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6th November. 1882.

It was adjourned Statutable Meeting of the Council held this day in the Hall at the hour of Twelve o'clock noon: - To consider an Estimate to be submitted of expenses to be provided for in the ensuing year and the striking of a Rate to meet those expenses & to take the necessary steps with regard to the collection of such year's Borough Rate. & to approve recommendations of the Rateworks Committee and transact all such business as may be brought before the Meeting.

The following Members of the Council attended:-

Edward Walsh Esq. Mayor in the chair

Aldermen - Robert Stafford, John Simmet, Peter Murphy and James H. Vicary.

Four Councillors - Jasper H. Walsh, John Winton, Thomas C. Keefe, John Redmond, Patrick Ryan, Patrick Doyle, Ambrose B. Fortune, Hugh McQuinn, William Simpson, Joseph O'Connor, Richard Walsh, James P. Lawrence, and Stephen Doyle.

Also present. E. & L. Ryan Esq. Town Surveyor.

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and confirmed.

The following resolution proposed by William Simpson Esq. and seconded by Patrick Doyle Esq. was passed:-

Rate
Strike Resolved - That the Estimate of expenses to be provided for in the ensuing year be hereby approved; and that a Borough Rate of One Shilling in the Pound on all the ratable property within the Town be struck, and the necessary notices respecting same forthwith issued.

Signed { William Simpson
Patrick Doyle

Collectors Defalcation The question of the Rate collector's defalcation was introduced and a lengthy conversation thereon ensued. The Solicitor explained the legal measures to be taken to secure the amount for which the collector is in default and it was ordered that the Solicitor continue to act in accordance with the resolution of the 1st Instant guided by any light that may have been thrown on the subject during this discussion.

The following resolution proposed by Jasper H. Walsh Esq. and seconded by Alderman Simmet was passed:-

Conditions of Collectors Appointment Resolved - That this Meeting, at its rising, do stand adjourned to Monday the 20th November, & Instant at Twelve o'clock noon for the purpose of appointing a Borough Rate collector in place of Mr. Mather Barr. That the remuneration be fixed at Fivepence in the Pound on all Rate collected and advertisements issued for applications from competent persons to fill the office, that the applicants disclose the names of two solvent sureties willing to give security in the sum of £200 in a joint and several bond which shall be executed at the collector's own expense. The collector to be bound to collect all collectable Rate within six months from the date he receives his warrant.

Signed { Jasper H. Walsh
John Simmet

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Rates compiled
to Mr. Hayes

The Minutes of the Waterworks Committee from the 1st May 1882, up to the present were read and sanctioned and the Committee's recommendation to remit the sum of thirteen shillings, Special Charges, allotted in error as against Mr. Richard Hayes, Main Street North, was approved and the Rate Book directed to be amended accordingly.

The Secretary & Town Commissioners, Dumeandra, requested the Town Clerk to forward him the particulars and price of the & Two Engine. The Town Clerk brought the matter before the Board and stated that the Engine cost the Corporation when it was bought in the year 1860 the sum of £172. 12s and asked the Meeting to fix a price on it. - Ordered - That the selling price of the & Two Engine and appliances be fixed at £85 -

The Town Clerk brought before the Meeting the case of the Corporation Tenants, the subject of the Memorial to the & Treasury; and pointed out that the Council had committed an anomaly in the framing of the resolution of the 2nd October last inasmuch as it afforded the Tenants facilities to enter the Land Court; whereas no permission had been given by the & Treasury to that course of effecting a reduction of the rents; but that the Corporation had merely obtained permission to execute leases of 3 years' tenure at a reduced rent on a surrender by the Tenants of the existing leases.

& Tenants

It was Ordered - That the Town Clerk be directed to communicate with the & Treasury asking that they sanction the action of the Corporation in requiring the Tenants to resort to the Land Court to fix a fair rent instead of the unsafe mode of arriving at and fixing a fair rent already sanctioned by their Lordships.

Nov 20th 1882

J Walsh

Estimate of the probable expenses to be incurred and pro

Expenditure

Amount due for Gas up to 1 st May, 1882.	"	"	287	14	10
" Year's Gas up to 1 st May, 1882. "	"	"	289	13	9
" Year's Gas for Mayor's Office. "	"	"	2	"	"
" Scavenging the Streets for 52 weeks at £3 " 10s. per week "	"	"	182	"	"
" Year's Instalment to Board Public Works on Loan of £1,000 for Market Building. "	"	"	40	"	"
" Year's Interest on Same. "	"	"	40	6	6
" Year's Instalment to Board Public Works on Loan of £500 for purchase of Market Ground. "	"	"	20	"	"
" Year's Interest on Same. "	"	"	14	2	10
" Year's Rent of Market Place Ground. "	"	"	50	"	"
" Advertising, Printing and Stationery. "	"	"	100	"	"
" Expenses in connection with Fairs - Advertising for next year. "	"	"	24	"	"
" Expenses attendant on Fire Engine. "	"	"	1	"	"
" Town Clerk's Salary. "	"	"	40	"	"
" Salaries of Sanitary Officers. "	"	"	55	"	"
" Mayor's Sergeant's Salary. "	"	"	16	"	"
" Salary of caretaker of Graveyards. "	"	"	25	"	"
" Woman for cleaning Mayor's Office. "	"	"	2	"	"
" Same for cleaning Fishmarket. "	"	"	5	4	"
" Tax on collection of Corporation Rents. "	"	"	20	"	"
" Clothes for Mayor's Sergeant. "	"	"	6	8	"
" Year's Rent of Town Hall and Waterworks Store Room. "	"	"	13	8	6
" Quit Rent - deducting Income & Tax. "	"	"	6	18	"
" Silt Rent charges - deducting Cor. Rate. "	"	"	5	5	"
" Boats for Mayor's Office. "	"	"	6	"	"
" Repairs of Corporation Buildings. "	"	"	20	"	"
" Preparation of Rate Books. "	"	"	3	"	"
" Rate collector's perquisites for year 1883. "	"	"	32	"	"
" do due on collection of 1882. "	"	"	24	12	"
" Probable amount of Law costs. "	"	"	20	"	"
" Year's Rent of Ripfields. "	"	"	30	"	"
" Rent of Passage to Old Reservoir. "	"	"	4	"	"
" Year's salary and commission of Market & Toll collectors. "	"	"	47	"	"
" Town Hall caretaker's emoluments. "	"	"	1	10	"
" Rates and Taxes. "	"	"	3	"	"
" Expenses under Public Health Act - nuisances removed, disinfecting and compensation. "	"	"	5	"	"
" Incidental expenses. "	"	"	20	"	"
" Amount allotted in last year's Estimate to supplement Rates and remaining unpaid. "	"	"	200	"	"
" Next year's Allotment to supplement Rates & Taxes. "	"	"	200	"	"

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vided for by the Corporation of Wexford for the year 1883, 4

Receipts

By Balance in hands of Treasurer this day	"	"	116	"	4
" Year's receipts from New Market	"	"	80	"	"
" Corporate Rents (less taxes)		£300 - 0 - 0			
Probable deductions		30 - 0 - 0	270	"	"
Outstanding Rents	"	"	100	"	"
" Year's Rent of Pipefields paid by Mr. Rossiter	"	"	11	1	6
" Proportion of Salaries of Sanitary Officers paid by Local Government Board	"	"	24	2	6
" Government contribution in lieu of Rates	"	"	9	6	"
" Amount to be handed over by Town Commissioners on same account: - contribution for 2 years	"	"	16	5	6
" Proportion of Lugs' Licence Duty	"	"	10	"	"
" Proceeds of Fishmarket	"	"	8	4	8
" Sale of Manure	"	"	50	"	"
" Uncollected Borough Rates		£195 - 15 - 1			
Deduct probable Rates uncollectable		17 - 0 - 0	178	15	1
" Hire of Town Hall	"	"	6	"	"
			882	15	7
" Amount to be provided for by Borough Rates	"	"	989	7	10
			£1872	3	5

A Borough Rate of 1/- in the £ would produce £483 - 11 - 2

Approved E. Walsh
Nov 6th 1882

20th November, 1882.

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^{adjourned}
At an ^{adjourned} Statutable Meeting of the Council held this day in the Holsel at the hour of twelve o'clock noon: - To appoint a Borough Rate collector in pursuance of resolution of the 6th Instant. To approve recommendations of Waterworks Committee and receive communications &c,

The following Members of the Council attended: -

Edward Walsh Esq^r Mayor, in the chair.

Aldermen - John Simmott, James G. Vicary, John Greene, Peter Murphy, John Joseph Walsh, and Robert Stafford.

Town Councillors - John Winton, Patrick Ryan, John Ryan, Thomas Harpur, Ambrose C. Fortune, Matthew Somers, Michael Rickham, Jasper W. Walsh, Thomas O'Keefe, John Edmund, Hugh G. Guire, Richard Walsh, Stephen Doyle and Joseph O'Connor.

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and confirmed.

The Town Clerk announced that he had received two applications for the office of Borough Rate collector and handed them in - one from Mr William Bloney offering as his sureties Mr Michael J. O'Connor and Mr William Lereaux and the other from Mr Patrick S. Scallan offering as his sureties Mr William Lereaux and Mr Thomas Scallan.

The following resolution proposed by Alderman Walsh and seconded by Thomas Harpur &c. was put to the Meeting: -

Resolved - That Mr Patrick S. Scallan's applications for the office of Borough Rate collector be approved and he appointed to fill the office.

signed. { John Joseph Walsh
Thomas Harpur.

And the following resolution proposed by Matthew Somers &c. and seconded by Thomas O'Keefe &c. was also put: -

Resolved - That the tender of Mr William Bloney offering his services as Borough Rate collector be approved and he appointed to fill the vacant office.

signed. { Matthew Somers
Thomas O'Keefe

On a Division the following voted.

For Scallan
Michael Rickham
Thomas Harpur
Jasper W. Walsh
John Winton
Robert Stafford
John Joseph Walsh
John Greene
John Simmott
James G. Vicary

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For Bloney
Matthew Somers
Joseph O'Connor
Stephen Doyle
John Ryan
Thomas O'Keefe
Hugh G. Guire
Ambrose C. Fortune
Patrick Ryan
Richard Walsh

John Edmund
Peter Murphy

Eleven having voted for Bloney and only nine for Seallan; Bloney was therefore declared elected.

Board of Public Works. A letter was read from the Board of Public Works saying that they would consent to a postponement of their claim for Waterworks fees on the understanding that the Corporation would use their utmost endeavours to carry out the expectations held out in the Corporation's resolution of the 9th October last.
Ordered - That the Town Clerk acknowledge the receipt of the Commissioners' letter and express the thanks of the Council for the Board showing them such consideration.

Revision of the Valuation Book. There was also submitted a letter in reference to the revision of the Valuation Book from the Clerk of the Union stating that he had taken every precaution to ensure a complete revision of the book and suggesting that the Rate Collectors be asked to meet the Poor Rate collector of the town in order to make out a list to be forwarded to the Valuation Office of all the changes that came under their notice.
Ordered - That the Rate Collectors be directed to attend on any early day for the purpose of preparing the list as suggested by the Clerk of the Union.

Charitable Institutions. A recommendation from the Waterworks Committee with regard to Charitable Institutions was read and the following order made: - That all churches, Charitable Institutions &c as enumerated in the 108th Section of the 10 & 11 Victoria Chapter 34 as being free of all Rates be struck off the Water Rate Collectors Books upon the collector making out a list of these exemptions and same being approved of by the Waterworks Committee. All such Institutions requiring water to take it at the ordinary Meter Rate or if the quantity required be small at an annual Rate to be fixed from time to time by the Committee.

Dec 1st 1882

G Walsh

25th November, 1882.

Electing Aldermen & Councillors. An Election held this day in the Town Hall at the hour of nine o'clock forenoon to elect one Alderman and six Councillors for each of the several Wards of the Borough in view of those going out of office by rotation.
 The following persons were nominated as candidates to fill the vacancies: -

In St. Selkirk Ward.

As Alderman - Mr Martin Huggard of Selkirk Street, Solicitor and
 Mr Patrick Somers of Main Street Cork, & Town Merchant.
 As Councillors - Mr John Kinton of Customhouse Quay, Auctioneer and
 Mr Patrick Doyle of Redmond Place Grocer &c.

Two persons having been nominated for the Aldermanship of this Ward a Poll was taken with the following result: -

For Martin Huggard

47 Votes.

" Patrick Somers

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Mr Huggard having obtained the greater number of votes he was therefore declared elected.

Two candidates having been nominated for the offices of councillor for this Ward and no other person having been nominated they were consequently declared duly elected.

In St. Gerius Ward,

As Alderman - Mr John Simott, of Main Street South, & Ironmonger &c.
As councillors - Mr Edward Walsh, of Main Street South, Newspaper Proprietor
Mr William Simpson of Main Street North, Watchmaker & Jeweller and
Mr William Scallan, of Main Street North, Grocer &c.

There having been but one candidate nominated for the Aldermanship of this Ward he was therefore declared duly elected.

And there having been three candidates nominated to the offices of councillor a Poll was taken with the result following:-

Mr Edward Walsh	44 Votes
" William Scallan	44 "
" William Simpson	38 "

Mr Walsh and Mr Scallan having obtained the greatest number of votes they were declared elected.

In St. Mary's Ward,

As Alderman - Mr Peter Murphy, of Main Street South, Millwright
As councillors - Mr Jasper H. Walsh of Summerhill, Merchant and
Mr James P. Laverne, of Rocklands Merchant.

No candidate having been nominated in this Ward in excess of vacancies the outgoing Members, as above nominated, stand re-elected.

Dec 1st 1882

E. Walsh

1st December, 1882.

At a Statutable Meeting of the Council held this day in the Town Hall at the hour of Twelve o'clock noon - To elect a Mayor for the ensuing year and until his successor shall be appointed and shall have accepted office. & To appoint committees, approve recommendations of Waterworks Committee and transact all such business as may be brought before the Meeting.

The following Members of the Council attended:-

Edward Walsh Esq Mayor, in the chair.

Alderman - Peter Murphy.

Town Councillors - William Scallan, Patrick Doyle, Hugh G. Quire, Thomas O'Leary, John Hinton, John Redmond, Patrick Ryan, Ambrose P. & Forting, Matthew Somers, Joseph Connor, Richard Walsh, Stephen Doyle, John Hinton.

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and confirmed.

Four of the newly-elected Members viz. Alderman Murphy and Town Councillors Patrick Doyle, William Scallan and John Hinton took their seats and signed

their declarations of acceptance of office.

Election the following resolution proposed by Hugh M^cGuire J.C. and seconded by
of Charles Ambrose C. Fortune J.C. was passed unanimously:-
as Mayor Resolved - That Mr Richard Walsh J.C. be elected Mayor for the ensuing year
(1883) and until his successor shall be appointed and shall have accepted
office.

Signed. { Hugh M^cGuire,
Ambrose C. Fortune

Mr Walsh returned thanks and the other business before the Meeting was adjourned
to Monday the 4th Instant.

Walsh

Dec 4th 1882

4th December, 1882.

Election At an Election held this day in the Town Hall at the hour of nine o'clock
Borough forenoon - To elect two Borough Assessors in room of those going annually
Assessors out of office.

The requirements of the Law having been complied with due notice given & and
no person having been nominated the two outgoing gentlemen Mr Francis
Cosgrove and Mr Michael J. O'Connor are consequently obliged to retain office.

Dec 4th 1882

Walsh

4th December, 1882.

At a Special Meeting of the Council pursuant to the Mayor's requisition held
this day in the Hotel at the hour of twelve o'clock noon - To sign and
seal the Rate Book and Collection Books for Borough Rate made on the 6th
November last and transact all necessary business in connection therewith. To
appoint committees and approve recommendations of Waterworks Committee.

The following Members of the Council attended:-

Edward Walsh Esq - Mayor in the chair.

Alderman - John Sinnott.

Town Councillors - John Hinton, William Scallan, John Redmond,
Richard Walsh, Patrick Ryan, Ambrose C. Fortune, Hugh
M^cGuire Thomas O'Sheff, Matthew Somers.

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and confirmed

The sealing of the Rate Books was adjourned to the 11th Instant in consequence
of the Solicitor's not having got Mr Lynch's opinion as to how the Corporation were
to deal with Mr Harris Freeman.

It was Ordered - That the standing committees be reappointed for the ensuing year
as the formation of them appeared so satisfactory up to the present.

The recommendation from the Waterworks Committee with regard to the checking of
the Water Rate collectors books was approved and the Town Clerk stated that the
recommendation was already being carried out by him.

The Town Surveyor called attention by letter to the fact that the Gas Company had laid a

new gas main into King-street in close proximity to the water mains which previously was attended with great danger to the water mains and troublesome for the Corporation in case they would have to take up or get at the water pipe.

Ordered - That the Town Clerk be directed to write to the Gas Company drawing their attention to the matter and requesting them to keep the gas pipes in future at least three feet apart from the water mains.

A Report from the Superintendent of the Waterworks was submitted in compliance with a direction of the Waterworks Committee made on an application from the Contractor for the grass &c at the Reservoir to cut bushes to repair some fencing and to graze the land with cattle. The Report stated that the Superintendent saw no objection to allowing Mr Murphy to cut the furze &c and

It was Ordered - That Mr Murphy be informed that the Corporation have acceded to the privilege asked for.

A letter (in reply to the Town Clerk's) from the Treasury with regard to the Tenants was read stating that no sanction whatever to the acceptance of the surrender of the leases was necessary.

Ordered - That the Solicitor be directed to take the surrenders.

Due to 135. The following Bill was passed - John Joseph Walsh, Expenses incurred as Returning Officer at Municipal Election £3-3-0

Dec 11th 1882

11th December 1882

At an adjourned Special Meeting of the Council pursuant to the Mayor's requisition held this day in the Town Hall at the hour of twelve o'clock noon - To seal and sign the Rate Book and Collection Book for Borough Rate made on the 6th Ultimo and transact all necessary business in connection therewith and to dispose of other matters of importance.

The following Members of the Council attended:-

Edward Walsh Esq^r Mayor in the chair

Town Councillors - Patrick Ryan, John Redmond, Jasper M. Walsh, Richard Walsh, Joseph O'Connor, William Scallan, Hugh McQuire, Matthew Somers, Thomas O'Keefe.

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and confirmed

The following resolution proposed by Patrick Ryan, M.C. and seconded by Hugh McQuire, M.C. was passed:-

Resolved

That this Meeting form itself into Committee for the purpose of taking into consideration the opinion of Counsel with regard to the deputation of the Borough Rate Collector. Signed { Patrick Ryan
Hugh McQuire

The Solicitor then read Mr Lynch's opinion which stated among other matters that Mr Lambert being the only person qualified for the Collector's office and that the Corporation could collect the outstanding Rates and

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recover any loss that may have been sustained in the collection of them also from Mr Lambert.

The following resolution proposed by Patrick Ryan M.C. and seconded by Hugh McGuire M.C. was passed:-

Resolved - That the sum of £ 72. 15. 1/2 left outstanding in this years Rate by Mr Barr be carried over to the new Rates as collectable Arrears and that the Rate Book and Collection Book for Borough Rates struck on the 6th November last be now sealed and signed and the Rates ordered for Collection

Signed { Patrick Ryan
 { Hugh McGuire

The Rate Books were then sealed and signed

+ Mr Cleary came before the Meeting and stated that he was prepared to execute a surrender of his lease if the Corporation would allow him 25 per cent same as the other tenants

It was Ordered - That Mr Cleary be placed on a footing with the other tenants who obtained the reduction of their rents.

The Meeting again resolved itself into Committee and the Mayor went into a statement of the various technical points raised at Petty sessions by the defendants in the Waterworks Cases; and upon which the cases were adjourned by the Bench in order to have the assistance of the Law Advisers opinion before they would arrive at any decision

January 1st 1883 Clulsh

1st January 1883

At a Statutable Meeting of the Council held this day in the Town Hall at the hour of Twelve o'clock noon - To inaugurate the Mayor Elect for the ensuing year and until his successor shall be appointed and shall have accepted office. And to transact all such business as may be brought before the Meeting.

The following Members of the Council attended:-

Edward Walsh, Esq^r Mayor in the chair.

Alderman - Peter Murphy

Town Councillors - Hugh McGuire, Ambrose R. Fortune Richard Walsh, Thomas O'Keefe, John Redmond, John Ryan, Patrick Doyle, Stephen Doyle, Joseph O'Connor Patrick Ryan,

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and confirmed.

The Mayor Elect was then duly installed, signed his declaration of acceptance of office and assumed the chair -

The following resolution proposed by Hugh McGuire, T.C. and seconded by Ambrose R. Fortune was passed unanimously:—

Resolved— That the best thanks of this Meeting be tendered to the out-going Mayor Edward Walsh Esq^r for his useful services and untiring exertions for the benefit of the Town during the year he filled the office of Mayor for this Borough.

Signed

{ Hugh McGuire
{ Ambrose R. Fortune

Jan^y 18th 1883 Rich^d Walsh

1st February, 1883.

At a Statutable Meeting of the Council held this day in the Town Hall at the hour of twelve o'clock noon:— To pass accounts, receive communications, approve recommendations of Waterworks Committee and transact all such business as may be brought before the Meeting.

The following Members of the Council attended:—

Richard Walsh Esq^r Mayor, in the chair

~~Other~~ Councillors:— Ambrose R. Fortune, Patrick Doyle, Hugh McGuire,

Patrick Ryan, John Edmund, Thomas Karpur, Michael Rickham, William Seallan, Matthew Somers, Edward Walsh, Thomas Atteff.

Also present E. & Susan Ryan, Town Surveyor.

By direction of the Mayor the Town Clerk read the Bye Laws Regulating the Meetings and Assemblies of the Council, which, among other matters, empowers the imposition of a penalty of two shillings and sixpence on Members for non-attendance at Meetings. The Mayor announced his determination to enforce this Rule in future as it had recently become a thing of extreme difficulty to get a sufficient number of the Members together to dispose of the important business of the Council.

The following resolution proposed by Ambrose R. Fortune Esq. and seconded by Hugh McGuire Esq. was passed:—

Resolved— That the iron rule administered under the Crimes Act whereby the spirit of the censure is exercised against our public men who advocate the cause of justice on the platform and in the press showing as it does the incompetency of our alien Government to legislate wisely for this country is the strongest incentive to persistence in our demand for self-government for Ireland; and that the convictions of our Borough Member Mr Healy; the ex Mayor of the town Mr E. Walsh; and Messrs Davitt and Quinn supplies the latest illustration of the grievances under which this rich people labor

Signed

{ Ambrose R. Fortune
{ Hugh McGuire

The following resolution proposed by William Seallan Esq. and seconded by E. Walsh Esq. was passed:

Resolved— That the Bill, now submitted, as recommended for payment by Finance

Committee Amount £84. 19. 50 be approved and cheques signed for payment and also Bills amounting to £45. 14. 30 being half years rent of Town Hall Ground, Market Place Ground, and Pipefields; and that cheques be drawn in favor of Messrs Little and Elgee for the amount. The payment of the latter accounts to be deferred until the other bills before the Meeting and the Gas Account are discharged.

Signed William Scallan
Edward Walsh

A Memorial was received from the inhabitants of New-lane praying to have a lamp erected in New-lane in the vicinity of the old Limokahn. Messrs W. J. Quire, Cleefe and Patrick Ryan, were nominated as a committee to inspect the locality and report on the subject.

The Town Clerk submitted a letter from the Secretary of the Gas Company, stating that the wishes of the Corporation with regard to the rule to be observed when laying gas pipes should receive prompt attention.

A letter from the Honorary Secretary of the Royal College of Music, of which the Prince of Wales is President, was read, asking the Corporation to lend their support in furtherance of the project by placing the Municipal Buildings at the disposal of three local examiners to be appointed by the Corporation to conduct the local Preliminary Examination of competitors for the free Scholarships to be given away by the College.

It was ordered - That the Town Hall be given to hold the examination and that Messrs Green, Lyons and Fiebermann be communicated with asking them to allow themselves to be nominated as local examiners.

A notice was submitted from Comptroller Broke Esq., Local Government Auditor, stating that he would attend at the Town Hall on the 10th February instant, to audit the Corporation and Town Commissioners Accounts for two years ended 31st December last.

The Solicitor gave an explanation as to the result of the cases brought on for the recovery of Rater Rates at the Petty Sessions Court. He informed the Meeting that he had obtained favorable adjudications in all cases wherein Rater Rate only was sued for, but cases in which Special charges were sought to be recovered were adjourned for the purpose of getting the Law Advisers opinion on further legal points raised and difficulties by which the Magistrates considered they were beset. The Solicitor also asked permission to appeal to Quarter Sessions in the event of the Magistrates giving adverse decisions in those cases pending adjudication.

Ordered - That the Solicitor take whatever steps he may deem advisable.

Mr Cleefe gave notice that he would move at the next Meeting of the Council that all the Advertising Printing &c required by the Corporation be in future obtained by contract.

Ordered - That a detailed list of all the supplies required for Printing &c be furnished to the next Meeting.

A letter was received from the Land Revenue stating that the amount of rent

received on half year ending 1st May 1882 was £199: 10: 9 and the Arrears for same period £62: 11: 9. Up to the same date there was due by Mr William S. Rositer the sum of £16: 12: 3; who the Receiver considered ought to be compelled to pay. There was three years rent owed by John Roche a joint tenant for a plot of ground in Hall street. The Receiver requested to be informed if he was to allow abatements on the November rents.

It was Ordered - That the letter be referred to the Corporate Solicitor to take such proceedings thereon as he might consider necessary.

Mr Cleary made an application to have the rent reduced on his holding for half year ended 1st November 1882 and produced a Deed of Surrender (which had been executed on his part) for acceptance by the Corporation in order that he might apply to the Land Court to fix a fair rent.

The following resolution proposed by Hugh G. Guire & Co. and seconded by Edward Walsh & Co. was passed:-

Resolved - That all the Corporate Tenants who obtained the 25 per cent reduction on their rents up to the 1st May 1882 be allowed the same abatement on the half year's rent due up to last gate-day and that the Deed of Surrender of Mr Cleary's holding be now executed on the part of the Corporation. The above reduction to be granted only on condition that the rents be paid within a month from this date

signed { Hugh G. Guire
 { E. Walsh

The Minutes of proceedings of the Waterworks Committee up to this date were read and signed. On the recommendation not to charge the Public Water Rate on churches and charitable institutions the following order was made:- That the collector be directed not to insist on the payment of Rates on the following list and that these places be exempted on the making out of the new Rate Book and that they be struck off the present Rate Book as uncollectable viz:-

- Graveyard John Street
- Infant National School House John St.
- National School House, George Street
- County Gaol and Yard.
- Church and Graveyard & Empressess row.
- Market House and Assembly Rooms.
- Industrial School and Garden, Townparks
- Convent Chapel & Townparks.
- Roman Catholic Church and Yard, Cross St.
- Convent, Small National School House, Waterloo road
- Mechanics' Institute
- Church and Yard, Main Street North
- Presbyterian Methodist Meeting House
- Presbyterian Meeting House

- Mayor's Office and Market House
- Society of Friends Meeting House
- Church Educational Society's School No. 1, Church St.
- Graveyard Patrick Street.
- Roman Catholic Church and Yard School Street
- Male National School House School Street
- Convent School House and Chapel Francis Street
- Christian Brothers House School St. and Lane Green St.
- Graveyard Mary's Lane
- Roman Catholic Church and Lane Bridge St.
- Infantry Barracks and Yard.
- Graveyard, Castle Street
- School House and Yard, The Quay.

On the recommendation to have the Water Rate Book written up and appotted

in future by some person other than the collector it was ordered:-
 That Mr Brown be appointed to prepare the Books in future and that his remuneration for performing such work be fixed at Eight Pounds per annum.
 It was ordered - that the recommendation with regard to the Rates on the Mechanics' Institute be approved and that if found necessary Council's opinion be obtained on the question whether Stores be can be subjected, same as ordinary dwelling-houses to the Domestic Rate and the question whether a Landlord can be brought into Court in case of pauperism of the tenant.

Report of Lodgments

Lodged by Michael J O'Connor for Rent 58.10.9 Gerald O'Brien Hire of Town Hall 3.0.0
 " " Gerald O'Brien Government Contribution 16.5.6 Same Receipts of butter market 2.1
 in lieu of Rates 16.5.6 William Cloney Borough Rate 112.6.0
 " " E. Hieran Ryan Manure sold 14.15.6

The following are the particulars of Bills passed this day for payment:-

Bills to			£	s	d
5	Gerald O'Brien, Quarters salary as Town Clerk to 31st January 1883		10	0	0
6	John Kearon do as Mayor's Sergeant to do		4	0	0
7	James Murphy do for cleaning Mayor's Office to do		10	0	
8	James Dempsey do as caretaker of graveyards to do		6	5	0
9	Gerald O'Brien do as Executive Sanitary Officer to do		5	0	0
10	Robert J. Swan do as Consulting Sanitary Officer to do		3	15	0
11	John Kearon balance of quarters salary as Sub Sanitary Officer to do		1	8	0
12	Gerald O'Brien, cash advanced to pay sundry small accounts		1	4	0
13	John Kearon, Disinfecting contagious houses		1	2	6
14	Wexford Independent, advertising		5	10	6
15	Wexford Constitution do		4	11	0
16	Wexford People do		5	10	6
17	Benjamin Hughes, Printing		4	19	6
18	Lawrence & Son, supplying clothes for Mayor's Sergeant		6	8	0
19	Elijah Purse, Chloride of lime		1	4	0
20	William Gairfort, Stationery		9	9	
21	James Warlow, boots		2	2	0
22	Michael J. O'Connor, Poundage on Collection of £199. 10: 90				
23	Corporate Rents lodged		9	19	6
24	Matthew Harpur, Repairs on buildings - supplying plumbing materials		6	19	2
25	James Hammeron, Advertising Fire Engine for sale		18	0	
26	Little & Elgar, Half year's rent of Town Hall Ground		6	14	3
27	Same do Market place Ground		25	0	0
28	Same do Pipefields		15	0	0

list of payments made by Finance Committee by order on Borough Treasurer since last Quarterly Meeting:—

1- Scavenging the Streets	34 : 4 : 11
2- William A. Brown for writing up an appletting Cor. Tab Books	3 : 10 : 0
3- Aidan Redmond. Repairing house in Cornmarket.	8 : 6 : 4
4- Gerald O'B. Ryan. to pay Counsel's fees in case relating to Municipal Election	1 : 3 : 2
5- John Joseph Walsh. Expenses incurred as Returning Officer at Municipal Election	3 : 3 : 0
6- John O'Connor. Repairing Market and supplying materials	8 : 0
7- Michael M. O'Leary. Painting and lettering firm streets boards	8 : 0
8- John Keaton. Cash on account of Quarter's salary as Sub. Comptroller Officer	3 : 12 : 0
9- Gerald O'B. Ryan. Cash advanced - two years salary to woman for cleaning & kitchen to 31 st December 1882	10 : 10 : 0
10- Same. Cash advanced - fees to woman in care of town Hall	15 : 0
11- Same. Cash advanced - wages and commission of Market Toll collectors for year ended 31 st December 1882.	46 : 4 : 2
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£112 : 4 : 10	

March 5th 1883 Rich^d Walsh
5th March 1883.

At a Special Meeting of the Council pursuant to the Mayor's requisition held this day in the Tholsel at the hour of Twelve o'clock noon - To take steps with a view to the appointment of a Market Toll Collector. To receive communications including one from Mess^{rs} Simon and Delandre with reference to Lady Esmonde Bequest and another from C. Croft Esq^r postponing the audit of the accounts. To consider a resolution adopted by the Dungarvan Town Commissioners with reference to the imprisonment of Mr Kealy. To consider what steps should be taken in furtherance of the objects of the Cork Exhibition. To take into consideration the important subject of urging on the Government the necessity of starting an earlier Morning Mail from Dublin to Wexford. And to approve recommendations of Waterworks Committee

The following Members of the Council attended:—

- Richard Walsh Esq^r Mayor in the chair.
Alderman Peter Murphy.
Town Councillors - Patrick Ryan, Hugh McGuire, Thomas Harpur, John Ryan, Ambrose R. Fortune, Matthew Somers, Patrick Doyle, Thomas O'Keefe, Edward Walsh, John Redmond.

Also present C. Kieran Ryan Town Surveyor.

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and confirmed

The following resolution, proposed by Patrick Ryan Esq^r and seconded by Patrick Ryan Esq^r, was passed.

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Resolved

That advertisements be published inviting applications from competent persons to fill the vacancy created in the office of Market Toll Collector by the demise of Mr Patrick Quinn and that such applications state the remuneration at which the applicant would be prepared to perform the duties of said office

Signed { John Ryan.
 { Patrick Ryan.

The following resolution proposed by Matthew Somers Esq. and seconded by Thomas O'Keefe Esq. was passed:-

Resolved

That advertisements be also issued stating that the Corporation were prepared to receive applications for stall spaces in the Market for the sale of provisions &c as enumerated in the 14th Section of the Bye-Laws regulating the Market

Signed { Matthew Somers
 { Thomas O'Keefe.

A communication was read from Messrs Kern & Delandre stating that the bequest of Lady Esmonde could not be carried out during the lifetime of Mrs Deane Morgan as the premiums payable on the policies of her life absorbed the greater portion of the assets.

It was Ordered

That the Town Clerk be directed to procure a copy of Lady Esmonde's will and furnish it to the Commissioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests for their opinion.

A letter was read from Courtenay Croker Esq^r apprising the Town Clerk that circumstances had arisen which rendered it impossible for him to audit the accounts of the Corporation as he had intended on the 20th February last and he therefore adjourned the audit to some future date.

A resolution sent by the Dungarvan Town Commissioners with a view to its adoption by the Council was submitted requesting Mr Healy M.P. to re-consider his resolve of entering prison for six months and not finding bail. It was thought by the Meeting that it would be impolitic to interfere with the course Mr Healy had taken; but at the same time they should admire the sentiments expressed by the Dungarvan Commissioners and their interest in the welfare of the County. The Meeting therefore ordered the resolution to be marked "read"

The subject of subscribing towards the Cork Exhibition was brought Meeting by the Town Clerk; but it could not be entertained.

The following resolution passed by the Gorey Town Commissioners was adopted
Resolved

That having seen that there will be a change in the hours of the Cross Channel Mails we beg to call the attention of our County and Borough Members to the late delivery of letters on the Newford line and the expediency of starting the Morning Mail at an earlier hour from Dublin and accelerating its

speed as we have no time under present arrangements to reply to our Cross Channel letters without losing a post.

The Minutes of proceedings of the Waterworks Committee up to this date were read and sanctioned and the recommendations adopted with regard to the recommendation to supply the Christian Brothers Schools with water at a minimum charge the sum of one pound per annum was fixed as the rate: these schools being the only exception in the town to public ^{schools} wholly or partially maintained by Government grant or private endowment.

Ordered - That this Meeting stand adjourned to Thursday the 22nd March Instant

March 22nd 1883 Rich^d Walsh

22nd March 1883.

At an adjourned Special Meeting of the Council pursuant to the Mayor's requisition held this day in the Town Hall at the hour of Twelve o'clock noon - To receive applications for the appointment of Market Toll Collector: and for stall spaces in the Market. To close the accounts of the Water Rate Collector for the past year and take into consideration the Waterworks Estimate of expenses to be provided for in the ensuing year, and to agree upon striking a Rate to meet those expenses. And to take the necessary steps with a view to the appointment of a Consulting Sanitary Officer in room of Dr Crean deceased.

The following Members attended

Richard Walsh Esq^r Mayor in the chair.

Aldermen - John Greene Martin Ruggard.

Town Councillors - Hugh McGuire, Ambrose B. Fortune, Matthew Somers, John Ryan, John Redmond, Patrick Ryan, Jasper W. Walsh, Joseph O'Connor, William Scallan, Thomas Kearney, Edward Walsh.

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and confirmed.

Two applications for the office of Market Toll Collector were received - one from Michael Crosby of William street offering his services at 7/6 per week and the other from John Kearney Mayor's Sergeant proposing to perform the duties of the appointment at a salary of 7/6 per week.

The following resolution proposed by Alderman Ruggard and seconded by Alderman Greene was passed:-

Resolved

That John Kearney's application for the office of Market Toll Collector at a salary of seven shillings per week be hereby accepted

Signed

{ Martin Ruggard
John Greene

Two applications one from Thomas Lawler and the other from Thomas Power were submitted stating that the applicants were prepared to take spaces for stalls for the sale of provisions in the Market.

It was Ordered -

That Messrs Redmond, McQuire and Somers, be appointed a Committee to visit the Market accompanied by the Town Surveyor, and report to the Council upon the best plan of erecting and letting stall spaces.
 The Water Rate Collectors statement of the Arrears to be carried into next Rate and Rates to be struck off, the present Rate Book as uncollectable &c was submitted and the consideration of it adjourned. The Town Clerk was directed to check the books in the meantime and be prepared to give certificate of their accuracy, against the next meeting.

The Waterworks Estimate of expenses to be incurred in the ensuing year was laid before the Meeting.

The following resolution proposed by Hugh McQuire, Esq and seconded by Patrick Ryan Esq. was passed:-

Resolved

That the Waterworks Estimate of expenses, to be provided for in the ensuing year be hereby approved and that a Domestic Water Rate of one shilling, and a Public Water Rate of Sixpence in the Pound on the Ratable value of the property within the Borough be hereby agreed upon and advertisements published forthwith notifying the fact to the Ratepayers.

Signed

{ Hugh McQuire
 { Patrick Ryan.

The following resolution proposed by Alderman Greene and seconded by William Scallan Esq. was passed:-

Resolved

That Dr John Crean, be hereby appointed to fill the office of Consulting Sanitary Officer until the office shall be officially filled and that advertisements be issued inviting ^{applications} ~~tenders~~ from persons to fill the said office

Signed

{ John Greene
 { William Scallan

April 23: 1883 Richd. Walsh

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23rd April 1883.

At a Special Meeting of the Council pursuant to the Mayor's requisition held this day in the Tholsel at the hour of Twelve o'clock noon - To receive recommendations of Waterworks Committee. To close the accounts of the Water Rate Collector. Strike Water Rates for ensuing year and dispose of other matters in connection therewith. And to receive tenders for the erection of Market Stalls.

The following Members of Council attended:-

Richard Walsh Esq^r Mayor in the Chair.

Aldermen - Peter Murphy, John Joseph Walsh, John Sinnott.

Town Councillors - Patrick Ryan, Hugh Mc Guire, Thomas O'Leary, Ambrose R Fortune, John Winton, John Redmond, Jasper W. Walsh, Joseph P. Connor, William Scallan, Patrick Doyle, Matthew Somers, Stephen Doyle, Thomas Harper Edward Walsh.

Also present O'Sullivan Town Surveyor.

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and Confirmed.

The following resolution proposed by Ambrose R Fortune Esq. and seconded by Hugh Mc Guire Esq. was passed:-

Resolved

That as the Town Clerk's Books are ready for audit that Mr Browne be authorized to get the assistance of Mr Murphy in order to have the books of the Waterworks Committee now in his hands ready to be audited with the other books of the Corporation

Signed { Ambrose R Fortune.
Hugh Mc Guire.

The Town Clerk submitted a certified statement of the result of his examination of the Water Rate Collector's Books.

The following resolution proposed by Patrick Ryan Esq. and seconded by Hugh Mc Guire Esq. was passed:-

Resolved

That the Statement of the result of the Collection of Water Rate for the year 1882. be hereby approved showing:-

As Collected Rate	£ 1,066 .. 14 .. 10 1/2
" Outstanding Rate	2/0 .. 5 .. 11
" Uncollectable Rate:-	
On Public and Charitable Institutions	£ 35 .. 4 .. 14 1/2
For Abatements allowed	10 .. 8 .. 2 1/2
On Ruins	3 .. 2 .. 6
On Paupers	1 .. 9 .. 4
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	50 .. 4 .. 5
outstanding Making a total of	£ 1327 .. 5 .. 2 1/2

That the amount be carried forward to the new Rate as Collectable Arrears and the Uncollectable Rate struck off the amount of the Collector's Warrant of the past year

Signed Patrick Ryan.
Hugh Mc Guire.

Tax notices from John R. Cooper, Solicitor were received ^{one} being an objection on behalf of the Ratepayers to the appropriation of £1000, out of the Borough and Commissioners funds to supplement the Water Rate and the other an objection to striking the Water Rates without the Accounts being audited.

Ordered that the notices be marked "read".

The following resolution proposed by Alderman Sinnott and seconded by Alderman Murphy was passed:-

Resolved - That in pursuance of the provisions of the Local Government Board (Ireland) Provisional Order (Dally &c) Confirmation Act 1876 there be now struck a Rate comprising a Domestic Rate of one shilling and a Public Rate of Sixpence in the Pound on the net assessable value of the rateable property within the Borough of Wexford and all other the Rates and charges leviable on Traders &c as agreed to on an Estimate submitted and approved on the 22nd March last, That said Rates be fixed to be payable on and after the 23rd day of May next that the Rate Book be now sealed and signed and the necessary notices published in the Newspapers circulating within the Town and by placards.

Signed

{ John Sinnott
Peter Murphy.

The Rate Book was then duly sealed and signed.

The Minutes of proceedings of the Waterworks Committee were read and sanctioned and the recommendations adopted with the exception of that to abate the Special Rate on house belonging to Mr Lacy the consideration of which was postponed.

Ordered - That the collector be directed to collect at once the amount due for Meter Charges.

The following tenders for the erection of the Market Stalls were opened and read:-

From John J. Bolger undertaking to carry out the work for the sum of £11. 12. 00

" Patrick Murphy undertaking to erect the stalls for the sum of 17. 0. 00

" Thomas Doyle proposing to perform the work for the sum of 15. 15. 00

" Denis Dempsey proposing to build the stalls for the sum of 14. £7. 60

The following resolution proposed by Hugh McGuire Esq. and seconded by Patrick Ryan Esq. was passed:-

Resolved - That Mr Bolger's tender offering to erect the Market Stalls in accordance with the plan and specification of the Town Surveyor for the sum of £11. 12. 0. be hereby accepted.

Signed

{ Hugh McGuire
Patrick Ryan.

May 3rd 1883 Rich^d Walsh

3rd May 1883.

A Statutable Meeting of the Council held this day in the ^{Hall} Town Hall at the hour of Twelve o'clock noon - To pass accounts, grant renewal of the authorization to retail gunpowder; and receive communications. To elect a Consulting Sanitary Officer; and transact all such business as may be brought before the Meeting.

The following Members of the Council attended:-

Richard Walsh Esq^r. Mayor in the chair.

Aldermen - John Green. Robert Stafford.

Town Councillors - Patrick Ryan, Thomas Harpur, William Seallan, John Ryan, Thomas O. Neffe, John Redmond, Matthew Somers, Jasper W. Walsh, Stephen Doyle, John Keinton, Edward Walsh, Ambrose P. Fortune, and Hugh McGuire.

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and confirmed:-

The following resolution proposed by Patrick Ryan Esq, and seconded by John Ryan Esq. was passed viz:-

Resolved

That the Bills now submitted as recommended for payment by Finance Committee amounting to £ 97. 6. 8^d be hereby approved and cheques signed for payment

Signed { Patrick Ryan.
John Ryan

Ordered

That the permission accorded to keep gunpowder &c for sale be further extended for the period of Twelve months

On a recommendation from the Finance Committee for the Council to take steps with a view to the future curtailment of the printing and advertising expenses it was ordered (the Publishers intimating their willingness to insert the Advertisement of the Fairs for £ 1. 10. 0^d. instead of £ 2 per quarter) that the price be fixed at the above reduced figure for the Fairs Advertisement

There was submitted a proposal from James Dwyer, to post the Corporation placards for the sum of 1/3 per set provided the Meeting would give him charge of the Town Bell, No Order was made.

A letter was submitted from Mr Croker, Local Government Auditor notifying his intention to audit the Accounts on the 24th Instant. The notice was directed to be published -

An application for the office of Consulting Sanitary Officer was received from Dr John Crean.

The following resolution proposed by Alderman Green and seconded by William Seallan Esq. was passed:-

Resolved - That Dr John Crean's application for the office of Consulting Sanitary Officer at the sum of £ 100 per annum be accepted. Signed John Green and William Seallan.

Report of Lodgments

Lodged by William Blaney.	Borough Rates	£ 223. 8. 3.
" " Michael J. O'Connor.	Corporation Rents	£ 157. 8. 1.
" " Local Govt Board.	Proportion of Sanitary Officers Salaries	26. 15. 0.

The following are the particulars of the bills passed this day for payment :-

		£	s.	d.
1	Gerald O'B Ryan, Quarters Salary as Town Clerk to 30 th April 1883.	10	"	"
2	John Hecaron do as Mayors Sergeant to do.	4	"	"
3	Teresa Murphy do for cleaning Mayors Office to do.	10	"	"
4	James Dempsey do as caretaker of Graveyards to do.	6	5	"
5	Gerald O'B Ryan do as Executive Sanitary Officer to do.	5	"	"
6	Representatives of P. J. Crean M.D. six weeks salary as Consulting Sanitary Officer to 13 April 1883.	1	14	6
7	John J. Crean M.D. six week salary as do to 30 th April 1883	1	14	6
8	John Hecaron Quarters Salary as Sub-Sanitary Officer to 30 th April 1883	5	"	"
9	Gerald O'B Ryan Cash advanced to pay sundry small accounts	1	19	6
10	John Hecaron & disinfecting six contagious houses.	"	15	"
11	Wexford People " advertising	5	2	6
12	Wexford Constitution " do	5	2	6
13	Wexford Independent " do	5	2	6
14	B. Hughes Printing	6	1	8
15	Michael J. O'Connor, Poundage on collection of £157. 8. 10 Corporation Rents.	7	17	5
16	Thomas Leary, Income Tax.	2	7	7
17	James Simons, Collector Inland Revenue, Last 4 th Rents.	3	8	4
18	Gerald O'B Ryan Miscellaneous law-costs	24	3	2
19	Laurence Atkins Posting placards.	1	2	6
		97	6	80

List of Payments made by Finance Committee by orders on Borough Treasurer since last Quarterly Meeting :-

		£	s.	d.
1	Scavenging the street	29	10	"
2	Michael J. O'Connor, Poor Rate.	1	8	5
3	Thomas Blaney, Rate in lieu of County cess.	1	8	"
4	Michael Murphy Water Rate.	2	13	3
5	James Bolger, Painting and papering.	2	5	"
6	Bank of Ireland, Tithe Rent-charge	2	"	11
		39	5	7

24 May, 1883.

At a Special Meeting of the Council held this day in the Town Hall at the hour of 8 o'clock p.m.:— To sign the Collection Book for Rates struck on the 23rd April last. To receive recommendations of the Rates Committee and transact other business.

The following members attended:—

Alderman - Peter Murphy.

Town Councillors - Ambrose P. & Estime, John Ryan, Joseph O'Connor, Thomas Karpur, Hugh McGuire, Michael Rickham, Patrick Doyle, Matthew Conner, Stephen Doyle, Thomas O'Keeffe, John Edmond, Patrick Ryan and Edward Walsh.

Also present - E. Curran Ryan, Town Surveyor.

Town Councillor Edward Walsh was moved to the chair.

Minutes of Rates Committee from 3rd May to 17th May, both inclusive, were read and sanctioned.

The minutes of last meeting of Council were read and confirmed.

At the suggestion of the Chairman the meeting resolved itself into Committee in order to receive a communication from the Town Clerk as to the form of the Collection Book now about to be signed.

Mr Ryan said the Collection Book, although substantially so, was not an exact copy of the Rate Book and, if hereafter objected to by Ratepayers, he would not hold himself responsible.

The following resolution proposed by Michael Rickham & Co. and seconded by Hugh McGuire & Co. was passed:—

Resolved:— That the signing of the Collection Book be postponed till this day fortnight and that in the meantime an exact copy of the Assessment Book be prepared instead of the one now produced at a cost not to exceed £3.

Signed, { Michael Rickham
{ Hugh McGuire

The following letter from the Mayor was read:—

The Mayoralty, Wexford, May, 23, 1883.

Gentlemen - As I shall be unavoidably absent from the Meeting tomorrow I wish to invite your attention to a report appearing in the Subpapers of the proceedings at Petty Sessions on the 16th Instant when the Magistrates severely censured our body for alleged remissness of duty in allowing Mr Cassiter to keep in stock a larger quantity of gunpowder than sanctioned by law. I will first give you the facts of the case. Mr Cassiter is registered on our books to sell gunpowder and from the peculiar construction of his store he can keep only 50 lbs. Our Inspector reported on the 3rd Instant that the time had arrived for re-registering and he was directed to grant renewals provided the Act was complied with. Prior to this inspection, however, by this morning the Government Inspector came to Wexford and visited Mr Cassiter's concerns and found on at 118 lbs of gunpowder.

in excess. The Corporation then gave instructions to prosecute Mr Cassiter. In
 court Mr Cassiter asserted and was not contradicted on his examination that one
 of the Magistrates granted him an authorisation to send 120 lbs. which act on the
 part of the Justice appears to be very questionable. He also pleaded ignorance as to
 the amount he was entitled to hold. I would like to know if this plea holds good
 why did he apply for special powers. I think the Local Authority have earned
 out their part of the law adequately and that the vote of censure passed on us by
 the Bench was quite uncalled for. Princes what right have they to rebuke a
 representative body of infinitely more importance than themselves; and whose
 Chairman is the Chief Magistrate of the Borough and who owe their position to the
 electors of Wexford and not to the accident of birth or fortune. I may further observe
 that it is not the function of the Local Authority to put or vendors of explosives in
 the law; but that it expressly points out they should educate themselves on it and
 carry it out themselves and that it is only when the Local Authority discover a
 breach of the Statute they are obliged to interfere. Yours faithfully

To the Members of the Corporation
 in Council Assembled.

Richard Walsh. Mayor.

The Town Clerk made a statement of the law of the case corroborative of the
 Mayor's views.

The Manager of St Michael's Industrial School made an application by letter for a
 reduction of the Meter Charges on the House of Mercy and the Industrial School to 4
 per 1000 gallons the rate charged on similar Institutions in Dublin.

It was Ordered - that the matter be referred to the Town Surveyor to report thereon to
 the Waterworks Committee.

A list of queries required by the Local Government Board in reference to the appointment
 of Mr John O'Brien was replied to and ordered to be forwarded for ratification.

William Gore made application to build in line with the frontage of Houses at
 Ingram's place the wall of houses which he intended to erect instead of the old
 dilapidated buildings at present standing on his property there.

Ordered - that the request contained in Mr. Gore's letter be complied with

Ordered - that Miss Malone be directed not to give the use of the Town Hall in
 future without having obtained the permission of the Mayor

June 7th 1883 R. H. Hall

1st June 1883.

At a Special Meeting of the Council held pursuant to the Mayor's requisition this day in the Tholsel at the hour of Twelve o'clock noon - To sign the Collection Book for Water Rates struck on the 23rd April last. And to receive recommendations of Waterworks Committee &c

The following Members of the Council attended:-

Richard Walsh Esq^r Mayor in the Chair

Alderman - Peter Murphy,

Town Councillors - Patrick Ryan, Hugh Mc Guire, John Hinton, John Redmond,

Patrick Doyle, William Scallan, Thomas O'Keefe, Stephen

Doyle, Ambrose R. Fortune, Michael Nickham, John Ryan,

Jasper W. Walsh, Edward Walsh.

Also present C. Sieran Ryan.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed:-

The following resolution proposed by Patrick Ryan, T.C., and seconded by Hugh Mc Guire, T.C., was passed viz:-

Resolved - That the Collection Book for Water Rates struck on the 23rd April last be now sealed and signed and the Rates ordered for collection.

Signed

{ Patrick Ryan.
Hugh Mc Guire.

The Collection Book was then duly sealed and signed.

The Report of the Audit and Abstract of accounts for two years ended 31st December 1882 was received. A sum of £4 00 applied towards Waterworks purposes and taken out of Commissioners fund was disallowed by Mr Brooker as also the amount £12. 4. 2⁰ expenses incurred in connection with the presentation of the address to Mr Parnell.

The abatements allowed the Corporation tenants amounting to £30. 5. 10⁰ was reinserted in the rental and the Receiver held responsible for the money which will be surcharged to him if it be decided at next Audit that the reduction is illegal.

Two Communications from the Board of Public Works were read pressing for the discharge of the arrears due on the Waterworks Loan.

It was Ordered - That no cheque be signed on account of Principal or Interest due to the Board of Works for Money lent for Waterworks purposes until after the audit of the Waterworks accounts in consequence of surcharges at his recent Audit by Mr Courtenay Brooker.

The Minutes of Proceedings of Waterworks Committee up to this date were read and sanctioned

The following Bills were approved and cheques signed for payment:-

Cheque 71 To Bank of Ireland, Instalment and Interest on Loan for purchase of Market ground £18. 3. 8⁰

Cheque 72 To Same Do on Loan for erection of Market 39. 6. 10⁰

Cheque 73 To John J. Colgan, Erecting Scaffolding and £1. 4. 5 extra work 12. 16. 0

A letter dated the 1st June 1883 from the Local Government Board was submitted approving of the appointment of Dr John Crean to the office

of Consulting Sanitary officer at a Salary of £15 per annum.

Aug 1st 1883 Richard Walsh Esq

1st August 1883

At the Quarterly Statutable Meeting of the Council held this day in the Town Hall at the hour of Twelve o'clock noon. — To pass accounts, receive communications, approve minutes of Waterworks Committee and transact all such business as may be brought before the Meeting.

The following Members of the Council attended:—

Richard Walsh Esq Mayor in the chair.

Aldermen — Peter Murphy and Robert Stafford.

Town Councillors — Ambrose P & Etime, Patrick Ryan, John Redmond, Thomas Karpur, John Wintony, Jasper H. Walsh, Thomas O'Keefe, Edward Walsh, Hugh G. Quire, James P. Diverous, and Patrick Doyle.

Also present — E. & Erim Ryan, Town Surveyor.

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and confirmed.

The question of the payment of the Account (£2 to Captain Chandler. Half Year's Rent of Passage to Old Reservoir) recommended by the Finance Committee was discussed and — It was Ordered — "That the Solicitor be instructed to take immediate steps to effect a legal surrender of the Passage"

The following resolution proposed by Patrick Ryan & J.C. and seconded by Jasper H. Walsh & J.C. was passed:— Resolved — That the Bills, now submitted, as recommended for payment by Finance Committee amounting to £348:0:0⁰⁰ be approved and cheques signed for payment and that the accounts of Messrs Little & Co amount £45:14:3 and Bill of £3:19:50 Receiver's Commission be also passed and cheques drawn.

Signed { Patrick Ryan
Jasper H. Walsh

There were submitted two Bills (from Messrs Howlley & Co.) of charges for professional services rendered in respect of Waterworks. The Bills together amounted to the sum of £1181:10s and as there were no funds available to meet them they were ordered to be marked "read."

A letter was received from the Local Government Board inclosing copy of a communication of Mr R. Harding's complaining of the action of the Town Clerk in refusing to produce before the Petty Sessions Court several important documents amongst them the Auditor's Report.

The Town Clerk made a statement as to how the Magistrates concurred in his opinion that they had no power to compel the production of the papers; and how they gave a decree in favor of the Corporation.

The statement was approved and the Town Clerk ordered to communicate his observations to the Local Government Board.

The Minutes of the proceedings of the Waterworks Committee up to this date were

read and sanctioned. In addition to confirming the recommendation of the Committee touching the surcharge of £400 there was an order made to have a cheque drawn for the amount in the manner suggested. The question of the assessment of Domestic Rate this year on Stores &c came under discussion, but no order was made.

The following resolution proposed by Hugh McQuire J.C. and seconded by Ambrose B. Fortune J.C. was passed:— Resolved— That Alderman Mr. Murphy be elected to represent the Corporation at the Wexford Harbour Commissioners Board for the ensuing year. Signed { Hugh McQuire
Ambrose B. Fortune

The following are the particulars of the bills passed this day for payment:—

82.	Gerald O.B. Ryan. Quarters Salary and Town Clerk to 1 st Aug. 1883.	£10:0:0
83.	John Hearn. Do. as Mayor's Sergeant to do.	4:0:0
84.	James Dempsey. Do. as caretaker of graveyards to do.	6:5:0
85.	James Murphy. Do. for cleaning Mayor's Office to do.	10:0
86.	Gerald O.B. Ryan. Do. as Executive Sanitary Officer to do	5:0:0
87.	John Hearn M.D. Do. as Consulting Sanitary Officer to do	3:15:0
88.	John Hearn Do. as Sub. Sanitary Officer to do	5:0:0
89.	Gerald O.B. Ryan. Cash advanced to pay sundry small accounts	1:17:9
90.	John Hearn. Disinfecting 13 contagious houses as per orders at 2/6 each.	1:12:6
91.	"The People". Advertising.	4:12:0
92.	"The Constitution" Do	4:12:0
93.	"The Independent" Do	4:12:0
94.	B. Hughes. Printing.	1:7:6
95.	A. & S. Codd. Supplying stationery	1:6:0
96.	Gas Company. Two half years rent to 1 st May. 1883	289:13:10
97.	Patrick Chandler. Half years Rent of Passage to Carrivick to 1 st May. 1883.	2:0:0
98.	Eliza Wise. Supplying chloride of lime	1:17:0
99.	Messrs Little & Linn. Half years Rent of Market Place Ground to 25 th March. 1883	25:0:0
100.	Same. Half years Rent of Town Hall Ground to same date	6:14:3
101.	Same. Half years Rent of Pipefields to same date	15:0:0
102.	Michael J. O'Connor. Commission at 5% on £19:9s Corporate Rents lodged	3:19:5

£398:14:3

List of payments made by Finance Committee by orders on Borough Treasurer since last Quarterly Meeting:—

1.	Scavenging the Streets	26:7:9
2.	Cleaning up & Fire Engine	16:0
		£42:7:9

2nd August 1883.

At a Meeting of the Qualified Electors of the Borough of Wexford held this day in the Town Hall at the hour of Eleven o'clock forenoon: - to elect two Commissioners to replace those going out of Office by rotation on the Wexford Harbour Board.

Richard Walsh Esq^r Mayor, presided.

Two nominations - that of Mr Ambrose C. Fortune and that of Mr Thomas Hutchinson - having been received and handed in by the Secretary to the Harbour Commissioners and the gentlemen nominated having been duly proposed and seconded and no other person having been nominated they were accordingly declared duly elected to the vacant offices.

November 1st 1883 Richard Walsh Esq^r

1st November 1883.

At a Statutable Meeting of the Council held this day in the Town Hall at the hour of Twelve o'clock noon - To pass accounts and receive communications. To fix days and hours for holding Quarterly Meetings in the year 1884. To consider an estimate of expenses to be incurred and provided for in the ensuing year and the striking of a Rate to meet those expenses. And to transact all such business as may be brought before the Meeting.

The following Members attended: -

Richard Walsh Esq^r Mayor in the chair.

Aldermen - John Greene, Robert Stafford and Martin Kuggard.

Town Councillors - Jasper H. Walsh, Matthew Somers, Thomas Karpur Patrick Doyle, Ambrose C. Fortune, John Binter, Patrick Ryan Hugh McQuire, John Edmund, Edward Walsh, Stephen Doyle and Thomas Cleefe.

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and confirmed.

The following resolution proposed by Hugh McQuire & C. and seconded by Ambrose C. Fortune & C. was passed: - Resolved - That the Bills, now submitted, as recommended for payment by Finance Committee Amount £105: 16: 7¹/₂ be hereby approved and cheques signed for payment.

signed { Hugh McQuire
Ambrose C. Fortune.

The following resolution proposed by Alderman Kuggard and seconded by Alderman Stafford was passed: - Resolved - That the following days and hours be fixed for holding Quarterly Meetings previous to the first of November, 1884 viz. - Friday the 1st of February at Twelve o'clock noon Friday the 2nd May 1884 at Twelve o'clock noon and Friday the 1st August 1884 at Twelve o'clock noon.

signed { M. Kuggard
Robert Stafford

The following resolution proposed by Alderman Greene and seconded by John Kinton S.C. was passed:— Resolved— That the Estimate for the Borough Rate, now submitted, be approved of and a Rate of Eightpence in the Pound on the Valuation of the Borough be hereby struck for the year ending May— 1884.

Signed { John Greene
John Kinton S.C.

The following resolution proposed by Alderman Huggan and seconded by Jasper H. Walsh S.C. was passed:— Resolved— That Council's opinion be obtained on the question of the reduction allowed on the Rents of the Corporate Tenants as suggested by Mr Croker at his last Audit of the accounts.

Signed { H. Huggan
Jasper H. Walsh

There was received from the Local Government Board a circular wherein was transmitted a copy of the Artisans and Laborers Dwellings Act 1875 and a copy of the Act of 1879 amending the same. The circular pointed out that the 3rd Section of the Act would show the nature of the representations to be dealt with and also that the Laborers (Ireland) Act 1883 would remain in force for only five years. Correspondence marked "read"

The following resolution proposed by Alderman Huggan and seconded by Edward Walsh S.C. was passed:— Resolved— That the Mayor be requested to issue advertisements inviting the attendance, on a convenient day, of the leaseholders of the Barones of North, Borey, Shelburn, Chilmaker Past and the town of Newfort to discuss the advisability of availing themselves of the provisions of the Sanitary Act and that a Committee be appointed consisting of the Mayor (ex-officio) Refuser, Second, Alderman Greene, Town Councillors Captain Hugh McQuire, J. H. Walsh and A. B. Fortune, to bring the matter before the Meeting. Signed { H. Huggan
E. Walsh

It was Ordered— That the Petition forwarded by the Kingstown Commissioners praying an amendment of the law relating to landlord and tenant in towns be adopted by this Meeting and that the Petition be engrossed and forwarded with the Corporate Seal attached to one of our Members for presentation to the House of Commons.

A letter was received from Mr Croker, Local Government Auditor, stating that as the £400 surcharged at last Audit had been replaced to its original fund he would not enforce the payment of the disallowance.

The following resolution proposed by Edward Walsh S.C. and seconded by Patrick Doyle S.C. was passed:— Resolved— That in order to carry out more efficiently, within this town the Bye laws relating to common lodging houses the Constabulary be requested to assist the Corporation in administering them and that the Inspector be requested to direct the men under his charge to comply with this request.

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Signed { E. Walsh
Patrick Doyle

It was Ordered - That Messrs Hawksley be informed in reply to their letter of the 11th October, 1883, that the Corporation at present have no funds available to discharge their account.

Report of Expenditure.

Borough Rate	£441: 1: 0	Surcharge at last Audit	£12: 4: 0
Corporate Rents	49: 9: 0	Mr Harris's deputation	101: 18: 0
Market & Fells	10: 0: 0		

The following are the particulars of the Bills passed this day for payment:—

120. Gerald O'D. Ryan. Quarter's Salary as Town Clerk to 1 st November, 1883.	£10: 0: 0
121. John Kearney. Do as Mayor's Sergeant to do.	4: 0: 0
122. Teresa Murphy. Do for cleaning out Offices to do.	10: 0: 0
123. James Lemhsey. Do as caretaker of Graveyards to do.	6: 5: 0
124. Gerald O'D. Ryan. Do as Executive Sanitary Officer to do.	5: 0: 0
125. John Brown Esq. Do as Consulting Sanitary Officer to do.	3: 15: 0
126. John Kearney. Do as Sanitary Sub-Officer to do.	5: 0: 0
127. Gerald O'D. Ryan. Cash advanced to pay sundry small accounts	2: 12: 1
128. John Kearney. Disinfecting contagious houses.	10: 0: 0
129. "Constitution" Advertising.	1: 10: 0
130. "The People" Do	1: 10: 0
131. "Independent" Do	1: 10: 0
132. D. Hughes. Printing.	4: 2: 0
133. Board Public Works. & Instalment on loan for purchase of Market ground	18: 1: 4
134. Board Public Works. & Instalment on loan for erection of Market	39: 3: 2
135. James Marlow. Coals.	2: 8: 0
	<u>£105: 16: 0</u>

List of payments made by Finance Committee since last Quarterly Meeting:—

1. Scavenging	28: 14: 0
2. Borough Rate on Corporate property.	2: 10: 6
3. Erecting window-frame and shutter in Market	17: 6
4. Repairing Public Buildings	1: 14: 10
	<u>£33: 16: 10</u>

Nov 5th 1883 Richard Walsh Chm

Estimate of the probable expenses to be incurred and provided for

To Year's gas up to 1 st May 1884	"	"	"	289	"
" Year's gas for Mayor's Office	"	"	"	3	"
" Scavenging	"	"	"	182	"
" Instalments in re-payment of Loans for Market	"	"	"	110	"
" Year's Rent of Market ground	"	"	"	50	"
" Advertising, Printing, and Stationery	"	"	"	100	"
" Expenses in connection with Fairs:— Advertising for next year	"	"	"	18	"
" Expenses attendant on Fire Engine	"	"	"	1	"
" Officer's Salaries	"	"	"	88	4
" Salaries of Sanitary Officers	"	"	"	55	"
" Fees on collection of Corporation Rents	"	"	"	15	"
" clothes for Mayor's Sergeant	"	"	"	6	8
" Year's Rent of Town Hall	"	"	"	13	8
" Quit Rent:— deducting taxes	"	"	"	6	18
" Tithe Rent Charge— deducting Poor Rate	"	"	"	5	5
" Coals for Offices	"	"	"	6	"
" Repairs of Corporate Buildings	"	"	"	30	"
" Reparation of Rate Books	"	"	"	3	10
" Rate collector's Pymdage due on collection of 1883	"	"	"	30	5
" Do for year 1884	"	"	"	27	"
" Law costs	"	"	"	20	"
" Year's Rent of Pipefields	"	"	"	30	"
" Rent of Passage to Old Reservoir	"	"	"	4	"
" Salary and Commission of Market Toll Collectors	"	"	"	42	10
" Emoluments to caretaker of Town Hall	"	"	"	1	10
" Rates and Taxes	"	"	"	15	"
" Expenses under Public Health Act	"	"	"	17	"
" Contingencies	"	"	"	70	"
				1139	18

Corporation (proper) of Wexford for the year 1884.

By Balance in hands of Treasurer	"	"	136	8	9
" Receipts from Market	"	"	80	"	"
" Corporate Rents (less taxes.)	"	"	289	"	"
" Rent of Pipefields "	"	"	11	1	6
" Proportion of Salaries of Sanitary Officers from Local Government Grant	"	"	27	2	6
" Government contribution in lieu of Rates	"	"	7	15	"
" Proportion of Dogs License Duty	"	"	6	"	"
" Proceeds of Fishmarket	"	"	8	4	8
" Sale of Henmore	"	"	30	"	"
" Hire of Town Hall	"	"	6	"	"
" Rates in hands of collector	"	"	26	16	1
			£ 628	8	6
Amount to be provided for by Rates	"	"	511	9	6
			£ 1139	18	"

A Borough ^{Rate} of 8^d in the £ would produce £537 : 18 : 00

Approved R. M. C. C.

5th November 1883

An adjourned Statutable Meeting of the Council held this day in the Tholsel at the hour of Twelve o'clock noon - To approve Minutes of Waterworks Committee and transact all such business as may be brought before the Meeting.

The following Members of the Council attended:-

Richard Walsh Esq^r Mayor in the chair:-

Alderman - Peter Murphy.

Town Councillors - Patrick Doyle, Ambrose W. Fortune, John Redmond,

Hugh Mc Guire, Patrick Ryan, Thomas O'Keeffe, Jasper W. Walsh, John Hinton.

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and confirmed:-

The Minutes of Waterworks Committee up to this date were read and sanctioned.

The following resolution proposed by Patrick Ryan Esq. and seconded by Hugh Mc Guire Esq. was passed:-

Resolved - That the List submitted by the Water Rate collector of Names &c for alteration, as provided by the 10th & 11th Act be approved and that the collector be instructed to have the necessary changes effected

Signed { Patrick Ryan.
 { Hugh Mc Guire.

It was resolved - That the rent fixed for the Market Stalls be hereby reduced to ten shillings per month per stall. This reduction to have a retrospective effect.

It was Ordered - That the Town Surveyor be instructed to erect on the South Side of the Market Three Stalls similar in construction to those on the North Side, Disposed. Cheque 137 & 138 for £2:12:2 and £3:8:9 respectively
Dec^r. 1st 1883 Rich^d Walsh Ch^r

25th November 1883.

An Election held this day in the Town Hall at the hour of Nine o'clock forenoon to elect two Councillors for each of the several Wards of the Borough in room of those going out of office by rotation the following persons were nominated as candidates to fill the vacancies:-

For St. Saviour Ward.

Mr John Redmond of Georges Street, Wexford Builder.

Mr John & Emmant of Main Street South, Wexford, Pawnbroker

Mr William & Simpson of Main Street North, Wexford, Watchmaker

Mr Richard Walsh of Main Street North, Wexford, Draper.

There being two candidates nominated in excess of vacancies for this Ward a Poll was taken with the following result:-

For St. Saviour Ward 25th Nov^r
" John Redmond 54 "

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For John Emmant 33 Votes

" William Simpson 31 "

Messrs Walsh and Edmond having obtained the greatest number of votes they were therefore declared duly elected.

For St. Dennis Ward.

Mr Ambrose C. Fortune, of Main Street North, Hereford, Watchmaker and Jeweller.
Mr Patrick Ryan, of Main Street South, Hereford, Grocer and Publican.
Mr William Simpson of Main Street North, Hereford, Watchmaker
There being one candidate nominated in excess of vacancies for this Ward a Poll was taken with the following result:—

For Ambrose C. Fortune 47 Votes

" Patrick Ryan 44 "

" William Simpson 28 "

Messrs Fortune and Ryan having obtained the greatest number of votes they were therefore declared duly elected.

For St. Mary's Ward

Mr Hugh McQuire, of Commercial-quay Hereford, Ship Chandler
Mr Thomas Wleffe of Commercial-quay Hereford, Coal Merchant,
No candidate having been nominated in this Ward in excess of Vacancies
Messrs McQuire and Wleffe were therefore declared duly elected.

Decr 7th 1883 The Honorable C. H.

1st December, 1883.

At a Statutable Meeting of the Council held this day in the Town Hall at the hour of Twelve o'clock noon - To elect a Mayor for the ensuing year and until his successor be appointed and shall have accepted office. & to appoint Committees and transact all such business as may be brought before the Meeting.

The following Members attended:—

Richard Walsh Esqre Mayor, in the chair.

Aldermen - Martin Huggard, Robert Stafford, Peter Murphy and John Green.

Town Councillors - Jasper H. Walsh, Hugh McQuire, Edward Walsh,

Matthew Somers, Patrick Doyle, Thomas Wleffe, Stephen Doyle.

Patrick Ryan, John Edmond, Ambrose C. Fortune, John Ryan and John Hinton.

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and confirmed

The Six newly-elected Members signed their declarations of acceptance of office and took their seats.

The following resolution proposed by Hugh McQuire Esq. and seconded by Alderman Murphy was passed unanimously:—

Resolved - That Richard Walsh Esqre be re-elected Mayor for the ensuing year (1884) and until his successor be appointed and shall have accepted

Office

Signed { Hugh Mc Guire
Peter Murphy Ald

The following resolution proposed by Edward Walsh J.C. and seconded Matthew Somers J.C. was passed:—

Resolved— That all Committees for the ensuing year be composed of the entire Council

Signed { E. Walsh
Matthew Somers

The following resolution proposed by Alderman Greene and seconded by Alderman Kuggard was passed:—

Resolved— That the Draft Memorial to the Right Honorable Henry Cavendish praying for an acceleration of the English Postal Service to Exeter be hereby adopted and that the Memorial be engrossed and forwarded to the Postmaster General with the Corporate Seal attached

Signed { John Greene Aldⁿ
M. Kuggard Aldⁿ

The following Bills were approved and cheques signed for payment. —

Cheques to

149. To Richard Walsh Esq^r Mayor, Expenses incurred in conducting Municipal Elections " " £5 : 10 : 0

148. To C. E. J. Cameron Esq^r District Inspector of Constabulary, Expenses attendant on re-verification of Standard Heights and Measures. " " 3 : 18 : 6

A letter from the Local Government Board was read enclosing copy of a letter from Mr B. Sparrow complaining of the unsatisfactory state of the Waterworks finances and accounts. A copy of the Board's reply to Mr Sparrow also accompanied the letter. The correspondence calling for no comment was marked "read"

Decr 7th 1883 Richard Walsh Ch^r

3rd December, 1883.

A Town Election held this day in the Town Hall at the hour of nine o'clock forenoon:— To elect two Borough Assessors in room of those going out of office.

The requirements of the law with reference to the publication of notices &c having been duly fulfilled and no candidate having been nominated to fill the vacancies the two outgoing Assessors— Messrs Michael J. O'Connor of Grain Street North Exeter and Francis Cosgrave of Grain Street North Exeter— consequently retain office.

Decr 7th 1883 Richard Walsh Ch^r

7th December 1883

At a Special Meeting of the Council pursuant to the Mayor's requisition held this day in the Tholsel at the hour of Twelve o'clock noon — To Seal and Sign the Rate Book and Collection Book for Borough Rate made on the 1st ultimo and to close the Accounts of the Borough Rate Collector.

The following Members of the Council attended

Richard Walsh Esqr. Mayor in the chair

Aldermen — Robert Stafford. Peter Murphy. John Sinnott.

Town Councillors — Hugh McGuire. Patrick Doyle. Ambrose R. Fortune. Patrick Ryan. Thomas O'Keeffe. John Redmond. John Hinton. James P. Devereux. Stephen Doyle.

The Minutes of proceedings of the 26th November last 1st and 3rd December Instant were read and confirmed.

The Borough Rate Collector Submitted his list of Rates to be remitted on the amount of the collection for 1883 and also list of Premises on which recoverable Rates remained outstanding on this date

The following resolution proposed by Thomas O'Keeffe J.C. and Seconded by John Hinton J.C. was passed.

Resolved — That the Collectors List of uncollectable Rates £48-8-2 be hereby Struck off the amount of the Borough Rate for this year. that the list of collectable Arrears £7-18-1/2 be Carried forward to new Rate and that the Rate Book and Collection Book for Borough Rate Struck on the 1st ultimo be now Sealed and Signed and the Rates ordered for collection —

Signed { Thomas O'Keeffe
John Hinton

The Rate and Collecting Books were then duly Sealed and Signed —

The Mayor's Sergeant made application for a new waterproof coat the one he got four years ago being now worn out.

Ordered — That the application be granted.

Bill passed Cheque-152 - To Henry Leary, Painter Arms of Corporation £11-0
Jan 1st 1884 R. Walsh Esqr

1st January, 1884

A Statutable Meeting of the Council held this day in the Town Hall at the hour of Twelve o'clock noon:— To inaugurate the Mayor Elect for the ensuing year and until his Successor shall be appointed and shall have accepted office. And to transact all such Business as may be brought before the Meeting.

The following Members of the Council attended:—

Richard Galch Esq^r Mayor in the chair

Aldermen— Peter Murphy and John Greene.

Town Councillors— John Edmond Ambrose B. Fortune, Hugh McQuire, Matthew Somers, Jasper H. Galch, Edward Galch, Patrick Doyle, Thomas O'Keefe and Patrick Ryan.

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and confirmed.

The following resolution proposed by Hugh McQuire & C. and seconded by Ambrose B. Fortune & C. was passed unanimously:—

Resolved— That the best thanks of this Meeting be tendered to the out-going Mayor Richard Galch Esq^r for his useful and patriotic services and untiring exertions for the benefit of the town during the year he filled the office of Mayor for this Borough.

Signed { Hugh McQuire
Ambrose B. Fortune

The Mayor then signed his declaration of acceptance of office, and returned thanks in fitting terms and the Meeting adjourned.

1st Jan^y 1884 Hugh McQuire Esq^r

1st February, 1884

A Statutable Meeting of the Council held this day in the Town Hall at the hour of Twelve o'clock noon:— To pass accounts, receive communications, approve recommendations of Waterworks Committee, and transact all such Business as may be brought before the Meeting.

The following Members attended:—

Alderman— John Emmott.

Town Councillors— John Edmond, Hugh McQuire, Patrick Doyle, Thomas O'Keefe, Ambrose B. Fortune, Matthew Somers, John Hinton, Jasper H. Galch.

On the motion of Ambrose B. Fortune & C. Councillor McQuire was moved to the chair.

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and confirmed.

The following resolution proposed by Alderman Emmott and seconded by Thomas O'Keefe & C. was passed:—

Resolved— That the Bills now submitted, as recommended for payment by Finance Committee, be forthwith adopted and cheques signed for payment and also cheque drawn for payment of Bill of

£6 : 2 : 6 amount of miscellaneous law costs to Mr Ryan
Signed { John Sinnott.
Thomas Alleeffe

Mr Croker's report was submitted of his Audit of the Waterworks Accounts for the two years and three months ended the 31st December, 1882. and also Abstracts thereof showing the receipts and expenditure during that period.

A Report was received from Doctors Cream and Piers on the sanitary condition of the town. It proved that in this respect the town stood in favorable comparison with the other towns of Ireland.

It was Ordered - That in reply to the letter of the Local Government Board, pointing to Mr Hamilton's Report, a copy of the Sanitary Officer's Report be forwarded.

A Report was submitted from Doctor Piers as to the filthy state of the privy at the Mechanics Institute. It recommended that a water closet be constructed instead of the privy.

It was Ordered - That the recommendation of the Sanitary Officer be carried out.

A communication was received from Her Majesty's Stationery Office stating that as a considerable stock of works comprising calendars of State papers chronicle &c. had accumulated it was decided to distribute them amongst the various literary & Institutions of the County and that if there was any Institution in Wexford that the publications would be of value to and the Mayor to recommend such the books would be supplied to it.

It was Ordered - That the Mechanics Institute be recommended as a place to which the works would be a great acquisition.

The following resolution, proposed by Jasper H. Walsh F.R.C.S. and seconded by Alderman Sinnott was passed:—

Resolved - That the communication of the Board of Works dated the 30th January, 1884. with regard to striking a Rate of 2/6 in the £ for Waterworks purposes be answered by requesting that Board to inform the Corporation what powers they possess to strike an increased Rate over the 1/6 Rate authorized by the Provisional Order Confirmation Act. Signed { Jasper H. Walsh
John Sinnott

The Minutes of proceedings of the Waterworks Committee up to this date were read and sanctioned with the exception of the recommendation with reference to the land at the Reservoir upon which the following order was made:—

That the land adjoining the Reservoir be advertised to be let for grazing until the 31st December next, the fields to be used for general grazing purposes and the slopes for sheep grazing or mowing only. As to the new arrangement proposed with the Sisters of Mercy, Mr J. H. Walsh was requested to visit the Superiors with a view to completing the settlement.

Report of Lodgments

Rates for 1883.	£30 : 15 : 6	Corporate Rents	£138 : 2 : 6
Sale of Old Slagging.	1 : 2 : 0	Rates for 1884	55 : 0 : 0
Receipts of Fishmarket	8 : 4 : 8	Do	53 : 0 : 0
Market & Fells	41 : 19 : 8		

The following are the particulars of the Bills passed this day for payment:-

10- Gerald O'D. Ryan. Quarter's Salary as Town Clerk to 31 st Jan. 1884	£10 : 0 : 0
11- John Kearon Do as Mayor's Sergeant to do	4 : 0 : 0
12- James Dempsey Do as caretaker of graveyard, &c.	6 : 5 : 0
13- Gerald O'D. Ryan Do for cleaning out offices to do	10 : 0 : 0
14- John O'Connell Do as Executive Sanitary Officer to do	5 : 0 : 0
15- John Kearon Do as Consulting Sanitary Officer to do	3 : 15 : 0
16- John Kearon. Balance of Do as Sanitary Sub-officer to do	1 : 8 : 0
17- Gerald O'D. Ryan. Cash advanced to pay sundry small accounts.	1 : 16 : 11
18- John Falconer. Advertising & Fairs in Railway Guide	1 : 10 : 0
19- Michael J. O'Connor. Commission on collection of Corporate Rents.	6 : 18 : 1
20- Michael J. O'Connor. Per Rate on Corporate Property	1 : 9 : 2
21- John Kearon. Disinfecting contagious houses	12 : 6
22- Mrs E. Pierce. Supplying disinfectants	18 : 0
23- James Marlow. Coals	2 : 0 : 0
24- A & J. Dodd. Stationery and India rubber stamps	3 : 11 : 2
25- Bullen & Son. Paints and Oils	10 : 5
26- "Hereford Constitution". Advertising	3 : 14 : 0
27- "Hereford Independent" Do	3 : 14 : 0
28- "Hereford People" Do	3 : 14 : 0
29- P. Hughes. Printing	1 : 12 : 6
30- The People Publishing Office. Printing	4 : 17 : 9
31- Lawrence & Sons Supplying clothes for Mayor's Sergeant	6 : 8 : 0
32- Gerald O'D. Ryan. Miscellaneous Law - costs	6 : 2 : 6
	<u>£83 : 4 : 0</u>

List of payments made by Council and Finance Committee by Orders on Borough Treasurer since last Quarterly Meeting:-

1- Lavinging	44 : 3 : 4
2- Repairs to Market	1 : 19 : 9
3- Income tax, Silt, and Quit Rent	11 : 9 : 3
4- Rate collector's Commission	30 : 15 : 6
5- Corporate Buildings - repairs	3 : 18 : 3
6- Verification of Standard Weights and Measures	3 : 18 : 6
7- Election expenses	5 : 10 : 0
8- Law costs	4 : 4 : 4
9- Preparation of Rate Books	3 : 10 : 0
	<u>109 : 11 : 11</u>

Brought forward £109 : 11 : 11

10 - Engraving - Memorial	1 . 0 . 0
11 - Cartaker of Fishmarket - wages	4 . 0 . 0
12 - Sanitary Sub-Office - Advanced on account of Salary	3 . 12 . 0
13 - Painting Corporation Arms	14 . 0
14 - Rates and Commission of Market & Toll Collectors	42 . 14 . 1
	<hr/> 161 : 18 : 0

April 10th 1884 E Walsh

24th March. 1884.

At a Special Meeting of the Council held this day, pursuant to the Mayor's requisition, in the Hotel at the house of Ebenezer Webb's room: - To take into consideration the Waterworks Estimate of expenses to be provided for in the ensuing year and to agree upon striking a Rate to meet these expenses. To receive an important communication from the Board of Works calling on the Corporation to strike a Rate of Two Shillings and Sixpence in the Pound.

The following Members attended: -

Richard Hatch Esq. Mayor in the chair.

Aldermen - Robert Stafford and John Summitt.

Town Councillors - John Edmund, Patrick Ryan, Ambrose C. Fortune,

Hugh J. Quire, Stephen Doyle, Thomas Harpur, Joseph Deemot, Patrick

Doyle, William Scallan and Edward Walsh.

The Waterworks Estimate was read and the consideration of it postponed.

A letter dated the 20th March, 1884, from the Board of Works was submitted reminding the Corporation that the Board had not received from them the

^{standing} understanding called for in its previous letter to strike a 2/6 Rate.

The following resolution proposed by Patrick Doyle Esq. and seconded by Ambrose C. Fortune Esq. was passed: -

Resolved - That in reply to the letter of the Board of Works calling on the Corporation to strike a Rate of 2/6 in the Pound, the Town Clerk be directed to inform the Commissioners of Public Works that the Corporation cannot undertake to pay more than £800 a year on account of the instalments of the loans; the said sum of £800 being in or about the entire sum available from the Domestic and Public Rates of 1/6 in the £ authorized by the Provisional Order Confirmation Act 39 & 40 Vict cap 155 Secs 5 & 6 after payment of the annual expenses and contingencies. And that the Town Clerk be also directed to forward to the Commissioners of Public Works a copy of this resolution with a request that they will be good enough to seek for the Corporation an extension of time for the repayment of the annuities.

Signed { Patrick Doyle
Ambrose C. Fortune

April 10th 1884 E Walsh

10th April. 1884.

A Special Meeting of the Council held this day, pursuant to the Mayor's requisition, in the Town Hall at the hour of twelve o'clock noon:— To receive and consider important communications from the Board of Works on the subject of striking a Water Rate of Five Shillings and Sixpence in the Town. To agree upon striking a Rate and consider the Waterworks Estimate

Following Members attended:—

Richard Walsh Esq. Mayor in the chair.

Aldermen— John Simmet, Peter Murphy, Martin Suggard

Town Councillors— Edward Walsh, John Hinton, Patrick Ryan, Ambrose B. Fortune, Jasper H. Walsh, Joseph O'Connor, Stephen Doyle,

The Mayor being absent during the reading of the Minutes the chair was occupied by Mr Edward Walsh. The Minutes of Meetings of 1st February and 24 March, 1884 were read and confirmed.

As to the striking of a Water Rate of 2/6 in the Town a letter was received from the Board of Public Works. It was a reply to some queries put to the Board of Works at last Meeting of Town Commissioners and stated that the extra 1/6 could be a separate and an additional Rate under the 22nd Section of the Public Health Act, 1878 and not an increased Water Rate

The following resolution proposed by Edward Walsh Esq. and seconded by Alderman Suggard was passed:—

Resolved. That the question of striking a Sanitary Rate of 1/- in the Town alluded to in the letter of the Board of Works of the 9th Instant be adjourned to Meeting of the 2nd May next — the Solicitor in the meantime to obtain Council's opinion on the question

Signed { E. Walsh
 { M. Suggard

The Town Clerk was directed to write to the Board of Works informing them that the Corporation had deferred taking any steps until they should obtain fuller information as to how to proceed in the matter of striking the additional Rate

The consideration of the Waterworks Estimate and the question of agreeing upon the 1/6 Rate was also deferred

May 2nd 1884 R. H. Walsh Secy

The Solicitor read an ~~opinion~~ relative to the abatement to the corporate tenants, which the Auditor refused to allow. Inasmuch as the Corporation are the trustees of public property themselves of opinion that they acted illegally in making the reductions.

The Solicitor announced that the Barrister had given his decision ^{against the Corporation} in the cases brought against Messrs Barry and O'Connor for the recovery of Domestic Rate on Stores, Malt Houses &c. It would therefore be illegal for the Corporation to assess the Domestic Rate on such premises in future.

The Minutes of Proceedings of the Rateworks Committee up to this date were read and sanctioned.

Following are the particulars of the Bills passed this day for payment:—

1. - Gerald O.B. Ryan, Quarter's Salary as Town Clerk to 1 st May 1884	£10. 0. 0
2. - John Heaton. Do as Mayor's Sergeant to do	4. 0. 0
3. - James Kempsey. Do as caretaker of graveyards to do	6. 5. 0
4. - Teresa Murphy. Do. for cleaning out offices to do	10. 0
5. - Gerald O.B. Ryan. Do as Executive Sanitary Officer to do	5. 0. 0
6. - John O'Connell J. Do as Consulting Sanitary Officer to do	3. 15. 0
7. - John Heaton. Do as Sanitary Sub-officer to do	5. 0. 0
8. - Gerald O.B. Ryan. Cash advanced to pay sundry small accounts	2. 0. 5
9. - John Heaton. Limpeting	2. 2. 6
10. - E. Perce. Supplying disinfectants	1. 0. 9
11. - A. & S. Codd. Stationery	7. 6
12. - Peter Hunter. Town Papers, Prints &c supplied	14. 10. 9
13. - Ireland Revenue. Light &c Rents	3. 8. 9
14. - Gas Company. Gas and fittings for Whisel	3. 17. 4
15. - Patrick Chandler. Years rent of Passage to Old Reservoir	4. 0. 0
16. - Lawrence & Ever. Supplying Overcoat for Mayor's Sergeant	1. 10. 0
17. - "Hesper Constitution". Advertising	1. 10. 0
18. - "Hesper Independent". Do	1. 10. 0
19. - Board of Public Works. Instalment &c on loan for purchase of Market Ground	17. 14. 4
20. - Same. Do. on loan for erection of Market	38. 9. 0
21. - Gerald O.B. Ryan. Miscellaneous law costs	11. 12. 8
22. - B. Hughes. Printing	1. 8. 0
23. - The People. Advertising and Printing	3. 0. 6

£132. 13. 0

Bill of payments made by Finance Committee by Orders on Borough Treasurer since last Quarterly Meeting:—

1. - Coarsening Streets	35. 11. 3
2. - Little & Edge. Rent of Town Hall ground	6. 14. 3
3. - Same. Rent of Market ground	25. 0. 0

Carried forward £67. 5. 6

Brought forward £ 67. 5. 6

4. - Little & Elgar. Rent of Pipefields	15. 0. 0
5. - Messrs Edmund. Repairs on Corporate Buildings	1. 5. 5
6. - Bank of Ireland. Fines	2. 0. 10
7. - Gerald O'R. Ryan. Councils fee on case relative to Corporate tenants	2. 2. 0
8. - Michael Murphy. Water Rates	1. 9. 5
9. - James Bolger. Painting windows of Tholsel	18. 0
10. - Gerald O'R. Ryan. Councils fee in case of Dissiter and the Corporation	2. 2. 0
11. - James McC Eroy. Erection of Market Stalls	19. 10. 0
12. - Same. Repairs to Meat Stalls	14. 0
13. - Gerald O'R. Ryan. To pay for repairs on Town Hall	18. 5
14. - James McC Eroy. Erection of Market Stalls	17. 10. 0
15. - Same. Repairs to Corporate Buildings	6. 10
16. - Gerald O'R. Ryan. To pay for repairs on Market.	3. 4. 6
17. - James Bolger. Papering and Painting in Tholsel.	3. 13. 3
	138. 0. 2

Report of Auditors

Borough Rate	£ 21. 0. 0	Borough Rate	£ 27. 0. 0
"	23. 0. 0	"	20. 0. 0
"	17. 0. 0	Sale of Old Timber	6. 0
"	20. 0. 0	Borough Rate	19. 0. 0
"	24. 0. 0	"	16. 0. 0
"	24. 0. 0	"	22. 0. 0
Manure sold	23. 9. 0	Half salaries of Sanitary officers	26. 15. 0
Borough Rate	31. 0. 0	Borough Rate	10. 0. 0

May 23. 1884 R. H. Walsh Secy

23rd May 1884

At a Special Meeting of the Council held this day pursuant to the Mayor's requisition in the Tholsel at the hour of Twelve o'clock noon: - To receive and consider the Waterworks Estimate and agree upon striking the Water Rates for the ensuing year.

The following Members attended: -

Richard Walsh Esq. Mayor

Aldermen - Peter Murphy

Four Councillors - Thomas Murphy, John Edmund, Patrick Doyle, John

Hinton, Ambrose C. Fortune, John Ryan, Patrick Ryan, Jasper H. Walsh,

Joseph Connor, Thomas Keefe.

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and confirmed.

The Estimate of the Probable Receipts and Expenditure for Waterworks for the forthcoming year was submitted.

Estimate of the probable expenses to be incurred and provided for by the Corporation of Wexford in carrying into effect the provisions of the Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (Lackys) Confirmation Act 1876 in the year 1884 within the Borough of Wexford

To Amount due on loan of £25,000 to this date	2151	6	"
" Instalment and interest on do for year	1165	16	8
" " " " " " " " " "	305	.	-
" Salaries—			
Superintendent	40.	0.	0
Town Clerk	38.	8.	0
Caretaker	38.	0.	0
	106	8	0
" Balance unpaid of Rate collector's Poundsage "	1	10	"
" Poundsage of Rate Collector for ensuing year "	50	.	.
" Engineering expenses due	1181	10	.
" Probable law costs	100	.	.
" Printing, Advertising and Stationery	25	.	.
" Rates & Taxes	2	.	.
" Maintenance of Works	10	"	"
" Contingencies	30	"	"
" Preparation of Rate Books	8	"	"

By Balance in hands of Treasurer this day	195	2	2
" Uncollected Rate £ 295. 2. 11½			
Probable deductions 160. 0. 0	136	2	11½
" Money in Chancery	200	.	.
" Various Sources of Income	100	.	.
" Cash in hands of collector	13	"	6
" " " " " " " " " " "	5	.	.
" " " " " " " " " " "	648	12	7½
Amount to be provided for by Rates	1448	13	7½
	5136	6	3

A. D. - A Domestic Rate of 1/- and a Public Rate of 6d, provided Domestic Rate is irrecoverable on Houses &c will produce about £ 1092. 0. 0

A Domestic Rate of 1/- and a Public Rate of 1/- will produce about £ 1953. 0. 0

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Approved Right Talbot Ch.

Brought forward £ 67. 5. 6

4. - Little & Elgar. Rent of Applefields	15. 11. 0
5. - Messrs Edmund. Repairs on Corporate Buildings	1. 5. 5
6. - Bank of Ireland. & others	2. 0. 10
7. - Gerald O'R. Ryan. Counsel's fee on case relative to Corporate tenants	2. 2. 0
8. - Michael Murphy. Water Rates	1. 9. 5
9. - James Bolger. Painting windows of Thelchel	18. 0
10. - Gerald O'R. Ryan. Counsel's fee in case of Dissiter and the Corporation	2. 2. 0
11. - James Mc Eroy. Erection of Market Stalls	19. 10. 0
12. - Same. Repairs to Market Stalls	14. 0
13. - Gerald O'R. Ryan. & to pay for repairs on Town Hall	18. 5
14. - James Mc Eroy. Erection of Market Stalls	17. 10. 0
15. - Same. Repairs to Corporate Buildings	6. 10
16. - Gerald O'R. Ryan. & to pay for repairs on Market.	3. 4. 6
17. - James Bolger. Papering and Painting in Thelchel.	3. 13. 3
	138. 0. 2

Check of Ledgers

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The following resolution proposed by John Redmond Esq. and seconded by Patrick Ryan Esq. was passed
Resolved - That the Waterworks Estimate of Expenses to be provided for in the ensuing year be hereby approved and that a Domestic Water Rate of One Shilling and a Cubic Rate of Sixpence in the Pound on the Rateable Value of Property within the Borough together with Special Trade Rates and Charges be hereby agreed upon and the necessary advertisements respecting the matter published.
Signed. { John Redmond
 { Patrick Ryan

Consequent to a Circular from the Very Reverend Canon Tempy inviting the Corporation to appoint two Delegates to represent them at the approaching County Convention the following resolution proposed by Ambrose P. Thomas Esq. and seconded by Joseph Cormor Esq. was passed: -

Resolved - That the Mayor and Councillor Patrick Doyle be appointed as Delegates to the County Convention to be held on the 25th June 1884 and that the appointments be notified to Father Tempy.
Signed { Ambrose P. Thomas
 { Joseph Cormor

Thomas Stephen Thomas
3 July 1884

3rd July, 1884.

A Special Meeting of the Council held this day in the School, pursuant to the Mayor's requisition at the hour of ~~seven~~ ^{eight} o'clock a.m.: - To close the Books of the Water Rate collector, strike the Water Rates for the ensuing year and dispose of other business in connection therewith.

The following Members attended: -

Aldermen - Peter Murphy, John Joseph Walsh.

Four Councillors - John Ryan, Patrick Ryan, John Edmund, Edward Walsh, Joseph Connor, William Scallan, Jasper H. Walsh, Ambrose P. Holmes, John Hinton, Thomas Cleefe, Thomas Harpur.

Mr. Harpur was moved to the Chair. It was subsequently occupied by the Mayor.

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and confirmed.

The Minutes of Proceedings of the Waterworks Committee up to this date were read and sanctioned. On the recommendation with regard to accepting a surety for Mr Murphy in lieu of Mr Somers, resigned, the following resolution proposed by Edward Walsh & Co. and seconded by William Scallan & Co. was passed: -

Resolved - That the letter of Mr Somers, withdrawing his name as surety for Mr Murphy, Collector of Water Rate, having been received the same be accepted and that Mr James Kelly be accepted as Mr Murphy's surety in conjunction with Mr Edmund. Mr Murphy's present surety.

Signed { E. Walsh

William Scallan

The Water Rate collector submitted a Statement showing the result of his collection for the past year: -

Amount of the Warrant	£ 1478. 14. 10 1/4
Special Charges which became collectable during the year	5. 15. 6
	£ 1484. 10. 4 1/4

Amount Collected thereout £ 1268. 14. 4 1/2

Uncollectable Rate 152. 8. 7 1/2

Outstanding Rate 63. 7. 4 1/4 £ 1484. 10. 4 1/4

It was Ordered - That the above statement be approved and the outstanding Rate carried forward to the new Rate as collectable Arrears.

A letter was received from the Solicitor of the Board of Works threatening to put the Sureties into force without further delay unless the Corporation were prepared to shew that within a reasonable time they would be in a position to make a considerable payment on account of the Arrears on the Water Loan.

It was Ordered - That the Town Clerk in reply inform Mr W. Cliverton the Corporation have been remitting all the available money from the Water Rates, and that they have no possible means of meeting their engagements if the Commissioners of Public Works do not extend the time for payment.

Mr. Walsh's opinion was read on the question of refunding the Water Rates which were wrongly collected from the occupants of Hall Houses &c last year. Mr. Walsh advised that such money could not be returned.

An opinion was also received as to whether the Corporation in making

Mr. Smith's Books and Accounts could be recovered from his Surtees. According to the opinion the Surtees were equally liable to pay this expense as the ~~other~~ defalcation. The Solicitor was therefore instructed to decline Mr. O'Flaherty's offer of £60. 13. 4 and in the event of the non-payment of it and the additional £25 to institute proceedings for the recovery of the whole debt.

The meeting adjourned to Monday the 7th Instant to strike the Rate Rates and seal and sign the new Rate Book.

July 10th 1884 Richd Walsh Secy

7th July 1884

An adjourned Special Meeting of the Council held this day, pursuant to the Mayor's requisition in the Hotel at the hour of Twelve o'clock noon - To strike the Rate Rates for the ensuing year and seal and sign the Rate Book.

The following Members attended:-

Mayor - Peter Murphy. John Joseph Walsh

Four Councillors - Ambrose P. Byrne. Patrick Doyle. Patrick Ryan. John Ryan

Michael Buckham. Thomas Kieffe. Jasper H. Walsh. John Redmond. Thomas

Hopkin. Joseph Keenan. Edward Walsh. William Scallan.

Councillor - Hopkin was moved to and took the chair

A sufficient number of Members to strike the Rate not having attended, the Meeting adjourned to Thursday the 10th Instant.

July 10th 1884 Richd Walsh Secy

10th July 1884

An adjourned Special Meeting of the Council held this day, pursuant to the Mayor's requisition in the Hotel at the hour of Twelve o'clock noon - To strike the Rate Rates and seal and sign the Rate Book

The following Members attended:-

Richard Walsh Esq Mayor in the chair

Members - Peter Murphy. John Smith

Four Councillors - Ambrose P. Byrne. John Buckley. Patrick Ryan. Edward Walsh.

John Ryan. John Redmond. Jasper H. Walsh. Thomas Hopkin. Michael Buckham

Patrick Doyle. Joseph Keenan. William Scallan. Thomas Kieffe.

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and confirmed.

Mr Buckley signed his declaration of acceptance of office.

Mr Scallan moved the suspension of standing order which was approved and proposed the following resolutions which was seconded by Mr E. Walsh and passed unanimously:-

Resolved - That we congratulate Mr William O'Brien, Editor of United Ireland upon the result of the recent action - Cornwall v. O'Brien - in which in the interest of public morality he has combatted and we trust secured for ever an insidious and malicious and that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to Mr O'Brien

signed } William Scallan
E. Walsh

The following resolution proposed by Alderman Emmott and seconded by John Richmond &c. was passed:—

Resolved - That in pursuance of the provisions of the Local Government Board (Ireland) Provisional Orders (Lalor &c) Confirmation Act 1876 there be now struck a Rate comprising a Domestic Rate of one Shilling and a Public Rate of Licence in the Pound on the nett assessable value of the rateable property within the Borough of Wexford and all other the Rates and charges payable on & charges as agreed to in an Estimate submitted and approved on the 23rd May last. That the said Rates be fixed to be payable on and after the 12th day of August next. That the Rate Book be now sealed and signed and the necessary notices published in the newspapers circulating within the town and by placards

Signed { John Emmott
John Richmond.

The Rate Book was then duly sealed and signed.

Mr. Lucan Ryan brought before the Meeting the desirability of erecting ^{each of} at the inlets of the streams supplying the Reservoir a kind of screen so constructed as to prevent the sediment carried along by the action of the streams from entering the Basin.

The matter was referred to the Waterworks Committee and a Special Meeting of the Council directed to be convened for Tuesday the 15th Instant in order to receive the recommendations of the Committee on the question.

A letter was received from the caretaker of the Reservoir asking an increase of wages which was also referred to the Committee.

A letter was submitted from Mr. Richard Hayes complaining on the Turncock and pointing out the imprudence of having only one or two men in the town who understood the management of the old Water Supply.

The Mayor stating he had already arranged the affair the letter was ordered to be marked "Read".

July 15th 1884 Richd Hayes Esq

15th July 1884

At a Special Meeting of the Council held this day, pursuant to the Mayor's requisition at the Hotel at the town of Wexford at 8 o'clock p.m. — To receive a recommendation from the Waterworks Committee as to the desirability of erecting small filtering contrivances at the Reservoir.

The following Members attended:—

Richard Hayes Esq Mayor in the chair

Alderman - Peter Murphy

Town Councillors - Patrick Doyle, John Richmond, John Ryan, Matthew Somers, Edward Walsh, Thomas Huford, John Hinton.

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and confirmed.

The following resolution proposed by Thomas Huford &c. and seconded by Patrick Doyle &c. was passed:—

Resolved - That the recommendation of the Waterworks Committee with regard to the

filtering of the water previous to its entering the Reservoir as recommended by Mr
H. Ryan &c. to be approved and carried out at a cost not to exceed £50.

Signed { Thomas Harpur
Patrick Doyle

Thomas Harpur

28 July 1884

28th July 1884

A Special Meeting of the Council held this day, pursuant to the Mayor's requisition,
in the Hall at the Town of Exeter at 8 o'clock noon. - To take into consideration the
sanitary state of the houses of the town and to give power to the Sanitary Sub-Committee
to act continuously in ordering the abatement of nuisances and prosecutions. To order
the clearing of Kippis for the poor at the expense of the Sanitary Authority as
recommended by the Consulting Sanitary Officer.

The following members attended: -

New Councillors - Patrick Doyle, Edward Walsh, Thomas Harpur, Ambrose
G. Stone, Patrick Ryan, John Hinton, Thomas O'Keefe, Jasper M. Walsh,
Thomas Harpur Esq. &c. was moved to the chair.

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

The minutes of Sanitary Committee were also read and were approved.

The following resolution proposed by John Hinton &c. and seconded by Thomas
O'Keefe &c. was passed: -

Resolved - That the Sub-Sanitary Committee be empowered to act continuously
in serving notices for the abatement of nuisances & carrying on prosecutions and do
all acts and things necessary for the complete sanitation of the town

Signed { John Hinton
Thomas O'Keefe

It was Ordered - That placards be issued calling on the Keepers of Commons
Lodging Houses to register their premises under the Bye-Laws

The following resolution proposed by Thomas O'Keefe &c. and seconded by
John Hinton &c. was passed: -

Resolved - That the Sub-Sanitary Committee be authorised to employ the services
of an additional Sub-Sanitary Officer if in their opinion it is thought necessary
for such a period as may be considered sufficient and at a salary to be fixed by them

Signed { Thomas O'Keefe
John Hinton

Aug 1st 1884 Rich Walsh Chairman

1st August 1884

A Statutable Meeting of the Council held this day in the Town Hall at the hour of 8 o'clock in the evening - To pass accounts, receive communications and transact all such business as might be brought before the Meeting the following Members attended:-

Richard Walsh Esqre. Mayor, in the chair.

Alderman - Peter Murphy

Town Councillors:- Ambrose P. Fortino, William Scallan, Edward Walsh, Patrick Ryan, Jasper R. Walsh, Thomas O'Sheffe, and Stephen Doyle.

Also present - E. Hieron Ryan. Town Surveyor.

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and confirmed.

The following resolution proposed by Ambrose P. Fortino & Co. and seconded by William Scallan & Co. was passed:-

Resolved - That the Bills, now submitted, as recommended for payment by Finance Committee amounting to £384. 8. 8 be hereby approved and cheques signed for payment and also that Bill of Mr O'Connor £9. 17. 5, Income Tax Bill £4. 3. 4 and Bill of £1 to Miss Malone be passed and cheques drawn for payment.

Signed { Ambrose P. Fortino
William Scallan

Mr Simpson handed in an application to remove the gas-lamp over his door in Main Street to the opposite side of the street in which latter position the light would have a two fold effect namely - that of reducing the chance of nuisance being committed and that of lighting the face of the clock over his door.

It was Ordered - that Mr Simpson's request be complied with and that he be authorised to point out to the Manager of the Gas Works how to make the alteration.

The following letter in reply to resolution of 10th July, last congratulating Mr O'Brien M. P. on the favorable termination of the action of Cornwall v. O'Brien was ordered to be inserted in the Minutes:-

House of Commons Library
July. 15. 84

Dear Sir - I have to acknowledge with gratitude the kind resolution of congratulation which the Corporation of Wexford have so thoughtfully sent me. Believe me that in very trying circumstances approval such as this is to me extremely precious.

Yours very faithfully
William O'Brien

G. O'D. Ryan Esqre Town Clerk.

The following resolution proposed by Edward Walsh & Co. and seconded by Alderman Murphy was passed:-

Resolved - That the Commissioners of Public Works be informed in reply to their letter of the 17th Ult. that the Water Rates will become collectable after the 12th August and the Corporation will remit all the available money from that source. Also that the Board be referred to the previous correspondence on the subject of striking an additional Rate. Datum the 22nd day of July 1884. Signed E. Walsh
(Peter Murphy)

A Resolution passed by the Municipal Council of Dublin declaring that Irish Land Purchase and Settlement Company deserving of the support of the Municipal Bodies of Ireland was laid before the meeting and was unanimously adopted. Its terms are as follows amended as to apply to Wexford:—

Resolved—That as the Irish Land Purchase and Settlement Company limited has for its objects the material advancement of the country by developing its agricultural resources and providing suitable holdings and remunerative employment for people now forced to emigrate, and also by enabling tenants to become the proprietors of their holdings it is deserving of the support of the Corporation of Wexford and of the other Municipal Bodies in Ireland

A proposal from Mr George Henry Bassett to insert in consideration of the sum of £2, the "Wexford & Environs" in the new Guide and Directory of Wexford which he is about to publish was read and not accepted.

The following resolution proposed by Ambrose P. & Thomas & Co. and seconded by Jasper H. Walsh & Co. was passed:—

Resolved—That the Town Surveyor be instructed to make a thorough examination of the Town Hall and prepare an estimate of the probable cost of putting it into repair and that the Finance Committee be authorised to adopt whatever suggestion Mr Ryan has to make with regard to the matter.

Signed. { A. P. & Thomas
Jasper H. Walsh

The Minutes of Proceedings of the Waterworks Committee up to this date were read and were sanctioned in whole.

It was Ordered—That Mr Ryan & Co. having shown that the recent scarcity of water was due to the lavish misuse of it by the inhabitants he be empowered to take whatever steps may be necessary for the prevention of such waste

Report of Lodgments

Borough Rate	£14. 0. 0	Borough Rate	£10. 0. 0
Do	14. 0. 0	Do	12. 0. 0
Do	16. 0. 0	Use of Town Hall	8. 10. 0
Do	13. 0. 0	Rent	197. 9. 1
Do	20. 0. 0	Borough Rate	9. 0. 0

The following are the particulars of the Bills passed this day for payment.—

Cheques to	
101. Gerald O'B. Ryan. Quarters Salary as Town Clerk to 1 st August. 1884	£10. 0. 0
102. John Hannon. Do. as Mayor's Sergeant to do	4. 0. 0
103. James Dempsey. Do. as caretaker of graveyards to do	6. 5. 0
104. Emma Murphy. Do. for cleaning offices to do	10. 0
105. Gerald O'B. Ryan. Do. as Executive Sanitary Officer to do	5. 0. 0
106. John Cream. M.D. Do. as Consulting Sanitary Officer to do	3. 15. 0
107. John Hannon. Do. as Sanitary Sub. Officer to do	5. 0. 0
108. Gerald O'B. Ryan. Cash advanced to house sanitary small accounts	1. 12. 3
109. John Hannon. Disinfecting contagious houses	2. 2. 6
Brought forward	
	38. 4. 9

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110 - Geo Cornhamy. Two seasons gas to 1 st May 1884		289. 13. 9
111 - Mrs Eliza Piers. Chloride of Lime		19. 0
112 - M & T. Good. Stationery		6. 4
113 - Matthew Angham. Hardware goods and repairs		15. 6
114 - John P. Emmott. Do		1. 1. 7
115 - Little & Summ. Half Years Rent of Market Ground		25. 0. 0
116 - Same Do of Town Hall Ground		6. 14. 3
117 - Same Do of Pipefields		15. 0. 0
118 - Wexford Independent. Advertising		2. 4. 6
119 - Wexford Constitution Do		2. 4. 6
120 - Wexford People Do		2. 4. 6
121 - Michael J. Kammur. Commission on Corporate Rents		9. 17. 5
122 - James Simmons. Scheme-tax		4. 3. 4
123 - Catherine Malone. Carting and clearing Town Hall		1. 0. 0
		<u>£ 399. 9. 5</u>

List of payments made by Finance Committee since last Quarterly Meeting by orders on Borough Treasurer.

1. Scavenging Streets	27. 8. 7
2. Repairs on Market	3. 14. 3
3. Scheme-tax	2. 6. 6
	<u>£ 33. 9. 4</u>

Joseph O'Connor

up to August 1884.

At a Meeting of the Qualified Electors of the Borough of Wexford held this day in the Town Hall at Eleven o'clock forenoon - To Elect two Harbour Commissioners to replace those going out of office by rotation

Alderman John Joseph Walsh and Mr Thomas O'Kuffe J.C. being the only persons nominated and they having been duly proposed and seconded were accordingly declared elected.

Joseph O'Connor M.R.

up to August 1884.

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