'Connor's application for a victualler's stall was further adjourned

It was ordered that Mr Concum, the Board's solicitor, be instructed collect arrears of rent due by Henry French and John O'Connor for Victualler's stalls.

Also ordered that Mr B Mac Hugh, Collector of rents of victualler's stalls, furnish at each monthly meeting of the Board a statement of what is due by each Stallholder and hand to the Town Clerk at each such meeting the amount of rent collected by him during the month.

The Clerk was directed to advertise for three consecutive days in the "Freeman's Journal", "Daily Independent", and "Irish Times" the May three days fair and that a special train would be run on Sunday, the 10th, for the accommodation of people attending the Cattle Fair.

Signed on behalf of the Board,
for the successful. Chairman

2nd June 1903

Tuesday, 2nd June, 1903

Monthly Meeting.

Commissioners present, Messrs James McDonnell (Chairman of the Board), Michael C Shine, Patrick E Carroll, James J Besley, Patrick Murphy and John MacPherson.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed.

A sealed Order, dated May 1903, was received from the Local Government Board, complying with the Commissioners' resolution, for holding their monthly meetings on the first Tuesday of each month at 12.00 (noon).

Treasurer's account showed balance against the Board £

Cheques were ordered and signed for —

John Glynn	£ 3.6.8
Thomas Dwyer	2.10.0
James McDonnell Esq	12.10.0
John McCoy	5.4.6
J D Lawson Esq	10.0.0
Michael Phaulknessy	7.0.0
John Glynn for John Butler	£ 1.5.0
B Mac Hugh	1.1.8
T Dwyer	8.0
J H Lyons	15.0
H French	12.6
J Murphy	2.0.0
J Dwyer	2.0.0
J Dwyer	10.0
John Monahan	
85 W. Ry. B. 3/4; D. Crisham 7.6;	
Matthias Jones, 10/0; J. Finerty 13.6	1.14.9
	£ 10.6.11
	£ 50.18.1

The Clerk was directed to write to Lord Clancarty and the Ballinasloe Urban Council suggesting the advisability of holding the Inam and Ballinasloe July Fairs on different days so as not to clash as hitherto to the detriment of both and of having the Ballinasloe May Fair open on the first Tuesday of the month and Inam on the second Tuesday.

The Board adjourned to Tuesday, 9th June for replies, when the matter would be further considered.

Signed on behalf of the Board
for the successful.

Chairman

14th July 1903

Tuesday, 9th June, 1903.

There was no meeting of the Commissioners held today.

John Glynn
Town Clerk.

Tuesday, 7th July, 1903.

There was no meeting of the Commissioners held today. Adjourned to Tuesday, 14th instants.

John Glynn,
Town Clerk.

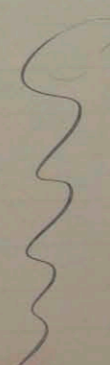
Tuesday, 14th July, 1903.

Special Adjourned Meeting.

Commissioners present, Messrs McDonnell (Chairman of the Board), Michael C Shine, Patrick Canavan, James J Besley, J P O'Hanagan, Patrick Byrne and Patrick Murphy

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and signed.

Treasurer's account showed balance against the Board £



Cheques were ordered and signed for

John Glynn		£ 3.6.8
His Dwyer		2.10.0
Das McDermott Esq		12.10.0
Michael Thompson		3.9.3
"Irish Daily Independent"		1.2.6
"Irish Times"		19.6
"Freeman's Journal"		1.2.6
John Morris & Sons		6.2.6
John Glynn for John Butler	£ 1.5.0	
P. McHugh	1.1.8	
His Lyons	15.0	
His Dwyer	10.0	
Hugh McHugh	1.0.0	
P. Kenny	2.0	
Matthias Jones	10.0	
Mrs Kennedy	8.6	
Matthias Jones	3.0	
His Lyons	3.0	
Das Dinnerty	6.0	
		£ 6.6.2
		£ 37.9.1

Replies to letters written to Lord Clancarty and the Ballinasloe Urban Council re the suggested change of the Inam and Ballinasloe July Fairs to different dates having been read to the effect that the Ballinasloe Fair should continue as it was,

The Board agreed to alter the Inam Fair to the 6th July, but before finally deciding they ordered the Clerk to issue a Circular requesting the opinions of the local farmers and others concerned, in time, for next meeting.

The following resolution from the Dublin Municipal Council was proposed by Mr. Shine, seconded by the Chairman and unanimously adopted:—

"That we consider legislative action is urgently required to remedy the grievances under which Town Tenants' labour, and wage upon the Government the necessity of passing a Town Tenants' Act giving compensation for improvements, fixing fair rents, compelling the ground landlord to pay his equitable share of the burden of taxation".

Mr. Shine also proposed and the Chairman seconded another resolution from the Dublin Municipal Council which was passed unanimously as follows:—

"That in our opinion the law relating to Compensation for Criminal Injuries is inequitable, and imposes upon the ratepayers unnecessary burdens from which English and Scotch ratepayers are free, and that we call upon ~~the~~ Parliament to repeal the Code".

A Circular letter was read from Chamber of Commerce, Limerick, stating they considered it advisable in view of the great importance of the Irish transit question to form an Association for the protection of Irish traffic, which might be called the "Railway and Canal Users' Association" and it should have branches in all the important towns having railway interests.

Approved new Con.

Signed on behalf of the Board,

J. W. Linnell.

Chairman

August 4th, 1903.

Friday, 24th July, 1903.

A Special Meeting.

In accordance with the following requisition a special meeting was held at 6 o'clock pm on the abovesaid day:—

"Inam, July 24th, 1903

"To Mr. John Glynn, Town Clerk,

"We the undersigned Town Commissioners request you to call a special meeting for this Friday evening at 6 o'clock, to express sympathy in connection with the Pope's death.

(Signed)

"Michael O'Shane, P.C.,

"John Connelly, P.C.,

"Francis Meagher, P.C.,

"P. E. Carroll, P.C.,

"James J. Begley, P.C.,

"Francis Keane, P.C.,

"J. A. Glynn, P.C.,

"John E. Dowling, P.C.,

"P. Byrne P.C."

Commissioners present, Messrs Michael O'Shane (in the chair), Francis Keane, James J. Begley, P. E. Carroll, Patrick Byrne, and John Connelly,

The Chairman (Mr. Shine) proposed, and Mr. Keane seconded the following resolution which was unanimously passed:—

"That we, the Inam Town Commissioners in special meeting assembled, voicing the feelings of the inhabitants desire to place on record the expression of our profound and heartfelt sorrow at the death of His Holiness Pope Leo XIII whose demise after a Pontificate of singular brilliancy has cast a gloom over the Christian world, in no part of which is the bereavement so keenly felt as in Ireland so long remarkable for its loyalty to the Chair of Peter."

Signed on behalf of the Board.

J. W. Linnell

Chairman.

August 4th, 1903.

Tuesday, 4th August, 1903.

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners present, Messrs James McDonnell (Chairman of the Board), Patrick Canavan, Michael Saggins, Joseph A. Glyn, John E. Dawling, Patrick Byrne, and Patrick Murphy.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and signed.

Treasurer's Account showed Balance against the Board, £

Cheques were ordered and signed for

John Glyn	£ 3.6.8	
Thomas Dwyer	2.10.0	
James McDonnell	12.10.0	
Joseph Leufer	2.10.0	
John Glyn for		
John Butler	£ 1.5.0	
B. M. Hugh	1.1.8	
Thos Lyons	15.0	
John Glyn	10.0	
do	6.6	
John Sick	1.5.0	
	<u>£ 5.3.2</u>	
	<u>£ 25.19.10</u>	

Letters from Farmers of the District in reply to the Board's Circular as to the proposed change of the Duam July Fair from the 4th to the 6th of the month having been read, all of which, with the exception of two, approved of the 6th,

The 6th was unanimously fixed as date for the said fair for the future and same was ordered to be advertised in the almanacs for 1904.

It was also unanimously decided to discontinue advertising a horse fair for August, the fair having hitherto proved a failure.

The debt £37.10.0, appearing in the Auditor's late report against Mr. Patk Culkin, late Chairman of the Board, (particulars of which appear on page 446 of this Minute Book), was unanimously ordered to be struck out as uncollectable the debtor being bankrupt.

Signed on behalf of the Board,

Michael C. Shinn Chairman

1st September, 1903.

Tuesday, 1st September, 1903.

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners present, Messrs Michael C. Shinn (in the Chair), Francis Keane, John Connolly, James J. Pegley, John MacPhelin, Francis Meagher

Minutes of previous Meeting were read and signed

Treasurer's Account showed Balance against the Board £

Cheques were ordered and signed for

John Glyn	£ 3.6.8
Thomas Dwyer	2.10.0
James McDonnell	12.10.0
J. Morris & Son	1.10.0
Miehl Lynskey	12.15.1
D. J. Kirwan & Son	19.7.0
John Glyn for	
John Butler	£ 1.5.0
B. M. Hugh	1.1.8
Thos Lyons	15.0
George Branch	12.6
John Glyn	1.1.6
Empire of Wtd Measures	4.1
John O'Brien	5.0
James McDonnell	2.0.0
	<u>£ 7.4.9</u>
	<u>£ 59.3.6</u>

The Dun Crower, Thomas Dwyer having reported that the Police Inspector of Weights and Measures had rejected seven half cwt. as unfit for use at the Market Braes, it was ordered that ten new half cwt. be purchased.

There was but one tender for the Tolls and Customs. It was from the late Toll Farmer, Mr. Thomas Nolan, amount £550.

The Board refusing the tender, Mr. Nolan increased the sum to £575 which was unanimously accepted.

Messrs John Murphy and Thomas Dwyer were appointed Enumerators for the September and October fairs.

Mr. Richard J. Kelly's tender for advertising in the Duam Herald and Duam News, and printing for one year according to advertisement for the sum of £25 was unanimously accepted.

Mr. John MacPhelin's for publishing in the Irish Language all the Board's advertisements for one year according to advertisement for the sum of five pounds was unanimously accepted.

On the motion of the Chairman (Mr Shine) the Board unanimously approved of the action taken by the Inhabitants, in establishing a Horse League in Tuam.

The Toll Farmer having complained that the walls of the Fair Green on the East and South were in a dilapidated condition, the Board adjourned to that day week, 8th Sept, for the purpose of ascertaining who were bound to repair these walls and also of fixing a suitable date for Horse Fair, etc.

Signed on behalf of the Board

James McDermott Chairman

Oct 6th, 1903.

Adjourned
Monthly Meeting

Tuesday, 8th Sept, 1903.

Commissioners present were Messrs James McDermott (Chairman of the Board), Michael C Shine, Francis Keane, Patrick Canavan, Francis Meagher, Patrick Byrne,

The Clerk was directed to write to Mrs E P O'Hanagan and Mrs Colvan requiring them to repair the walls of their respective portions of the Fair Green, which the Toll Farmer complained of as being in a dilapidated condition.

It was unanimously decided to hold Horse Fair in future on 1st Day of September and to advertise same in the Almanac for 1904.

Mr Thomas Hopkins Victualler having complained of the present condition of the stalls in the Meat Market, they required to have the floors flagged and the walls plastered, Messrs Shine Keane and Canavan were appointed as a Committee to inspect the stalls and report as to probable cost of what was required to be done.

Mrs Winifred Walsh having applied for half Cook of new public Lamp erected by at front of her Shop in Vicar Street was granted same viz £2.5.0

Signed on behalf of the Board.

James McDermott Chairman,

October, 6th 1903.

Monthly Meeting

6th October
Tuesday, ~~1st~~ November, 1903.

Commissioners present, Messrs James McDermott (Chairman of the Board), Michael C Shine, Patrick Canavan, E P O'Hanagan and Patrick Byrne,

Minutes of the last meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurer's Account showed balance against the Board £

Charges were ordered and signed for

John Glynn	£ 3.6.8
Thos Dwyer	2.10.0
Das M. Danell	12.10.0
Rich J Kelly	12.10.0
John MacPhelim	2.10.0
E P O'Hanagan	2.1.1.10
Winifred Walsh	2.5.0
P B D Warren	1.0.0
J Scavabrick	9.5
Michael Shaughnessy	4.2.5
John Glynn for	

John Butler £ 1.5.0

B M Hugh 1.1.8

Thos Lyons 15.0

H M Hugh 1.0.0

Thos Dwyer 1.0.0

John Murphy 1.0.0

Mrs Kennedy 8.6

Thos Dwyer 1.0

£ 6. 11. 2

£ 68. 16. 6

Messrs Thomas Dwyer, Cranes, and John Butler, assistant Cranes, applied for and were unanimously granted £2 (two pounds) each for a winter coat.

Estimate of probable cost of cementing front wall of Victuallers' stalls in the Meat Market etc was submitted by Michael Shaughnessy was considered too high a sum to expend on such a work at present.

The Clerk was directed to write to the Railway Companies requesting them to provide ample facilities for the quick transit of stock, at Tuam Station for the October four days fair.

It was ordered to erect a box at each gap of Fair Green to protect the enumerators from bad weather.

A report having been read from the Town Inspector, Mr B M Hugh, about the condition of the Fish Market which stated that the water tap there was broken and that the caretaker, Mr Cannolly, could not account for the damage, it was ordered that the cost of the tap be stopped out of her salary.

Also ordered that the Ladder shed be repaired and that a wagon of flags be got from Messrs Claherty & Temple, Galway.

Mr Michael C Shine gave the following notice of motion :-
"Take notice that I or some member of the Board on my behalf will move at the next monthly meeting - "That we the Trian Town Commissioners take this opportunity of uniting with the public bodies of the City of Galway in asking his Majesty the King, now that an era of peace has been proclaimed in South Africa and Ireland, and in view of his Majesty's recent speech, ask him in his clemency and wisdom to authorise the release of Mr Arthur Lynch."

Signed on behalf of the Board

Michael C Shine Chairman

Nov 3rd, 1903.

Tuesday, 3rd November, 1903

Monthly Meeting.

Commissioners present, Messrs Michael C Shine (in the chair), Francis Meagher, John Connolly, Francis Keane and Patrick E Carroll

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed.

Treasurer's Account, submitted, showed balance against the Board, £

Cheques were ordered and signed for

John Glynn	£ 3.6.8
Thos Dwyer	2.10.0
Joseph Luffor	2.10.0
Jas M'Donnell Esq	12.10.0
D.B. Kirwan Esq	1.14.10
Reps of late Michael Cloran	7.10.0
Michael Shaughnessy	5.0.0
John Glynn for John Butler	£ 1.5.0
B.M. Hugh	1.1.8
Thos Lyons	15.0
John Glynn	10.0
Thos Dwyer	6.0
J. Murphy	2.0.0
J. Dwyer	2.0.0
M. Shaughnessy	15.0
Thos Dwyer	2.0.0
J. Butler	2.0.0
Mary Connolly	1.0.0
Michael Shaughnessy	15.0
Mrs Kennedy	8.6
Charles Reilly	2.0
Insp ^r of W & Measures	2.6
J. McCoy	3.0
	£ 15.3.8
	£ 50.5.2

The Chairman said it was not worth while stopping from salary of Mrs Connolly, Caretaker of the Fish Market, Cost of Water tap damaged there for which she could not account

Accordingly, it was agreed to withdraw the order made at the last meeting respecting the matter.

The Chairman proposed and Mr Patrick E Carroll seconded the following resolution which was unanimously passed :-

"That we, the Trian Town Commissioners, take this opportunity of uniting with the public bodies of the City of Galway in asking his Majesty, the King - now that an era of peace has been proclaimed in South Africa and Ireland, and in view of his Majesty's recent speech - in his clemency and wisdom to authorise the release of Mr Arthur Lynch. Copies to be sent to all the public bodies in the province of Connaught."

The Clerk was directed to attend at Claremorris, on Wednesday, 11th inst, before the Commissioners of Income Tax to appeal against Income Tax assessment.

The Chairman proposed and Mr P.E. Carroll seconded :-

"That it was the feeling of the Board that Christmas boxes should be abolished and that a fund be started for the relief of the Poor."

Passed unanimously.

It was ordered that B.M. Hugh, Collector, call upon John O'Connell, Victualler, for rent due by him for stall in the Meat Market and should he fail to pay any portion of the arrears before next meeting of the Board that then some definite action be taken in the matter.

Signed on behalf of the Board,

John E. Carroll Chairman.

December, 1st, 1903.

Commutators' returns of the October Fair:

Sheep - Sold: Wethers 5630, Ewes 4545, Hoppers 4062, Lambs 1597, Rams 63 = 15897
Unsold: " 262, " 982, " 482, " 282 " 16 = 2023
Total 17920
Cattle - Sold: Bullocks 4095, Hefts 2330, Calves 34, Cows 79 = 6538
Unsold: " 302 " 334, " 92 " 55 = 783
Total 7321

1st December, 1903
 Tuesday, 5th January, 1904

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners present, Messrs James M. McDonnell
 (Chairman of the Board), Michael C. Shine, James J. Begley, John Connelly,
 and Patrick O'Carroll.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed.

Treasurer's Account showed balance against the Board £

Cheques were ordered and signed for

John Glynn	£3.6.8
Thomas Dwyer	2.10.0
Gas M. McDonnell	12.10.0
Comptroller of Stamps & Taxes	1.12.5
O. A. Braddell	33.5.1
John Glynn for	
John Butler	£1.5.0
Bill Hugh	1.1.8
Thos Lyons	15.0
J. Drunch	12.6
J. Dwyer	8.0
J. Glynn	1.0.0
Bill Hugh	10.6
Mrs Kennedy	8.6
Thos Dwyer	4.0
	£ 6.5.2

£ 59.9.4

The Clerk having stated that Thomas Lyons's contract for cleansing Potato Market and Footpaths would terminate on next next Monthly Meeting of the Board,

It was ordered to advertise for contractor for the ensuing year.

Signed on behalf of the Board,

Michael C. Shine Chairman

5th January, 1904.

Tuesday, 5th January, 1904

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners present, Messrs Michael C. Shine (in the chair)
 Francis Keane, James J. Begley, Francis Meagher, John Connelly, Patrick
 Byrne, Patrick O'Carroll,

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed.

Treasurer's Account showed balance against the Board, £303.9.0

Cheques were ordered and signed for

John Glynn	£3.6.8
Thomas Dwyer	2.10.0
Gas M. McDonnell	12.10.0
J. Scarisbrick	20.19.10
St. James' Ry Co	1.10.6
B. Hayes	4.17.10
Michael Lynskey	12.14.8

John Glynn for	
John Butler	£1.5.0
Bill Hugh	1.1.8
Thos Lyons	15.0
Thos Dwyer	8.0
D. Crisham	2.0
P. O'Rielly	3.0
H. W. Hugh	1.0.0
Thos Dwyer	4.0
Bill Hugh	15.0
D. Crisham	10.0

£ 6.3.8

£ 64.13.2

There was a Bill submitted for payment from Messrs McDonnell & Co for £303.9.0 & £27.10.6

The Clerk was directed to ask for particulars of the bill, the names of those who ordered the goods and of those to whom they were delivered

It was ordered that the Board's solicitor be got to draw up a document to be signed by all persons having doors and windows opening into the Potato Market binding them to close them up whenever the Commissioners notice them to do so.

The Clerk was directed to write to Timothy Waldron notifying him that he shall have to sign a like document he having broken out a door into the Commissioners' premises, at rear of the Town Hall without their consent.

Ordered that Michael Shaughnessy be employed to repair the Street-crossings.

There were two tenders for Contract to Clean the Potato Market and footpaths according to advertisement from Michael Keegan and Thomas Lyons at same amount, £8 each.

The tender from Thomas Lyons, he being late contractor, was accepted viz: To do the cleansing of the Potato Market, Fish Market, and of the Footpaths along the Potato Market, Town Hall, and each side of the Bridge in Shop street, the Potato Market and ^{Fish} Market weekly and the Footpaths daily, and to immediately remove the sweepings, all to be done to the satisfaction of the Board for one year from date of acceptance of tender.

The Clerk was ordered to write to the Home Secretary of State reminding him of the Board's resolution praying His Majesty the King to release Mr Arthur Lynch and that they hope for a favourable reply soon.

Mr Keane proposed and Mr Byrne seconded the following resolution which was unanimously adopted: "That in compliance with request of the Executive Committee of the Gaelic League we instruct our Clerk to forward to the Lord Lieutenant, the Chief Secretary for Ireland and the Under Secretary the following resolution - 'that we demand that the Educational Policy of the Gaelic League be effectively represented on the Board of National Education'"

Signed on behalf of the Board.

15th Dec 1904

John Glynn Chairman

Form 8.

Notice of Result of Election

Town of Tuam

Election of Commissioners for the above Town in the year, 1904.

I the undersigned being Returning Officer at the Election of Commissioners for the said Town of Tuam, do hereby give notice that the Candidates at the above Election whose names are entered hereunder have been duly elected Commissioners:

John Connelly	Shop street	Tuam	Merchant
John Edward Dowling	Eastland House	Tuam	Medical Doctor
Joseph Aloysius Glynn	Beech House	Tuam	Solicitor
Francis Meagher	The Square	Tuam	Draper
Edward Patrick O'Hanagan	Livadyra	Tuam	Solicitor

Dated this 15th day of January, 1904.

John Glynn Returning Officer,

I, John Connelly, having been chosen Commissioner for the Town of Tuam hereby declare that I take the said office upon myself and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof to the best of my judgment and ability.

Made and subscribed before me this 23rd day of January, 1904. John Glynn, Town Clerk.

I, John Edward Dowling, having been chosen Commissioner for the Town of Tuam hereby declare that I take the said office upon myself and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof to the best of my judgment and ability.

Made and subscribed before me this 1st day of March 1904. John Glynn, Town Clerk.

I Joseph Aloysius Glynn, having been chosen Commissioner for the Town of Tuam hereby declare that I take the said office upon myself and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof to the best of my judgment and ability.

Made before me and subscribed, this 2nd day of February 1904. John Glynn Town Clerk.

I, Francis Meagher, having been chosen Commissioner for the Town of Tuam hereby declare that I take the said office upon myself and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof to the best of my judgment and ability.

Made and subscribed before me this 23rd day of January, 1904. John Glynn, Town Clerk.

I, Edward Patrick O'Hanagan, having been chosen Commissioner for the Town of Tuam hereby declare that I take the said office upon myself and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof to the best of my judgment and ability.

Made and subscribed before me this 23rd day of January, 1904. John Glynn, Town Clerk.

I James McDonnell, having been chosen Chairman of the Commissioners for the Town of Tuam, hereby declare that I take the said office upon myself and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof to the best of my judgment and ability.

Made and subscribed before me this 23rd day of January 1904. John Glynn, Town Clerk.

Friday, 23rd January, 1904.

Election of Chairman.

The annual meeting was held today for the purpose of electing a Chairman for the ensuing year.

Commissioners present Messrs James M. Donnell (in the chair), Michael C. Shine, Francis Meagher, Francis Keane, E. P. O'Hanagan, Patrick Murphy, Patrick Canavan, Patrick Byrne, Michael Goggin, P. Carroll and John Connelly.

Messrs Connelly, Meagher and O'Hanagan signed their respective declarations as Town Commissioners.

Mr O'Hanagan proposed and Mr Canavan seconded that Mr James M. Donnell be re-elected Chairman for the ensuing year.

Passed unanimously.

Mr M. Donnell was declared duly elected and he signed his declaration as Chairman of the Board.

Signed on behalf of the Board,

James M. Donnell. Chairman

Feb 2nd 1904

Tuesday, 2nd February, 1904

Monthly Meeting.

Commissioners present, Messrs James M. Donnell (Chairman of the Board), Michael C. Shine, Francis Keane, Patrick Canavan, Francis Meagher, J. A. Glyn

Mr Glyn read and signed his declaration as Town Commissioner.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and signed.

Treasurer's Account was submitted showing balance against the Board £250.0.10

Cheques were ordered and signed for

John Glyn	£3.6.8
Thomas Dwyer	2.10.0
Jas M. Donnell Esq.	12.10.0
Joseph Kenner	2.10.0
D. J. Kirwan & Sons	11.17.3
John Glyn for	
John Butler	£1.5.0
B. M. Hugh	1.1.8
Thos Lyons	13.4
Thos Dwyer	10.0
John Glyn	10.0
Michl Phaugnessy	5.0.0
Messrs Hosty & Co	2.6
Thos Dwyer	5.0
B. M. Hugh	12.0
	£ 9. 19. 6
	£ 42. 13. 5

The Board unanimously requested the Chairman to convene a public meeting of the Townspeople for Sunday, 21st inst., in the Town Hall, at 10 o'clock, for the purpose of considering whether the Local Government Board should again be petitioned to extend the Town boundaries with a view to have the Urban business transferred from the Rural District Council to the Town Commissioners, and whether, in the event of the desired extension being refused, the Town Commissioners should take over the Urban business with the present business boundaries.

It was ordered that B. M. Hugh, Town Inspector, do not in future allow Fish dealers to expose their fish for sale at entrance to, or outside near the walls of, the Fish Market.

Mr Timothy Waldron, High Street, having refused to comply with the Board's letter requiring him either to close up within a reasonable time the doorway which he broke out from his shop to passage here of Town Hall, or to sign a document undertaking to do so at anytime the Board would notice him, it was unanimously ordered that Mr Concanan, M.C., be instructed to take the necessary steps to compel Mr. Waldron to close the said doorway.

Messrs Francis Keane, J. A. Glyn and the Chairman of the Board (Mr M. Donnell) were appointed a committee to make inquiries and obtain all the necessary information for starting a factory in Ruams.

Signed on behalf of the Board,

James M. Donnell Chairman

1st March 1904

Tuesday, 1st March, 1904.

Monthly Meeting.

Commissioners present were Messrs James McDonnell, (Chairman of the Board), Michael C. Shine, Michael Liggins, Patrick Byrne, John Connelly, E. P. O'Flanagan, D. J. Dowling.

D. J. Dowling read and signed his declaration as Town Commissioner.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and signed.

Treasurer's Account showed balance against the Board £265.2.3.

Cheques were ordered and signed for

John Glynn	£3.6.8
Thomas Dwyer	2.10.0
Das McDonnell Esq	12.10.0
John Glynn	5.0.0
D. B. Kirwan	1.5.5
McDonnell & Co	27.13.5
John Glynn for John Butler	£1.5.0
B. M. Hugh	1.1.8
Thos. Dwyer	8.0
Thos Lyons	13.4
J. Finerty	3.0
B. M. Hugh Junr.	2.0
Thos Dwyer	5.0
B. M. Hugh	12.0
G. Branch	12.6
	£5.2.6
	£57.8.0

It was proposed by Mr Shine, seconded by Mr Keane, and unanimously passed that the Board adopt the Leiston resolution recommending certain amendments of the Town Tenants Bill then about being presented to Parliament by the Irish Party and that copies of the same be sent to all the M.P.'s of the County and Borough of Galway.

The Tuam Branch Gaelic League and the Galway Dramatic Club applied for use of the Board room the first week of April:

Ordered that the Gaelic League be given the room the first week and that the Galway Dramatic Club have the evening of the 10th April and the next evening (11th) if required, at the usual charge.

It was also ordered that a wagon of Malbay flags be provided,

Signed on behalf of the Board,
E. P. O'Flanagan

5th April 1904

Chairman

Monthly Meeting. Tuesday, 5th April, 1904,

Commissioners present, Messrs E. P. O'Flanagan (in the chair), John Mac Philpin, Francis Keane, Michael Liggins, Francis Meagher,

Minutes of the last meeting were read and signed.

Treasurer's Account showed balance against the Board, £280.0.3

Cheques were ordered and signed for

John Glynn	£3.6.8
Thomas Dwyer	2.10.0
Das McDonnell Esq	12.10.0
E. P. O'Flanagan Esq	21.9.4
Henry Concanan Esq	21.1.10
Patriotic Assurance Co.	4.14.0
John Mac Philpin	2.10.0
John Glynn for	
John Butler	£1.5.0
B. M. Hugh	1.1.8
Thos Lyons	13.4
Thos Dwyer	10.0
H. M. Hugh	1.0.0
W. Stockwell	13.0
B. M. Hugh	18.0
Thos Dwyer	5.0
Pat Dolan	4.0
	£6.10.0
	£74.11.10

A Circular was read relative to "Exhibition of Irish Arts, Industries, Manufactures and Resources" proposed to be held in Dublin.

Consideration of same was adjourned to next monthly meeting notice to be given in the meantime to each member of the Board.

A letter was received from French Bros. applying for some allowance for use of their Cycle Depot as store for fuel for the poor of Tuam.

Ordered that Consideration be deferred till next monthly meeting and that notice of the matter be given to each member of the Board.

Signed on behalf of the Board

J. M. Keane

Chairman

May 3rd, 1904.

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Tuesday, 3rd May, 1904.

Monthly Meeting.

Commissioners present, Messrs James McDonnell (Chairman of the Board), Michael C Shine, John MacPhilpin, Francis Meagher, Patrick Byrne, Patrick Murphy and Patrick Canavan.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and signed.

Treasurer's Account showed Balance against the Board £339.12.11

Cheques were ordered and signed for —		
John Glynn		£ 3.6.8
Thos Dwyer		2.10.0
James McDonnell Esq		12.10.0
Joseph Kenner		2.10.0
R J Kelly Esq		12.10.0
OH Braddell		32.13.2
John Glynn for		
John Butler	£ 1.5.0	
B M Hugh	1.1.8	
Thos Lyons	13.4	
John Glynn	10.0	
Thos Dwyer	8.0	
B M Hugh	10.6	
Mrs Kennedy	8.6	£ 4.17.0
		<u>£ 70.16.10</u>

An application having been read from French Bros for some allowance for the use of their Cycle Depot as store for fuel it was unanimously agreed to grant them the sum of one pound (£1).

It was unanimously agreed that Mr Smyth O'Keefe, Ballinasloe, as soon as he would come to town, be got to examine and report on the Town Hall and to specify as to street crossings.

A letter having been read from John O'Connor, Victualler, explaining that he could not at present pay the amount he owes the Board for stall in the Meat Market and asking for a reasonable time to pay, it was ordered that he should pay 1/6 a week regularly until the arrears are cleared off and should he fail to do so that he be disposed of the stall.

On the motion of Mr Shine, Messrs John Murphy and Thomas Dwyer were unanimously appointed as enumerators for the May Sheep and Cattle fairs at the usual remuneration, £1 each per day.

Mr Henry Concanon Esq appeared before the Board and read a letter from Messrs Conway & Quinn Esqs on behalf of Mr Timothy Waldron, Merchant, High Street, stating that the latter was willing to sign a document such as the Board required, regarding doors and gates at rear of the Town Hall.

The Town Clerk laid before the Board agreements signed by Messrs James McDonnell, Patrick Lynch, John Glynn and Patrick Collins, to close up whenever required, the several doors and windows opened from their premises into those of the "Bun Commis"

Ordered that the documents be handed to Mr Concanon the Board's solicitor, to have them duly stamped.

Signed on behalf of the Board,

Michael C Shine Chairman

June 7th 1904

Tuesday, 7th June, 1904.

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners present, Messrs Michael C Shine (in the chair), Francis Meagher, Michael Egan, Francis Keane, John Connolly, Patrick Byrne and Patrick Carroll.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and signed.

Treasurer's account showed balance against the Board, £

Cheques were ordered and signed for —		
John Glynn		£ 3.6.8
Thos Dwyer		2.10.0
James McDonnell Esq		12.10.0
Local Government Board		4.5.0
T. D. Lawson		10.0.0
John Murphy		2.0.0
Thos Dwyer		2.0.0
Reps. of the late Michael O'Leary		7.10.0
John Morris & Son		2.15.2
D J Kiwan & Sons		19.12.2
John Glynn for		
John Butler	£ 1.5.0	
B M Hugh	1.1.8	
Thos Lyons	13.4	
G French	12.6	
Thos Dwyer	10.0	
Mary Connolly	1.0.0	
M Jones	7.0	
P Lyons	4.6	
P Murphy	2.0	
D Briskham	7.6	
French Bros	1.0.0	£ 4.3.6
		<u>£ 73.12.6</u>

A Copy of Bacon's New Map of Ireland was ordered for the use of the Board.

Remainder of the business was adjourned to next monthly meeting

Signed on behalf of the Board.

Michael C. Shine Chairman.

July 5th, 1904.

Tuesday, 5th July, 1904.

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners present, Messrs Michael C. Shine (in the chair) Francis Keane, Dr. John C. Dowling, James J. Bealey and Patrick Canavan.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and signed.

Treasurer's Account showed balance against the Board, £

Cheques were ordered and signed for

John Glynn	£ 3.6.8
Thomas Dwyer	2.10.0
James McDonnell Esq	12.10.0
Michael Lyons Key	10.7.7
John Glynn for	
John Butler	£ 1.5.0
Bill Hugh	1.1.8
W. M. Hugh	1.0.0
Thos Dwyer	8.0
D. Crischan	7.6
J. Dwyer	1.0
P. Kenny	1.6
M. Jones	10.6
J. Finneby	5.6
G. S. W. Ry. Co.	1.13.11
John McCoy	11.10
	£ 47.6.5

£ 36.0.8

Road name plate (in Irish and English) for Terboy having been removed and gone away with, it was ordered that a new one be put up and that street name plates in the town, requiring it, be repainted.

A letter having been read from Thomas Jones Esq M.A., Rock Cottage, Rostrevor, Co. Down, Barrington Lecturer, offering to deliver a course of lectures on Social problems in Tuam, in September next, it was agreed to accept same and that the Board form a Committee to make the necessary arrangements. Lectures 1, 2, 3 on list were considered the most suitable for the District, viz: "Irish Emigration and Irish Agriculture", "Education and Industry in Ireland", and "Economic Changes in Ireland during the last Century."

A long communication was read from Secretary, Department of Agriculture etc Dublin, requiring the Board to erect on the Fair Green, Tuam, for weighing Cattle a machine with platform and pans and that same be ready for inspection not later than 1st January next.

It was ordered to write claiming exemption on the ground that Cattle are never sold by weight at the Tuam Fairs and never weighed at all there.

The Chairman stated that Mr Smith, M.F.C.E., Co. Surveyor, Ballinasloe, had recently examined the Roof of the Town Hall and would in a few days furnish a Specification and estimate of the probable cost of repairing same.

The Clerk having stated that a supply of Crane Dockets was wanted, it was agreed unanimously to ask the local printing offices to tender.

Signed on behalf of the Board,

Michael C. Shine Chairman

2nd August 1904.

Monday, 25th July, 1904.

Special Meeting.

In pursuance of the following requisition a special meeting of the Commissioners was held on the above date:—

Tuam, 13th July, 1904.

To John Glynn, Town Clerk, Tuam:

You are hereby requested to convene a special meeting of the Tuam Town Commissioners for Monday, 25th July inst., in the Town Hall Tuam, according to specification furnished by Mr Smith Esq. — (Signed):

"James McDonnell Esq.,
"Michael C. Shine Esq.,
"Francis Keane Esq.,
"Patrick Byrne Esq.,
"Patrick Carroll Esq."

The Commissioners present were Messrs Michael C. Shine, John MacPhiepin, Patrick Canavan, Patrick Byrne, Francis Meagher, James J. Bealey and John Connelly.

Proposed by Mr Canavan and seconded by Mr Bealey that Mr Shine take the chair.
Passed unanimously.

Mr Shine then took the chair and presided.

The circulars convening the meeting, Mr Smith's specification of the work, and advertisement inviting tenders for the contract were read.

The Specification was unanimously adopted, the work to be completed within one month from date of acceptance of tender.

There were four tenders: from John Kelly, Curragh, Tuam, at £140; George O'Grady, Tuam, at £135; Thomas Cleary, Athlone, at £48; and Darby Forde, at £47.3.9.

Mr Smith's estimate of the work was from £120 to £130.

Mr. Canavan proposed and Mr. Bealey seconded that the tender of Mr. Darby Jorde be accepted, he giving a bond joined in by Mr. Patrick Browne and Mrs. Winifred Nobilly, both of Tuam, in the sum of one hundred pounds (£100) for the due performance of the contract.

Passed unanimously.

Annexed is copy of the Architects' Specification:—

"Specification for the work of repairing the Roof of the Town Hall, Tuam:

(1) The work consists of (1) stripping off all the defective slates, or those wrongly nailed, and inserting slates properly and securely nailed, (2) taking out all defective flashings and inserting new 6lb lead flashings, securely fixed, (3) taking off old rendering to back chimneys, and re-rendering, etc, etc.

(2) The whole of the materials to be the best of their respective kinds, and to be subject to the approval of the Architect.

Should the contractor do or omit to do any of the work on account of merely verbal directions it must be at his own risk and no claim for extra work will be entertained on account of merely verbal directions.

(3) The whole of the slates required for repairs are to be of the same weight and quality as those existing, of equal size and of uniform colour. To be properly squared and holed, and nailed with Composition nails 1 3/4 in long, two to each slate. No small slates will be allowed to be used at hips or chimneys, but wider slates must be obtained. All slates in repairs are to have the tail bedded in mastic cement. The new slating to range in even courses with existing slating, and no defective or broken slates will be allowed to be used.

The Contractor is to take out all broken, defective or chipped slates, as well as those at present nailed at the tails and to repair with new slates, as before specified. Lead clips where used are to be of 6lb lead, 2 inches wide.

Slates at valleys are to be taken up, so as to allow of examination of lead and timbers under, and to be relaid as specified.

Any timber that may be required for renewal to valley boards, bearers, rafters, etc is to be supplied and fixed of the same description and quality as existing.

Concrete at back of pedestals to be cut away, and stone of pedestal cut so as to allow of 2 in freedom for rain water. The pedestals to be reset in pure cement.

(4) The valleys to be relaid with the old lead if found in good condition. New lead required to be 6lb, best quality milled, laid in a proper and workmanlike manner, with all necessary drips, falls, etc. No soldering will be allowed on any of the valleys.

New top flashing of 6lb lead to be fixed to all valleys, let into walls for one inch, securely plugged, and having cement fillet over, and properly dressed down over under lead.

Flashings to hips to be new of 6lb lead, properly dressed over rolls; to be 15 in wide, and properly secured with lead dots. Similar flashing to be put on ridges.

The front gutter to be taken up and relaid if necessary; joints to be made properly water-tight with red lead cement. The cornice in front to be flashed with 6lb lead as per sketch, 12 in wide. Holes to be bored through gutter, one in every length, and lead secured through with 1/4 in copper bolts, bedded in white lead and gashin at head and washer.

All chimneys and side valleys to have underflashings of 6lb lead, 12 in wide, 4 in up wall, and 6 in under-slate, and to have top flashing as before mentioned.

(5) Hack off all ^{old} rendering to chimneys at back; also all defective lumps of brick work to be taken out. The whole to be rendered in cement and sand 1 to 2. Sand to be clean and sharp. Cement to be best Portland. Repair all chimney cans in a proper manner, and level off tops of chimneys, oversailing courses etc in cement rendering as before described.

Render in cement and sand the portion of wall adjoining wall-rows for 10 in wide as described to chimneys.

Clean out the space where office has fallen away from main building, and fill neatly with fine concrete, 4 to 1 strength; also fill up plaster cracks, inside. Provide top flashing of 6lb lead to slating over, and fix as before described.

Take out and clean all joints of masonry to cornice to front and chimneys etc, and properly point in cement and sand 1 to 2.

(6) The Contractor is to leave all the works in a thorough condition on completion, and to clear away all rubbish from off the site.

All work not herein directly specified, but which is usual or customary in the several trades is to be done by the Contractor, without extra cost.

The whole of the work to be finished in a thorough and workmanlike manner fully to the satisfaction of the Architect on or before the 25th day of August, 1904.

(Signed)

John Smith

"Architect."

"Ballinasloe, 9th July, 1904.

Following is copy of Tender accepted:—

"Tuam, July 25th, 1904.

To the Tuam Town Commissioners:

Gentlemen, I hereby undertake to carry out all repairs to roof of Town Hall, Tuam for the sum of forty-seven pounds three shillings and nine pence, in perfect accordance with the specification prepared by the architect John Smith M.I.C.E. and to his entire satisfaction and within one month of date hereof, and I offer as my sureties for the due performance of the contract Mr. Patrick Browne, Merchant, Tuam, and Mrs. Winifred Nobilly, Merchant, Tuam whose consents are hereto annexed.

(Signed)

Darby Jorde

Witness to Signature:

John Glynn Town Clerk Tuam

Subjoined is copy of Sureties Consents:

We the undersigned hereby agree to join Mr. Darby Jorde in a bond in a sum of one hundred pounds for the due performance of the above contract.

(Signed)

Witness to Signatures of Sureties:

John Glynn Town Clerk Tuam

"Patrick Browne, Tuam

"Winifred Nobilly, Tuam"

Signed on behalf of the Board,

Michael C. Shree Chairman

2nd Aug 1904