

At a Meeting of the Council held at the Sholse on Friday the 22<sup>d</sup> day of February 1856

On the Motion of Daniel Percy Sweetman, and Arthur. Kavanagh Town Councillors, It was Resolved, That the Seal of the Corporation be affixed to the deed Will appointing Richard Walsh, and Robert. Stafford Esquires, Aldermen of the Borough of Wexford, Trustees to execute the trusts in the Will of the late William Tate, as also of the Codicil thereto, in the Room and stead of the Bailiffs of the late Corporation of the Town and Borough of Wexford

Richard Sweetman Mayor

At a Quarterly Meeting of the Council held at the Town Hall on Thursday the First day of May 1856

On the Motion of Town Councillors John Walsh J.P. and John Coghlan M.D. It was Resolved, that the report of the Property Committee now read be adopted

On the Motion of Alderman Greene and Town Councillor John Walsh J.P. It was Resolved That our Law Agent be instructed to initiate the proper proceedings to establish the right of the Corporation to one of the premises mentioned in the Report, as may seem most advisable

On the Motion of Town Councillor John Walsh J.P. and Alderman Greene It was Resolved That Six Chairs be obtained for the use the Mayors Office, and that the undersigned Members of the Council be a Committee for superintending the painting the Windows of the Sholse, and the repairing the Gates of the Irish Market

Committee, Town Councillors  
James Harper, John Walsh, J.P., and  
James M. Vicary Alderman Greene



On the Motion of James Ralph Crosbie, and John Coghlan Town Councillors, It was Resolved, That, certain Accounts having been duly examined, and amounting in the aggregate to the sum of £ 9. 18. 1 be paid by the Treasurer

Richard Simon May

At a Special Meeting of the Council held at the Sholset on Wednesday the fourth day of June 1856 -

On the Motion of Town Councillor John Walsh J.P. and Alderman Kinselah, It was Resolved, that, four Barrels of of grass seeds, be sown on the new Fair ground, at a suitable time

It was Moved by Town Councillor James Ralph Crosbie and, seconded by Town Councillor James Hogan, That, one hundred tons of clay and sand, be spread on the Fair ground -

An Amendment to the above Resolution was Moved by Town Councillor John Walsh J.P. and Alderman Kinselah, in the words following, vizt. That the new Fair Green, be neither sanded or clayed - which Amendment being put to the Council by the Mayor (Chairman) it was declared to be Carried, and the Resolution Negatived

Richard Simon May

At a Meeting of the Council held at the Sholset on Monday the 16<sup>th</sup> day of June 1856 pursuant to Special Notice

On the Motion of Town Councillor John Walsh J.P. and Alderman Walsh, It was Resolved, That, the Petition for the alteration of the Grand jury Laws now read be adopted and Signed by the Mayor on behalf of the Corporation, and forwarded



forwarded to our Borough Member for presentation, and that the County Members and the Member for New Ross be requested to support the same

Richard Simmet Mayor

Quarterly Meeting held at the Town Hall on Friday the first day of August 1856

On the Motion of James Ralph, Crosbie and William Walpole Town Councillors, It was Resolved that the several Accounts now submitted to the Council, and amounting in the whole to the Sum of £98..11..8 be paid

On the Motion of James M. Vicary, and James Ralph Crosbie Town Councillors It was Resolved that a Committee of the undere named members of the Council be formed and appointed, to Confer with the Agents of the several Fire Insurance Offices, with Reference to the providing a Fire Engine for the Protection of Property of Houses, and Property generally within the Borough

Committee, James M. Vicary - James Ralph Crosbie  
 Ald<sup>r</sup> Greene Ald<sup>r</sup> Walsh and  
 Ald<sup>r</sup> Stafford  
 Richard Simmet



At a Special Meeting of the Council held at the Tholsel on Monday the 11<sup>th</sup> day of August 1856

On the Motion of Joseph Swan Waddy, Esq and Alderman Walsh, It was Resolved That <sup>the Mayor</sup> do as usual attend and take his seat on the Bench as a Justice of the Peace at the next Petty Sessions to be holden within the Borough ~

Richard Smith Mayor

At a Special Meeting of the Council held at the Tholsel on Monday the 25<sup>th</sup> day of August 1856

On the Motion of Alderman Crean and Alch<sup>n</sup> Stafford ~ It was Resolved, That the undersigned Members of the Council, be a Committee to act in conjunction with our Law Agent in framing a Case relative to the jurisdiction of the Mayor, Same to be submitted to Henry O'Hara Esquire (in conjunction with the Attorney and Solicitor General &) for his Opinion and Advice ~

Committee named

Rodolphus William Ryan ~ Joseph Swan Waddy, Percy Daniel Sweetman, John Walsh James M. Vicary Town Councillors and Aldermen Crean and Stafford

Richard Smith Mayor

At a Meeting of the Council held at the Tholsel on the 22<sup>d</sup> day of September 1856

On the Motion of James M. Vicary and Percy D Sweetman Town Councillors It was resolved that for the present the Case relative to the jurisdiction of the Mayor be submitted to M<sup>r</sup> O'Hara and the Attorney General only

Richard Smith Mayor



At a Special Meeting of the Council held at the  
 Tholsel on Tuesday the 14<sup>th</sup> day of October 1856

On the Motion of Town Councillors John Swan  
 Hadden, and William Walpole It was Resolved that a  
 Committee of three Members of the Council be appointed  
 to Carry into effect the offer of B. Woodcraft Esq from the  
 Patent Seal Office, and to Confer with the Mechanics  
 Institute respecting their receiving them and their temporary  
 safe keeping & Committee Ald<sup>r</sup> Greene and Town  
 Councillors John Coghlan and James M Vicary

On the Motion of Joseph T Waddy and John  
 E Hadden Town Councillors It was Resolved, that we  
 receive and adopt the report of the Property Committee and  
 receive the rents referred to therein in future without seeking  
 for the recovery of the arrears now due, the first half year  
 to be paid on the first November next (1856)  
 Richard Sinnott Mayor

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Quarter day, Saturday First day of November 1856

Six Members of the Council only having attended  
 no Business was entered on, or proceeded with  
 Richard Sinnott Mayor

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At a Special Meeting of the Council held at the Hotel on Monday the tenth day of November 1856

On the Motion of James Ralph Crosbie and John Walsh J.P. Town Councillors It was resolved, that a Committee be appointed, to Communicate with some of the Corporate Towns, to ascertain the Annual expense of Maintaining and Working a Fire Engine. Committee. Aldermen, Stafford and Green and Town Councillors, Joseph T. Waddy

On the Motion of Town Councillors James R. Crosbie and Ald<sup>r</sup> Greene, It was resolved, that certain Accounts amounting in the whole to £60<sup>..</sup>7<sup>..</sup>5 having been submitted to the Council, examined by them, and approved, of be paid.

On the Motion of Daniel P. Sweetman and Ald<sup>r</sup> Greene, It was Resolved, that the Iron Safe Committee, be empowered to purchase, the Iron Safe in the Savings Bank, at £9, and erect the same

Richard Simon Major

At a Special Meeting of the Council held at the Hotel on Thursday the 20<sup>th</sup> day of November 1856

On the Motion of Town Councillors John Walsh and James Ralph Crosbie, It was resolved, that a Borough Rate of Six pence in the pound be struck for the ensuing year

On the Motion of Daniel Percy Sweetman and



And John Evans Hadden, Town Councillors It was Resolved, that the Report of the Committee on the Fire Engine be adopted ~

On the Motion of Alderman Greene, and Town Councillor Arthur Kavanagh, it was Resolved, that John Blalsh, J. P. William Walpole, Town Councillors, Ald<sup>n</sup> Stafford, John Evans Hadden and James M. Vicary Town Councillors, be appointed a Committee to confer with M<sup>r</sup> Farrell respecting the flagging presentment of £50

On the Motion of Alderman Greene, and Town Councillor Joseph T. Waddy, it was Resolved, That Bills to the amount of £27. 13. 9 in the aggregate be paid

Robert Smith Mayor

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At a Special Meeting held at the Tholsel on the 27<sup>th</sup> day November 1856

On the Motion of Alderman Walsh, and Town Councillor James M. Vicary It was Resolved That a Committee consisting of the Mayor, and Town Councillors Joseph T. Waddy, Daniel P. Sweetman, John Coghlan and, Ben<sup>n</sup> Vicary Jun, Town Clerk, be and is hereby appointed for the purpose of considering the present By Law, and to prepare a Statement to be forwarded for the Advice of the Law Officers of the Crown, as to the power of the Mayor to enforce the same ~

The following Town Councillors being re-elected, made and subscribed the Declaration of taking Office, - L. T. Waddy James Ralph Crosbie, and James M. Vicary

Robert Smith Mayor



At a Meeting of the Council held at the Town Hall, on Monday the 1<sup>st</sup> day of December 1856, for the purpose of electing a Mayor for the ensuing year, pursuant to the provisions of the Municipal Acts ~

It was Moved by Town Councillor John Walsh, J. P. and Seconded by Town Councillor Waddy, Esq<sup>r</sup> That Town Councillor John Coghlan be elected Mayor for the ensuing year ~ which Proposition on being put, to the Council, by the Mayor Richard Sinnott Esq<sup>r</sup>, was Carried Unanimously ~

On the Motion of Town Councillors Joseph J. Waddy, and John E. Hadden, It was Resolved, That M<sup>rs</sup> Stafford and Walsh, be elected Trustees to Sait's Charity (under his Will) for the ensuing year ~

On the Motion of Town Councillor John Walsh, J. P. and Alderman Crean, It was Resolved, That M<sup>rs</sup> Hawley do hand over to M<sup>r</sup> Ryan, M<sup>r</sup> C. Mara, Opinion, and the Case, upon which said Opinion is founded, relative to Sait's Will

Richard Sinnott Mayor

At a Special Meeting of the Council held at the Tholsel, on Thursday the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of December 1856

On the Motion of Alderman Crean and Town Councillor John Coghlan, It was Resolved That the proposition relative to the Magazine Walls be referred to the Property Committee



On the Motion of Town Councillor John Walsh, J. P. and Alderman Cerean, It was Resolved, That having taken into consideration, the letter of our Law Agent, Joseph Harvey Esq, tendering his resignation, in which He states, in  
 " As M<sup>r</sup> Ryan is acting as our Solicitor, in a Suit instituted  
 " in the Court of Chancery, by the Rev<sup>d</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Elgee, disputing the  
 " Validity of the appointments, made in pursuance, of an  
 " Opinion, by the Town Council, of new Trustees of said Charity.  
 We beg to Inform him, That the Trustees, act in their private capacity, wholly independant, of the Corporation. And therefore, decline to accept, his resignation. And hope that he will withdraw his letter of the second instant, with which he tenders it, ~

Richard Smith Mayor

First day of January 1857

At a Meeting of the Council, held this day at the Town Hall for the purpose of inaugurating the Mayor Elect, John Coghlan Esq<sup>r</sup> Town Councillor, Made and Subscribed the Declaration of taking Office, as also, the Oath, prescribed by, and pursuant to the several Statutes in such case made and provided

Richard Smith Mayor

On the Motion of Town Councillor John Walsh, J. P. and James M. Vicary, It was Resolved That a Vote of Thanks be passed to Richard Sinnott Esq<sup>r</sup> the outgoing Mayor for his unremitting Zeal in discharging the Duties of his Office during the past year, which Resolution passed unanimously

John Coghlan Mayor



At a Special Meeting of the Council held at the Sholmel on Thursday the fifteenth day of January 1857 ~

On the Motion of John Walsh Esq<sup>r</sup> J. C. and Ald<sup>n</sup> Greene  
It was resolved, That as the Country is now happily at Peace, and as the additional Income tax, was only to be levied during the Continuance of the War, and as the tax is Inquisitorial in Spirit and most oppressive in its operation, We are of opinion, That it should be totally abolished, from and after the fifth day of April next ~

On the Motion of Ald<sup>n</sup> Stafford and James R. Corcoran  
It was resolved ~ That a Petition embodying the foregoing shall be adopted, and signed with the Seal of the Corporation, and entrusted to John Thomas Derrux Esq<sup>r</sup> M. P. for presentation in the Commons, and that the Members for the County, and the Borough of Ross, be requested to support its prayer ~

With respect to the Numbering the Houses within the Borough, as specified in the Notice Paper, It was finally agreed to defer the Matter to another day, and that Mess<sup>rs</sup> John Walsh, Ald<sup>n</sup> Green, and the Mayor, be requested to Report, to the next Meeting on the Subject.

John Coghlan Mayor

At a Meeting of the Council, Quarterly, held at the Town Hall on Monday the Second day of February 1857  
the Mayor, in the Chair ~



On the Motion of Aldermen Kenselak, and Stafford, It was Resolved, That we accept the Resignation of Town Councillor, Rodolphus W<sup>m</sup> Ryan, as a member of the Corporation ~

On the Motion of Town Councillors Daniel Percy Sweetman, and Richard Sinnott, It was Resolved, That Rodolphus W<sup>m</sup> Ryan Esq<sup>r</sup> be appointed Law Agent, and Solicitor to the Corporation ~

On the Motion of Town Councillors John Walsh, and Richard Sinnott, It was Resolved, That Town Councillor Arthur Kavenah be appointed the third Auditor of Accounts for the ensuing year on the part of the Corporation ~

On the Motion of Town Councillors John Walsh, and James Ralph Crosbie, It was Resolved that our Scavenger do get an additional four Shillings per week for the next eight weeks to his present Salary, to enable him to more perfectly cleanse the streets ~

On the Motion of Town Councillors James M. Vicary and William Walpole, It was Resolved that Bills to the amount of £9. 18. 6 having been examined and approved of be paid ~

On the Motion of John E. Hadden and Richard Sinnott, It was Resolved, That a Sum not exceeding £10. be expended in putting Shelves for the Patents belonging to the Corporation, now in possession of the Mechanics Institute ~

Wm Coghlan Mayor



At a Special Meeting of the Council held at the School on Friday the  
Seventeenth day of April 1857 ~

On the Motion of Alderman Greene, and Town Councillor  
John Walsh, It was resolved, That M<sup>r</sup> Peices tender for supplying a  
Fire Engine be adopted, and that said tender be entered in full on  
the Minutes ~

(Copy Tender)

Holly Mills Wexford ~ 31<sup>st</sup> March 1857

To the Mayor and Council of the Corporation of Wexford  
Gentlemen

I propose, to furnish for the Corporation a Fire  
Engine of sufficient size and strength to be worked by 25 or 30 men  
Having two Gun Metal (Brass) cylinders, Gun Metal valves and Pistons  
with parallel guides, and strong Copper diaphragm, with an outlet at  
each side of the engine, to receive hose pipes, each provided with screw  
caps, so that the water may be discharged in one, or two streams, as  
occasion may require ~ The centre axle bar, and lever bars to be  
of best wrought iron, and working in good strong Brass bearings ~

The handles to be of sufficient length to allow the above number of  
men to work them, and to be fitted at each end with folding joints, so as  
to be more portable for traveling and storage ~ The works to be fixed  
in a good strong Oak Cistern, with top Box, and side lockers for holding  
Rope, Branches, Hoses, tools &c and mounted on a Carriage with four  
good spoke wheels, with best iron axles turned and fitted in lathe ~  
and four steel springs, for locking carriage pole, and splinter bar, for  
two horses, shafts for one horse, Drivers seat, and foot board  
and drag handle for men. The whole to be well painted and  
varnished, and to be furnished with the following articles, viz<sup>t</sup>  
two copper branch pipes, with Gun metal, swivel, screws and  
jets and spreaders one copper strainer and swivel, screw to take  
suction pipe, two hose wrenches, a turn screw, and Hammer  
Axe, crow bar, and Hammer Ladder, the whole to be done in a  
workman like manner for the sum of £120 with five per cent



Off for Cash, I also propose, that the above specified Engine shall be ready within three Months from the date of the Order, and that the Corporation shall not be bound to acknowledge same as their property until it has been fairly and satisfactorily tested, and found to be as efficient as any of the London made Engines of the same size and power. And I also propose, to furnish Hose pipes, Mutton pipes, Buckets &c, at London cost prices, with the expense of carriage added. If you favor me with your Order it shall have my best attention.

I am, Gentlemen, your obedient Servant  
James Price

P.S. I will undertake to give such instructions to the Brigade Master as may be required, for the working of the Engine  
J. Price. Holly Mills Wexford

Wm Caglan Mayor

At a quarterly meeting of the Council held at the Town Hall on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of May 1857.

On the Motion of James R. Crosbie J.C. and Alderman Stafford it was resolved that the Iron safe be placed in the Wall of the Council Room.

On the motion of Alderman Greene and James M. Vicary J.C.  
Resolved that Stench Traps in sufficient number to abate the nuisances arising from the escape of noxious gases from the openings of the different sewers in the Town so very deleterious to the Public health be ordered from Mr. Price at the rate of 16/- each;

Committee to carry the above Resolution into Effect

The Mayor

Alderman Greene

J. M. Vicary J.C.

Rich. Annand J.C.

Alderman Stafford



On the Motion of W<sup>m</sup> Walpole Esq<sup>r</sup> & Shadden Town Councillors it was Resolved that the following Petition be adopted by the Council and that the Mayor affix the Seal of the Corporation thereto and forward same to J. J. Devenex Esq<sup>r</sup> & Co for presentation in the Commons and that the Members for the County & the Borough of Ross be requested to support the prayer thereof.

### Copy Petition

The Petition of the Mayor Aldermen and Burgesss of the Borough of Wexford  
Humbly Sheweth

That great inconvenience arises from the diversity of weights and measures, that the want of uniformity in the Standard of Value and in the systems of weighing in the different markets seriously impedes that free Commercial intercourse so much to be desired, and causes great trouble in making calculations, that the facilities for transporting produce to the best markets are now so much increased that farmers and Merchants are desirous of obtaining correct reports of the current value in the various localities, and that the quotations now published for their guidance are so diversified and confusing as to be unintelligible to the majority of readers - that the decimal system possesses many advantages over the present and w<sup>d</sup> tender Calculations more simple and easy, in arranging such a system Your Petitioners would recommend that the unit should be 1 lb. and the Cent 100 lbs, that under the existing Customs the seller of Agricultural produce has generally to submit to considerable deductions while he is fairly entitled to receive payment for every 1 lb. leaving the value to be adjusted between Buyer and Seller, Your Petitioners therefore humbly pray that Your Hon<sup>ble</sup> house will pass a Bill to assimilate weights and measures over the United Kingdom, introducing if practicable the decimal system and making it compulsory that payment should be made for the full weight or measure without any deduction whatever, and your Petitioners as in duty bound will ever pray.



On the Motion of James R. Crosbie J. C. and Alderman Greene it was resolved that the Mayor be requested to take the necessary steps to abate the nuisance in Sippy Greene.

On the Motion of Richard Shinnott and James R. Crosbie Town Councillors it was Resolved that the Books documents and Municipal papers be deposited in the Iron safe erected in the Tholsel that an Alderman from each ward viz - Aldermen Greene, Walsh, & Stafford be authorized to enter in a book to be kept in said safe a list of all such Books, Documents & papers to be checked each year by said Aldermen & the Mayor for the time being and that the Mayor hold the Key of said safe's

On the Motion of James M. Vicary & Arthur Kavanagh Town Councillors It was Resolved that We accept the tender of George Murphy (formerly put in) for the numbering of the houses of the town for six pounds provided he is still prepared to carry out the proposition -

On the Motion of James M. Vicary Town Councillor and Alderman Greene it was Resolved that the following Bills be paid, viz<sup>t</sup>

|                                    |    |    |       |
|------------------------------------|----|----|-------|
| Freight of Patents                 | £  | 17 | 7     |
| People Newspaper for advertisement | "  | 12 | 6     |
| Wexford Independent do -           | "  | 12 | 6     |
| John Colquhoun for Gas -           | 82 | =  | 0 0   |
|                                    | £  | 84 | = 2 7 |



At a Meeting of the Corporation held at the Tholsel, on Friday the 19<sup>th</sup> day of June 1857.

On the Motion of Alderman Greene and Rich<sup>d</sup> Sinnott Town Councillors, it was Resolved, That, in consequence of the By Laws of the Corporation, being found insufficient to enable the Mayor and Council to carry out such measures as they deem necessary for the well being and Prosperity of the Town, particularly in reference to the Markets and the removal of Nuisances. We Herely Approve of an application to have the benefits of the Towns Improvement Act applied to Wexford; and that the Mayor be instructed to call a Meeting of the Inhabitants on the Subject. Committee appointed to carry the above Resolution into effect Ald<sup>r</sup> Greene, Ald<sup>r</sup> Stafford, John Lalor, John E. Hadden and James Ralph Crosbie Town Councillors

Wm Coghlan Mayor

At a Quarterly Meeting of the Council held at the Town Hall, on Saturday the first day of August 1857.

On the Motion of James Ralph Crosbie and James Hogan Town Councillors, It was Resolved that the Sum of £4..4..0 be paid to Nicholas Green for cleansing the Streets.

Wm Coghlan Mayor

At a Meeting of the Corporation held at the Tholsel on Friday the 25<sup>th</sup> day of September 1857

On the Motion of Town Councillors James Hogan, and Joseph Susan Waddy, it was Resolved That



That a Lamp be placed, at the place prayed for in the Memorial of the Inhabitants of the Carrow Road, namely at the Boundary of the Borough thereon ~

On the Motion of Town Councillors Joseph Swan Bladdy, and Arthur Kavanagh It was Resolved, That an Address of Congratulation be presented to his Excellency the Earl of Carlisle, on the occasion of his visit to Wexford, and the following Members of the Council be appointed as a Committee, to carry this Resolution into effect ~

Committee

The Mayor, Ald<sup>n</sup> Cressan, Ald<sup>n</sup> Stafford, Town Councillors Joseph Bladdy, Arthur Kavanagh, and Ald<sup>n</sup> Greene ~  
With power to add to the number

John Coghlan, Mayor

At a Quarterly Meeting of the Council held at the Town Hall on Monday the 2<sup>d</sup> of Nov<sup>r</sup> 1857

On the Motion of John Walsh and Arthur Kavanagh Es<sup>rs</sup> It was Resolved That the Memorial of the Inhabitants of Carrow Road respecting a Lamp to be placed on the Boundary of the Borough be inserted on the Minutes ~

On the Motion of John Walsh and Jas Hogan Es<sup>rs</sup> It was Resolved as an amendment to a former proposition, that a Committee be appointed of two from each Ward, for the purpose of enquiring into the necessity of erecting a Lamp in Compliance with a Memorial from the Inhabitants of St. Mary's Ward and such other Lamps as the Committee may think necessary ~



Committee as under

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Saint Ikering Ward - John Walsh, and Richard  
Sinnott J.C. Saint Mary's Ward, Ald<sup>n</sup> Stafford and  
James Hogan J.C., St. Selskar Ward, Ald<sup>n</sup> Greene and  
Joseph S. Waddy - To Report, this day week

On the Motion of J.C. James Haynes and James  
Michael Vicary It was Resolved that a Committee of  
five be appointed to investigate the Accounts of the  
Corporation & Committee. The Mayor, Jas<sup>r</sup> Haynes, James  
M<sup>r</sup> Vicary, James Hogan and Arthur Kavanagh J.C.

On the the Motion of Joseph S. Waddy and Ald<sup>n</sup>  
Greene, It was Resolved that the Sum of £2<sup>n</sup> 10<sup>n</sup> expenses  
incurred by the Mayor relative to the Town Improvement  
Act be paid.

Negative

For Copy Memorial See the other side



At a Special Meeting of the Com<sup>ee</sup>  
 held at the Town Sheds on Monday the  
 9<sup>th</sup> day of Nov<sup>r</sup> previous, Ald<sup>rs</sup> and S. C. S.  
 present, - Namely  
 Ald<sup>r</sup> Leece. Ald<sup>r</sup> Walsh. John Walsh S. C.  
 James Harper. S. C. Arthur Kavanagh. S. C.  
 Peter Lynnot S. C. Ald<sup>r</sup> Greene. John Barrington S. C.  
 William Walpole S. C. J. S. Waddy S. C. James M. O'Leary  
 Ald<sup>r</sup> Pettit. Ald<sup>r</sup> Stafford. John Coady S. C.  
 James Hogan S. C. The Mayor.

To the Mayor, Bailiffs, Free  
 Burgesses and Councillors of the Town and  
 Borough of Wexford. —

The Memorial of the undersigned  
 Inhabitants of Wexford and its vicinity,  
 humbly sheweth —

That several of your Memorialists reside  
 within the Corporation, and are assessed for  
 Borough rates, and that others reside  
 immediately outside the boundaries thereof.  
 That Memorialists have occasion in the  
 exercise of their several pursuits in life  
 to pass and repass after daylight along the  
 road called the Carcur Road, which leads from  
 the Town in the direction of Ferry Carraig, and  
 that a portion of that road, to wit that  
 portion lying between Mr. Meyers gate at  
 Rockfield, and the point where the Old and New  
 roads diverge, opposite Tivoli, is from being enclosed  
 by high walls and overshadowed by trees,  
 very dark after Nightfall and dangerous from  
 the chances of collision.



That it would be a great advantage and convenience to y<sup>r</sup>. Mem<sup>rs</sup>, and a security for the Public at large if a Lamp were placed at the point where the Corporation boundary crosses the said road, and that if your Hon<sup>ble</sup> Body will cause a Lamp to be erected and lighted there, your Memorialists will at their own expense erect and light a Lamp at the junction of the old and New roads opposite Livoli Terrace, so that one of the principal approaches to the Town will be lighted for nearly half a mile.

May it therefore please y<sup>r</sup>. Hon<sup>ble</sup> Body to order that a Lamp be erected and lighted at the expense of the Corporation at the point just before mentioned and Mem<sup>rs</sup> as in duty bound will ever pray

Signed

Ebenezer Goodall L.R.C.S.  
 James B Farrell  
 William Pettitt, Ald  
 Richard O'Connor J.C.  
 Joseph Meadows  
 W. Ryan  
 Richard Allen

John Barrington  
 William Walker  
 Henry H. Boxwell M.D.  
 M. J. Devereux J.C.  
 D. P. Sweetman J.C.  
 Henry G. Pell  
 J. G. Hutton



At a Special Meeting of the Council held  
on Monday the 9th day of November 1857  
Councillors and Ald<sup>rs</sup> present, Ald<sup>r</sup> Crean, Ald<sup>r</sup>  
Walsh, J<sup>r</sup> John Walsh, James Harpur, Arthur  
Havenagh, Peter Sinnott, Ald<sup>r</sup> Green, John  
Bramington, William Walpole J<sup>r</sup> Joseph S Waddy  
J<sup>r</sup> James M. Vicary J<sup>r</sup>, Ald<sup>r</sup> Pettitt Ald<sup>r</sup>  
Hafford, J<sup>r</sup> Coady James Hogan J<sup>r</sup> and the  
Mayor,

Moved by Joseph S. Waddy and James Hogan J<sup>r</sup>, —

That the Estimate for the present year be entered on  
the Minutes —

On the Motion of John Walsh and seconded by —  
Wm. Walpole J<sup>r</sup>, it was Resolved That in  
accordance with the estimate That a Borough  
Rate of Six pence in the Pound to meet the Expenses  
of the coming year —

On the Motion of Alderman Hafford and J<sup>r</sup> M. Vicary  
J<sup>r</sup>, That in compliance with the Comptroller of the  
Report of the Committee to enquire into the necessity  
of a Lamp to be erected at the foot of the Dock Yard  
Hill, And also to erect another Lamp at the most  
convenient place between Hacketts Spout and the  
Cross of Summer Hill —

On the Motion of Alderman John Green and Arthur  
Havenagh, It was Resolved That the following  
Committee be appointed, viz. To take into  
consideration the entire Question —



Estimate of the expenses incurred, and still remaining due,  
for obtaining the Charter of Incorporation of the Town of Wexford,  
and also the annual amount necessary for carrying out the  
said Charter.

|                                                                         | £   | s  | d  | £   | s  | d |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|----|----|-----|----|---|
| Bill of Exchange in the hands of Robert Stafford Esq                    | 5   | 6  | 0  |     |    |   |
| Repairing Corporate Buildings                                           | 10  | 0  | 0  |     |    |   |
| Cleaning Streets                                                        | 4   | 0  | 0  |     |    |   |
| Printing and Stationary                                                 | 10  | 0  | 0  |     |    |   |
| Town Clerk's Salary for the ensuing year                                | 2   | 10 | 0  |     |    |   |
| Treasurer's Salary for D <sup>o</sup>                                   | 2   | 0  | 0  |     |    |   |
| Mayor's Clerk's Salary for D <sup>o</sup>                               | 2   | 0  | 0  |     |    |   |
| Inspector of Weights and Measures Salary for D <sup>o</sup>             | 1   | 0  | 0  |     |    |   |
| First Surgeant at Mace's Salary for D <sup>o</sup>                      | 6   | 0  | 0  |     |    |   |
| Second Surgeant at Mace's Salary for D <sup>o</sup>                     | 6   | 0  | 0  |     |    |   |
| Clothing for Surgeants at Mace for D <sup>o</sup>                       | 1   | 0  | 0  |     |    |   |
| Cleaning Mayor's Office and Court of Conscience                         | 3   | 0  | 0  |     |    |   |
| Fuel & for Mayor's Office                                               | 3   | 0  | 0  |     |    |   |
| One years Gas Rent for lighting the town                                | 16  | 0  | 0  |     |    |   |
|                                                                         | 94  | 0  | 0  |     |    |   |
| Poor Rates, Bridge Rates, and Income Tax, about                         | 3   | 0  | 0  |     |    |   |
| Rent of Market-House for the ensuing year                               | 13  | 0  | 6  |     |    |   |
| Quit Rent, less by years Income Tax at 8 <sup>d</sup> per pound         | 6   | 15 | 11 |     |    |   |
| Rent Charge deducting Poor Rate and Income Tax                          | 4   | 6  | 0  |     |    |   |
| Interest to Sheppard Jephons Esq deducting Income Tax                   | 23  | 19 | 2  |     |    |   |
| Interest to Robert Stafford Esq deducting Income Tax                    | 27  | 6  | 0  |     |    |   |
| Half a years of salary due to Bruff <sup>th</sup> Vicary Esq Town Clerk | 26  | 5  | 0  |     |    |   |
| Portion of a sum advanced and still remaining due                       | 12  | 10 | 0  |     |    |   |
|                                                                         | 144 | 11 | 3  |     |    |   |
| Annual amount of the Income of the Corporation                          | 317 | 4  | 10 |     |    |   |
| Sum payable out of the Corporation Income                               | 144 | 11 | 3  |     |    |   |
|                                                                         | 172 | 13 | 7  | 172 | 13 | 7 |
| Amount to be provided for by Borough Rates                              |     |    |    | 176 | 0  | 3 |

Wexford Dated 2<sup>nd</sup> November 1857  
Thomas Lacy



Colin



Of the Tans, and the price of Gas with a view to its reduction

Committee Appointed pursuant to the foregoing Resolution

John Greene Ald.

Arthur Kavanagh J. C.

Alderman Walsh

James Vicary J. C.

James Hogan J. C.

John Walpole J. C.

James Harper J. C.

At a Meeting of the Council at the Town Hall on Tuesday the first day of December 1857 held pursuant to the Statute

On the Motion of Ald<sup>n</sup> Kavanagh seconded by Ald<sup>n</sup> Greene, It was Resolved that John Evans Hadden Town Councillor, be elected Mayor for the year 1858, which was carried unanimously

Wm. Caplan Mayor

At a Special meeting of the Council held at the Hotel on the 19<sup>th</sup> January 1858.

On the motion of J. N. Brosbie J. C. Seconded by Rich<sup>d</sup>. J. Devereux J. C. It was resolved, that the following Bills amounting in the whole to £21. 17. 10 be paid, and placed by the Treasurer in the acc<sup>t</sup> for the past year, viz. A. Kavanagh Coals £ 1. 16. 4 Tho<sup>s</sup>. Pendergast printing &c £ 1. 9. 9 John Summitt Krocken for Town Hall - 2/9. Cleaning streets £ 6m 8. Pellegrew clothing for Mayors.



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Sergeants, £ 10 - 0 - 0. Tho. Beeth Numbering  
Houses £ 2 - 1 -

John E. Sadler  
Mayor

At a quarterly meeting of the Council held at the  
Town Hall on Monday the 1<sup>st</sup> February 1858.

Present. The Mayor presiding. W<sup>m</sup> Walpole J.C.  
Jas. M. Vicary J.C., D. P. Sweetman J.C. John Coghlan J.C.  
Rich<sup>d</sup> Smitt J.C. John Walsh J.C. Ald<sup>r</sup> Stafford, Ald<sup>r</sup> Pettit.  
John Coady J.C. and Al<sup>d</sup> Walsh.

On the motion of John Walsh J.C. Seconded by  
Ald<sup>r</sup> Stafford. It was resolved. That the Bills passed  
on the 19<sup>th</sup> January 1858 as mentioned underneath be  
repassed this day two members having left the room  
viz. Ald<sup>r</sup> Stafford and J.C. Harper.

|                               |                |
|-------------------------------|----------------|
| Arthur Kavanagh for Coals     | £ 1 - 16 - 4   |
| J. Penduzact Printing &c      | 1 - 9 - 9.     |
| John Smitt Knockw             | 2 - 9          |
| Cleansing Streets             | 6 - 8 - 0      |
| Clothing for Mayors Sergeants | 10 - 0 - 0     |
| Numbering Houses              | 2 - 1 - 0      |
|                               | <hr/>          |
|                               | £ 21 - 17 - 10 |

On the motion of John Walsh and D. P. Sweetman  
J.C.s It was resolved. That the Mayor John Coghlan J.C.  
and Ald<sup>r</sup> Stafford be requested to confer with Head Constable  
Harding, respecting a Stretcher for the use of the Police,  
and that they be empowered to procure one, provided no  
funds from any other source be available.

On the motion of Jas. M. Vicary and D. P. Sweetman  
J.C.s. Resolved That One Pound be paid to M<sup>r</sup> Power  
of the "People's" office for Memorial to Lord Lieut. for  
Towns Improvement Act.

The Council divided on this  
resolution when the following appeared for  
and against



For.

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against.

The Mayor.

John Coghlan J.C.

D. P. Sweetman J.C.

Jos. M. O'Leary J.C.

John Walsh J.C.

Rich<sup>d</sup> Linnott J.C.

John Coady J.C.

Ald<sup>n</sup> Pettit x

W<sup>m</sup> Walpole J.C.

Ald<sup>n</sup> Walsh

Ald<sup>n</sup> Stafford

The motion was lost by a majority of three -

Moved by Ald<sup>n</sup> Stafford Seconded by Ald<sup>n</sup> Walsh

Resolved That as this body Corporate never sanctioned the adoption of the Town Improvement Act, they repudiate all costs that may have arisen by its introduction -

This motion was withdrawn by the mover and second.

On the motion of D. P. Sweetman and John Walsh J.C's. It was resolved That our law Agent Mr. Ryan be instructed to take the necessary proceedings at the ensuing Ross Sessions by Exctm<sup>t</sup> for non payment of Rent against Rpts of Mary Cooper for premises in Corn Market.

On the motion of Ald<sup>n</sup> Stafford and Jos. M. O'Leary J.C. It was resolved That the following Bills amounting to £93. 16. 2 be paid viz.

|                          |               |
|--------------------------|---------------|
| Cleansing Streets        | £ 4 " 0 " 0   |
| Gas                      | 83 " 9 " 3    |
| Green Independent office | 6 " 6 " 11    |
|                          | <hr/>         |
|                          | £ 93 " 16 " 2 |

John E. Hadden  
Mayor



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At a meeting held pursuant to a Requisition to the Mayor calling on him to hold same. Signed by five members of the Council. at the Hotel on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 1858

Present The Mayor presiding

Ald<sup>r</sup> Walsh. Ald<sup>r</sup> Green. Ald<sup>r</sup> Stafford. Ald<sup>r</sup> Crean. J. S. Waddy. D. P. Sweetman. Arthur Kavanagh. Peter Simmott W<sup>m</sup> Malpole. John Coady. & J. M. Vicary J. C's -

Moved by J. S. Waddy J. C. and Ald<sup>r</sup> Crean. That our Law Agent R. W. Ryan Esq<sup>r</sup> be directed to take the legal opinion of Henry O'Hara Esq<sup>r</sup> as to whether the Mayor or the Council has the right of appointing Mayors Seignants, and that the following Gentlemen be a Committee to confer with the law agent in drawing the case &c &c. Ald<sup>r</sup> Walsh. J. S. Waddy & Ald<sup>r</sup> Stafford

On the motion of J. M. Vicary and William Malpole J. C. It was Resolved. That Peter Simmott J. C. be appointed third Auditor on the part of the Council.

John E. Madden Mayor

At a Meeting a Meeting of the Council held at the Hotel on the 23 day of March 1858 for the purpose of Electing a Successor to the late M<sup>rs</sup> Malone as caretaker of the Town Hall -

On the Motion of John Walsh J. P. and Town Councillor seconded by Alderman Crean Miss Catherine Malone was appointed Care taker of the Town Hall in Room of her Mother deceased

John E. Madden Mayor



At a Meeting of the Council, held at the School on Thursday the 15<sup>th</sup> day of April 1858, for the purpose of considering the propriety of co-operating with the Board of Guardians by adopting Sanitary measures in consequence of the prevalence of small Pock. Also to read the Opinion of Council, and to pass accounts.

On the Motion of Town Councillor John Coghlan M.D. seconded by Ald<sup>r</sup> Walsh, It was resolved that, Ald<sup>r</sup> Stafford, Town Councillors John Walsh J.P. James Ralph Crosbie and James M. Vicary be appointed to inspect, in conjunction with M<sup>r</sup> Cowman the different localities, and Report to this Body what they would recommend, in order to co-operate with the Board of Guardians in cleansing the Town, and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Board.

John E. Haden  
Mayor

At a Quarterly Meeting of the Corporation held at the Town Hall on Saturday the 1<sup>st</sup> day of May 1858 the Mayor presiding ~

On the Motion of Ald<sup>r</sup> Crean, and J<sup>r</sup> S. Waddy J. C. It was resolved, that the Report of the Sanitary Committee be inserted on the Minutes, and a portion of same relating to the Lanes leading to the Quay be forwarded to the Secretary of the Quay Corporation ~

On the Motion of Ald<sup>r</sup> Crean and Joseph S. Waddy J. C. It was resolved, that, Thomas Armstrong (ex. Policeman) be appointed one of the Serjeants at Mace in room of Peter Mahony Dec<sup>d</sup>

On the Motion of Town Councillors John Walsh J.P. and James M. Vicary, It was resolved that the Widow Mahony be paid the entire quarterly Salary of



Of her deceased Husband Peter Mahony falling due  
on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of March last. out of the funds arising  
from the Corporation property

On the Motion of James Ralph Crosbie  
and Arthur Kavanagh, It was Resolved That, Certain  
Sums due for Salary to the Corporate Officers, to the  
31<sup>st</sup> day of March last., amounting in the whole to the  
Sum of £36 be paid

Report of the Committee appointed on the  
15<sup>th</sup> April 1858. Relative to the cleansing the Town.

The Committee appointed to take the first steps  
towards the sanitary improvement of the Town of  
Wexford, having met this day, are of Opinion, that  
the best course to pursue is to direct the attention  
of the Constabulary to the subject, and to advise  
that they go in quest of nuisances, and that they be  
authorized by the Board of Guardians, to act as officers  
of the Board in order to give them powers of entry under  
Sec: 13 of 11 & 12 Vic. C. 123., and that they give notice  
to the Board of all nuisances upon private premises,  
preparatory to further steps, should such be found necessary.

That the Constabulary be requested to inform the  
Board of any open and closed Drains, Ditches, &c. which  
may come under their observation as injurious to the  
public health.

The Committee having inspected portions of the  
Town, recommend that the attention of the Quay  
Commissioners be called to the filthy state of the  
avenues leading to the Quays, particularly, Roman Lane,  
Sweepers Lane, Ivory Lane, and Common Quay Lane.

The Shores within the jurisdiction of the Comm<sup>rs</sup>  
appear to be in a very filthy state - which is the more



important as upon their main shores the sewerage of the whole Town depends.

The Committee recommend that a systematic improvement be gradually adopted: that the shores where necessary be deepened. Cross shores from Back yards made by the Proprietors or Occupiers, and a system of flushing carried out where practicable. There ought to be some person under the Commissioners to keep the lanes cleansed.

In the other parts of the Town the same system of making and deepening shores ought to be carried out gradually and cross shores from Back yards made.

It was apparent to the Committee that as the streets of the Town are repaired by contract, the Contractors can by attention very materially further the improved cleanliness of the Town. Such improvement is already taking place in Back Street

Wexford

29<sup>th</sup> April 1858.

George LeHunte

John Walsh

J. R. Crosbie

James M. Brien -

John E. Hadden Mayor

At a quarterly meeting of the Corporation held at the Town Hall on Monday the Second day of August 1858 The Mayor presiding - present, John Walsh J.P. Rich Simott, J. R. Crosbie J. M. Brien, John Coghlan, J. S. Waddy, Town Council and Aldermen Robt Stafford and J. Greene J.P.

On the Motion of John Walsh J.P. and Alder Greene It was Resolved. - That the following members of the



of the Council be appointed a Committee to take into consideration the provisions of the "Fairs and Markets Bill (Irish)" and to report thereon next quarter day. viz - Ald<sup>r</sup> Walsh, J. Coghlan, J. Walsh, Ald<sup>r</sup> Greene, J. J. Waddy, J. M. Vicary, Ald<sup>r</sup> Stafford, J. R. Crosbie & J. Hogan -

On the motion of J. C. Rich<sup>d</sup> Simmott and J. M. Vicary, It was resolved, That the following Bills, amounting in the whole to £150-11-8 be paid.

|                                                       |     |                  |
|-------------------------------------------------------|-----|------------------|
| viz. J. L. Francis                                    | Gas | £87-5-0          |
| Cleansing Streets                                     |     | 8-0-0            |
| Buy <sup>r</sup> Vicary J. Clerk 1/4 Salary           |     | 17-10-0          |
| J. Lacy Treasurer &c 4 mo <sup>s</sup> Salary         |     | 10-0-0           |
| Patrick Furlong Rep <sup>t</sup> 4 mo <sup>s</sup> do |     | 6-13-4           |
| Thos. Armstrong 4 mo <sup>s</sup> do                  |     | 5-6-8            |
| W. J. Tucker 4 mo <sup>s</sup> do                     |     | 5-6-8            |
| Alice Fery 4 mo <sup>s</sup> do                       |     | — 10-0           |
| G. Hadden Cloth for Sug <sup>r</sup> at mace -        |     | 10-0-0           |
|                                                       |     | <u>£150-11-8</u> |

On the motion of Ald<sup>r</sup> Stafford and J. R. Crosbie J. C. It was resolved, That the best thanks of the Corporation is due and hereby given to the Mayor for the very efficient manner he has brought the claims of the Harbour of Wexford before the Lord Lieutenant -

Wm. E. Hadden  
Mayor



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At a special meeting of the Council, held at the  
Tholsel on Monday the 13<sup>th</sup> September 1868. for the purpose  
of Appointing a deputation to wait on the Commissioners  
who are about to visit Wexford on the 20<sup>th</sup> Inst. to inquire  
into the Capabilities of improvement of the Harbour of Wexford  
and also to determine whether any additional lamps are  
required. The Mayor Presiding

Other members present. Ald<sup>men</sup> Greene,  
Stafford, Walsh, T. C. & J. Harpur, J. Coady, J. P. Crosbie  
and J. M. Deary.

On the motion of J. P. Crosbie J.C. and Ald<sup>men</sup>  
Stafford. It was Resolved, That Ald<sup>men</sup> Greene and  
J. M. Deary, with the Mayor and proposed & seconded, be  
appointed a deputation to wait on the Commissioners  
about to visit Wexford on the 20<sup>th</sup> Inst. relative to the  
improvement of the Harbour of Wexford.

On the Motion of J. Coady & J. M. Deary J.C.  
It was resolved, That the necessity for additional  
lamps be referred to the Lamp Committee, who are to  
report at next meeting. viz. Ald<sup>men</sup> Stafford, Walsh, & Kindellah,  
T.C. & Hogan, Kavanagh, Walpole, Crosbie, R. Schmidt and  
J. L. Hadden.

John E. Hadden  
Mayor



Quarterly Meeting, of the Council, held, at  
the Town Hall on the first day of November 1858  
pursuant to the Statute, (in such case made)

On the Motion of John Walsh  
Town Councillor and J. P. and Alderman Haffar  
It was Resolved, That a Borough Rate of  
6 pence in the (£) Pound, Be struck for the ensuing  
year.

### Borough Rate.

On the ~~same~~ Motion of John Walsh J. P.  
and Ald<sup>r</sup> Walsh It was resolved That the Estimate  
now submitted to the Council, on which the above rate  
was struck be inserted on the Minute.

On the motion of John Walsh J. P. & P.  
and Ald<sup>r</sup> Walsh. It was Resolved.

That Ald<sup>r</sup> Greene, Ald<sup>r</sup> Walsh and Ald<sup>r</sup> Green  
be appointed a Committee to read the Act of  
Parliament empowering the Police to inspect weights  
and measures, with the view of ascertaining whether  
the powers of the Corporation officer of Inspector of  
weights be superseded or not.

On the Motion of James Harpur and James  
M. Deacy J. P. It was Resolved

That accounts amounting in the whole to  
£34- as furnished by the Treasurer be passed.

John E. Hadden  
Mayor



Estimate of the Expenses incurred, and still remaining due, for obtaining the Charter of Incorporation of the Town of Wexford, and also the annual amount necessary for carrying out the said Charter.

|                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                |     |    |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----|----|---|
| Bill of Exchange in the hands of Robert Stafford Esq.                                                                                                                                      |                                | 562 | 6  | 0 |
| Repairing Corporate buildings for ensuing year                                                                                                                                             |                                | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Cleansing Streets                                                                                                                                                                          | 8 <sup>0</sup> / <sub>11</sub> | 140 | 0  | 0 |
| Printing and Stationary                                                                                                                                                                    | 8 <sup>0</sup> / <sub>11</sub> | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Town Clerk's Salary                                                                                                                                                                        | 8 <sup>0</sup> / <sub>11</sub> | 52  | 10 | 0 |
| Treasurer's Salary                                                                                                                                                                         | 8 <sup>0</sup> / <sub>11</sub> | 20  | 0  | 0 |
| Inspector of Weights and Measures Salary                                                                                                                                                   | 8 <sup>0</sup> / <sub>11</sub> | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Mayor's Clerk's Salary                                                                                                                                                                     | 8 <sup>0</sup> / <sub>11</sub> | 20  | 0  | 0 |
| First Surjeant at Mace Salary                                                                                                                                                              | 8 <sup>0</sup> / <sub>11</sub> | 16  | 0  | 0 |
| Second Surjeant at Mace Salary                                                                                                                                                             | 8 <sup>0</sup> / <sub>11</sub> | 16  | 0  | 0 |
| Clothing for Surjeants at Mace Salary                                                                                                                                                      | 8 <sup>0</sup> / <sub>11</sub> | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Cleansing Mayor's Office and Court of Common Council                                                                                                                                       | 8 <sup>0</sup> / <sub>11</sub> | 3   | 0  | 0 |
| Fuel for Mayor's Office                                                                                                                                                                    | 8 <sup>0</sup> / <sub>11</sub> | 3   | 0  | 0 |
| Gas Rent for ensuing year About                                                                                                                                                            |                                | 170 | 0  | 0 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                | 942 | 16 | 0 |
| Poor Rates, Bridge Rates, and Income Tax, about                                                                                                                                            | 25                             | 0   | 0  |   |
| Rent of Market House for the ensuing year                                                                                                                                                  | 13                             | 0   | 6  |   |
| 4 years Dist Rent, less by years Income Tax                                                                                                                                                | 617                            | 1   |    |   |
| Rentcharge deducting Poor Rate, and Income Tax                                                                                                                                             | 49                             | 3   |    |   |
| 4 years interest at 5 per cent per annum to<br>Shepherd Joffries Esq, on two Bonds of the<br>Corporation held by him, one for £303-19-9,<br>and the other for £109-11-6 less by Income Tax | 24                             | 3   | 2  |   |
| 4 years interest at 5 per cent per annum to Robert<br>Stafford Esq, for Bill of Exchange for £562-6-0<br>held by him, less by Income Tax — —                                               | 27                             | 16  | 0  |   |
|                                                                                                                                                                                            | 101                            | 0   | 0  |   |
| Gross annual Income of the Corporation                                                                                                                                                     | 317                            | 4   | 10 |   |
| Summs payable out of the Corporate Income                                                                                                                                                  | 101                            | 0   | 0  |   |
| Balance available for reducing liabilities                                                                                                                                                 | £215-16-2                      | 215 | 16 | 2 |
| Amount to be provided for by Borough Rates.                                                                                                                                                | £727                           | 0   | 2  |   |

John Walker Esq  
Robert Stafford Esq  
James Walker Esq

Wexford 1<sup>st</sup> November 1850  
Thos Lay Treasurer



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At a meeting of the Council held pursuant to Notice at the Town Hall on Thursday 25 Nov<sup>r</sup> 1858  
On the motion of Ald<sup>r</sup> John Walsh J.P. and Ald<sup>r</sup> Greene It was Resolved.

That Ald<sup>r</sup> L. E. Stadden be re-elected to serve the office of Mayor for the remainder of the year. ---

John E. Stadden  
Mayor

At a meeting of the Council held pursuant to Statute in the Town Hall on Wednesday the 1<sup>st</sup> day of December 1858 in order to Elect a Mayor for the ensuing year. Present

The Mayor presiding -

Aldermen. Greene, J.P. Walsh, J.P. Walsh J.P.

Stafford & Pettit, - Town Councillors.

W<sup>m</sup>. Mathews, W<sup>m</sup> Walpole, John Barrington, J. M. Vicary, P. D. Sweetman - John Linnott, R. Linnott Peter Linnott, J. Kasper, James Pettigrew, J. R. Crosbie S. Coady, Rich<sup>d</sup> O'Connor & R. J. Devereux -

Moved by Ald<sup>r</sup> Stafford & Greene J.P.

That John Barrington be elected Mayor for the ensuing year.

Mr Barrington having refused to serve the office of Mayor. It was then

On the Motion of J. Barrington & W. Walpole J.C.'s Resolved That Ald<sup>r</sup> John Walsh J.P. be elected Mayor for the ensuing year. and passed.

John E. Stadden  
Mayor



At a Special meeting of the Council held at the  
Mould on Tuesday the 14<sup>th</sup> December 1858

The Mayor presiding -  
Present. Ald<sup>men</sup> J. Walsh J.P. R. Walsh & R. Stafford  
J<sup>r</sup>. C<sup>o</sup>. W<sup>m</sup>. Matthews, J. R. Crosbie, J. Sinnott, J. Condy,  
J. M. Vicary, A. Kavanagh, R. Sinnott, J. Pettigrew  
D. P. Sweetman & J. S. Waddy.

On the Motion of Ald<sup>men</sup> J. Walsh and  
J. S. Waddy J.C. It was Resolved, That the Report  
of the Committee on Weights and Measures, be adopted  
and entered on the Minutes.

On the Motion of Ald<sup>men</sup> J. Walsh and J. R.  
Crosbie, J.C. It was Resolved, That the Report of the  
Committee on the "Markets and fairs," be adopted  
and entered on the Minutes.

On the Motion of J. C<sup>o</sup>. R. Sinnott & J. M. Vicary  
It was Resolved. That the following Bills amounting  
on the whole to £13. 5. 10 be paid - viz -

|                               |                     |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| J. Anglin Printing            | £ 0 " 13 " 0        |
| Cleansing Streets             | 4 " 16 " 0          |
| A. Kavanagh, Coals            | 1 " 16 " 4          |
| J. Pendergast Printing        | 1 " 5 " 3           |
| Independent - adverts -       | 2 " 0 " 10          |
| The People do 1856 & 1857 -   | 1 " 5 " 6           |
| Carriage of Parcels & Freight | 1 " 8 " 11          |
|                               | <hr/> £ 13 " 5 " 10 |

On the Motion of J<sup>r</sup>. C<sup>o</sup>. J. S. Waddy and  
R. Sinnott It was Resolved, That the word, ~~in~~  
"Assenting," be entered into the answer to be sent to  
the Solicitors to the Bagnalstown & Wexford Railway  
Bill.

The Report of the Committee appointed for the  
purpose of enquiring into the duties of Inspector of  
Weights and Measures  
Your Committee



Your Committee have examined the two Acts of Parliament bearing on this subject, and find, that, under the provisions of the 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> W<sup>m</sup> 4. C. 63 S. 25 powers are conferred on the Chief Magistrates of Bodies Corporate to appoint Inspectors of Weights and Measures, wherein it is set forth, that 1<sup>st</sup> Inspector cannot stamp out of his own jurisdiction, nor can a County Inspector come within the Corporate limits for the purpose of stamping, under the penalty of twenty shillings for every stamp he affixes.

The 28<sup>th</sup> Sec.<sup>n</sup> gives your Inspector power to enter premises  
The 29<sup>th</sup> Sec.<sup>n</sup> Imposes a penalty for neglect of duty.

Under the provisions of the 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> Vic. C. 92. S. 18.  
The Head or other Constable in each Petty Sessions district, selected by the County Inspector, with approval by the justices, shall be ex officio Inspector of Weights and Measures, with all the powers granted under the first recited Act, except the power of adjusting and stamping.

Therefore, the powers privileges of your Inspector being thus defined, by the aforesaid Acts, Your Committee recommend the Mayor to give Authority, in writing, to said Officer, to enter all premises, within his jurisdiction, where goods are sold by weight and measure, for the purpose of examination as the Law directs, said Officer to appoint certain days by public notice, as the County Inspector does in his district, for said examination.

November 1858

(Signed)  
Rich<sup>d</sup> Walsh

John Greene. R. J. Crean

Report of the Committee on "Markets and Fairs"  
(Ireland) Bill ~

The Committee appointed to read over and consider the "Markets and Fairs" (Ireland) Bill as amended by the Select Committee. Have carefully perused the said Bill, and are of opinion that its provisions are



not suited to the Town of Wexford, for the following reasons

1<sup>st</sup> That the Bill provides the payment of Tolls at Markets and Fairs, to get rid of which, had cost the People of Wexford a large amount of Trouble and Expense.

2<sup>nd</sup> That the appointment of Commissioners would greatly interfere with the rights of the Corporation.

Signed. John Walsh, Ald<sup>r</sup>.

James M. O'Leary - S.C.

John E. Staddon

Mayor

First day of January One thousand eight, Hundred and fifty nine. At a Meeting of the Council of the Borough of Wexford held this day at the Town Hall pursuant to the provisions of the Municipal Acts Alderman John Walsh J.P. the Mayor Elect made and Subscribed the Declaration of taking Office as Mayor for the present Year

John E. Staddon

Mayor

First day of February 1859

At a Quaterly Meeting of the Corporation held this day pursuant to the Statute in such case made at the Town Hall, the following Resolutions were agreed to and passed

1<sup>st</sup> On the Motion of Town Councillors Richard Sinnott and James Hogan. It was Resolved that the Mayor be empowered to employ a sufficient number of additional hands, when necessary for cleaning the the Streets, during this Month



On the Motion of Alderman Hadden and <sup>Mr</sup> James M<sup>r</sup> Vicary It was Resolved, That a lamp be erected in the Mill road in such position as the Lighting Committee shall approve of, near the new Chapel in King Street ~

On the Motion of Town Councillors Richard Synnott, and Percy D. Sweetman ~ It was Resolved, That ~ M<sup>r</sup> Pierce be written to, to the effect, that, this Corporation, will not feel themselves bound to take the Fire Engine from him, unless same be completed, before the first day of April next ~

Town Councillor John Synnott was appointed (by the Mayor) third Auditor of the Municipal Accounts for the present year, pursuant to the provisions of the Municipal Act ~

Accounts amounting in the aggregate to the sum of £39<sup>..</sup> 12<sup>..</sup> 0 were entered to be paid, ~~particulars~~ as under ~

|                                                                                      |    |    |    |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|----|----|---|
| Quarters salary to Alice Gray                                                        | £  | 0  | 7  | 6 |
| D <sup>o</sup> Wm Sucker, first Serjeant at Mace                                     | 4  | "  | "  | " |
| D <sup>o</sup> Thomas Armstrong second D <sup>o</sup>                                | 4  | "  | "  | " |
| D <sup>o</sup> M <sup>r</sup> Pat <sup>r</sup> Furlong Mayor's Registrar             | 5  | "  | "  | " |
| D <sup>o</sup> M <sup>r</sup> Thomas Lacy Treasurer                                  | 7  | 10 | "  | " |
| D <sup>o</sup> Benj <sup>r</sup> Vicary J <sup>r</sup> L <sup>r</sup> , Town Clerk ~ | 13 | 2  | 6  | " |
| Clearing Bills (for scavenging)                                                      | 5  | 12 | "  | " |
| <hr/>                                                                                |    |    |    |   |
| total                                                                                | £  | 39 | 12 | 0 |

John Walsh Mayor



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At a Meeting of the Corporation held at the School on  
Saturday the 26<sup>th</sup> day of February 1859

On the Motion of Ald<sup>n</sup> Green and J. C. John Linnott.  
It was resolved, that we view the Markets Bill (Ireland)  
introduced into Parliament by Lord Nass, and which has  
received a second reading in the House of Commons, calculated if  
passed into Law, to inflict serious injury on the Agricultural  
Commercial and Trading Interests of <sup>this</sup> Town and County, and  
that this Council do petition Parliament against its being  
enacted.

On the Motion of James M. Vicary and another William  
Mathews Town Councillors It was Resolved the Petition now  
read be adopted, and that the Seal of the Corporation be  
affixed thereto.

On the Motion of Daniel P. Sweetman and James  
Harper It was Resolved, that our Petition be forwarded to  
our Borough Member for presentation in the House of Commons  
and the Members for the County, and the Borough of New  
Ross be requested to support the prayer thereof.

On the Motion of William Walpole and John Coady J. C.  
It was resolved, These Resolutions, and the Petition be inserted  
in the local papers.

John Walsh Mayor

Copy Petition, as agreed to and adopted pursuant  
to the above Resolutions. See other Side.



To the Right, Honorable, the Knights, Citizens and  
Burgesses in Parliament assembled,

The Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and  
Burgesses, of the Borough of Wexford.

~ Humbly Sheweth ~

That, Petitioners, have read the Draft of a Bill  
lately introduced, into your Honorable House, by Lord Nassau  
intituled, a Bill ~~to~~ <sup>for</sup> the Markets (the Market Bill). That,  
they consider the provisions of such Bill, if passed, into Law  
calculated to, inflict a deep Injury, on the Agricultural  
Commercial, and Labouring Classes of this Town and County  
<sup>inasmuch</sup> as it would ~ revive the ~~odious Customs~~ <sup>odious</sup> ~~Import~~ <sup>Import</sup>  
<sup>Customs</sup> ~~with~~ all the Bitterness, Contention, and bad feeling of former  
times, when those tolls were exacted in this Borough, & that such  
Tolls, were abrogated here about twenty five years back, and with  
their abrogation, the Quantity of, Flour, Butter, Eggs &c. exposed  
twice a Week, for Sale, in their Free Market, has increased  
Five Hundred per Cent. thereby promoting Industry, Self  
Reliance and Comfort amongst the humbler portion of the  
Peasantry. And affording a plentiful supply, not only to the  
Inhabitants, but for Shipment, weekly to England.

That, They fear, if the Market Bill, pass into  
Law, its Operation will have the effect, of checking this branch  
of Industry. And reviving Scenes, against which every good and  
Sensible Citizen, would Revolt.

And, They, therefore beg your Honorable House  
to reject said Bill. And, Petitioners, as in  
duty bound ~ Will ever Pray

John Walsh (Seal)



back, Paper back  
an Haele's page therefore and no entry of the  
minutes thereon could be, permanently made

Benjamin Henry  
Jesse Webb



At a Meeting of the Council held at the Tholsel  
pursuant to notice, on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of March 1859

On the Motion of Town Councillors Arthur Kavanagh  
and James Harper. It was resolved, that, the  
House in Corn Market, late in the occupation of  
Samuel Cooper Esq<sup>r</sup> deceased, be Let to John Bulger  
for eight pounds per annum, payable half yearly

Accounts amounting in the aggregate to the  
Sum of £ 93 .. 12 .. 2. were ordered to be paid having  
been duly audited.

On the Motion of Town Councillors Richard, and  
John Swinott, It was resolved, that, they  
together with the Mayor, wait as a deputation from  
this Council, on the Quay Corporation, relative to  
the present price of Gas to the public

John Walsh,  
Mayor

At a Subsequent Meeting of the Council held  
at the Tholsel on the same day in accordance with  
a requisition to the Mayor duly signed, relative to the  
Catholic Saths and Reform Bills

On the Motion of Town Councillors Sweetman and Ald<sup>r</sup>  
Richard Walsh, It was resolved, that, we Petition the House of  
Commons in favour of Parliamentary reform and vote by Ballot,  
Town Councillors Waddy Devereux, the Mayor and Ald<sup>r</sup> Greene  
do form a Committee to prepare said Petition

On the Motion of Town Councillors Richard Swinott  
and Ald<sup>r</sup> R<sup>d</sup> Walsh It was resolved, that, when the  
Petition is drafted and approved of by the Committee  
(same)



Same be Submitted to a Meeting of the Council on Wednesday evening at half past Seven ~

On the Motion of Town Councillor Waddy and Alderman Stafford, It was Resolved, That the Petition now read in favor of the Abolition of the abolition of the Catholic Banns Bill be adopted and that same being engrossed and having the Corporation Seal affixed, same to be forwarded to the Borough Member for presentation, and that our County Member and the Member for the Borough of Ross be requested to give their Support to same

John Waddy  
Mayor



At a Meeting (Quarterly) of the Council held at the Town Hall on Monday the 2<sup>d</sup> day of May 1859 ~

On the Motion of Aldermen Stafford and Grew It was Resolved, That J. C. Kavanagh with the proposer and seconder and the Mayor be a Committee to treat with Mr. Little for taking the new Shambles for a Public market.

On the motion of J. C's, W. Mathews and John Sinnott, It was resolved, That the following Committee be appointed to ascertain the Cheapest and best mode of procuring a Watercart for the use of this Town, and report to the Council at their next meeting viz. Ald. Stafford with the proposer & seconder ~

On the motion of J. C's Peter Synnott and John Coady. It was resolved, That the following Bills amounting on the whole to £38-8-7 be paid viz -

|                       |         |                   |        |
|-----------------------|---------|-------------------|--------|
| Bruf. Vicary ¼ Salary | £13-2-6 | Patrick Harding   | £5-0-0 |
| Alice Fay             | 7-6     | Thos Lacey        | 7-10-0 |
| Thos. Armstrong       | 4-0-0   | Cleansing Streets | 4-1-7  |
| W. J. Tucker          | 4-0-0   | u u u u u         |        |

John Pahl Mayor



Pursuant to a Notice served upon John Walsh Esq<sup>r</sup> J.P. Mayor by Joseph S. Waddy Esq<sup>r</sup> Solicitor, his Worship held a court, open to the public at his Office in the Court of Conscience at the Bullring on Tuesday the 26<sup>th</sup> of July 1859 at twelve O'clock noon for the purpose of entertaining and investigating the claims of a number of persons who requested to be admitted to the freedom of the Borough in right of Apprenticeship.

Rudolphus W. Ryan Esq<sup>r</sup> Solicitor to the Corporation was in attendance as adviser to the Mayor, and Mr Waddy attended on behalf of the applicants. Documentary evidence in the shape of a seven years Indenture was required at the hands of each claimant who was also examined on oath for the purpose of testing the genuineness of such Indenture.

After a patient and careful consideration of each claim his Worship being fully satisfied touching the legal right of the respective parties, the following persons were duly admitted to the freedom of the Borough *subject to the opinion of the Mayor & Council*

John Ryan Printer  
Edwin Thomas Miller Architect  
John Murphy Cabinetmaker  
Patrick Murphy Shipwright  
James Murphy Shipwright  
Martin Murphy Shipwright  
Patrick Murphy Shipwright  
Joseph Rossiter Shipwright

Patrick North Shipwright  
James Kelly Shipwright  
Thomas Busens Shipwright  
John Byrne Shipwright  
William Murphy Shipwright  
Patrick Connel Shipwright  
William Bolton Shipwright  
Thomas Byrne Shipwright

For the convenience of the above named persons and also for that of a few others whose cases stood over for further consideration in consequence of their Indentures not being forthcoming, the Mayor adjourned the Court till seven O'clock in the evening of Friday the 29<sup>th</sup> of July 1859 when the oath required by law should be administered to each person then admitted to the freedom of said Borough.

On Friday evening July 29<sup>th</sup> 1859 at seven O'clock pursuant to adjournment the Mayor held his court in the Court of Conscience at the Bullring. On which occasion owing to a difficulty arising relative to the form of oath to be administered to the newly franchised Freemen; the oath formerly taken under the charter of James the First by the old



body of Freeman abolished by the Irish Municipal Corporations Act in the year 1841. being deemed inapplicable under the altered circumstances of the Borough. His Worship at the suggestion of Messrs Ryan and Waddy ordered a further adjournment of the said Court till Wednesday evening August the 5<sup>th</sup> 1859, at seven o'clock when agreeably to the recommendation of the Mayor it is expected the opinion of Mr O'Hara Counsel to the Corporation touching the form of oath proper to be administered under the circumstances will be obtained. The claims undisposed of will be duly considered and adjudicated upon at said adjourned meeting.

Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> May 1859

Special Meeting held at the Tholsel to receive reports of Committee Estimates for repair of House. Consider repair of sewer and pass accounts

On the Motion of Alderman Greene and Town Councillor

James M. Vicary It was resolved That the report of the Watercart Committee be adopted and that it be placed on minutes.

On the Motion of Town Councillor

James R. Broskie and Waddy It was resolved That an Iron Watercart with Pump Hose and all requisites suitable be procured, the cost not to exceed Twenty seven pounds ten shillings and that the Committee be authorized to carry out this resolution with as little delay as possible.

On the Motion of Alderman Stafford and Greene It was resolved That the Theatre and new Shambles (as laid down in the Incumbered Estate Court rental of C. Taylors property) be taken at a rent not exceeding £40 per annum on a long Lease.

On the Motion of Alderman Madden and Stafford It was resolved That the tender of John Redmond for the repairs of House in Cornmarket be accepted.

On the Motion of Town Councillors James R. Broskie and Barrington It was resolved That the following bills amounting in the whole to £91. 1-0 be paid

Cleansing Streets - £2. 16-0

Gas 88. 5-0



At a Meeting (Quarterly) of the Council held at the Town Hall on Monday the 1<sup>st</sup> day of August 1859.

On the motion of Town Councillor James R. Brosie and Alderman Richard Walsh It was resolved. That referring to the resolutions of the 2<sup>nd</sup> of May and the 31<sup>st</sup> of May relating to the taking of the Shambles and Theatre the Committee be empowered to take same on Lease or at £45 per annum the proprietor refusing to accept a lower rent. A Lease of 300 years (if possible) to be procured with a clause of surrender on the part of the Corporation every third year.

On the Motion of Alderman Rich<sup>d</sup> Walsh and Greene It was resolved. That a special meeting be convened for Tuesday the 9<sup>th</sup> inst at 12 O'Clock noon to consider the question of the Fire Engine.

On the Motion of Alderman Stafford and Town Councillor John Sinnott It was resolved that Pat Brien receive the sum of 6<sup>d</sup> per load for each load of water used for the watering of the streets until further Notice.

On the Motion of Town Councillor Kavanagh and Pettigrew It was resolved. That the bills now handed in be paid amounting to £62.4.2½

|                                          |           |                              |          |
|------------------------------------------|-----------|------------------------------|----------|
| Alexander M. Key                         | 1. 4. 0   | B. Vearry                    | 13. 2. 6 |
| Contract for repairs of House Cornmarket | 20. 0. 6½ | W. D. Tucker                 | 4. 0. 0  |
| Pat Furlong's Quarterly Salary           | 5. 0. 0   | Alieia Tury                  | " 7. 6   |
| Tho <sup>s</sup> . Lacy do               | 7. 10. 0  | Pat Brien (watering streets) | " 15. 8. |
| Tho <sup>s</sup> Armstrong do            | 4. 0. 0   | Street cleansing             | 6. 4. 0  |

*Wm. R. M. M. M.*



Agreeably to the second adjournment of the meeting convened by the Right Worshipful the Mayor on the 26<sup>th</sup> of July 1859 to take into consideration the claims of the several persons who made application to be admitted to the freedom of the Borough by right of apprenticeship, an assembly was held at seven o'clock on Wednesday evening August 3<sup>rd</sup> 1859 when Mess<sup>rs</sup> Ryan and Waddy as before were in attendance. On this occasion Mr Ryan laid before his Worship the opinion of Henry O'Hara Esq<sup>r</sup> touching the legal mode of admitting the said applicants to the right which they claimed.

Although the opinion of counsel holds the administration of an oath to such persons as may establish their right to the freedom claimed by virtue of apprenticeship to be necessary and states that all that is essential under the existing law is that the names of the parties so admitted should be enrolled by the Town Clerk on the Records of the Corporation; still it holds that the period of service of seven years under the law is indispensable and must be verified by a Bona fide indenture the seven years service so required by law to commence from the execution of the indenture to the end of the specified term; and that the master of each person so claiming the said right must have been a freeman at the time of the execution of the indenture which must have been duly signed and sealed by the respective parties. It further holds that no indenture which shall have been antedated, as such instrument might lead to the introduction of collusion and colourable engagements, can establish the right of any claimant to be enrolled by the Town Clerk on the Records of the Borough.

In the case of a claimant whose indenture may have been lost or destroyed evidence on oath— by him or the person to whom he served his apprenticeship may be received by the Mayor, who being fully satisfied that the seven years were duly served under the indenture which may have been so lost or destroyed and which indenture was a Bona fide instrument and the full term of seven years having commenced from the execution of the said indenture his Worship may admit him to the right which he claims.

Influenced by the very decided and stringent grounds laid down in counsel's opinion the Mayor felt himself bound to call the whole of the claimants before him when those who by their indentures and sworn testimony proved the full period of seven years service from the execution of their indentures were admitted. From the practice which very generally prevails of the apprentice being several months on trial before the execution of his indentures, and the indenture being antedated so as to bring in



The time thus previously given, the Mayor under the advice of Counsel felt himself bound however reluctantly to reject the prayer of such claimants. Under these circumstances the following persons only were admitted to their freedom *Sum - number*

- |                                   |                             |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1 John Ryan Painter ✓             | 5 John Lambert Rope-maker ✓ |
| 2 Edwin Thomas Willis Architect ✓ | 6 John Lambert Saddler ✓    |
| 3 Joseph Kelly Shipwright ✓       | 7 John Bolger Saddler ✓     |
| 4 David Condran Shipwright ✓      |                             |

Tuesday the 9<sup>th</sup> of August 1859

A Special Meeting of the Council was held at the Tholsel for the purpose of considering the question of supplying the Fire Engine and the expense of working the Water cart.

On the motion of James R. Broskie seconded by Alderman Stafford it was Resolved that the consideration of the Fire Engine be adjourned to Tuesday the 23<sup>rd</sup> of August 1859 to enable W. Wilkie to amend his tender and to get tenders from the different Insurance Agents connected with Wexford.

John Walter Mayor



Tuesday the 23<sup>rd</sup> of August 1859

At a special meeting of the Council held at the Town Hall on Tuesday the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of August 1859. for the purpose of receiving W. Wilkie's amended tender for fire Engine tenders from the different Insurance Offices, and to procure a fire Engine on the motion of Alderman Hadden.

Seconded by, J. R. Crosbie F.C.

It was resolved - That the fire Engine the sketch of <sup>which</sup> has been furnished to us by W. Johnson and which is approved of by W. Leared price £110 be this day ordered by the Mayor and Council of the Corporation of Wexford, the Engine to be guaranteed as perfect in every way

300<sup>ft</sup> of ascending Hose

20<sup>ft</sup> of Suction Hose

5 <sup>doz</sup> of Galvanized Buckets

with every other necessary required for its perfect working -

J. E. H.  
J. R. C.

John C. Hadden Ald.  
James R. Crosbie F.C.

an amendment to the following effect.

Moved by Alderman Green and seconded by John Sinnott F.C.

Resolved - that the proposal of Shand and Mason for supplying a fire Engine with all the necessary apparatus as detailed in the specification be for us for the sum of £165, be adopted and that the order for same be forwarded by this day's Post,

John Green Ald.

John Sinnott F.C.

The amendment was carried by a majority of five eight being for the amendment and three for the original resolution -

John Walsh



I, John Joseph Walsh do solemnly and sincerely  
 promise and declare that I will well and truly  
 and faithfully to the best of my ability in all things  
 perform my duty as Election Auditor according to the  
 Provisions of the corrupt Practices Prevention act of 1854.

John Joseph Walsh  
 Wexford 19<sup>th</sup> August 1859  
 John Walsh J. P.  
 Mayor of Wexford

John Walsh - Mayor

Case on behalf of the Corporation of Wexford

There are several persons claiming to be admitted as  
 freemen of the Borough of Wexford to entitle them to the  
 Elective Franchise and other purposes - They claim as  
 having duly served an apprenticeship of seven years to  
 a freeman of the Borough.

The former opinion of Council is herewith  
 sent in which he says that persons having so served  
 are entitled to be admitted as freemen.

Some of the present claimants which to distinguish  
 them from others, we will call class N<sup>o</sup> 1, were apprentices  
 to a firm of two persons carrying on the business of Ship  
 Builders in Wexford one of which firm being at the time  
 of such apprenticeship a freeman of the Borough and  
 who having retired from the firm was succeeded therein by  
 another freeman as a partner. The Indentures of the  
 apprentice having been duly endorsed or assigned over  
 to the incoming partners so that a portion of the apprenticeship  
 was served to different Masters who were freemen

In some instances the Indentures of apprenticeship  
 were not executed at the time of such apprentice going into the  
 service of the Master some of them were executed months  
 and others years after death were entered upon the actual  
 day



day of such apprenticeship so as to file the term of seven years, When claimants called class N<sup>o</sup> 2, have lost or do not produce their Indentures at all -

Many of the Indentures of apprenticeship have no Stamp <sup>duty</sup> thereon - The Council of the Corporation are desirous of admitting such persons as freemen who are duly entitled and for that purpose desire the opinion of Council

Are such claimants or any of them as are described as class N<sup>o</sup> 1. entitled to be admitted as freemen,

Are such of the claimants of class N<sup>o</sup> 2 as may give sworn evidence before the Mayor or by themselves, their Masters and other persons, of their having been duly apprenticed by proper Indentures and served the term of Seven years entitled to be admitted without the production of Indentures and proof of proper stamp duty having been thereon -

Do such claimants by apprenticeship for seven years require to have any stamp duty upon the Indenture

Upon admission of claim as a freeman is there any and what oath necessary to be taken by the claimant before the Mayor and when and where should such oath be taken, whether immediately upon admission, or at a General meeting of the Corporation -

The form of oath taken by freemen previous to the Municipal Act, is sent herewith, but it seems inapplicable to freemen admitted since -

The oath taken by a freeman pursuant to the 2<sup>d</sup> & 3<sup>d</sup> William the 4<sup>th</sup> before the assistant Barrister it is presumed applies to a freeman previously admitted by the Corporation -

### Opinion.

The Right of admission by service is by service as an apprentice to a freeman for 7 years, the service must be a bona fide service throughout the whole period of 7 years.



But it need not be a full service of 7 years to the same freeman it may be a service of part of the period to one freeman and the service of the remainder of the period to another freeman - the service must be by indenture under the hand and seal of the Master and apprentice, and be duly stamped as an apprentice deed, The Master must have been a freeman at the time of the execution of the apprentice deed the apprentice may be duly assigned over to another freeman and if the apprentice establish a bonafide service as contradistinguished from a colorable or collusive service he will be entitled to his freedom - as to those therefore above mentioned as class 1<sup>st</sup>, the claimant if on other respects admissible, will be entitled to be enrolled as freeman, where one of the Masters of the Copartnership firm was a freeman at the time of the indentures of apprenticeship being executed and that the incoming Copartner to whom the apprentice was duly assigned over, whether such assignment be made to the new copartner or to the firm of which he became a partner was a freeman at the time of the assignment, That such claimant will not be entitled to their freedom in cases where the indenture have been entered <sup>into</sup> with colorably, if the indenture be antedated they cannot have any effect save from the day on which they were actually executed by the parties and in all cases the period of seven years service under the deed must be counted not from the date but from the actual day of the execution of the deed - any period of time by way of apprenticeship on the part of the apprentice with his master prior to the actual execution of the deed cannot be taken into account in the calculation of <sup>the</sup> seven years -

11. The mere non production of the article of apprenticeship does not debar the claimant from his right to his freedom in such case he must establish by evidence to the satisfaction of the Mayor that his Master was a freeman, that articles of apprenticeship were duly executed, that those articles have been lost or destroyed and that he is the master



part nor the claimants part nor any copy thereof are in our  
possession, and that the articles were stamped, and that  
the claimant duly served <sup>the 7 years</sup> under and from the day of the  
execution of the article -

The question of the necessity of Stamp duty on  
the articles depends on the Stamp act, <sup>where</sup> no apprentice  
fee shall be given no stamp duty is chargeable,  
if any be given which does not exceed ten pounds,  
no duty <sup>is</sup> chargeable, where the fee amount to upwards  
of ten pounds the stamp duty on the article will be  
required by the amount specified in the schedule to the  
5<sup>th</sup> George the third Chap. 56 on all articles executed  
prior to the tenth of October 1842 and by the amount  
specified in the schedule to the 5<sup>th</sup> George the 3<sup>rd</sup> Chap 184  
as controlled by the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sec<sup>n</sup> of the 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Vic<sup>t</sup>. Chap<sup>r</sup>. 82 on  
all articles executed on and after the 10<sup>th</sup> Oct<sup>r</sup>. 1842,

If the Mayor be satisfied of the Indentures  
of a claimant of his having duly served his apprenticeship  
to a freeman for seven years under articles duly stamped  
he is to direct the Town Clerk to place the claimants name  
on the freemens Roll, the freemens oath according to the  
ancient custom of the Corporation is not to be administered,  
the claimants admission to his right being now -  
regulated by the provisions of the municipal corporation  
act 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Vic Chap 108 which does not require or prescribe  
any oath to be administered, and the oath which was  
formerly required to be taken and the freemen when  
obtaining his Parliamentary franchise under the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>  
William the 4<sup>th</sup> Chap 88. been now repealed by the provisions  
of the 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> Vic<sup>t</sup>. Chap 69 -

Amy Mara M  
12 Hatch Street  
1<sup>st</sup> August 1859

John Walsh Mayor



At a special meeting of the Council held at the  
 Tholsel on Tuesday the 30<sup>th</sup> day of August 1859 for  
 the purpose of appointing a committee to make  
 arrangements respecting the effective working of the fire  
 Engine, and to prepare a place for its reception,

Moved by Alderman Walsh

Seconded by J. W. Hoskie F.C.

Resolved that a branch pipe 14 $\frac{1}{2}$  b. 3 feet pipe at 7 $\frac{1}{2}$  b.  
 each double connecting piece 35 $\frac{1}{2}$  pair of Lamps 42 $\frac{1}{2}$   
 Portable canvas cistern 42 $\frac{1}{2}$  & Spreading Jet 15 $\frac{1}{2}$  be ordered  
 in addition to the other appurtenances for the fire Engine  
 and that canvas buckets be ordered instead of galvanized  
 Iron, and numbered consecutively - that the Engine  
 be painted Vermillion and that the words "Wexford  
 Corporation fire Engine" 1859 John Walsh J. P. Mayor  
 be in gold letters.

Richard Walsh Ald<sup>n</sup>  
 J. W. Hoskie F.C.

Moved by P. D. Sweetman F.C.

Seconded by Rich<sup>d</sup>. Simot F.C.

That Alderman Stafford and J. W. Hoskie F.C.

Alderman Greene and J. M. Vicary F.C. Alderman

Rich<sup>d</sup>. Walsh and John Simot F.C. be a committee  
 to make arrangements for the effective working of  
 the fire Engine and to prepare a place for its reception

P. D. Sweetman F.C.

Richard Simot F.C.

John Walsh

Mayor



At a Quarterly meeting of the Council held at the  
Town Hall on 1<sup>st</sup> November, 1859,

The Mayor Presiding

Others present, Alderman Richard Wadsh, J. E. Hadden  
Robert Stafford Wm. Pettit, Town Councillors John  
Simmott, Richard Simmott, Peter Simmott, James  
Harper, James Pettigrew Mr. Mathews James M. Vicary,  
D. P. Sweetman J. S. Waddy, Richard Connor

Moved by Alderman Stafford,

Seconded by Alderman Wadsh,

Resolved, That the Lease of the Theatre and new Market  
being now prepared and ready for Execution, that  
the seal of the Corporation be affixed thereto, and it be  
also executed by the Mayor this day in open Court,

Robert Stafford Rich<sup>d</sup>. Wadsh

Fifteen Members present at the passing of this resolution

Proposed by J. E. Joseph S. Waddy. Seconded by J. E.

James Harper, That Misses Fullenard & Farnell

be permitted to occupy the Assembly Rooms as at present  
for the Period not exceeding one Month free of Rent - the said  
herein to be given up to the Mayor at any time within  
the said month he may require same,

J. S. Waddy, James Harper

The Mayor is empowered during his two months of office,  
to employ additional hands in cleansing the streets  
when necessary,

Moved by Alderman Hadden

Seconded by J. M. Vicary J. E.

That the Mayor Alderman Stafford the Solicitor  
the acting Town Clerk and the Treasurer be empowered  
to take up possession of the Theatre and new Market  
from the Solicitor of the landlord on Wednesday the  
Second November 1859, at eleven O'clock A.M.,

John E. Hadden Alderman

James M. Vicary J. E.



Resolved that the following bills amounting in the whole to be paid,

|                                             |             |
|---------------------------------------------|-------------|
| James Fitzsimon Watercart                   | £ 27..10..0 |
| Pat. Homers repairing House for Fire engine | 27..15..9   |
| Thos. Rundergast printing &c                | 2..4..11    |
| Cleansing Streets &c                        | 4..7..5     |
| William Broome freight of watering cart     | ..15..0     |
| William J. Tucker quarter salary            | 4..0..0     |
| Patrick Furlong quarter salary              | 5..0..0     |
| Alice Fury                                  | " " 7..6    |
| Thos. Armstrong                             | 4..0..0     |
| Benjamin Vicary quarter salary              | 13..2..6    |
|                                             | £ 89..3..1  |

John E. Madden Ald<sup>n</sup>

James M. Vicary J.C.

Moved by D. P. Sweetman J.C.

Seconded by J. E. Madden Ald<sup>n</sup>

Resolved, That this Council convey to the Government their earnest desire that an Amnesty be extended to Thomas F. Meagher now labouring under disability owing to Political causes.

D. P. Sweetman J.C.

John E. Madden Ald<sup>n</sup>

Proposed by James Harper and Seconded by James Pettigrew.

Resolved. That this Council convey to Government their earnest desire that an Amnesty should be extended to all persons labouring under disabilities owing to Political causes

James Harper J.C.  
James Pettigrew J.C.

John Walsh Mayor  
1 Dec<sup>r</sup> 1859



Estimate of the expenses incurred and still remaining due  
for obtaining the Charter of Incorporation of the Town of Wexford;  
and also the annual amount necessary for carrying out the said Charter.

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | £              | s   | d  | £   | s   | d |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|-----|----|-----|-----|---|---|
| Bill of Exchange in the hands of Robert Stafford Esq <sup>r</sup> ,<br>Repaying Corporate Buildings for the ensuing year                                                                                                                                                   |                |     |    | 562 | 6   | 0 |   |
| Cleansing Streets including horsing watering Cart &c                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                |     |    | 10  | 0   | 0 |   |
| Printing and Stationary, including advertising &c                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                |     |    | 50  | 0   | 0 |   |
| Town Clerk's Salary - - - - -                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 9 <sup>s</sup> |     |    | 10  | 0   | 0 |   |
| Treasurer's Salary - - - - -                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 9 <sup>s</sup> |     |    | 52  | 10  | 0 |   |
| Inspector of Weights and Measures Salary - - - - -                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 9 <sup>s</sup> |     |    | 20  | 0   | 0 |   |
| Mayor's Clerk's Salary - - - - -                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 9 <sup>s</sup> |     |    | 10  | 0   | 0 |   |
| First Sergeant at Mace Salary - - - - -                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 9 <sup>s</sup> |     |    | 20  | 0   | 0 |   |
| Second Sergeant at Mace Salary - - - - -                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 9 <sup>s</sup> |     |    | 16  | 0   | 0 |   |
| Clothing for Sergeants at Mace - - - - -                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 9 <sup>s</sup> |     |    | 16  | 0   | 0 |   |
| Cleansing Mayor's office and Court of Conscience                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 9 <sup>s</sup> |     |    | 10  | 0   | 0 |   |
| Fuel for Mayor's office and Council Room                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 9 <sup>s</sup> |     |    | 3   | 0   | 0 |   |
| Gas Rent for lighting the Town - - - - -                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 9 <sup>s</sup> |     |    | 3   | 0   | 0 |   |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                |     |    | 176 | 10  | 0 |   |
| Poor Rates, Bridge Rates, and Income Tax for ensuing year                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 21             | 0   | 0  |     |     |   |   |
| Rent of Town Hall or Market House                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 9 <sup>s</sup> | 13  | 8  | 6   |     |   |   |
| Dist Rent deducting half years Income Tax                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 9 <sup>s</sup> | 6   | 10 | 0   |     |   |   |
| Rent Charge deducting Poor Rate and Income Tax                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 9 <sup>s</sup> | 4   | 11 | 0   |     |   |   |
| Interest to the Representatives of Shropshire & Stafford<br>Esq <sup>r</sup> on two Bonds of the Corporation, one for<br>£303-17-9, and the other for £109-11-6, at<br>5 per cent per annum, deducting half a years<br>Income Tax at 4 <sup>s</sup> in the pound - - - - - | 9 <sup>s</sup> | 24  | 5  | 3   |     |   |   |
| Interest to Robert Stafford Esq <sup>r</sup> J. C. on Bill of<br>Exchange of the Corporation held by him for -<br>£562-6-0, at 5 per cent per annum deducting<br>half a years Income Tax at 4 <sup>s</sup> in the pound                                                    | 9 <sup>s</sup> | 27  | 13 | 0   |     |   |   |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                | 97  | 15 | 9   | 957 | 6 | 0 |
| Gross annual Income of the Corporation Estate                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | £              | 322 | 17 | 11  |     |   |   |
| Sums payable out of the Corporate Estate                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                | 97  | 15 | 9   |     |   |   |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                | 225 | 4  | 2   | 225 | 4 | 2 |
| Amount to be provided for by Borough Rates                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                |     |    |     | 734 | 2 | 6 |

Wexford 1<sup>st</sup> November 1859

Thomas Lay Treasurer

John E. Stafford Esq<sup>r</sup>  
Robert Stafford Esq<sup>r</sup>

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*Abstract*



At a Special Meeting of the Council held at 11 O'clock A.M.  
pursuant to the Mayor's Requisition at the Town Hall - for the  
purpose of striking a Borough Rate, To receive Town Councillors  
W. Walpole's resignation, and to arrange the Trial of the fire  
Engine - Present the Mayor Presiding Ald<sup>r</sup> Hadden  
Stafford, <sup>12<sup>th</sup></sup> Walsh, Green - Town Councillors J. Barrington W<sup>m</sup>  
Matthews, Robert Stafford John Simmott, James Pelligrew,  
James McDearry R. J. Devereux, J. S. Waddy Stephen Doyle  
James Harper, R. Simmott Nicholas Lambert & Kavanaugh  
& Moved by Ald<sup>r</sup> Hadden, Seconded by Ald<sup>r</sup> Stafford that  
a rate of eight pence in the pound be struck for the  
ensuing year - Moved by J. S. Waddy Seconded by  
Alderman Hadden - That the Resignation of William  
Walpole a Town Councillor, be accepted without fine  
The Mayor named Thursday the 8<sup>th</sup> day of December  
to Elect a Town Councillor in the room of W<sup>m</sup> Walpole resigning  
for Saint Selskar Ward - Moved by Ald<sup>r</sup> Stafford  
Seconded by Ald<sup>r</sup> Green - That the thanks of this  
Board be conveyed to Messrs Cudden & O'Farrell for their  
present of an Inkstand for the use of the  
Corporation -

1<sup>st</sup> December 1859

At a meeting of the Council pursuant to Statute to  
Elect a Mayor - 12 O'clock noon -  
Moved by J. S. Waddy J<sup>r</sup> - Seconded by Alderman  
Stafford - That Richard O'Connor J<sup>r</sup> be  
Elected Mayor for the ensuing year.

Richard O'Connor Mayor

At a meeting of the Council held in the School  
on Friday December the 30<sup>th</sup> 1859 for the purpose  
of settling accounts -

His Worship the Mayor in the Chair - The following  
accounts were presented -



|                                  |               |
|----------------------------------|---------------|
| Street Cleansing                 | £ 6.. 8.. 0   |
| Repairs for Theatre and Shambles | 13.. 10.. 8   |
| Festive fire Engine              | 1.. 10.. 0    |
| A Stove                          | " 16.. 9      |
| Clothing for Mayors Sergeants    | " 10.. 0.. 0  |
| People Office                    | 2.. 0.. 0     |
| Constitution Office              | 1.. 7.. 0     |
| Independant Office               | 6.. 7.. 1     |
| W. R. Ardile                     | " 2.. 6       |
| Repairing grates &c              | 5.. 18.. 6    |
| Do Do                            | 1.. 11.. 5    |
| Mr Anglin                        | " 8.. 6       |
| Do                               | " 10.. 0      |
| Murphy & Meyler                  | " 5.. 0       |
| Coals                            | 1.. 14.. 8    |
| Painting and Glazing             | 1.. 2.. 8     |
| Adjusting weights                | " 3.. 4       |
| Opinion of Council               | 2.. 2.. 0     |
|                                  | £ 55.. 18.. 1 |

The above were proposed by Alderman Greene  
and Seconded by W. Vicary J. C. and passed  
John Greene Ald. James M. Vicary J. C.

John Walsh Mayor



At a Special meeting of the Council held pursuant to the Statute at the Town Hall at 12 o'clock noon on Monday the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of January 1860 (the first of January falling on Sunday) for the purpose of Inaugurating the Mayor elect Richard Connor with the oath of allegiance and the declaration of Office - On the Motion of Seconded by Resolved that the thanks of the Council be given to John Walsh Esq. late Mayor for the advantages conferred on the Town during his Mayoralty - Rich. Connor W. Matthews -

Quarterly Meeting at the Town Hall  
1<sup>st</sup> February 1860.

On the motion of Ald. Rich. Walsh and Town Councillor Matthews, Resolved that Town Councillor Peter Murphy be added to the Fire Engine Committee and that said committee be empowered to enter into all necessary arrangements for the purpose of keeping the Fire Engine in proper working order. Rich. Walsh Ald. W. Matthews &c.

Moved by P. D. Sweetman and seconded by Ald. Stafford, that Town Councillor Pendergast be Auditor on behalf of the Mayor and Town Council P. D. Sweetman &c.

Moved by W. W. Matthews Esq. and seconded by P. D. Sweetman Esq. that the report of the Committee as read by Ald. Stafford in the improvement of the Theatre and the new Market be adopted and that the Committee be empowered to carry out the suggested improvements -

Resolved, that the Solicitor of the Corporation be empowered to advertise for the loan of £400 as a charge on the income of the Corporation for the purpose of carrying out the improvements recommended by



by the Market Committee into execution Ald<sup>r</sup>  
John Greene and Mr<sup>r</sup> Pendergast J.C. -  
Proposed by Ald<sup>r</sup> Greene and seconded by  
Mr<sup>r</sup> Matthews J.C. that the sum of £130.8.6 the  
amount of Bills now before the Council and  
examined be passed John Greene Ald<sup>r</sup> William  
Matthews J.C. -

|                           |             |
|---------------------------|-------------|
| Gass                      | £ 89..0..0  |
| Cleansing Streets         | 4..0..0     |
| Working fire Engine       | 2..8..0     |
| Repairs of Market House   | 1..0..6     |
| Town Clerk's Salary       | 13..2..6    |
| The Treasurer             | 7..10..0    |
| Clerk                     | 5..0..0     |
| Serj <sup>t</sup> Tucker  | 4..0..0     |
| Mr <sup>r</sup> Armstrong | 4..0..0     |
| Cleansing the Court       | 11..11..6   |
|                           | £ 130..8..6 |

Richard Connor, Mayor.

The Theatre and New Market Committee  
recommend repairs in the New Market as follows  
the Meat Stalls are in a pretty fair state of repair  
with the exception of the two angle ones which must  
be newly rofed, the Sewers should be opened and  
cleaned out, the gratings repaired a new door made  
under the Mechanics Institute two additional shops  
or Stalls to be erected at the rear of the National  
Bank, Mr<sup>r</sup> McKee's old House to be rofed and repaired,  
the House at the North side of the back gate repaired  
and made into two Houses, an urinal erected in  
some convenient place, they also recommend a  
shed or market in the centre of the square say 60  
feet by 30. in metal pillars and a roof of timber  
covered with sheet iron a metal pump where the old  
one stands with a ladder for running through &c. &c.  
the



The Windows of the Theatre to be glazed and painted & some holes in the walls to be stopp'd, the gallery stairs to be tied to the main building the back seat in the boxes to be removed, the windows looking into the boxes to be secured so as to prevent cold a grate set in the small room off the box entrance the Partition at the back of the Pit removed, the door from the Pit into the market stopped up, a Division in the Saloon for a separate box and Pit entrance, the Skylights <sup>off scene</sup> to be changed to prevent rain coming in, the Shooting of the Orchestre and point of the stage repaired, the committee also recommend that when the Theatre is in a proper state of repair, that it will be let for all exhibitions the Mayor and Council may approve of in the following terms one day and night or any part thereof 10<sup>s</sup>. exceeding one day and not exceeding two days 15<sup>s</sup>. and not exceeding 4 days 20<sup>s</sup>. week 30<sup>s</sup>. payable in advance.

M<sup>rs</sup> M. Jabe to be appointed caretaker, her duties to have the Theatre and approaches always clean, to report to the Mayor if any damage or accident that may occur to be accountable for such Repairs due by such persons as may from time to time engage the House and hand them over to the Treasurer, and that she may be paid twenty per cent on the gross receipts.

First February 1860

Robert Hafford  
John Greene

Richard Connor



Special Meeting 9th Feb'y 1860  
 Moved by Wm John Walsh and Seconded by F. C.  
 Richd. Simot - Resolved that the thanks of this  
 Corporation and of the Inhabitants of this Town  
 are due and hereby given to the West of England,  
 The Alliance, and Norwich fire Insurance Companies  
 for their very liberal subscriptions to the new  
 fire Engine  
 John Walsh Alder  
 Richd. Simot J.C.

Moved by F. L. Havangh and Seconded  
 by F. L. John Simot, Resolved that we  
 tender our warmest thanks to John Leard Esq  
 Am. Blinson Esq and James Funniss Esq the  
 Agents of the Companies that subscribed to the  
 fire Engine for their very great assistance they  
 gave in procuring the fund towards paying for the  
 fire Engine  
 Arthur Havangh J.C.  
 John Simot J.C.

Moved by D. P. Sweetman J.C. & Seconded by  
 William Matthews J.C. Resolved that the Agents  
 of the fire Insurance Companies that subscribed  
 to the new fire Engine have free access to it and be  
 furnished with a key for the Engine House  
 and that the Engine may be used outside of the  
 Borough  
 D. P. Sweetman J.C.  
 Wm Matthews J.C.

Resolved that we tender our warmest thanks to  
 John Leard Esq and James Funniss Agents to  
 the Companies mentioned in the foregoing resolution  
 for the very great assistance they gave us in  
 procuring the fire Engine  
 D. P. Sweetman J.C.  
 Wm Matthews J.C.



Resolved that the <sup>Treasurer</sup> ~~Board~~ of this Corporation be directed to pay Messrs. Shand and Mason the sum due for the fire Engine after deducting the proper discount. Proposed and seconded by W. W. Matthews Esq. and James Pettigrew Esq.

Richard D. Connor Mayor,

At a Quarterly Meeting of the Corporation held at the Town Hall on Tuesday the first day of May 1860. The Mayor Presiding.

Moved by Alderman John Walsh and seconded by D. P. Sweetman J.C.

Resolved that Alderman Stafford with the mover and seconder be a committee to confer with Mr. John Stafford for the widening of part of the main street North.

John Walsh - Ald.

D. P. Sweetman.

Proposed by John E. Hadden Ald. and seconded by James M. Vicary J.C. That our Solicitor R. W. Ryan Esq. be authorized to take the necessary proceedings for obtaining possession of the premises at Common Quay formerly known as the Fish Shade, and of such other premises the property of the corporation, as are at present, or may soon become out of Lease.

John E. Hadden

James M. Vicary -

Moved by Thos. Boudengast J.C. Seconded by James Haffey J.C. That the report of the sub-committee of the Fire Engine be adopted and



inserted on the Minutes -

Thomas Peendergart  
 Jas. Harpur -

" We the Committee appointed to examine the Fire Engine and see that it is properly cared have done so this day, and find it clean and in good order. We therefore recommended that Sergeants Tucker and Armstrong be each allowed Two Pounds Ten Shillings per year, at the rate of, in addition to their pay.

Richard D. Connor  
 Rich<sup>d</sup>. Walsh  
 John Summitt J.C.  
 Robert Stafford.

Moved by Alderman J<sup>s</sup> Walsh. Seconded by A. Kavanagh J.C. That the following be a Sub Committee for the care of the Fire Engine for the ensuing year - Alderman Stafford. Alderman Greene. Ald<sup>r</sup> R. Walsh. John Summitt J.C. J. M. Vicary J.C. Peter Murphy J.C. and John Pitt J.C. with the mover and seconder.

John Walsh: Alderman  
 Arthur Kavanagh J.C.

Moved by J. Peendergart J.C. and seconded by John Summitt J.C. That our Solicitor be instructed to procure Counsel's opinion for the information and guidance of the Corporation Council on the following points. 1<sup>st</sup> Whether the property of the Corporation can be mortgaged to discharge a sum of £600 obtained some years since to pay the expenses attendant on the Charter of Incorporation, and for which sum an acceptance from Members of the Council has been given to the party who lent the money?

2<sup>d</sup> Whether the sum of £600 can be borrowed on the property of the Corporation, to



improve the New Market; and if so, what steps it will be necessary for the Council to take in the matter -

Moved by Mr. T. Pendergast J.C. and seconded by Mr. John Smith J.C. That a meeting be convened when Counsel's opinion shall have been received to make such order in reference to it as the Council may deem necessary.

Thomas Pendergast  
John Smith.

Resolved that Ald<sup>r</sup> Stafford, Ald<sup>r</sup> Greene and J.C. Ravanagh be appointed as a Sub-Committee for the New Market.

Moved by Nich<sup>l</sup>. Lambert J.C. seconded by James Harpur J.C. That the following bills amounting in the whole to £44.17.9 be paid.

|                                       |         |
|---------------------------------------|---------|
| Street Bills                          | £ 4.8.8 |
| Repairs of Theatre                    | 1.7.10  |
| Repairs of Town Hall                  | 3.6.11  |
| Town Clerk's Salary. One Quarter.     | 13.2.6  |
| P. Turlong. Ditto -                   | 5.0.0   |
| Thos. Lacey. Ditto -                  | 7.10.0  |
| W. J. Tucker. Ditto -                 | 4.0.0   |
| Thos. Armstrong. Ditto -              | 4.0.0   |
| Alice Furg. Ditto -                   | 7.6     |
| Extra work on Streets                 | 9.4     |
| W. J. Tucker. One Quarter for Engine. | 12.-6   |
| Thos. Armstrong - Ditto.              | 12.-6   |
|                                       | <hr/>   |
|                                       | 44.17.9 |

Nicholas Lambert  
Jas. Harpur.

Moved by Alderman Stafford seconded by James Pettigrew J.C. That -



- That the Town Clerk be instructed to write to Colonel Larcomb to know whether it is within the Jurisdiction of the Mayor to remove obstructions in the streets, and to abate nuisances.

Robert Stafford  
James Pettigrew -  
Richard D. Connor, Mayor, -

At a Special Meeting of the Council held on the Nineteenth day of June 1860 -

On the Motion of John Evans Hadden J. C. and John Walsh J. C. It was resolved that a Sum of £15 be given to M<sup>r</sup> Kellett for going back five feet in the erection of his new House next to Whites Hotel

John Hadden  
John Walsh

First day of August 1860 Quarterly Meeting

It was Resolved

On the Motion of Rich Sinnott and John Sinnott  
It was Resolved That all the Stalls in the Meat Market be set at one Shilling per week each for the present

Richard Sinnott J.C.  
John Sinnott J.C.

John Walsh  
Chairman and Alderman -

Moved



Moved by John Simmott Esq. and Ald<sup>n</sup> Hadden  
That Bills to the Amount of £3.5. 10. 6 be paid  
John Simmott Esq  
John. E. Hadden, Ald<sup>n</sup>

On the Motion of Joseph Sladdy Esq. and Seconded  
by James Pettigrew Esq. It was Resolved that the Bill  
for the new Gate at the Market be paid for. Subject to  
the Approval of the Committee appointed to inspect the  
Same

Committee  
Joseph Sladdy Esq.  
James Pettigrew Esq.

Ja<sup>s</sup> M. Henry Esq.  
John Barrington Esq.  
Joseph Sladdy Esq.  
James Pettigrew Esq.  
Ald<sup>n</sup> Stafford

Richard Connor, Mayor.

At a Special Meeting held at the Council Room  
Shobell on Thursday the Twentieth day of day of  
September 1860

On the Motion of Robert Stafford Esquire  
Ald<sup>n</sup> and Daniel Percy Sweetman Esq<sup>r</sup> Esq<sup>r</sup> V. C. It  
was Resolved That Mr William Deacon be Noticed  
by the Town Clerk. To remove the House now building  
in the Faythe, so far back as to bring his part of  
Boundary Wall on a straight range with Murphy's  
House on the South side, and Pat Doran's on the  
North. And that if he does not do so, our Solicitor  
be directed to take the necessary proceedings to Compel  
him

Robert Stafford Ald<sup>n</sup>  
Daniel Percy Sweetman Esq.

Richard Connor, Mayor.



Special Meeting of the Council held at the  
 Tholrel on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of October 1860

Moved by John E. Hadden Seconded by  
 Rich. Sinnott that a committee be appointed  
 to consider the best mode of improving the  
 Harbour of Wexford and confer with the Quay  
 Corporation and others on the subject consisting of  
 Alder R. Walsh J. M. Nicany D. P. Sweetman John  
 Pitt Nichl. Lambert Robt. Stafford J. S. Waddy James  
 Harper  
 Signed John E. Hadden  
 Richd. Sinnott

Quarterly Meeting 1<sup>st</sup> Nov. 1860 -  
 Moved by J. C. Prudergast Seconded by Alder Walsh  
 that Alder Stafford Alder Hadden J. S. Harper  
 & Sinnott are hereby appointed a committee  
 to execute the repairs required on the Tholrel and  
 Town Hall  
 Signed J. C. Prudergast J. C.  
 Alder R. Walsh

Moved by J. C. Prudergast and James Harper  
 that Alder Stafford Alder Hadden J. M. Nicany J. S. Waddy  
 John Sinnott with the Mayor & Officers be appointed  
 as a committee to attend the meeting of the Wexford  
 Harbour Commissioners tomorrow for considering  
 the question of the improvement of the Harbour of  
 Wexford  
 Signed J. C. Prudergast  
 James Harper

Moved by J. S. Waddy Seconded by Alder  
 Hadden that the following members be appointed  
 to confer with the deputation from the Young  
 Mens Christian Association as to the widening a  
 portion of the Main Street and to report to the  
 Council on first December next J. M. Nicany  
 J. C. Prudergast and Wm. Matthews  
 Waddy  
 J. E. Hadden



Moved by Tho. Rundergast F.L. & seconded by J.M. Vicary  
 And passed - That Whereas a sum of £562.6.8  
 has been borrowed on the personal security of  
 Members of this Council to defray the expenses  
 incurred in obtaining the Charter of incorporation,  
 and Whereas the person to whom this amount is  
 due has made application on this day for payment,  
 And Whereas this Council is desirous of discharging  
 this claim, and of releasing Members of it from  
 obligations contracted by them for the purpose of  
 carrying into effect the provisions of the act under  
 which this body is incorporated it is hereby  
 resolved that our Solicitor be instructed to get  
 prepared in proper form a memorial for presentation  
 to the Lords Commissioners of her Majestys Treasury  
 praying that they may give permission to this  
 Council to mortgage or otherwise raise on the property  
 of the Corporation a sufficient sum to liquidate the  
 amount herein specified, And also to raise a  
 further sum of £400 to erect suitable buildings  
 on a piece of ground recently Leased for the purpose  
 of making a new Market for the Borough. That  
 notice of the intention to present the memorial  
 be given in the manner prescribed by 14<sup>th</sup> Section  
 of the Municipal act and that the memorial  
 when submitted and approved by the Council  
 be transmitted in due time to the Lords  
 Commissioners of her Majestys treasury -  
 Signed Tho. Rundergast F.L.  
 J.M. Vicary F.L.

Richard Borman Mayor.



First December 1860

A meeting was held at the Town Hall on this day pursuant to the Statute in that case made 6th & 7th Vic Chapter 108, -

Moved by Alderman Greene and seconded by Alder Richard Walsh - That Mr. John Sinnott be Elected Mayor for the year 1861 - and was unanimously Elected on said Motion, John Greene Ald. J. P. Richd. Walsh Alder.

Richard D. Sinnott Mayor

At a special Meeting of the Council held at the Town Hall on Thursday the 6th Decr 1860. pursuant to the Mayor's requisition for the purpose of taking into consideration the widening part of Main Street (North) and to strike a Borough Rate.

It was moved by J. M. Brady J. C. and J. Greene Alder that the Report of the Committee for widening the Main Street North be adopted and entered on the minutes.

It was moved by J. Greene Alder and Richard Sinnott J. C. as an Amendment.

That the question of compensation to the Young Men's Christian Association for widening the Main Street be postponed to this day fortnight; and in the mean time that the Treasurer have an accurate account of the income and expenditure of the Borough fund and Rate separately drawn up, and that Mr. O'Hara's opinion be taken, whether any portion of the Borough fund or Borough Rate, can be appropriated to the purpose of widening the



the streets of the Town, or paying any portion for so doing.

The amendment passed unanimously.  
On the motion of Robt. Stafford Ald<sup>r</sup> and John Walsh J.P. Ald<sup>r</sup>. It was Resolved that that Council strike a rate of Six pence in the Pound on the Valuation or present rating for the year 1861 one, on the Abstract laid before us,

Richard Connor Mayor

Resolved that the Question of compensation to the Christian Young Mens Society for widening the Main Street be postponed to this day fortnight and in the meantime, that the Treasurer have an accurate account of the income and expenditure of the Borough fund and rate separately drawn up and that Mr. O'Hara's opinion be taken whether any portion of the Borough fund or Borough rate can be appropriated to the purpose of widening the streets of the Town or paying any parties for so doing.

J. Green Ald<sup>r</sup>  
R. H. Smith Ald<sup>r</sup>

Special Meeting of the B.C.  
held at the House on Friday the 21<sup>st</sup>  
to receive and read Mr. O'Hara's opinion  
relative to the widening of the streets and  
payment of money - Also a Municipal  
Treasurer as to the borrowing of money  
and also relative to the Corporation property  
the Mayor presiding  
Moved by J. Green Ald<sup>r</sup>  
Seconded by J. Green Ald<sup>r</sup> J. Over



That the report of the Committee for widening the Main Street North be adopted and entered on the Minutes - and that a sum amounting to £53-17-6 be appropriated to that purpose the ~~same~~ payment of same to extend to the period of five years in annual instalments of £10-15-6 the Street to be same breadth as W. Kellatts new House

J. M. Mcay Esq  
John Green Esq

Upon a vote being taken there then appeared eight for and eight against and the Mayor gave his casting vote against the resolution was therefore cast

That the memorial prepared by our Solicitor for presentation to the Lord Commissioners of Her Majestys Treasury praying for permission to borrow money for the purpose specified in said memorial and read at this meeting be adopted by the C.C. and that a plan of the buildings prepared to be erected on the ground rented for the new market together with an estimate of the probable cost of building them be procured and laid before the C.C. as early as practicable - Signed Geo. P. Rindge Esq

J. D. Sweetman Esq

Richard Connor, Mayor.



Estimate of the expenses incurred and still remaining due for obtaining the Charter of Incorporation of the Town of Wexford, and also the annual amount necessary for carrying out the said Charter

1860

|                                                                                                                                                                                      | £    | s  | d  | £    | s  | d |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|----|----|------|----|---|
| Bill of Exchange in the hands of Alderman Stappard                                                                                                                                   |      |    |    | 562  | 6  | 0 |
| Repairing Corporate Buildings for ensuing year                                                                                                                                       |      |    |    | 12   | 0  | 0 |
| Cleansing streets including hoisting Watering Cart &c                                                                                                                                |      |    |    | 50   | 0  | 0 |
| Expenses attendant upon the Fire Engine                                                                                                                                              | 10   | 0  | 0  |      |    |   |
| Printing and Stationary                                                                                                                                                              | 10   | 0  | 0  |      |    |   |
| Town Clerk's Salary                                                                                                                                                                  | 52   | 10 | 0  |      |    |   |
| Treasurer's Salary                                                                                                                                                                   | 20   | 0  | 0  |      |    |   |
| Inspector of Weights and Measures Salary                                                                                                                                             | 10   | 0  | 0  |      |    |   |
| Mayor's Clerk's Salary                                                                                                                                                               | 20   | 0  | 0  |      |    |   |
| First Sergeant at Mayor's Salary                                                                                                                                                     | 16   | 0  | 0  |      |    |   |
| Second Sergeant at Mayor's Salary                                                                                                                                                    | 16   | 0  | 0  |      |    |   |
| Clothing for Sergeants at Mayor                                                                                                                                                      | 10   | 0  | 0  |      |    |   |
| Cleansing Mayor's office & Court of Conscience                                                                                                                                       | 3    | 0  | 0  |      |    |   |
| Fuel for Mayor's office                                                                                                                                                              | 3    | 0  | 0  |      |    |   |
| Gas Rent for lighting the Town                                                                                                                                                       | 170  | 0  | 0  |      |    |   |
| Poor Rates Bridge Rates and Income Tax                                                                                                                                               | 30   | 0  | 0  |      |    |   |
| Rent of Market House and Town Hall                                                                                                                                                   | 13   | 0  | 6  |      |    |   |
| Quit Rent deducting year's Income Tax                                                                                                                                                | 6    | 16 | 0  |      |    |   |
| Rentcharge deducting Poor Rates & Income Tax                                                                                                                                         | 4    | 10 | 0  |      |    |   |
| 4 years Interest to the Rep <sup>d</sup> of Sheppard & Co, by<br>an two Bonds of the Corporation, one for £300-14-9<br>and the other for £100-11-6, at 5 per cent, deducting In. Tax | 24   | 0  | 0  |      |    |   |
| 4 years interest to Alderman Stappard on Bill of Exchange<br>of the Members of the Corporation for £562-6-0, held<br>by him, at 5 per cent, deducting Income Tax                     | 27   | 10 | 0  |      |    |   |
| Amount allocated for Solicitors costs consequent on<br>law proceedings for the recovery of Corporate property                                                                        | 50   | 0  | 0  |      |    |   |
|                                                                                                                                                                                      | £156 | 4  | 6  | 972  | 16 | 0 |
| Gross annual Income of the Corporation                                                                                                                                               | 323  | 19 | 11 |      |    |   |
| Amount in the hands of Treasurer at last Audit                                                                                                                                       | 69   | 5  | 0  |      |    |   |
|                                                                                                                                                                                      | £393 | 5  | 7  |      |    |   |
| Sum payable out of the Corporate Estate                                                                                                                                              | 156  | 4  | 6  |      |    |   |
|                                                                                                                                                                                      | £237 | 1  | 1  | 237  | 1  | 1 |
| Amount to be provided for by Borough Rates                                                                                                                                           |      |    |    | £735 | 15 | 7 |



John Walsh Alder  
Robert Hefford  
John Emmott

Estimate for 1861



24<sup>th</sup> December Special Meeting 1860

Moved by William Matthews J.C. and seconded  
by J. J. Waddy - Resolved that the several  
accounts furnished be allowed amounting  
in the whole sum of Forty three pounds  
fifteen shillings and one penny, passed  
unanimously -

William Matthews J.C.  
J. J. Waddy J.C.  
Arthur Kavanagh J.C.

1<sup>st</sup> January 1861

John Simmott Esq. took the oath of Allegiance  
and made the necessary declaration of taking office  
as Mayor of the Borough of Wexford for the year  
1861

Richd. Connor

Moved by Ald. Greene and Ald. Walsh a  
Vote of thanks to the outgoing Mayor put the  
Mayor and carried unanimously

John Simmott Mayor  
John Simmott Mayor

1<sup>st</sup> February 1861

Quarterly Meeting held at the  
on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of February 1861

In the Motion of Alderman Stafford  
and James Prendergast It was Resolved  
that the plan and Specification prepared by  
Mr Richard Pierce be approved of and adopted  
by this Council. And that Mr Ryan our  
Solicitor



Solicitor be Instructed to add same to the Memorial  
 praying for power to borrow the Sum of one Thousand  
 five hundred Pounds ~ (Signed)  
 Robert Stafford (Ald<sup>n</sup>)  
 James Prendergast, J.C.

On the Motion of ~~James~~ Thomas Prendergast Town Councillor  
 and Alderman Greene ~ It was Resolved that the  
 Mayor be empowered to have a Grate placed in  
 William Street. In the event of M<sup>r</sup> Farrell refusing  
 to do so, and to open a Sewer out of the same in  
 Trinity Street ~

The Mayor appointed John Pitt J.C.<sup>r</sup>  
 as third Auditor.

John Gurnoth  
 Mayor

At a Special of the Council held on Thursday  
 the twenty eighth day of February One Thousand  
 eight hundred and Sixty one ~

On the Motion of Alderman Greene, and  
 Joseph T. Waddy J.C. It was Resolved ~ That  
 the following gentlemen be appointed to report  
 on the provisions of the Markets and Fairs Bill  
 and on the Deaths Births and Marriages Bill  
 now before Parliament on an early day preparatory  
 to the holding of a Public Meeting of the Inhabitants  
 for the purpose of getting the general opinion on the  
 merits of said Bills

Alderman Stafford

Alderman Hadden

Alderman Walsh

John Gurnoth  
 Mayor