

26th October, 1874.

At a Special meeting of the Council, pursuant to the Mayor's requisition, held this day in the Tholsel at one o'clock p.m. "To consider as to the approval of plans, Estimates and specifications to be submitted for a new Town Hall and public offices" the following members of the Council attended, viz.

John Greene, Esq. J.P. Mayor in the Chair
Alderman Vicary.

Town Councillors Thomas Prendergast, Michael Delany,
Philip Byrne, Stephen Doyle, William Simpson, Junr.
William Armstrong, David Harris, John S. Parker.

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

The plans for Town Hall and public offices, one by Messrs. Longfield & Robinson, one by Mr. Barnes, and one by Mr. R. Ginnott were laid before the meeting by the Town Clerk, who stated that those were the only plans that had been sent to him.

The following resolution proposed by Thomas Prendergast was seconded by Alderman Vicary and passed unanimously, viz.,

Resolved,

That the Plans received this day of Town Hall and public offices &c. be forwarded by the Town Clerk this day to the Architect of the Board of Public Works and that he be requested to examine and report to the Council which of the Plans he considers the best, and further whether either of them meets his approval.

Signed { Thomas Prendergast
James M. Vicary

John Greene

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The Town Clerk read minutes taken by him of the meeting held on Saturday last, 24th instant, on the subject of water supply, with Mr. Hawksley letter of explanation addressed to the meeting on the same evening.

The following resolution proposed by William Armstrong, J.C. and seconded by Michael Delaney, J.C. was passed. viz.

Resolved,

That the Mayor with the Town Clerk and Mr. Prendergast, J.C. be appointed a Deputation to wait on the Local Government Board and the Board of Public Works to obtain information as to the best means of proceeding to obtain a Provisional order for water Supply and in reference to plans for new Town Hall and public offices.

Signed } William Armstrong
 } Michael Delaney

John Peeney Jr.

2nd November, 1874

At a Statutable meeting of the Council held this day in the Town Hall, at twelve o'clock, noon, "To pass accounts - appoint Committees - fix days and hours for Quarterly meetings - strike a Borough Rate - and transact all such other business as may be brought before the meeting," the following members attended, viz -

John Greene, Esq. J. P. Mayor in the Chair
 Aldermen John Simott, Robert Stafford,
 James M. Vicary and Richard S. Denevane
 Town Councillors, William Simpson, Jnr.,
 Robert D. Walkett, Michael Delany, Jasper K. Walsh
 Stephen Doyle, Thomas S. Reilly, James Ryndyast,
 Edward Walsh, John J. Barkett, Philip Byrne
 and John Rinton.

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed

The Mayor explained to the meeting the particulars of the interview of the deputation appointed on the 26th October last to wait on the Local Government Boards and the Board of Public Works and stated that the result in both cases was most satisfactory

M^r. Lacy, Borough Treasurer laid before the meeting an estimate of the sum necessary to carry on the business of the Council during the ensuing year

The Town Clerk laid before the Council the bills submitted to the Finance Committee on the 30th October last and recommended for payment by this Council to which was added £10- for Alderman Stafford's expenses on deputation to London making the entire amount £232 16 3

The following resolution proposed by Robert D Walker J.C. and Seconded by Stephen Doyle J.C. was passed unanimously.

Resolved

That the bills now submitted, as approved by Finance Committee. Amount £232 16 3 be approved and Cheques signed for payment.

Signed } Robert D Walker
Signed } Stephen Doyle

The following resolution proposed by Thomas Prendergast J.C. and Seconded by Alderman John Simott was passed unanimously.

Resolved

That a Borough Rate of one Shilling in the Pound Sterling be struck for the ensuing year.

Signed } Thomas Prendergast
Signed } John Simott

The following resolution proposed by William Simpson J.C. and Seconded by Robert D Walker J.C. was passed unanimously.

Resolved

That the following days and hours be fixed for holding the next three quarterly meetings of the Council previous to the 25th day of October next viz. on Monday the first day of February next at twelve o'clock noon, On Monday the 3rd day of May next at twelve o'clock noon, and on Monday the 1st day of August next at twelve o'clock noon.

Signed } William Simpson J.C.
Signed } Robert D. Walker

The following resolution proposed by Alderman John Simott and Seconded by Robert D Walker J.C. was passed unanimously.

Resolved

That the different Committees who have acted in the present year be re-appointed for the ensuing year.

Signed } John Simott
Signed } Robert D. Walker

The following resolution proposed by William Simpson J.P., & C.C., and seconded by Michael Delany J.C., was passed unanimously.

Resolved

That our Borough Treasurer Mr. Lacy be directed to pay to the Local Government Board the sum of £25.4.1 to pay expense of ~~the payment and interest on a~~ mortgage £6000.

William Simpson J.P., & C.C.
Signed } Michael Delany

The following resolution proposed by Robert D. Walker and seconded by Stephen Doyle J.C., was passed unanimously.

Resolved

That this Meeting stand adjourned to Thursday next, the 5th inst. at twelve o'clock noon. in the School Hall here by mistake. This resolution is entered again after the signed { Robert D. Walker
next resolution. Stephen Doyle

The following resolution proposed by Alderman Robert Stefford, and seconded by Town Councillor John Hinton was passed unanimously, viz.

Whereas in the month of August last a Committee constituted by the ratepayers and inhabitants of the Town of Wexford waited on this Council and requested that measures should be taken by the Council to procure a supply of water for the Borough, and whereas the Council being desirous of giving effect to the wishes of the Committee did, by resolution, engage the services of Mr. Rawkley to examine the adjacent districts, and to report from what source the necessary supply of good water could be procured, and whereas a communication from Mr. Rawkley has been received (a copy of which is herein entered) preparatory to his detailed report, in which he states that the Coolree Stream will give an abundant supply of water of the best quality, and whereas it is expedient that no time should be lost in taking such steps as may be required, it is hereby Resolved that Mr. McDonnell is hereby directed to prepare plans, sections, books of reference &c. as directed by Mr. Rawkley; and to procure such assistance

as he may require to enable him to perfect the work in time for lodgment as prescribed by Statute, and that before lodgment they be submitted and approved by Mr. Hawkesley.

That our Solicitor be instructed to engage Counsel & draw up a Petition praying for powers to acquire and purchase all lands, tenements, Water Mills, Water, and easements of lands as may be required to carry out the Scheme for the supply of water, and that it be stated in said Petition that the rate proposed to be assessed will be a sum not exceeding one Shilling in the £ for drinking and domestic purposes, a sum not exceeding 6^d in the £ on all property in the Borough, excluding that in which water for drinking and domestic purposes is not used, and a sum not exceeding 6^d per 1,000 gallons to manufacturers, and that the Solicitor see that all things necessary are contained in said Petition

Signed { Robert Stafford
John Rinton

Mr. Preene Mayor

The following Resolution proposed by Robert S. Walker & seconded by Stephen Doyle Esq. was passed unanimously

Resolved, That this Meeting stand adjourned to Thursday next the 3rd instant at Twelve o'clock noon, in the Tholsel

Signed { Robt Walker
Stephen Doyle

Mr. Preene Mayor

The following are the particulars of the Bills as Sanctioned by Finance Committee and Submitted to this meeting and approved by Resolution Amount £ 222. 16¹/₂ - and payments made since last Quarterly meeting £ 0

1- Thomas O'Leary for Quarters Salary as Town Clerk ending 31 st October 1844-	£ 23 ¹ / ₂ 2 ¹ / ₂
2- Thomas lacey for D ^o as Borough Treasurer to do -	4 ¹ / ₂ 10 ¹ / ₂
3- D ^o for D ^o as Pipe Water Department to D ^o -	2 ¹ / ₂ 10 ¹ / ₂
4- John Kearoy for D ^o as clayors Sergeant £ 4. 00 Sighting officer £ 2. 10 = 0 and for Cleaning Fire Engine £ 1. 50 to do 4 ¹ / ₂ 15 ¹ / ₂	
5- Mary Jordan for D ^o for cleansing clayors office to do -	0.. 10 ¹ / ₂
6- Cathl ^h Hughes for do, as pipe Water Superintendent to do -	13. 15. 0
7- D ^o for Commission as Collector on £ 25. 4. 6. pipe Waters rents at £ 5 per cent -	1 ¹ 5 ¹ / ₂
8- D ^o for Cash advanced by him for Pipe Water works	20 ¹ 12 ¹ / ₂ 8 ¹ / ₂
9- Ellen Murphy for half years rent of Manure Depot in the Stay the due 1 st November 1844 -	1 ¹ 5 ¹ / ₂
10- Thomas O'Leary for Sunday Small accounts paid by him as Town Clerk	8 ¹ 9 ¹ / ₂ 10
11- George Sheffield for Painting and papering Town Hall Painting and lettering names of Streets &c	9 ¹ 18 ¹ / ₂
12- William Hughes for Collection of £ 34. 13. 0. Borough Rate at £ 5 per cent	-
13- John Armstrong for Stationery -	0.. 16 ¹ / ₂ 0
14- John Cullen for Paints and Colours -	2.. 5 ¹ 10
15- Timothy O'bonor for Flooring and Ceiling &c Council Room,	10.. 10 ¹ 0
16- D ^o for Preparing Room for Banquet &c -	2.. 11 ¹ 8
17- Daniel Simott for Engraving Memorial to Lord Lieutenant -	0.. 5 ¹ 0
18- John A. Simott for Putting up Water closets and cistern in Town Hall -	25.. 16 ¹ 0
19- D ^o for Sunday Smith work -	6 ¹ 11 ¹ 2
20- Constitution for Advertising -	1.. 9.. 0
21- Wexford Independent for Printing -	8.. 6.. 6
22- D ^o for Advertising -	1.. 9.. 0
23- John Green Esq. Mayor for his expenses on Deputation to London and to Local Government Board and Boards of Public Works -	12.. 0.. 0

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Brought Forwards

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24 - Philip Pierce & Co. for Fire plugs &c.	27 "	2 " 0
25 - Thomas Laffan for Sewer pipes	11 "	3 " 0
26 - Thomas Prendergast, expenses going on Deputation to London and to local Government Boards and Boards of Public Works	12 "	0 " 0
27 - Thomas M. O'Leary expenses on Deputation to Dublin.	2 "	0 " 0

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28. Alderman Stafford expenses on Petition to London, 10 - 0 - 0

£ 232.16.3

List of Payments

made by Orders of Finance Committee since 1st August 1844
and submitted for sanction of Quarterly Meeting this day Sept

James Murphy for cleansing Streets for 12 Weeks from 1st
August to 24th October 1844, at £3 per Week — £ 86. 0. 0

Thomas Lacy, Borough Treasurer for Repairs of Corporate
Buildings — 2. 11. 1

Thomas M. O'Leary, Town Clerk, for sundry small accounts
paid by him, including repairs to Sewers &c. — 11. 5. 5

Lawrence Attlin, for Posting Bills — 0. 9. 6

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232-16-3

Recommended for payment —

Total expenditure for Quarter ending 2nd Oct 1844

£ 283-2-3

Estimate of the Expenses necessary for carrying out the Charter of Incorporation for the Town of Wexford for the year 1845,

1844-	To amount borrowed from the Board of Works -	£ 500.00
" -	To annual charge on Said Amount -	25.00.0
" -	To years rent now due for the Fish Market Grounds -	50.00.0
" -	To amount of Gas Rent now due -	500.00.0
" -	To Gas rent for ensuing year -	261.00.0
" -	To Cleansing and watering Streets for ensuing year -	156.00.0
" -	To repairs of Corporate Buildings for ensuing year -	20.00.0
" -	To Painting and Stationery for ensuing year -	40.00.0
" -	To Expenses attendant on Fire Engine -	15.0.0
" -	To Town Clerk's Salary, including Mr. McCay's Superannuation -	92.10.0
" -	To Surveyor's Salary chargeable to this Fund -	30.0.0
" -	To Sergeant of Police, Salary -	28.10.0
" -	To Woman for cleansing Cliffs Office -	2.0.0
" -	To Woman for Cleansing Fish Market -	5.4.0

£ 1,425.4.0

The following sums are chargeable on the Corporate Estate for the year 1845 -

" -	To years rent of Fish Market Grounds -	£ 50.00.0
" -	To years rent of Town Hall and Market House -	13.8.6
" -	To years Rent deducting Income Taxe -	6.15.0
" -	To Rent charge, deducting Poor Rate & Income Taxe -	4.10.6
" -	To Poor Rate, Borough Rate and Income Taxe -	30=10=0

£ 105.4.0

Gross amount of Corporate Income - £ 323.0.0

Deduct Liabilities as above - - - - - 105.4.0

£ 214=16.0 214-16=0

Amount to be discharged by Borough Rate - £ 1,504-8=0

15644.00
782.4.0

Wexford 2nd November 1844

Thomas Laey Borough Treasurer

Estimate of the amount derivable from the Pipes
Water Rent, deducting the ensuing year's charge on same -

1844 - Probable amount derivable for the ensuing year - £ 200⁰ 0⁰
 " - Year's Rent of Pipe Fields from William Rossiter - £ 11¹ 6⁰
~~£ 211¹ 6⁰~~

By year's Head rent of Pipe Fields - - -	£ 30 ⁰ 0 ⁰
By Superintendents Salary - - -	55 ⁰ 0 ⁰
By Treasurer's Salary - - -	10 ⁰ 0 ⁰
By Collector's Commission on Rents - - -	10 ⁰ 0 ⁰
By year's rent on passage to Reservoirs	4 ⁰ 0 ⁰
	<u>£ 109⁰ 0⁰</u>
	— 109 ⁰ 0 ⁰

Balance may not be more than will cover the water works for the ensuing year - £ 102¹ 6⁰

Wexford 2nd November 1844
 Thomas Lacy, Borough Treasurer

Mr Peeling Esq

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5th November 1842

At an adjourned Statutable meeting of the Council (from the 2nd Instant) held this day in the Tholsel at twelve o'clock noon,
"To consider the important Question of a Water Supply to the Town and Sanitary matters and all other business."

The following members of the Council attended viz:-

John Greene J.P. Mayor in the Chair
Aldermen Robert Stafford, James C. Vicary, John Simott
and John D. Walsh -
Town Councillors - Jasper W. Walsh, Robert D. Walter, William Timpson Junr., Thomas Prendergast, Edward Walsh, Thomas O'Kelly, Philip Byrne, Stephen Doyle, Peter Symott, Michael Delany, John D. Harpur, Joseph O'Connor, David Faris, John H. Hadden & William Armstrong -

The Minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed

The Mayor read a letter from the Town Surveyor stating that he was at work taking surveys for the water works with most favourable results. He also read a letter from Mr. Robt Sparrow complaining that the Corporation had not got the nuisance abated which was caused by the stuff going from the Distillery to Mr. Purées Mill pond by which he had lost a tenant and that he would claim compensation from the Corporation for any injury he might sustain in consequence of this nuisance.

The Town Clerk submitted a letter received from the Local Government Board stating that the subject of the Government paying same proportion of salaries of newly appointed Sub Sanitary officers as in the case of officers who obtained an addition to present salaries was under the consideration of the Lords of the Treasury.

A Memorial to the Corporation from Mr. Richard Harding and others requesting that the Potato Market should be

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brought back to the Quay from Cornmarket was laid before
the meeting
It was ordered
That the Council consider that no change
is now necessary

The following resolution proposed by Thomas Pendergast J.C.
and Seconded by Jasper W Walsh J.C. was passed Vif.

Resolved
That Mr. Thomas Lacy be appointed reference tatter
for the taking off lands &c. for the water works now being proceeded
with

Signed } Thomas Pendergast
Jasper W Walsh

The following resolution proposed by Alderman Stafford and
Seconded by Alderman Simott was passed Vif.

Resolved

That in reply to Mr. Sparrow's letter he be informed
that in the opinion of the Council no nuisance exists at present
at the place where he complains of and that measures will
be taken as soon as possible to abate any nuisance that
may hereafter arise at the Stone Bridge River

Signed } Robert Stafford
John Simott

The following resolution proposed by William Simpson Junt. J.C.
and Seconded by Stephen Doyle J.C. was passed

Resolved

That the question of the election of a sub Sanitary officer
be adjourned until an answer be received from the Local
Government Boards as to whether they will pay half the salary out of
the consolidated fund and that a new advertisement be inserted
when the information is received -

William Simpson Junt. J.C.
Signed } Stephen Doyle

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The following resolution proposed by Robert D. Walker J.C. and
Seconded by Alderman J. J. Walsh was passed Viz:-

Resolved

That our Town Surveyor Mr Macdonell be hereby
instructed to get a sewer made through Mr Joseph Lacy's yard
or through any other Course, on the best and most economical terms
in order to abate the nuisance existing there -

Signed Robert D. Walker
John Joseph Walsh

It was Ordered

"That Mr Rathl Hughes be directed to have
the fire plugs examined at least once every fortnight and
kept constantly clean and in working order"

Wm Prees Esq

25th November, 1874

At an Election held this day in the Hould for Councillors
in place of Councillors going out of office by rotation
as follows.

In St. Selskar's Ward

Town Councillors

John Hadden Hadden and Robert Liam Walker

In St. Ikerius Ward

Town Councillors Philip Byrne and Stephen Doyle

In St. Mary's Ward

Town Councillors Michael Delany and Peter Symott

In St. Selskar Ward

Town Councillor John Hadden Hadden presided

Ish Radden Radden and Robert Dixon Walker having been duly nominated as Town Councillors, and no other person having been nominated, they were thereupon declared as duly elected.

In St. Stephens Ward

Alderman John Smirnoff presided

Six persons were nominated for election as Town Councillors for this Ward, namely

Philip Byrne, Myles Conway, Peter William Cowen, Stephen Doyle, Lett Sealy Jeffares and James Moore, and an election was held by ballot with the following result, viz.

	votes
Mr Philip Byrne	48
" Lett Sealy Jeffares	40
" James Moore	27
" Myles Conway	15
" Peter William Cowen	1
" Stephen Doyle	0

At the close of the poll Philip Byrne and Lett Sealy Jeffares were declared duly elected as Town Councillors for this Ward.

In St. Mary's Ward

Alderman Robert Gafford presided

Michael Delany and Peter Lynnett having been duly nominated as Town Councillors, and no other person having been nominated, they were thereupon declared as duly elected.

John Keay

Att. W.M.C. (P)

1st December, 1874.

At a Statutable meeting of the Council held this day in the Town Hall, at twelve o'-clock noon, "To elect a Mayor for the ensuing year and until his successor shall have been appointed and shall have accepted office." the following members attended, viz:-

John Greene, Esq. J.P. Mayor, in the Chair.
 Aldermen. Robert Stafford and John Simott
 Town Councillors Thomas Prendergast, David Stans.
 John H. Padden, Thomas O'Reilly, John Hinton, Philip Byrne,
 William Simpson, Esq., Lett Seely Jeffares, John S. Harpur
 and Michael Delany.

Also present R. H. Ryan, Esq. Corporation Solicitor,
 Thomas Laen, Borough Treasurer, Nicholas Macdonnell,
 C.E. Town Surveyor.

The following resolution proposed by John H. Padden, Esq.
 and seconded by Thomas O'Reilly, J.C. was passed
 unanimously, viz.

Resolved,

That Alderman John Greene J.P. be elected
 Mayor for the ensuing year and until his successor
 shall have been appointed and accepted office

Signed | John H. Padden, Esq.
 Thos. O'Reilly, J.C.

The following resolution proposed by John H. Padden, J.C.
 and seconded by Thomas Prendergast, J.C. was passed, viz.
Resolved,

That the Mayor and Mr. Macdonnell C.E. be appointed
 a deputation to proceed to Knocklaftry to wait on Lord D摩ghmore
 and explain to him the proceeding of this Corporation with regard
 to our Waterworks and affecting his Lordship's property in deference to
 his Lordship's rank and position.

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Signed | Thomas Prendergast

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The Town Clerk read a letter addressed to him by the Proprietor of the 'Wexford Constitution' newspaper complaining that he did not get any notice of the different Special meetings of the Corporation to enable him to report the proceedings thereof.

It was ordered,

That each of the local papers get notice in future of all proceedings of the Corporation.

Mr. Helme Jr

3rd December, 1894.

At an election held this day in the Sholsel for two Borough Assessors in the place of two Borough Assessors going out by rotation, namely Thomas Henry Richards and William Scallan,

John Nadden Hadden, Esq. J.C. acted as Returning Officer, being duly appointed as such by the Mayor.

Thomas Henry Richards and William Scallan having been duly nominated as Borough Assessors and no person having been nominated the said Thomas Henry Richards and William Scallan were thereupon declared duly elected as Borough Assessors for the Borough of Wexford for the ensuing year.

Mr. Helme Jr

12th December, 1874

At a Special meeting of the Council, pursuant to the Mayor's requisition, held this day in the Shelsel, at Twelve o'clock noon, to meet Henry Robinson, Esquire, of the Local Government Board, on the subject of carrying into effect the provisions of the Public Health Act 1874. The following members attended, viz.

John Greene, Esq., J.P. Mayor in the chair

Alderman J. J. Walsh,

Town Councillors Philip Byrne, Edward Walsh, John Nintim, Joseph N. Walsh, David Davis, Thomas Prendergast, James P. Derrera

Letter read from Henry Robinson, Esq. Post Law Inspector, stating that he would be in Wexford this week, and suggesting that he would meet the members of the Council on this day at Ten o'clock or at Three o'clock if the Mayor would call a meeting for the subject of putting into execution the provisions of the Public Health Act 1874.

Letter read from the Local Government Board acknowledging Town Clerk's letter of the 7th November, and stating that salaries of new officers appointed under the Public Health Act which appear to come under the provisions for remuneration as contained in the 10th Section of that Act, and urging the Council to put the Act in operation without further delay.

Mr. Robinson explained to the meeting, the nature of the duties to be performed by the different officers under the Public Health Act, and suggesting the fixing of salaries at the present meeting, more particularly the salary of the Medical Sanitary Officer.

The following resolution proposed by Alderman Walsh and seconded by Robert D. Walker J.C. was passed unanimously.

Resolved,

That a Special meeting of the Corporation be called

for Friday next, the 18th. instant, at Eleven o'clock A.M.
 " to fix Salaries of the officers appointed under the Public
 Health Act, and to consider the appointment of a Sub
 Sanitary officer."

Signed { John Joseph Walsh
 Rob. D. Walker

The following resolution proposed by Alderman Walsh
 and seconded by John Hinton, J.C., was passed unanimously.

Resolved,

That the thanks of this meeting be given to
 Captain Robinson for the valuable information he has
 afforded us on the subject of the Public Health Act,

Signed { John Joseph Walsh
 John Hinton

John Greene Esq

18th December 1874

At a Special meeting of the Council, pursuant to the Mayor's requisition, held this day in the Sholsel at Eleven o'clock A.M.

" To fix the salaries of the officers appointed under the Public Health Act, and to consider the appointment of a Sub-Sanitary officer", the following members of the Council attended, viz:-

John Greene, Esq. I.P. Mayor in the chair
 Aldermen John J. Walsh, Robert Stafford, John Sunnett
 Town Councillors, Thomas O'Reilly, Michael Delany, Philip Byrne,
 John Hinton, Robert D. Walker, Jasper K. Walsh, William Armstrong,
 William Simpson, Esq., John H. Hadden, David Harris
 Capt. Tealy Jeffares.

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

The following resolution proposed by John Hinton Esq.

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and Seconded by Thomas O'Reilly It was passed
unanimously, viz -

Resolved,

That Doctor Sheridan as Sanitary officer
have his Salary fixed by this Council at Fifteen
Pounds per annum

Signed of John Rintin J.C
Thomas O'Reilly J.C

The following resolution proposed by William Armstrong
J.C and Seconded by Michael Delany It was passed
unanimously, viz -

Resolved,

That the Salary of Doctor Green as
Consulting Sanitary officer be fixed at Fifteen pounds
per annum -

Signed of William Armstrong
Michael Delany

The following resolution proposed by David
Taxis J.C and Seconded by John H. Hadden J.C
was passed. John Rintin J.C. only dissenting.

Resolved,

That the Salary of Mr O'Leary
as Executive Sanitary Officer be fixed at
Twenty Pounds per annum

Signed of David Taxis
John H. Hadden

The following resolution proposed by Alderman
Walsh and Seconded by John H. Hadden J.C was
passed unanimously, viz -

Resolved - That the office of Inspector of Nuisances
to the Borough be abolished

The following resolution proposed by Alderman Staffornd and seconded by Alderman Simott was passed unanimously viz
 Resolved,

That John Keaton be appointed the Sanitary officer for the district of the Borough of Wexford at Twenty Pounds per annum.

Signed { Robert Staffornd
 } John Simott

Mr Keaton Esq

28th December. 1874.

At a Special meeting of the Council, pursuant to the Mayor's requisition, held this day in the Sholsel at Twelve o'clock noon, "To consider and adopt a Petition to the Local Government Board for a Provisional order to give all necessary powers for acquiring a sufficient supply of water for the Town of Wexford and to affix the Corporation seal to said Petition", the following members of the Council attended, viz-

John Green, Esq. J. P. Mayor in the Chair
 Aldermen, John Simott, Robert Staffornd and John Joseph Walsh,
 Town Councillors, Robert D. Walker, Peter Lynnett, Thomas Hendry, John S. Harper, Thomas O'Reilly, Edward Walsh, Lett Sealy, Jeffares, Philip Byrne, John Hutton, William Simpson, James.

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

A Petition to the Local Government Board from this Council was read by the Mayor praying for a Provisional order to enable the Corporation to provide a sufficient supply of water for the Town by erecting storage and supply reservoirs, taking of lands and streams &c. by Compulsion or by agreement with

powers for borrowing money for the purpose up to £30,000 and powers of taxation for re-payment of such loan by charging a domestic water rate of one shilling and sixpence in the pound, and other powers necessary for enabling the Corporation to carry the project into effect.

The different clauses of the Petition were discussed seriatim and on clause 11 being read the following resolution was proposed by Thomas Prendergast J.C. and seconded by Lett Sealy Jeffares J.C. was passed. viz,

Resolved,

That the poundage rate specified in clause 11 of Petition to the Local Government Board be altered from one shilling and sixpence to one shilling in the pound in conformity with the resolution of the 2nd of November last.

Signed | Thomas Prendergast
 | Lett Sealy Jeffares

On clause 12 being read giving power to levy a public water rate of sixpence in the pound to be levied and assessed in the same manner as Poor Rate.

A discussion ensued as to the propriety of having the rate levied and assessed in the same manner as Poor Rate, and some of the Council advocated that it be levied and assessed in the same manner as County Cess, and a division took place on the subject, when the voting as follows.

For the principle of County Cess Assessment

For the principle of Poor Rate Assessment.

Alderman Walsh

John Hinton J.C.

Robert D. Walker J.C.

Peter Symott J.C.

William Timpan J.W. J.C.

Philip Symond J.C.

Alderman Stofford

Edward Walsh J.C.

Lett Sealy Jeffares

Alderman Symott

Thomas O'Reilly J.C.

John St. Parker J.C.

(6)

Thomas Prendergast

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The Majority having voted for Poor Rate assessment
Clause 12 was ordered to stand unchanged.

Clause 13 giving the right of having "one water Closet"
without extra charge, to persons paying domestic Water rate
was changed to "Water Closets"

The other clauses having been gone through without
any material alteration, the following resolution was
proposed by Thomas Prendergast J.C. and seconded by
Peter Lynnott. J.C. and passed unanimously: viz.

Resolved,

That the Petition now read, as amended, be adopted
and that it be signed by the Mayor and sealed with the
Corporation Seal, and countersigned by the Town Clerk,
and that the Town Clerk forthwith forward it to the Local
Government Board with a request that they will as soon as
practicable attend to the prayer of said Petition.

Signed { Thomas Prendergast
P. Lynnott

Mr. Henry Mayr

1st January, 1875

At a Statutable Meeting of the Council held this day in the Town Hall at twelve o'clock noon, "To inaugurate the Mayor elect for the ensuing year", the following members of the Council attended, viz -

John Greene, J.P. Mayor in the Chair

Alderman Robert Stafford

Town Councillors, John Hinton, Philip Byrne, Thomas O'Reilly,
David Harris, Lett Sealy, Jeffares, William Simpson, Tomr.,
Jasper W. Walsh, William Armstrong, John J. Harper, James P. Dwyer and

Also in attendance, Nicholas Macdonnell, Town Surveyor,
Thomas Lee, Borough Treasurer, William Hughes, Borough
Rate Collector, and Nathaniel Hughes, Water Rate Collector,

The Mayor having been duly inaugurated signed his
Declaration of acceptance of office.

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

The Mayor thanked the meeting for having elected him Mayor
for the seventh time, and explained the progress made
towards procuring an abundant supply of pure water
for the use of the inhabitants. There being no other business
the meeting separated.

Mr Greene

Mr Greene
Mayor

11th January 1875

At a Special meeting of the Council pursuant of the following requisition held this day in the Sholsel at twelve O'Clock noon
 "To sign the Rate Book and Collection Book for the Borough Rate struck on the 2nd November last and to appoint a Committee to carry into effect the provisions of the Public Health Act 1872.

The following members of the Council attended Viz:-

John Greene Esq. S.P. Mayor in the chair.
 Aldermen - Robert Stafford, John J. Walsh and John Simpott
 Town Councillors - Michael Relany, Thomas O'Reilly, James P. Revereux, Philip Byrne, Edward Walsh, Jasper W. Walsh, William Simpson Junr., William Armstrong, John Harper, Lett Sealy Jeffares

The Minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

The following letters were submitted to the meeting Viz:-

Mr. Little requiring payment of £50 for one years rent of the Bullring premises due 29th September last, Another letter from Mr. Little to the Town Clerk complaining that the kitchen of his house in George Street is flooded with water in consequence of the main drain being choked and requiring to be relieved from that inconvenience.

A letter from Messrs Longfield & Robinson sending plans, Specifications and estimates for Town Hall and Government offices and stating that they had been approved by Mr. Owens of the Board of Public Works and a letter from Mr. Owens expressing approval of the plans.

The following resolution proposed by Jasper W. Walsh S.P. and seconded by William Simpson J.P., was passed Viz:-

Resolved,

That the corporation resolve itself into a Committee to carry into effect the provisions of the Public Health Act

18th, five to form a Quorum the executive officer to give notice to each member of the Committee when necessary to call a meeting

Signed } Jasper W Walsh
William Simpson Jr.

The following resolution proposed by William Simpson Jr. O.C. and seconded by Edward Walsh J.C. was passed Viz:-

Resolved

That the Rate Book and collection Book for Borough Rate made the 2nd November 18th, be now signed and ordered for collection

Signed } William Simpson Jr.
E Walsh

The following resolution proposed by Jasper W Walsh J.C. and seconded by William Armstrong J.C. was passed Viz:-

Resolved

That the Plans of Government and Municipal offices by Messrs Robinson & Longfield and approved by Mr. Owen C. E. be accepted and submitted to the Treasury with a request that the Government advance the money necessary for building same at such a Rate of Interest that the rents accruing out of the Government offices will meet the interest.

Signed } Jasper W Walsh
William Armstrong

An understanding was arrived at that Mr. Macdonnell get the main sewer in Selskar opened and cleaned so as to allow the water from Georges Street sewer to pass away and so to relieve Mr. Little's premises

Mr. Pease, Mayor

1st February 1875

At a Statutable meeting of the Council held this day in the Town Hall at twelve o'clock noon, "to pass accounts to consider as to the abatement of a nuisance at Stonebridge river and to transact all such business as may be brought before the meeting"

The following members of the Council attended viz:-

John Greene Esq J. S. Mayor in the chair
 Aldermen Robert Stafford, John Walsh, James O'Brien
 Town Councillors John Hinton, Lett Sealy Jeffares, Edward Walsh
 David Davis, Peter Murphy, Joseph O'Connor, Philip Byrne, Michael
 Delany, Thomas O'Reilly, William Simpson Junr, Thomas Prendergast

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed

The following resolution proposed by Thomas Prendergast J.C., and seconded by William Simpson Junr. J.C., was passed viz:-

Resolved

That the bills now submitted as reduced taking off £6, for Water works advertisements &c, amount as passed £145-8-3, be hereby approved and cheques signed for payment.

Signed { Thomas Prendergast
 William Simpson Jr.

The following resolution proposed by Alderman Walsh and seconded by William Simpson Jr. J.C., was passed viz:-

Resolved

That cheques be now signed for the following bills not submitted to Finance Committee. viz - Gas company for half a years Gas £ 130-10-0 - Mr Little for years rent of Market place ground £ 50-

Signed { John Joseph Walsh Ald.
 William Simpson

List of payments made by orders of Finance Committee since
2nd November 1844, and submitted for sanction of Quarterly meeting

James Murphy for Cleansing &c Streets for 14 Weeks from £ 8/-
24th October 1844 to 31st January 1845, at £ 3 per Week - 42 0 0
Thomas O'Leary Town Clerk for sundry accounts paid
by him since the 2nd November last including sewer in Selsker, 44 0 7 1/2
William Hughes Borough Rate Collector for Poundage
on collection of Borough Rate - - - - - 0 14 1
William Gore for writing up and apportioning Borough
Rate Book and Collection Book - - - - - 1 10 0
Recommended for payment by Finance Committee £ 145 8 3
£ 157 8 3 less £ 16 deducted from overseer's account £ 28 9 16 1/2
88 4 8 1/2

Added by Mutiny Thursday

House Rent	- £ 130 10 0
Yearly rent of Market Place	
Ground payable to W. Little	{ 50 0 0 180 10 0
Total for Quarter	£ 414 5 1/2

Wm. Henry Mayor

5th February 1875

At a Special Meeting of the Council pursuant to the Mayor's requisition, held this day in the Tholsel at the o'clock afternoon, "To consider the Subject of a Memorial that has been forwarded to the Local Government Board against the proposed new Water Works".

The following Members of the Council attended:

John Greene Esq JP Mayor in the Chair
 Aldermen Robert Stafford, John Walsh,
 James P. Neary, John Scott
 Town Councillors, John Sharpen, Michael Delany,
 Peter Murphy, Thomas O'Reilly, Philip Byrne,
 Peter Synnott, Thomas Reddy, John Atkinson,
 Lett Sealy Jeffares, Joseph O'Connor, William Armstrong,
 Jasper W. Walsh and William Simpson.

There were also in attendance

Joseph Durley, Robert Sparrow, William Walker,
 John Ryan, W. R. Kiely, & Allen, John Kafe,
 William Caulfield, W. Capranchester, William Gough, Jr.

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and Confirmed
 The Memorial sent to inspection by the Local Government Board, objecting to the new Water Works as proposed in Petition sent from the Corporation and the accompanying letter from the Local Government Board were read by the Mayor.

Local Government Board

1st February 1875

Mr,

The Local Government Board for Ireland forward to you herewith, for the information of the Corporation of Wexford, a Memorial which has been addressed to them by the Owners of property, inhabitants and rate payers of the Town of Wexford on the subject of the application which has been made for a Provisional Order for the Construction and Maintenance of Water Works for Supplying the Borough with Water. The Board have thought it right that this Memorial which has been forwarded to them by Mr Joseph Purkiss Ferrybank, Wexford, should be placed before the Corporation and they will feel obliged by its being returned to them within a week.

B. Banks

The following is the petition:-

To the Honourable the Local Government Board for Ireland, the Memorial of the Undersigned Owners of Property and of Inhabitants and Ratepayers of the Town of Wexford.

Showeth, that an application has been made to your Honourable Board by the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of this Borough for a Provisional order & Confer on them the power to Construct and maintain Water Works for Supplying the Borough with water; and that their Engineer's estimate of the expence of the proposed works for affording an ample supply of water is the sum of £27,709 and for Supplying a less quantity a sum of £7,850.

That altho' the Corporation proposed to limit the rate for providing for the payment of the principal and interest of said sums together with the working expenses of such waterworks, to a rate of 1/- in the £1 for water for domestic use, and a further rate of 6d in the £1 for water for public purposes, yet it is believed, and in fact appears from the said Engineer's report, that such rates on the valuation of the Borough would not supply a sufficient revenue to afford security for a loan of either of said sums.

from the Loan Commissioners, or to provide for the payment of the principal and interest thereof, together with such working expenses connected with the said works; and it is believed that a much lighter rate would be necessary for such purposes.

That any lighter rate than $\frac{1}{3}$ d in the £1 for water for all purposes on such a small town as Wexford, in addition to the existing rates of $\frac{7}{10}$ d in the £1, would cause an excessive amount of taxation upon the property within the said Borough.

That your Memorialists believe that the said Scheme for Supplying the town with water has been got up too hastily and without sufficiently testing the various other sources for such supply of water.

That the rate of 6^d in the £1 for water for public purposes is proposed to be levied on the same principle as Poor Rate, and that one half thereof is to be paid by the landlords, and your memorialists submit such a principle is unfair and unprecedented.

Your memorialists, therefore, pray that you will not confer upon the said Corporation the powers sought for by them without further inquiry, and that you will not sanction the levying of the rate for water for public purposes in the manner proposed.

Signed,

Colonel T. L. Atton J.P. D.L.
Sir Frederick Hughes Q.C.
Nicholas Hutton
Peter Lynnott
Robert Stafford
John Branfield
Walter Atkins
Charles B. Gordon
Joseph O'Connor Esq
James Prendergast
John Ryan
Stephen Doyle
Francis Cosgrave
Godkin & Co
Richard Walsh
Matthew Parker

Patrick Chandler
Robert Anglin
John Stafford
Paul J. Carr
James J. Kelly
Nicholas Manning
John O' Connor
Thomas O'Reiffe
Joseph Turley
John Joseph Walsh
Edward Kearns
Charles H. Gifford
Denis Redmond
John Cullen
Patrick Blaikie
Thomas Martin

A. J. & J. S. Hughes
Harris & Conway
A. P. Rossiter
Patrick Joyce
Law. D. Devereux
Bonaventure Perce
Isaac Scallan
James H. Gutherford
Benjamin Stephens
Robert Ranton
Daniel Hanway
Joseph Laing
P. Walsh & Co.

R H Cooper, J. M. P. S. D.
Richard Edwards
H. Denevere
Thomas Denevere
Brian & Reating
Richard Murphy
Laurence Rossi
Edward Dixon
Patrick Hayes
John Redmond
Richard Hardinge
John Rose

After much discussion the following resolution was proposed by Town Councillor J. Pendlebury

Resolved,

That the averments contained in the Petition, that the determination of the Council to procure Water for the Town was too hastily arrived at, and that the Sources of Water Supply adjacent to the Town were not properly tested, are at variance with facts, and have been made under a misconception of the facts and that the Council do not see any reason for suggesting any alteration in the petition of the Council, excepting the mode of assessment for rates for public purposes, which can be settled according to precedent.

Alderman John J. Walsh proposed as an amendment that the Petition be referred to the Public meeting.

For Amendment

For Resolution

Peter Murphy S.B
Joseph O'Connor S.C
Jasper W. Walsh S.C
Peter Lyman S.C
Alderman J. J. Walsh
McNamee Robert Statford

William Armstrong S.C.
John J. Parker S.C.
David Harris J.C.
William Simpson J.C.
Philip Bryne S.C.
Thomas O'Reilly S.C. Lett Celly Jeffares J.C.
John Ainton S.C., Alderman J. Bennett, M.D. M.W. Niem.

11th March, 1875.

At a public meeting held this day in the Town Hall, called by Henry Robinson, Esq. Inspector, by directions of the Local Government Board, by public advertisement in Newspapers and placards as follows, viz.

Notice

Borough of Wexford.

The Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1871.

The Local Government Board (Ireland) Act, 1872, and
The Public Health, Ireland, Act, 1874.

Whereas, on the 28th day of December 1874, the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Wexford, being the Governing Body of the Borough of Wexford within the meaning of the "Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1871," and the Urban Sanitary Authority under the "Public Health (Ireland, Act, 1874," presented a Petition to the Local Government Board for Ireland, praying for a Provisional order to confer upon them all proper and necessary power to construct, maintain and use Water Works, to take land and water compulsorily, and to take land by agreement, to borrow a sum not exceeding £30,000, for a period not exceeding sixty years, to levy 1/- in the pound as a domestic water rate, and £ in the pound as a "public water rate," to carry out certain arrangements in the execution of the acts in force within the Town in relation to the supply of water, and to charge upon the rates the costs of obtaining and confirming the Provisional order.

And whereas I have been directed to inquire as to the genuineness of the hereinbefore in part recited Petition and in respect of the several matters mentioned therein and the propriety of assenting to the prayer thereof:

Now, therefore, I hereby give notice, that I will attend at the Town Hall, Wexford, on Thursday, the 11th day of March 1875, at Eleven o'clock to make inquiry in respect of all the matters

in the Petition, when all persons objecting to the proposals contained therein, or any of them, may present to me a statement of their objections in writing.

A copy of the Petition and a plan of the proposed undertaking are deposited at the office of the Town Clerk of the Borough of Wexford, at the Tholsel in Wexford, and may be seen at all reasonable hours.

Henry Robinson
Local Government Inspector

Dublin, February 6th, 1875.

The following members of the Council attended, viz.,

Alderman John J. Walsh. John Symott

Town Councillors John Ainton. Peter Murphy. Jasper N. Walsh,
Lett Sealy Jeffares. William Simpson. Philip Byrne. Edward
Walsh. John J. Harpur. John H. Padden. Thomas Dundergast,
Peter Symott and David Davis

There were also present

Simon Little. William Gainfort. David Padden M.D.,
Robert Sparrow. Charles H. Peacock. J.P. Rev. James Reed,
Charles Taylor. Solicitor. Peter J. O'Gleary. Solicitor. Martin
J. Harrell. C.C. William Vaughan, Collector of Customs,
William R. Hickey, Collector of Inland Revenue, Richard
W. Elgee. Solicitor. William A. Caulfield. J.P. William C. Walker,
Walter Atkins, Rev. William Burns, John Maddock. Quarter
Master Dillon, James Jeffares. John Francis Hogan. William
Scallan. Michael J. O'Connor. William Gibson. Capt. Morris,
Richard A. Leared. George Sheffield. Alexander Mackay,
Joseph Hurlong. Thomas Pettit Hogan. William Hughes. Nathaniel
Hughes. Capt. Chandler. Patrick Connors. Thomas O'Heffey,
Robert Allen. Michael Codd. John Redmond. Benjamin
Allen. William Payne. John Hurlong. Customs, Capt. Manning,
Doctor Sheridan. Michael Browne. Miles Conway. Michael
Kavanagh. Thomas M. O'Leary. Town Clerk. Rodolphus W. Ryan,

Corporation Solicitor, Nicholas Macdonnell C. E. Town Surveyor,
Esq. Esq.

Captain Robinson explained the object of the meeting and said he would at first receive objections in writing from persons opposing the works, next hear evidence on part of the promoters, and then evidence from those objecting.

Mr. Little, Solicitor, handed in the following objection on the part of Colonel Ratton, Amble, Mr. Deane Morgan, Sir Frederick Hughes, Rev. G. A. Reade, Mr. Sibley, Mr. Percival, Captain Walker, Rev. A. Hildebrand, Mrs. S. Percival, Mr. A. Jacob, Mrs. St. Beddy, Mr. Belshaw, Mr. Edward W. Kinn. &c.

"The undersigned owners of ground rents and houses in the Town of Wexford hereby object to any clause being introduced into the Provisional Order for constructing Water Works for the said town, which should authorize the deduction for the rents payable in respect of any ground, house or premises with the said or any part of the rates proposed to be levied, or which should make such owners liable for any portion thereof, on the ground that such a clause as regards ground rents or houses above the annual value of £10, is without precedent in the case of water rates and unjust in principle. They also submit that a rate of 1/6 in the £ is too high a one for said town, and that the amount of the public rate should not be more than one-third of the domestic rate, same as in Dublin.

Mr. Little subsequently withdrew his objection on the understanding that the general rate should not exceed one-fourth of the domestic rate, same as in Dublin.

Mr. John Redmond, Builder, handed in the following:-

2. George's Street, Wexford
March 11, 1875.

Sir.

I have spent ten months making an excavation to form new reservoirs and deepening the old one from the 22nd of June, 1872, to the 16th April, 1873. In doing so I excavated 6 feet below the level of the bottom of the old reservoir. I then found the leakage from the old reservoir to be very extensive, as the quantity of water running from it was so great that it hindered me from proceeding with my work, and consequently I had to lay a drain of 6 inch pipes to carry it away. It still continues to do so. If the old reservoirs were perfectly staunched, the new one completely finished, the waste of water which is at present taking place in different parts of the town prevented (by means of ball cocks or otherwise). To my own knowledge the water is running away by night and day through the pipes. It is my firm belief that if these precautions were taken, and the waste of water prevented, the supply would be increased double to the town of Wexford, and be a great means of preventing heavy taxation.

Your obedient servant.

John Redmond

Mr. O' Flaherty, Solicitor, handed in the following:-

We, the undersigned, on behalf of ourselves and a large number of ratepayers of Wexford, objecting to the scheme for supplying the town of Wexford with water, referred to in the petition presented on the 28th day of December, 1874, to the Local Government Board for Ireland, by the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of Wexford, and to the proposals for carrying out such scheme on the following grounds, namely,

1. That the consent of the Corporation to the application to the Local Government Board was given before Mr. Rawhley's estimate was received, and when many members of it and the public at large were led to believe, by statements

upon which they thought they could rely, that the waterworks could be completed at a cost not exceeding £18,000, which is allowing £6,000 for increased value of labour and material since Mr. Hawkesley's estimate of 1874, and at the rate of 1/5 in the £1.

2. That the Corporation were under the impression that the outside limit of the cost would be £18,000 is evident from the fact that the petition only for power to levy a domestic rate of 1/- in the £1, and a public rate of 6d. in the £1, which would not be security for any greater amount than £18,000.

3. That the cost of the present scheme may be fairly set down at £35,000, as it is every day's experience that in order to arrive at the actual cost of such works at least 25 per cent should be added to the amount of the probable estimate.

4. That, even assuming the work could be completed for the sum estimated, the proposed rate would not yield on the valuation of the premises liable to assessment an income sufficient to defray the interest on the loan at 3½ per cent, without making any deduction for the annual working expenses, which, on a moderate calculation, would come to at least £300 a year, and therefore it is manifest proper consideration has not been given nor due provision made to meet the expenses of it whilst the proposal is calculated to mislead the public by inducing the belief that a poundage rate of 1/6 will be sufficient.

5. That the rates and taxes already amount to 8½ in the £1 on £15,571.15-0, the valuation of the town, equivalent to a gross annual charge of £5,000, exclusive of the contemplated rates for sanitary and water purposes, and if the proposed scheme were to be carried out it would require a poundage rate of at least 2/6, which, in addition to the present rates, would amount to a charge of £7,000 a year, a burthen beyond the capacity of the town to bear.

6. That, from time to time, since 1862, many plans and estimates for supplying the town with water have been submitted to the Corporation, namely - from Mr. Farrell, Mr. Smith, of Belfast, Messrs. Easton & Amos, of London, and Mr. Hawkesley, the cost of which varied in amount from £3,000 to £12,000, and as some of these were approved of by the Corporation, and the one for the latter amount, by Mr. Hawkesley, provided for the supply of 25 gallons per day per head of 18,000 inhabitants, and from a level which would bring the water to the top of the highest

houses in the town, we cannot conceive why we should be called upon now to put the town under a debt so vastly in excess of the above-mentioned amount as £27,700.

The objectors are most anxious to obtain a supply of water sufficient for all the wants of the town, but being convinced it can be obtained at less than two thirds of the expense of the proposed scheme, they trust the Local Government Board will not sanction the contemplated plan, which would involve such an extravagant expenditure.

Nicholas Whitty
Joseph Harrel C. O.
Robert Sparrow
Patrick Chaudet

The following evidence was taken upon oath, viz.

Thomas M. O'Leary. Town Clerk
Martin Farrell C. O.
Thomas Prudengast J. C.
Quarter Master Thomas Dillon
John S. Sparrow J. C.
Read constable Patrick Callaghan
John Hinton J. C.
Nathaniel Hughes. Pipe Water Superintendent.
Nicholas Macdonell, Town Surveyor.
John Greene. J. P. Mayor
(3 letters from Mr. Hawkesley read, one
dated 29th December 1874, another 23rd
February 1875, and the third 18th February 1875)
William Hughes Borough Rate Collector.

This ended the evidence on the part of the Corporation

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Evidence in opposition, viz.

Robert Sparrow, of Ballinteer
which ended the Inquiry.

A vote of thanks to Mr. Robinson was proposed
by William Simpson J. C. and seconded by Justice

Mr. Walsh, J.C., and passed unanimously.

Mr. Robinson returned thanks and the meeting
separated

N.B. A full report of the meeting is contained
in the Wexford Independent Newspaper of the
13th March, 1875, which is filed in the Press in the
Chancery Office.

(Signed) Wm. Peacock Mayor

5th April, 1875.

At a Special meeting of the council, pursuant to the Mayor's requisition, held this day in the Tholsel, at twelve o'clock noon, "to consider the making of new sewers; making an arrangement to combine the cleansing and watering of the streets with repairs of same; providing new buckets for use of fire engine; the annual Subscription of £5 to the Fire Brigade, and to pass accounts". The following members of the Council attended, viz.

John Greene, Esq. J.P. Mayor in the Chair
 Aldermen. Robert Stafford, John S. Walsh
 John Simott and James McNeely
 Town Councillors. Jasper W. Walsh, William Armstrong,
 David Stasis, William Thompson, Mr., Peter Murphy,
 Edward Walsh, John S. Parker, Thomas O'Reilly, Michael
 Delany, Lett Sealy Jeffares, John Hinton, Philip
 Byrne, Joseph O'Connor, Thomas Prendergast, James P.
 Deneen.

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed

A letter from Robert D. Kallett, Esq. J. C. to the Town Surveyor, requesting to know why the sewer that had been ordered to be made from Charlotte Street to Market Street has been delayed, was laid before the meeting and no order was made thereon but stated "No funds"

The following resolution proposed by Lett Sealy Jeffares J. C., seconded by Michael Delany J. C. was passed, viz.

Resolved,

That a Contractor be advertised for to keep the streets in proper repair under the superintendence of the Town Surveyor by tormage, and to cleanse and water the streets at a yearly sum: to enter into a Bond with two solvent Sureties in the sum of Two Hundred Pounds for the due execution of the work, payment to be made periodically on the certificate of the Town Surveyor

and the usual penal conditions to be set forth in the Bond.

Signed { Lett S. Jeffares
Michael Delany

The following resolution proposed by Lett S. Jeffares and seconded by Michael Delany J.C., was passed viz.

Resolved.

That all works undertaken by this Council shall be advertised for and done by contract. The Surveyor to have power to order works in cases of emergency.

Signed { Lett S. Jeffares
Michael Delany

It was proposed by Thomas Rendergast J.C. seconded by Alderman Walsh and passed.

Ordered.

That sixty canvas buckets be ordered for the use of the Fire Engine.

It was ordered,

That the sum of Three pounds being the sum annually subscribed to the funds of the Fire Brigade be now ordered and a cheque signed in favor of John J. Harper J.C., Captain of the Fire Brigade, for that amount on the Borough Treasurer.

It was also ordered

That a cheque be now drawn in favor of the Gas Consumers' Company on the Borough Treasurer for the sum of One Hundred and Thirty pounds to pay a half year's gas to 1st January 1874 -

The following reports of nuisance by Doctor Sheridan were laid before the meeting and orders made for their

abatement as endorsed on each report, viz.,

Nuisance on premises of Richard Butler in Green Street
do, on premises of Edward Ryan in Bridge street

Mr Henry Mayr

16th April, 1875

At a Special Meeting of the Council, pursuant to the Mayor's Requisition, held this day in the Tholsel, at two o'clock, p.m., "To consider the subject of a letter from the Local Government Board in reference to the Rating powers sought for in the Provisional Order for Water Works. And which will prevent my calling the proposed Meeting of Ratepayers prior to this Meeting."

Mr. Peacocke, J.P. requested the Council to be informed that he would attend the Meeting to make application for a portion of the Market-place ground for the erection of a Coffee and Refreshment House.

The following Members of the Council attended:-

John Greene, Esq., J.P. Mayor, in the Chair.
 Aldermen - Robert Stafford, John Sinnott, James M. Vicary.
 Town Councillors - William Simpson, jun.; Robert D. Walker,
 John Hinton, Lett Sealy Jeffares, Michael Delaney,
 John J. Harper, Thomas Prendergast, David Faris,
 John H. Hadden, Joseph O'Connor, Edward Walsh,
 William Armstrong, Philip Byrne
 Also present - N. Macdonnell, Town Surveyor; Thomas Lucy,
 Borough Treasurer; Nathaniel Hughes, Pipe-water Super-
 intendent; and Messrs. Charles H. Peacocke, J.P.; Francis
 Cosgrave, Daniel Hammaway, John Redmond, William
 Gainfort, John Hogan, Robert Allen, Patrick Chandler.

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and confirmed.

The following letters were read by the Mayor, viz:-

No. 6306. 1875

Wexford Borough.

Local Government Board

Dublin, 1st April, 1875

Sir. The Local Government Board for Ireland have received Mr. Robinson's Report of the Inquiry which he

held on the 11th instant under the provisions of the Local Government Board Act, 1872, and the Public Health Act, 1874, into the matter of the petition of the Town Council of the Borough of Wexford, which was forwarded with your letter of the 29th December last, praying for a provisional Order to confer the various powers therein mentioned with a view to the construction of Water Works for the town of Wexford, including a power to borrow £30,000 on Mortgage, a power to make a domestic water rate of 1½ in the £, and a public water rate of 6^½ in the £, and powers to take lands and water under the provisions of the Lands Clauses Consolidation Acts.

Before proceeding to frame the Order there is one point which has arisen out of the Inquiry, which the Board think it right to place before the Town Council and to request their views thereon.

It seems clear that the additional rates which it is proposed should be authorised will not be sufficient to provide for the payment of the annual instalments and interest of the amount proposed to be borrowed, while at the same time if the Order should be made applicable to the specific plan now adopted, and to the works as described in the petition, a smaller sum would not suffice, and thus the action of the Town Commissioners would be fettered by being restricted to plans and works for the due execution of which they could not provide funds, inasmuch as they are not in a position to offer adequate security for a loan of the requisite amount.

Under these circumstances it has been suggested to the Board that the provisional Order should not include any borrowing powers, nor the details of the works to be undertaken, but that the other powers sought for should be granted subject to certain modifications which appear to have been agreed on at the inquiry.

In regard to the borrowing powers it will be observed that the 6th section of the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1871, which renders a provisional Order

Necessary has been Repealed by the 45th Section of the Public Health Act, 1874, and that the 40th section of the Public Health Act Authorises the Sanitary Authority to borrow and take up at interest any sum of Money necessary for defraying any Costs, charges, and expences incurred or to be incurred by them in the performance of their duties under the Sanitary Acts, And one of those duties (see Section 11 of the Sanitary Act, 1866) is to provide a supply of water for the use of the inhabitants of their district; it appears therefore that the Clauses relating to the Contemplated loan are unnecessary.

If the proposed Order is limited to the power to take lands and water under the Compulsory clauses of the Lands Clauses Consolidation Act, the additional Rating powers sought for and the carrying out the arrangements proposed in regard to the supply of water when the works are complete, the Corporation will be in a position, on the Order being confirmed by Parliament, to procure water from the sources proposed, and to convey it to, and distribute it through the town, while the exact character and extent of the works will depend on the amount they may determine to expend and find themselves in a position to borrow on the security of the additional rates to be authorized by the Order.

On receiving the views of the Town Council in reference to the above suggestion the matter shall receive the early attention of the Board.

By Order of the Board.

W. H. Wadsworth,

Assistant Secretary

Thomas M. O'Leary, Esq., &c.

Town Clerk, Wexford

No. 4869: 75.

Wexford

Local Government Board.

Dublin, 10th April, 1875

Sir, The Local Government Board for Ireland acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 7th instant relative to the proposed Provisional Order Confirming

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Certain powers with a view to the Construction and Maintenance of Water Works for the Borough of Wexford from which it appears that the Town Council have adopted the Suggestions contained in the Board's letter of the 1st instant as to the scope of the contemplated Order, but propose at the same time that it should contain a power for levying rates for the purpose of procuring a Water Supply for the Borough to the extent of two shillings in the pound, such poundage rate to be subject to the approval of a majority of the Ratepayers of the Borough to be ascertained at a public meeting to be convened by the Mayor for that purpose.

In reference to this proposal the Board desire to observe that they cannot, in the Order which it is proposed to issue, give rating powers to a greater extent than is asked for in the petition on which the Order is to be based, namely, One shilling in the pound for domestic water rate and sixpence in the pound for public water rate, and if it is desired to obtain rating powers to a greater extent than this it will be necessary for the Town Commissioners to adopt and present another petition embodying their altered views in that respect. And this will involve the necessity of another inquiry by an Inspector on the part of the Local Government Board.

It will be for the Corporation therefore to consider whether they desire a provisional Order to be prepared in the terms stated in the Board's letter of the 1st instant, or whether they would wish further action in the matter to be postponed until a new petition relating to the proposed Water Rates can be prepared and presented.

By Order of the Board

B. Banks, Secretary.

Thomas M. O'Leary, Esq.
Town Clerk,
Wexford.

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Town Clerk's Office

Wexford, 12th April, 1875.

Sir,

I beg leave to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th instant, No. 7867. 75, which I have submitted to the Mayor, and he has thereupon convened a Special Meeting of the Council for Friday next, as follows, viz:- "I hereby convene a Special Meeting of the Town Council of this Borough, on Friday next, the 16th instant, at two o'clock p.m., to consider the subject of a letter received from the Local Government Board in reference to the Rating powers sought for in the Provisional Order for Water Works, and which will prevent the calling of the proposed Meeting of Ratepayers prior to that meeting." The Mayor presumes that the Local Government Board will (in case no new petition be presented) frame the Provisional Order as regards Rating powers as requested in the petition, viz:- A domestic rate of 1^½ in the £ on the occupiers of houses and premises where water is required for domestic use. And a public rate of 6^c in the £ on the entire of the assessable property within the Borough - this rate to be divided (as proposed in the petition) between landlord and tenant, with the stipulation perhaps suggested at the meeting held by Mr. Robinson on the 11th of March last, to exempt from the public water rate landlords receiving only a ground rent. The Mayor hopes that the Local Government Board will be good enough to signify before the 16th instant whether he is correct as to the intentions of the Local Government Board in this matter.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant

Thomas M. O'Leary, Town Clerk

B. Banks, Esq. &c &c

No. 8247. 75.
Borough of Wexford

Local Government Board

Dublin, 15th April, 1875-

Sir, The Local Government Board for Ireland
acknowledges the receipt of your letter of the 12th instant

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On the subject of the proposed Provisional Order relating to the Contemplated Water Works for the Borough of Wexford, And in reference thereto the Board desire to state that if they learn that the Corporation decide not to present another petition, and are satisfied with the rating powers sought for in the former one, the Board will give directions for the preparation of a Provisional Order in the terms mentioned in their letter of the 1st instant, and granting rating powers to the extent of One shilling in the pound as a domestic Water rate, and sixpence in the pound as a public rate; And they will forward a draft of the Order to the Corporation for perusal before it is signed and issued.

By order of the Board.

B. Banks, Secretary

Thomas M. O'Leary, Esq.

Town Clerk, Wexford

The following Resolution proposed by William Simpson, J.C.; and seconded by James M. Vicary, Ald., was passed, viz:-

Resolved - That we approve of and adopt the suggestion of the Local Government Board contained in their letter of the 1st instant, viz:- Not to seek for any borrowing powers in the Provisional Order for the Water Works for this Borough, but to seek only for powers to take land and water, as contained in our petition referred to in their letter of the 1st of April, and that the Local Government Board be requested to obtain a provisional Order conferring these powers.

William Simpson, Jun., J.C.

James M. Vicary, Ald.

396 The following letter was then read:-

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Treasury Chambers, 17th March, 1875

Sir, I have laid before the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury the Memorial from the Town Council, dated 8th July, 1874, praying for a loan from

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Her Majesty's Government of a sum of £6,000 on the security of the Corporate Estates for the purpose of erecting a Town Hall and Offices for Municipal purposes, as well as Offices which the Town Council propose to let as Government Offices, at an equitable rent.

Their Lordships have directed me to state that they are not prepared to authorise any alteration in the existing arrangements, under which accommodation is provided for the several public departments in Wexford.

I am also to refer you to the letter from this Department of the 9th August, 1871, with regard to a similar proposal for the erection of a Town Hall, Offices, &c., &c., and to state that my Lords would require to be furnished with very positive evidence as to the necessity for the expenditure which would be required, and as to the sufficiency of the Corporate Estates to bear it, before they would feel justified in consenting to a mortgage for the purpose.

With regard to the statement in the Memorial, that there is no charge upon the Corporate Estate beyond the sum of £500, sanctioned by this Board in 1873, I am directed to call your attention to the Correspondence of 1872 and to the letter from this Department of 13th June, 1872, approving of a loan of £1,000 in connection with the New Market place.

I am further to enquire whether due notice was given of the Memorial of the 8th July, 1874, in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Corporations Acts.

I am, Sir

Your obedient Servant

A. R. W. Lingen.

The Mayor of Wexford,
to the Town Clerk.

Mr. Peacocke, J.P. applied to the Council for permission to erect a temporary building for a coffee and refreshment house on a portion of the Market-place ground,

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And stated that 30 or 40 feet in front, next Mr. Woods wall,
would be sufficient for the purpose.

The Meeting, after some discussion, did not consent
to the proposal, but informed Mr. Percocke that he might
 renew his application on Monday, the 3rd of May next.

Wm. Peake M.P.
" May 2

3rd May, 1875.

At a Statutable Meeting of the Council held this day in the Town Hall, at twelve o'clock, noon, to pass Accounts and transact all such other business as may be brought before the Meeting."

The following Members of the Council attended.

viz:-

John Greene, Esq. S.P., Mayor, in the Chair.

Aldermen - James M. Vicary, John Simott, and Robert Stafford.

Town Councillors - David Farris, Thomas O'Reilly, Lett Sealy Jeffares, Michael Delaney, Joseph O'Connor, Philip Byrne, William Simpson, jun., Jasper W. Walsh, William Armstrong, and John J. Harper.

The following were also in attendance:-

Nicholas Macdonald, Town Surveyor; Thomas Lacy, Borough Treasurer; Nathaniel Hughes, Pipe-water Superintendent; and William Hughes, Borough Rate Collector.

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and confirmed.

The following letters were read, viz:- From Messrs. MacLure and Macdonald, asking payment of their Account for Lithographs for Water Works, Amount £50, 18. 0; Messrs. Longfield and Robinson, asking payment of their Account for plans, &c., for Town Hall and public Offices, Amount £50; Mr. John B. Norris, of the Christian Brothers' Schools, requesting exemption from Borough Rates for their establishment; Charles H. Peacocke, Esq., S.P., asking for a site for a people's refreshment room in the Bullring; Also the following letter from the Local Government Board, viz:-

No. 8574; 75.
Wexford.

Local Government Board
Dublin, 20th April, 1875

Sir,

The Local Government Board for Ireland acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 16th instant on the subject of the proposed provisional Order, with a view to the construction of Works for procuring a supply of water to the town of Wexford, and desire to acquaint you, for the information of the Corporation that the Board's Solicitors have been directed to lay the necessary papers before Counsel with instructions to prepare the requisite Order in accordance with the views expressed in the Board's letter of the 1st instant, and acquiesced in by the Corporation.

By order of the Board

B. Banks, Secretary.

Thomas M. O'Leary, Esq.,
Town Clerk, Wexford

The following Resolution, proposed by Alderman John Simmott, seconded by David Faris, J.C., was passed, viz.:-

Resolved - That the Bills now submitted and recommended for payment by the Finance Committee be approved, and cheques signed for payment, amount £116. 9. 8; also Messrs. Longfield and Robinson's bill for plans for Town Hall and Public Offices, amount £50; and Mr. Sheffield's bill for painting and renewing tablets, indicating names of streets, &c., amount £ 13. 10. 9.

Signed { John Simmott
 David Faris

The following Resolution, proposed by Thomas Prendergast, J.C.; seconded by Jasper W. Walsh, J.C., was passed, viz.:-

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Resolved-

That it is the desire of this Meeting that as many Members of the Town Council as can attend the Centenary Celebration of O'Connell should do so in order to test their appreciation of the great services rendered by that illustrious Irishman in the Cause of Civil and religious freedom.

Signed Thomas Prendergast
S. W. Walsh

It was proposed by Thomas Prendergast, J.C.; seconded by Thomas O'Reilly, J.C., and passed:

Resolved- That the Town Surveyor be directed to wait on Mr Little to ascertain whether Mr Wood is legally entitled to an entrance from his premises to the ground held by the Corporation in the Bullring, and that the Surveyor communicate the result of his enquiry at the next Meeting.

Signed Thomas Prendergast
Thomas O'Reilly.

Ordered-

That notice be served on Mr John Maddock requiring him to desist from excavating the field held by him from the Corporation, otherwise legal proceedings will be instituted against him to compel him to do so.

Ordered-

That the Town Clerk apply to Mr Malone for the payment of a sum of £15 due by him for the liberty given him to manufacture bricks, and in the event of him refusing to pay, that proceedings be taken for the recovery of the amount.

Proposed by Thomas Prendergast, J.C.; seconded by Michael Delaney, J.C., and passed:-

Resolved- That a Special Meeting of this Council be

Convened on Monday, the 10th instant, by the Mayor, for the purpose of Considering what steps it would be advisable to take respecting the plot of ground in the Bullring, held at an annual rent of fifty pounds.

Signed { Thomas Prendergast
Michael Delaney.

Particulars of Bills Submitted to Meeting for payment, as sanctioned by Finance Committee, and now approved by Resolution, and additional payments as included in Resolution, viz:—

1. Thomas M. O'Leary, for quarter's salary as Town Clerk, £ 1. s. d. ending 30 th April, 1875.	" "	" } 23. 2. 6
2. Thomas Lacy, for do., as Borough Treasurer, to do	" "	7. 10. 0
3. Do. for do., Pipe Water Department, to do.	" "	2. 10. 0
4. John Hearon, for do., as Mayor's Sergeant, £4; and for cleansing fire engine,	" "	" } 5. 5. 0
5. Mary Jordan, for do., for cleansing Mayor's Office, to do.	" "	" } 0. 10. 0
6. Nathaniel Hughes, for do., as Pipe Water Superintendent clerk to do.	" "	" } 13. 15. 0
7. Do. for Commission on Collecting £91 pipe water Rents, at £5 per cent.	" "	" } 4. 11. 0
8. Do. for cash advanced by him for pipe water works.	" "	" } 11. 3. 8
9. Thomas M. O'Leary, for 3 months' Salary as Executive Sanitary Officer, to 5 th April, 1875, at £20 per Annum	" "	" } 5. 0. 0
10. Robert J. Green, M.D., for do. Consulting Sanitary Officer, to do.	" "	" } 3. 15. 0
11. John Hearon, for do., as Sub-Sanitary officer to do.	" "	5. 0. 0
12. Ellen Murphy, for half-year's rent of Marine Depot, to 1 st May, 1875.	" "	" } 1. 5. 0

Carried forward £ 83. 7. 2

	Brought forward ..	£ 83. 7. 2
13.	William Hughes for Commission on collection of £455 Borough Rate, at £5 per cent, £22. 15. 0; and Stamps, 5s. 4d. " " "	23. 0. 4
14.	Alexander Mackey, for advertisement " " "	1. 2. 0
15.	"Wexford Independent" for printing, advertising, and Stationery " " "	3. 12. 0
16.	Thomas M. O'Leary, Cash advanced to pay laundry Small Accounts " " "	5. 8. 2

Amount recommended for payment £ 116. 9. 8

The following additional sums were ordered for payment, viz:-

Messrs Longfield and Robinson, for plans for Young Hall and Public Offices ..	£ 1. 8
	50. 0. 0
George Sheffield, for supplying and painting Boards, indicating names of streets, ..	13. 18. 9

Total Amount ordered for payment " £ 180. 8. 5

It was ordered -

That the Account of Messrs MacLure and Macdonald for Lithographs for Water Works, amount £ 50. 18. 3, be held over along with the other expenses connected with the Water Works.

List of payments made by Orders of Finance Committee since 1st February, 1875, and submitted for sanction at Quarterly Meeting this day, viz:-

James Murphy, for cleansing streets for twelve weeks from 30 th January to 24 th April, 1875,	£ 1. s. d.
at £ 3 per week " " "	36. 0. 0
Gas Consumers' Company for half a year, or season	
Gas to 1 st January, 1874 " " "	130. 10. 0

Brought forward - £ 166. 10. 0

Brought forward - £166. 10.. 0

David Curran for repairs to Corporate building	"	0.. 10.. 3
Fire Brigade, per John J. Harper, J.C. for Annuales	}	
Subscription	"	"
	"	5.. 0.. 0

£172. 0.. 3

Ordered for payment this day " 180. 8.. 5

Total Expenditure for Quarter ending 3rd May, 1875. £352. 8.. 8

Wm Keane Esq

10th May, 1875

At an adjourned Statutable Meeting of the Council held this day in the Sholel, at One o'clock, p.m., "For the purpose of considering what steps it would be advisable to take respecting the plot of ground in the Bullring, held at an annual rent of fifty pounds;" and "To co-operate with the Town Commissioners Meeting concerning the cleansing and repairs of the streets."

The following Members of the Council attended, viz:-

John Greene, Esq., S.P., Mayor, in the chair.

Alderman - John Walsh.

Town Councillors - Peter Symott, Thomas Prendergast, Jasper N. Walsh, Lett Sealy Jeffares, Philip Byrne, John J. Harper, John H. Hadden, William Simpson, jun., and David Faris.

Also present - Nicholas Macdonnell, Town Surveyor; Nathaniel Hughes, Pipe Water Superintendent; Thomas Lacy, Borough Treasurer; William Hughes, Borough Rate Collector; Charles Peacocke, Esq., S.P.; Martin Huggard, solicitor; Robert Sparrow, William Malone, and Richard W. Elyee, solicitor

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and confirmed.

The following letters were read, viz:-

From Mr. Walker, Esq., complaining of the sewer not having been made in the Main-street from Charlotte-street to Monck-street, as promised at a former meeting, and stating that his Hotel establishment had since then been flooded in consequence of the want of a Main sewer.

From Mr. Harvey, solicitor, on the part of Mr. Frederic Wood, asserting his right to a passage from his concerns into the Market-place ground, and calling upon the Corporation to rebuild a gate pier that had been removed from his concerns.

Also a letter ~~dated~~ awaiting for the Mayor's signature, in reply to

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Treasury letter of 7th March, 1875, stating that the Treasury were not disposed to get new government offices in Wexford

Mr William Malone and Mr Elgee, solicitor, appeared before the Council, and disputed Mr Malone's right to pay the sum of fifteen pounds claimed against him for making bricks in a field held by him from the Corporation, but stating that he was willing to come to a reasonable arrangement on the subject.

A Report from Dr Sheridan, Sanitary Officer, was submitted to the Meeting, drawing the attention of the Council to the state of the channel that extends from Burns-lane to New-street with stagnant water, very filthy and injurious to health, and recommending the channel to be paved and two or three covered sewers made across the street into the sea.

The following resolution proposed by Jasper W. Walsh, J.C., and seconded by Thomas Prendergast, J.C., was passed, viz:-

Resolved-

That the Town Clerk prepare, with the assistance of the Town Surveyor, specifications for the sewers in Main-street, Thomas-street, and in Trinity-street, advertise for tenders for the execution of these works separately, for an early day, and call a special Meeting of Town ^{Council} Commissioners to consider same.

Signed { Jasper W. Walsh
Thomas Prendergast

The following resolution proposed by Alderman Walsh, and seconded by Philip Byrne, J.C., was passed, viz:-

Resolved-

That the Mayor, with Mr Prendergast, J.C., Mr Jasper W. Walsh, J.C., and the Town Surveyor, be appointed a Committee to confer with Mr William Malone and Mr Elgee, solicitor, to make an arrangement relative to the making of bricks by Mr Malone on the land held by him from the Corporation; also to examine Mr John Maddock's field.

Signed { John S. Walsh
Philip Byrne

The following resolution proposed by Alderman Walsh, and seconded by William Timpson, jun., was passed, viz:-

Resolved-

That the necessary steps be taken to secure the £1,000 loan approved of by Treasury letter of 13th June, 1872; and that the following persons be appointed a Committee to ascertain the best means of applying the Market-place ground for the purposes of a public Market, viz:-

The Mayor,

John Hadden.

Thomas Prendergast.

} In Selskar Ward.

Lett Sealy Jeffares,

David Fairis.

William Armstrong.

} For St. George's Ward.

Alderman Robert Stafford,

James P. Generoux.

Jasper W. Walsh.

} In St. Mary's Wards.

Mr Peeling Mayn

Signed.

John J. Walsh.

William Timpson, jun.

31st May, 1875

At a Special Meeting of the Council, pursuant to the Mayor's requisition, held this day in the Tholsel, at twelve o'clock, noon, "To Consider tenders received for making new sewers;" and "To receive reports from Dr. Sheridan as to Sanitary matters."

The following Members of the Council attended, viz.: -

No member of the council attended except the Mayor, and consequently there was no meeting.

Mr Peeling Major

22nd June, 1875.

At a Special Meeting of the Council, pursuant to the Mayor's Requisition, held this day in the Tholsel, at one o'clock, p.m., to consider Tenders received for Making Sewers in Main-street, Thomas-street, and Trinity-street, as advertised for on the 14th of May last.

The following Members of the Council attended, viz:-

John Greene, Esq., S.P., Mayor, in the Chair

Alderman - John Simmott

Town Councillors - John H. Hadden, William Simpson, junr., Lett Sealy Jeffares, David Faris, Edward Walsh, Jasper W. Walsh, Thomas Prendergast.

Also present - Messrs. N. McDonnell, Town Surveyor; and Thomas Lacy, Borough Treasurer.

The Minutes of Meetings of 10th and 31st May, 1875, were read and confirmed.

The following tenders for Making Sewers and water-tables were read, viz:-

From James Murphy, of Green-street, for making sewer in Thomas-street, otherwise Green-street, 37 Statute perches, at £1 per perch - £37; and for curbstones, water-tables, and grates, £23 - Total £60; and proposing as sureties Mr. John Bell, of Henrietta-street, and Mr. Matthew Kelly, of Cromwells-court, Wexford.

From Mr. John Redmond, of Georges-street, as follows, viz:-

To make the new sewer in Main-street, according to specification, for the sum of " " £ 20 .. 0 .. 0

To make the Water-table in Trinity-street, and the two Covered sewers in Byrnes and Fanning's lane, according to Specification, for the sum of £ 25. 0. 0

To Make the new Sewer in Green-street, according to Specification, for the sum of " £ 52. 7. 6

From Mr Bonaventure Pierce, viz:-

To make 36½ perches of sewer in Thomas-street, according to plan and Specification, for the sum of " " " " £ 41. 0. 0

If the footpath is completed it would be " 15. 0. 0

From Joseph Ormond, of Monument-place, viz:-

To pave water channell and repair curbing of footpath in Trinity-street, according to Specification, for the sum of " " " £ 25. 0. 0

And to make the two Covered sewers across Trinity-street, and to put trapped grates, one on each, According to Specification, for " £ 12. 0. 0

And proposing as Sureties Walter Eakins, Esq., and Captain Chandler.

From Mr Moses Redmond, Mary-street, viz:-

To make the sewer in Main-street, in conformity with Specification, for the sum of " " £ 26. 5. 0

To make the sewers at end of Byrnes-lane and Fanning's lane, the Water-table in Trinity-street, and repairs to the footpath, in strict conformity with Specification for " " " £ 30. 0. 0

To do all the works belonging to the sewer and footpath in Green-street, in strict conformity with Specification, for " " " £ 51. 10. 0

The following Resolution, proposed by Alderman Simott, and seconded by John H. Hadden, J.C., was passed, viz:-

Resolved - That Mr. John Redmond's tender for making a sewer in Main-street, from Charlotte-street to Monck-street, for Twenty Pounds be accepted.

Signed, { John Simott
John H. Hadden

The following Resolution, proposed by Thomas Prendergast, J.C., and seconded by William Simpson, jun., J.C., was passed, viz:-

Resolved - That Mr. John Redmond's tender for making water-table and sewers in Trinity-street for twenty-five pounds be accepted on Condition that the water-table be continued from bar to corner of King-street, and footpath be put in order; and in consideration of extending water-table and footpath, the sewers to be dispensed with.

Signed, { Thomas Prendergast,
William Simpson, jun.

The following Reports by Mr. Sheridan, Sanitary Officer, were read and orders made thereon, as endorsed on each Report, viz:-

Nuisances on premises occupied by Lawrence }
Cousins, John Shudall, Judy Donovan, and James }
Berry, in Mary's-lane, Wexford, the owner being Nicholas }
Whitty, Esq. } Ordered to be abated
within one week from date of notice.

Nuisances on premises occupied by Edward }
Goff, Michael Neill, Thomas Wood, William Hoole, and }
Miss Furlong, in Back-street, the owner being } Ordered to be abated
within one week from date of notice.

Nuisances on premises occupied by Pat Dooley }
and Pat Cardiff in Maudlin-town, the owner being } Ordered to be abated
within one week from date of notice.

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Nuisance in the public street at Upper George's Street, by water of an offensive nature coming from the Christian Brothers' Schools } No Order.

Nuisance in the public street, by a sewer being out of order in Main-street South, near Mr. Cunningham's shoe shop. } Ordered.

Nuisance in Rivers at Simmott's-lane and Stonebridge-lane, by being in a very filthy state and dangerous to health; the remaining portion of the river to the Folly being filled with loose stones; and recommended by Dr. Sheridan that the river be cleansed at once from Messrs. Devereux's Mill to Mr. Pierce's Foundry. } No Order.

Wm. Pearce W. J. Jr

2nd August, 1875.

At a Statutable Meeting of the Council held this day in the Town Hall, at twelve o'clock, noon, "To pass Accounts and transact General business." Also, "To elect a Harbour Commissioner for the ensuing year,"

The following Members of the Council attended, viz:-

John Sinnott, Esq., Alderman, in the Chair
 Town Councillors—Jasper W. Walsh, David Fairs, Lett. L. Jeffares,
 William Simpson, junr., Thomas O'Reilly, Philip Byrne, and
 Thomas Prendergast.

Also present—Nicholas McDonnell, Town Surveyor, and Thomas Lacy, Borough Treasurer.

A letter was handed in by Daniel Simott, acting as deputy in the absence of the Town Clerk, from Jasper W. Walsh, Esq., Secretary to the Wexford Harbour Commissioners, informing the Council that Peter Murphy, J.C., had nominated Alderman John Joseph Walsh for election as Harbour Commissioner by the Corporation of Wexford at a meeting to be held for the purpose on this day.

The following resolution proposed by Thomas Prendergast, J.C., and seconded by William Simpson, junr., J.C., was passed unanimously, viz:-

Resolved—That Alderman John Joseph Walsh be elected a Harbour Commissioner to represent this Corporation at the Wexford Harbour Commissioners Board.

Signed, { Thomas Prendergast
 William Simpson, junr.

The Very Rev. Canon Roche, P.P. came before the meeting and stated he had an application to make, and then read the following letter:-

Wexford, August 2, '75.

Mr. Mayor and Gentlemen,

I mentioned to your Civil Engineer an improvement
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which I am persuaded you will consider very desirable, and which can be done very cheaply. It is to construct a road in length from the cross at Thomas-street to the cross at King-street near the Folly Mills, about 640 feet; in breadth 40 feet from the railing of the Assumption Church Grounds.

In case it would be inconvenient to do all this work soon, perhaps it might not be inconvenient to make the portion of road opposite the Brothers' Schools. I am anxious to have this part done as soon as possible in order to enable the Brothers to enclose their own grounds at once.

I have the honor to be, gentlemen,

Respectfully yours,

James Roche

The following Resolution was proposed by Jasper N. Walsh, J.C., seconded by William Simpson, jun. J.C., and passed unanimously, viz:-

Resolved - That a Committee formed of Alderman Simott, Messrs. Lett Jeffares, Faris, O'Reilly, Simpson, and Walsh, be appointed, with Mr. McDonald, Engineer, to meet the Very Rev. Canon Hoche, P.P., and arrange as to the best means of carrying out his ~~order~~ ^{order} K.B. respecting the road opposite the Church of the Assumption, and report thereon to the Corporation at the adjourned meeting of this day week.

The following Resolution was proposed by David Faris, J.C., seconded by Lett S. Jeffares, J.C. and passed unanimously, viz:-

Resolved - That in consequence of the absence of the Mayor and Town Clerk, caused by their attending the International Corporation Banquet in London, this meeting be now adjourned to Monday next, the 9th instant, in the Town Hall, at twelve o'clock, noon.

Signed { David Faris
Lett S. Jeffares

Wm Peeney Jr
Mayor

9th August, 1875

At an adjourned Statutable Meeting of the Council held this day in the Town Hall, at twelve o'clock, noon, "To pass Accounts and transact general business,"

The following Members of the Council attended, viz:-

John Greene, Esq., J.P. Mayor, in the Chair;
Town Councillors—William Simpson, jun.; David Faris, Lett
Sealy Jeffares, Jasper W. Walsh, Robert D. Walker, John
H. Hadden, and Philip Byrne.

The minutes of meetings of the 22nd June and 2nd August, 1875, were read and Confirmed.

The Town Clerk stated to the Council that Miss Malone had discontinued handing over one pound per night, which by resolution of the 1st May, 1874, was ordered to be charged for the use of the Town Hall "for all public Entertainments not of a benevolent or charitable kind," and that the Hall had been used for eight entertainments in the month of July last, which were liable to be charged, viz.: three nights byousden, four nights by Searle, and one night by Signor Revelli; and that Miss Malone positively refused to hand over the money, and stated that she had a right to keep it or some of it for her trouble in caring and preparing the room.

A discussion took place on the subject, and it was

Ordered—That the consideration of rescinding the resolution of the 1st May, 1874, charging one pound per night for the use of the Town Hall be entered upon at next meeting, and that the Town Clerk put it ~~upon~~ the notice paper.

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The following Resolution proposed by William Simpson, jun., J.C. and seconded by John H. Hadden, J.C. was passed, viz:-

Resolved - "That the Bills now submitted and recommended for payment by the Finance Committee be approved and cheques signed for payment - Amount £81. 10. 10½.

Signed { William Simpson, jun. J.C.
John H. Hadden, J.C.

It was ordered -

That payment of Mr MacLure's bill for Lithographs be postponed until funds be procured for Water Works

The following Resolution proposed by Jasper W. Walsh, J.C. and seconded by David Faris, J.C. was passed, viz:-

Resolved - That tenders for altering the road opposite the Church of the Assumption be advertised for in accordance with Mr Macdonnell's specification, and that he be requested to append thereto a note of the excavation necessary to widen the road at the upper portion, and also to specify a period for its execution.

Signed { Jasper W. Walsh
David Faris,

The Town Clerk reported that no tender had been received for Cleansing Stonebridge River

No further Order was made thereon.

A Report of the Market-place Ground Committee was read, and it was

Ordered - That Mr Simott be employed, as recommended by the Committee, to amend the plans for the Market-place Ground

Particulars of bills submitted to Meeting for payment, as recommended by Finance Committee, and now approved by Resolution - Amount £ 81.. 10.. 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ - viz:-

1.- Thomas M. O'Leary for Quarters Salary as Town Clerk, ending 31 st July, 1875	£ s. d.
	" 23 .. 2 .. 6
2.- Thomas Lacy, for do. as Borough Treasurer, to do.	" 7 .. 10 .. 0
3.- Do. for do. Pipe Water Department, to do.	2 .. 10 .. 0
4.- John Hearon, for do. as Mayor's Serjeant, £4; and for cleansing Fire Engine £1.. 5 to do.	" 5 .. 5 .. 0
5.- Mary Jordan, for do., for cleansing Mayor's Office to do..	0 .. 10 .. 0
6.- Nathaniel Hughes, for do. as Pipe-water Superintendent to do.	13 .. 15 .. 0
7.- Thomas M. O'Leary, for three Months Salary as Executive Sanitary Officer, to 5 th July, 1875, at £20 per annum	" 5 .. 0 .. 0
8.- Robert J. Green, M. A. for do. as Consulting Sanitary Officer to do. at £15 per annum.	" 3 .. 15 .. 0
9.- John Hearon for do. as Sub-Sanitary Officer to do. at £20 per annum	" 5 .. 0 .. 0
10.- John Armstrong, for Stationery	" 1 .. 8 .. 11
11.- John Cullen for Oils and Colours	" 1 .. 19 .. 3 $\frac{1}{2}$
12.- "Wexford Constitution" for Advertising	0 .. 18 .. 0
13.- "Wexford People", for do.	" 1 .. 5 .. 6
14.- Richard Webb for Chloride of lime at Sundries for disinfecting	" 1 .. 10 .. 0
15.- Thomas M. O'Leary, Town Clerk, for cash advanced by him to pay sundry small sums since last Quarterly Meeting	" 3 .. 5 .. 2
16.- "Wexford Independent" for Advertising, printing, and Stationery	" 2 .. 19 .. 8
17.- Do. for printing for Pipe-water Account	" 1 .. 16 .. 10
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	£ 81 .. 10 .. 10 $\frac{1}{2}$

List of Payments made by orders of Finance Committee since the
3rd of May, 1875, to be submitted to Quarterly Meeting viz:-

James Murphy, for cleansing, &c. Streets for 14 weeks from 24th
April to 31st July, 1875 at £3 per week "

£ 42 .. 0 .. 0

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List of Payments for same period under the Local Government
Board (Shelld) Provisional Order (Wexford),
Confirmation Act, 1873:-

For Borough proportion of Grand Jury fees payable
previous to Summer Assizes, 1875. £ 504. 18. 5

Thomas McMahon, for repairing footpath in John-street.
by order of Town Surveyor .. 1. 8. 0

Wm Keene, Mayor

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