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# MUNICIPAL MINUTE BOOK

From 1st July 1913
to 15th January 1916

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# Monday 1st July, 1912.

A Monthly Meeting of the Newross Urban District Council was to be held this day at 12 O'clock Noon to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

No Member of the Council attended

A Quorum Not having assembled

The Meeting adjourned to Tuesday 9th July, 1912.

John Sullivan.

Tuesday 2nd July, 1912.

A Meeting of the special Committee appointed to arrange for provision and delivery of Street Metalling and transact other business was held this evening at 5 O'clock.

Present Messrs James B. Keane and Presiding
John Murphy. (John Street)

The committee directed the Clerk to make arrangements with some boat owner for the conveyance of broken stones from Ballyneal Quay, and delivery at Newross Quay, at a cost Not exceeding 1/6 per ton.

They also recommended the acceptance of Tender of Thos O'Neill for five tons of flags at the price accepted at Meeting Viz:- 10/- per Ton delivered at Newross.

The Meeting adjourned John Sullivan.

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Tuesday 9th July, 1912.

A Meeting of the Finance Committee was held this evening at 6·30 o' clock to transact business of the Committee.

Present Messrs John O'Sullivan
and
Peter Murphy

The Clerk submitted a number of bills which the Committee examined. They declined to pass for payment two bills received from the Manager "New Ross standard" and "Free Press" on the ground that amount for advertising "Tenders invited for building of houses" charged in the bills was too high. The amount when compared with the rate quoted per line seemed to be right, but the "Independent" which quoted at the same rate was about 30% less, as the number of lines were much less.

They also declined to pass a bill for "The Local Government Supplement" amounting to 15/= and directed that it be discontinued.

Having prepared, and signed a report,

The Committee adjourned

John Sullivan
m/Dec 12.

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Tuesday 9th July, 1912.

A Quarterly Meeting of the Council was held this evening at 7 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898.

Present Messrs John O'Sullivan Presiding
John Murphy (John Street)
John Murphy (South Street)
Peter Murphy
and
M. J. O'Connor

The Minutes of last Quarterly Meeting were read and signed.

The Surveyor not being doing duty there was no report received from him.

The following resolution was
Proposed by Mr. Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr. O'Sullivan

That the Council purchase from the Parnell Quarries Ltd three hundred tons of 1" to 1½ Macadam at 7/4 per ton delivered in Railway waggons at Newtoss, and also 300 tons of 2" Macadam @ 7/9 per ton delivered in waggons at Newtoss, delivery to be made at intervals, as Macadam may be Ordered, between Now and 31st Dec., 1912.

Passed Unanimously

Proposed by Mr. M. J. O'Connor and
Seconded by Mr. John Murphy

That the Council purchase from Thomas O'Neill, Ballynock two hundred tons of stones from Ballyneal Quarry broken to the gauge of 2" delivered on the Quay of Ballyneal, ready to be loaded into boats, @ 3/6 per ton, delivery to be at the rate of thirty-four tons per month.

Passed Unanimously

The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 8th October, 1912.

John O'Sullivan
8 Oct/12.

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Tuesday 9th July, 1912.

A fortnightly and an adjourned Monthly Meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this evening at 7.30 to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Present Messrs John O'Sullivan Presiding
John Murphy, John St
John Murphy South St
Peter Murphy
and
M. J. O'Connor

The Minutes of last Meeting, and also of the Monthly Meeting, and special Committee Meeting were read and signed.

Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by The Chairman and Messrs John Murphy John St, & John Murphy South St, and the following Paying Orders were directed to be issued Viz:-

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| No 26 | J. Lynch V.S. | £ | 5-0-0 |
| " 27 | Governors of Sir John Ivory's school | | 1-12-7 |
| " 28 | Doyle Bros | | 6-0-0 |
| " 29 | Independent Newspapers Ltd | | 1-13-6 |
| " 30 | M. J. Finn | | 6-5-0 |
| " 31 | same | | 11-5-0 |
| " 32 | James Barron | | 5-4-11 |
| " 33 | Hibernian Fire General Insurance Co Ltd | | 1-19-0 |
| " 34 | Royal Exchange assurance Co | | 3-15-3 |
| " 35 | Parnell Quarries Ltd | | 14--3-2 |
| " 36 | New Ross Gas Co Ltd | | 85-6-3 |
| " 37 | James J. Shortall | | 4-6-8 |
| " 38 | Committee of St Stephens Cemetery | | 4-13-6 |
| " 39 | M. J. Finn | | 18-10-5 |
| " 40 | John J. Browne | | 1-7-3 |

## Correspondence

Letter from Local Government Board No 34.321: 1912, dated 28th June, forwarding, for the information of the Council, a copy of a letter forwarded to Messrs Cofer Cox on the subject of the Inquiry into the

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Charges preferred by the Council against the Town Surveyor.

The letter referred to, was dated 28th June, and was also numbered 34. 321 : 1912. In it the Board intimated that they had arranged to postpone the date of the Inquiry fixed for the 2nd Prox, but the dates suggested do not appear at present suitable having regard to their Inspector's previous engagements, but the Board will communicate further fixing definately a date on which the Inquiry will be held.

There was also a letter a letter received from the Board dated 3rd July 1912, No 33734/1912 stating that all the documents in connection with the Inquiry have been handed over to the Inspector appointed to hold it.

No Order Made on any of these letters.

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Letter from Messrs Colfer & Son, dated 26th June 1912, enclosing copy of Mr. Shortalls replies to the charges which they had typed as requested. They also returned the original.

No Order Made

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Letter from same dated 26th June, stating that in accordance with the instructions given them by the Clerk last evening, they got into communication with Mr. Buggy solicitor to day, and arranged that he would join in asking the Local Government Board to adjourn the Inquiry to the week commencing 15th July. They have made the formal application and await result.

No Order Made

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Letter from same dated 28th June stating that as they had not heard from Local Government Board in reply to their application to have the Inquiry adjourned to the week commencing Monday 15th July, they telephoned their Dublin agents to-day requesting them to interview the Local Government Board on the subject, and they have just heard from them to the effect that the Inquiry is adjourned to a date to be hereafter named, having regard to the other engagements of the Inspector, but not earlier than the 15th July

No Order Made this being considered satisfactory.

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Letter from Commissioner of Valuation, dated 27th Inst, acknow-

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-ledging receipt of list of tenements requiring revision in the Urban District transmitted to the Office of the Commissioner.

No Order Made

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Letter from the Secretary of the National Health Insurance Commission forwarding a supply of Posters directing the attention of all insurable persons to the necessity for taking the necessary steps to be insured under the act, and asking the Council to arrange for a display of them on the public buildings under their Control or jurisdiction

The Clerk stated that he had them all posted and this was approved of.

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Letter from same dated 8th Inst, No 3884-12, replying to the Councils letter of the 27th Ult and enclosing a circular + . I. Local Authorities whose terms of employment comply with the conditions specified in the circular may be excepted under schedule I Part II (b) of the act, if the Insurance Commissioners grant the certificate mentioned in that section, otherwise they will be insured under the ordinary provisions of the act. The duties of the employers are set out in Pamplet 'A'

The substance of circular x. I. which was enclosed, is that the Insurance Commissioners will require, before granting a certificate of exception, that provision for allowances to be paid to the employees during sickness, and disablement will beat least equivalent in value actuarially to the "Sickness Benefit" and "Disablement benefit" (taken together) provided by the act.

The Commissioners will also have to be satisfied that the provision made is at least as well adapted to the needs of the employees as the benefits provided by the act; and in Considering an application, will not be able to take cognizance of any provision which is not secured to the employees by the terms of their engagement.

The Meeting was of opinion that the Council had no legal power, even if willing to give the undertaking necessary to claim to have the employees excepted from the operation of the National Insurance Act, and that they must consequently become Compulsorily insured.

The Clerk inquired if he would require all the employees including the Town Surveyor who is not at present working, to present their Insurance cards for stamping, and have their contri-

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Contributions deducted from their wages when paying them.

A discussion ensued on the matter, during which it was contended that employees could not become members of an approved society, or be compulsorily insured before 15th October, but would of course, have their benefits deferred correspondingly.

Eventually it was

Ordered

That the Clerk have the Insurance Cards of such of the employees as present them immediately after the 15th Inst, stamped, and their contributations deducted from their wages, but he is not to require any of them to present an Insurance Card for stamping before the 15th October.

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The Clerk reported, under date 9th Inst that the amount of Poor Rate collected to date is £192-12-4, whilst the amount outstanding is £577-7-2. Town & Domestic Water Rate collected is £243-0-7, whilst amount outstanding is £17-4-5. In both cases the amount outstanding includes uncollectable rates.

No Order Made the Meeting being of opinion that the Collector had made good progress since he was directed to lodge £400.

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Letter from Messrs Coeffer and Son dated 9th July acknowledging receipt of Councils letter intimating that they had deferred putting Closing Order into force at present.

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Letter from Revd Michael Murphy C. C Ferns, Hon Sec to the County Committee of the Gaelic League, dated 2nd Inst, forwarding for the adoption of the Council, copies of resolutions regarding the teaching of the Irish Language through the medium of the National Schools.

Proposed by Mr John Murphy South St and

Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy

(A) That being convinced of the possibility of making Ireland an Irish speaking country through the medium of the National schools, we hereby call upon the Commissioners of National Education to make Irish a subject for entrance to the Training Colleges for all candidates from 1913 and afterwards." (B) "To place Irish among

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the ordinary subjects in the curriculum for teachers in training who enter the session 1913-14 and afterwards." (b) "That Irish be put on the same level as the other most necessary subjects in the final examination for teachers certificate in case of students who enter after 1913." (c) "That Irish be taught as an ordinary school subject in all National schools by teachers who begin their training 1913 and who leave with the full teachers certificate." (d) "That by the above-mentioned teachers Irish be taught in all National schools according to the position of Irish in the locality, special treatment being required by the Irish speaking districts."

(20) (a) "That whilst the vacancies in the National schools are being filled by the new class of teachers we call upon the Commissioners of National Education to make provision for the teaching of Irish as a school subject within hours in all standards." (b) "That the existing teachers be assisted financially by the Commissioners to obtain the necessary the necessary certificate so as to be enabled to teach Irish according to the needs of the locality."

(c) "That as the saving of Irish in Irish-speaking districts is a question of immediate National importance, we call on the Commissioners of National Education to provide special treatment for those districts.

Passed Unanimously

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Letter from Mr. Joseph Roche Quay St, dated 9th Inst, informing the Council that one of their workmen, when repairing a watertable outside his shop, broke his window, and requesting that they will see to the matter.

After a short discussion it was:-

Ordered

That a new pane be put in by Mr. Freeman, under the direction of the foreman.

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Timothy Mc. Carty, one of the Council's tenants drew attention to condition of repair in which the fire place in his house is, and it was Ordered that the foreman inspect it and report

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to Next Meeting what repairs are Necessary, and the probable cost of same.

An application was received from a Number of Men for remuneration for their services at a fire which occured at Mrs. P. Power's premises, South St, and it was Ordered that they be informed the Council could Not entertain the claim as they had No funds for such a purpose.

A Paying Order was received from The Technical Instruction Committee of the New Ross Urban District for £34-7-6 being balance of first year's Instalment of Principal and Interest in respect of the repayment of the Technical Loans, and also one for £20-15-0 being amount of Probate Duty, and both were

Ordered

To be lodged to the credit of the Council.

The following report of the special Committee appointed to deal with the question of Street Installing was read:-

Your Committee re Installing Met this evening and recommend that Mrs. Finn make arrangements for the purpose of getting the broken stones conveyed by boat from Ballyneal Quay to New Ross.

We recommend that the tender of Thos. O'Neill @ 10d a ton for flags 3 ft long over be accepted for 5 tons.

J. B. Keane. J. Murphy

The Clerk stated that he arranged with John Roche of Ballyanne to bring the broken stones down from Ballyneal Quay at 1/4 per ton, but he had received a letter, which the Chairman read now, informing him that his boatmen would Not bring them chiefly on account of the stones been broken. He also considered the rate allowed much too low.

The Clerk also reported that he since had a conversation with Mrs. Doyle's boatman who asked 2/- per ton freight, and he agreed with him to bring down a load @ 1/6 the price fixed by the Committee, but he had grave doubts that the boatman would carry out his undertaking. He suggested that the freight be increased.

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Proposed by The Chairman and
Seconded by Mr. M. J. O'Connor

"That the clerk be authorized to
"increase the price allowed by the Committee by 3d. per ton."

Passed Unanimously

Proposed by Mr. Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr. O'Connor

That the report of the Committee be adopted, and that five tons of flags be Ordered from Thos O'Neill at 10/- per ton delivered in Newtoss.

Passed Unanimously

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The following report of the Finance Committee was read:-
Committee recommend that "People" & "Free Press" be written to pointing out the difference in their bills for advertising & the Independent rate and requesting a reduction. We also recommend the Council to come to some permanent arrangement with Mr. Butler regarding night work at the water pipes as the present system of claims for extra work is not satisfactory.

John O'Sullivan. Peter Murphy

A Number of bills were also examined and the amounts read out in detail by the Chairman after which it was

Proposed by Mr. John Murphy South St and
Seconded by Mr. John Murphy, John St

That the report of the Finance Committee be adopted and the accounts submitted be paid, also that the question of arranging with Mr. Butler for extra remuneration in Connection with water supplies, be referred to the Water Committee for report.

Passed Unanimously.

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The Clerk submitted the Collectors sheets showing amounts of weekly rent outstanding. From it appeared that some of the tenants were considerably in arrears, notably Mary Ryan, and after some discussion it was

Proposed by Mr. John Murphy John St and
Seconded by Mr. Peter Murphy

"That "Notice to Quit" to be served on

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Mary Ryan be signed and sealed and that the other tenants who are over four weeks in arrears be informed if they do not pay up the arrears, possession of the houses will be taken up.

Passed Unanimously

In pursuance of the foregoing resolution the Notice to Quit was duly signed and sealed.

The following report of the Foreman, which was adjourned from the Meeting, held on the 25th ult was read:-

I beg to report that.

The grating opposite J. Brownes Neville st is repaired. Some of the uneven flags are remedied and the remainder will be done at once. The work at junction Robert st & Michael st will be finished in a few days. The footpath at Technical School is repaired. I will get the work at Henry st yard gate in hands at once. I think a Carpenter and Mason should be employed. The weather did not permit to have water Channels repaired. Immediately it gets fine I will have this work attended to. The Crossing at Marsh Lane is repaired according to directions & I will have Crossings at Mrs. Carrs & the shaw grounds. also John O'Connors repaired as soon as possible. Four waggon loads of Metalling have arrived and I have had two of them removed to the School No road depot and some of the remaining to Henry st yard. also some have been spread on the Quay.

He also reported under date 9th July, that the work ordered to be done re covering the Inspection Chamber at Chapel Lane is now completed.

It was decided to defer the repairs to Henry Street yard gate for the present, in view of the possibility of its requiring to be altered, should the new stables and cart house, be fitted up in that yard.

There was No Order Made on the remainder of the report, which was considered very satisfactory.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 23rd July, 1912.

Thos Sullivan

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A Meeting of the Newross Urban District Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) act 1854.

Present Messrs John O'Sullivan Presiding
Michael Sheehan
M. J. O'Connor
Patrick Dunne
David Murphy
Peter Murphy
John Murphy South St
Peter R. Gorman
and
John Murphy John St

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Finance Committee held on the 9th Inst and the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Sheehan & O'Connor and the following paying Order was directed to be issued viz:- No 41 £19-7-6 Petty Cash.

## Correspondence

Letter from the National Health Insurance Commissioners dated 11th Inst intimating that they have, at present under consideration applications for exception under Schedule I Part II (b) of the National Insurance act received from local and other public authorities.

In cases where sufficient provision is not already made to satisfy the requirements of the section the Commissioners are prepared to consider schemes submitted by such authorities, undertaking to make provision for certain classes of their permanent employees in respect of sickness or disablement not less favaurable than the corresponding benefits conferred by part one of the National Insurance Act.

As this matter had been dealth with at last meeting of the Council there was now No Order made.

Letter from W. F. Hearn Solicitor dated 19th July 1912, on behalf of Mrs Fanning Robert St complaining of the flooding of her yard and

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premises, owing to the surface water flowing into same occasioned by the raising of the street opposite her premises.

If the Council does not take the necessary steps to prevent such flooding he will be obliged to take proceedings for an injunction against them.

Proposed by Mr. Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr. Dunne

That the Committee appointed to inspect trap and ground under fountain at Cross Lane; inspect and report upon this matter.

Passed Unanimously.

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Letters were received from the Manager of the "Free Press", and of the "Wexford People" dated 13th Inst in reference to accounts, payment of which had been deferred by the Council on the grounds that the charge for advertising was too high. In them it was pointed out that the quotations were accepted by the Council @ 6d per line and the number of lines at this rate made up the amount charged which could not now be altered.

Ordered

That the accounts be paid at the next meeting of the Council.

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Letter from Commissioner of Valuation dated 18th July, intimating that the annual revision of the Valuation of the Urban District of Newtoss is about to be made and requesting that any supplemental lists of tenements requiring revision may be forwarded to him not later than the 31st Inst.

The Clerk stated that there was none received and he had informed the Commissioner to this effect.

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Letter from McGregor & Co Dundee, dated 20th Inst, asking that if it would be found necessary to purchase new Fire Hose, or other Fire appliances, they may be afforded an opportunity of quoting for same.

As there is none required at present there was
No Order Made.

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Letter from the Town Clerk, Wexford, dated 11th Inst, informing the

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Council that it is proposed to send a deputation on the subject of Obtaining loans for Urban Councils at the same rates as for Guardians for the purpose of building houses, and asking if the Council would approve of such a course, and if they will be prepared to send a representative to act as a Member of such Deputation.

Proposed by Mr. Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr. Dunne

That this Council highly approve of the proposal, and the Town Clerk of Wexford be informed accordingly, and also that the Council will be very pleased to appoint a representative on the Deputation.

Passed Unanimously

Ordered

That the Members of the Council be Notified to attend Next Meeting for the purpose of appointing a representative.

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The Commissioners of National Education wrote acknowledging receipt of the resolution passed by the Council relative to the teaching of Irish.

No Order Made

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Notices dated 1st July 1912, were received from the NewRoss Rural District Council that they propose to take, for the purposes of the Labourers acts, two plots of ground, of one acre each on the Land of Commons of which the Council are owners.

No Order Made

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A Pay Warrant dated 15th July was received from The Great Southern and Western Railway Co for £7-10-8 being amount of Dividend payable to the Council, and it was

Ordered

To be lodged to the credit of the Council.

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## Foreman's Report

I beg to report that we received one boat load of broken Metalling from Ballyneal Quarrys, which I am having weighed and removed to the depot on Mt Garrett Road.

We also received four waggons of broken Metalling from the Arklow Quarry two of 2" and two of 1¼". Three of those have been

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removed to the depots at Chilcomb and Henry Street Yard; some has been spread in the large ruts in the streets. I have also drawn some Rubble from John St Quarry to the Shairo Street for filling. I will have those blinded as soon as possible.

I have had Mrs. Kehoe's house at the Fair Gate repaired by concreting the foundation, also some slight repairs Mrs. Butlers house and Kehoe's, which were badly needed, owing to the uneven and dangerous state of the pathway.

I have examined Mrs. Carty's house, William St, and find that the range must be re-set, the cost of which would be about 10/-.

I have also examined Mrs. Curran's house, which requires window fastenings and two panes of glass. I wish to state that the trap on the North-side of Cross Lane opposite Mrs. Freeman's is not working satisfactorily, owing to some leakage. It remains sealed only about a few hours. I have drawn Mrs. Butlers attention to the matter.

James Kelly
Foreman

Ordered

That the Foreman report fully to next Meeting the extent of repairs carried out on house occupied by P. Kehoe. Fair Gate, and on Grounds opposite it, and house of Mrs. Butler, also time occupied at same, and expense incurred.

Proposed by Mrs. John Murphy South St and
Seconded by Mrs. Dunne

That the Foreman have the house occupied by Timothy McCarthy, William St, re-paired by William Carty at a cost not exceeding his estimate of 10/-, and that he also get the repairs specified by him, done on house of Mrs. Curran Wm St.

Passed Unanimously

The Clerk reported that the Council's Solicitors asked him to get an Order passed by the Council directing the Foreman, and Sanitary sub officer, to attend, and give evidence at the forth-coming Inquiry into the charges preferred against the Surveyor, if they consider their evidence necessary.

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Ordered

That those Officers be directed to attend and give evidence at the Inquiry if required to do so by the Councils Solicitors, and that they also call on the Solicitors, if requested, so that their evidence may be noted.

The Clerk reported that an extra horse will be required for a few days, to cart the metalling to the depots, and, on the proposal of Mr. John Murphy South St, seconded by Mr. OConnor he was Ordered to employ one temporarily on the best terms he could.

The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 6th August, 1912.

John O'Sullivan

Monday 5th August 1912.

A Monthly Meeting of the Newtoss Urban District Council was to be held this day at twelve o'clock noon to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

No Member of the Council attended

A Quorum not having assembled

The Meeting adjourned

John O'Sullivan

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An adjourned Meeting of the Newtoss Urban District Council was held this evening at 7.30 Oclock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and appoint a representative on a Deputation, which it is proposed should be appointed by Urban Councils to wait on the Lord Lieutenant, with a view to obtaining a Government Grant for the building of houses for Urban Labourers.

Present Messrs John Sullivan Presiding
David Murphy
Patrick Dunne
Michael J. Oconnor
John Murphy John St
Michael Sheehan
Peter Murphy
and
John Murphy South St

The Minutes of last Meeting and of Monthly Meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs P. Dunne & John Murphy and the following Paying Orders were directed to be issued Viz:-

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| No 42 | M. J. Finn | £ | 19-3-9 |
| " 43 | Patrick Connelly | | 25-0-0 |

## Correspondence

Letter from the Local Government Board forwarding for the information and guidance of the Council copies of the regulations made by the Board prescribing the manner of bringing to account expenses recovered under section one of the Public roads (Ireland) Act 1911, and also fees in respect of Licences.

No Order Made

Letter from the Commissioner of valuation, dated 26th Ult, Notifying the appointment of Mr. A. E. Mills to make the Valuation of the District and that same will be Commenced on the 31st Inst.

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The Clerk reported that he had given public notice of the revision, and this was approved of.

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Letter from the Councils employees, dated 6th Inst asking to be refunded amount of wages deducted from them for half-holiday taken on Regatta day, as they were always allowed this half day off.

After a short discussion the application was refused on the grounds that the men did not apply to the Council for permission to take the half day off before doing so.

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A circular letter dated 28rd Ult was received from the executive of the Town Tenants League asking the Council to appoint Delegates to the annual Convention to be held in Dublin on the 28th August next but there was

No Order Made.

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A letter was received from Mrs Mary Hardy, dated 6th Inst, drawing attention again to the dangerous state of the chimney of the adjoining house, and it was

Ordered

That the Clerk draw the attention of the owner again to it, and request her to have it repaired at once.

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Letter from the Town Clerk Wexford, dated 26th Ult, acknowledging the receipt of the Councils letter intimating their willingness to join with the Urban Councils with a view to having them placed on a footing of equality with Board of Guardians in the matter of Housing Loans and stating that he will communicate with them again when the necessary arrangements have been completed.

It was decided to defer appointing a representative on the Deputation which it is proposed to send to the Lord Lieutenant until the Council hear further from the Town Clerk of Wexford as the Chairman of the Council may possibly be at home then, and may consent to act on the deputation

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An application was received from Mr. Lawrence Harney secretary of the Irish National Trade Labour Benefit Society dated 6th Inst asking on behalf of his Committee for the use of the Large

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Room, Tholsel, once in each week for the purposes of the National Health Insurance Act 1911

After a short discussion it was

Proposed by Mr. John Murphy, South St, and Seconded by Mr. O'Connor

That the use of the room be given to the Society for the purposes of the National Insurance Act 1911, on one night in each week, they to arrange with the present tenants a night suitable to both, and pay them the cost of the gas.

Passed Unanimously

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Letter from Shand Mason & Co, dated July 24th 1912, enclosing catalogue of Fire appliances, and asking to be favoured with enquiries, if the Council are needing any.

No Order Made

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A Dividend Warrant for 18/5 was received from the Bank of Ireland, and it was Ordered to be lodged to the credit of the Council.

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Letter from Mr. Kingley dated 3rd Inst, stating that he was advised by the Department that premises used exclusively for the purpose of Technical Instruction are not liable to rates and asking for the necessary forms to fill in for exemption in respect of the Technical School.

The Clerk stated he had informed Mr. Kingley that he had no special Forms for the purpose, and this was approved of.

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A resolution of which the following is a copy was received from Hon secretary of Sinn Fein Viz:-

That we wish to record our emphatic protest against the action of the British Government in attempting to destroy the whole cattle trade of Ireland, because foot and mouth disease is supposed to exist in the Village of Swords and that copies of this resolution be sent to every public body in Ireland, in order to focus attention on this latest sinister attempt to destroy the staple trade of our country.

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Proposed by Mr. John Mourphy John St and
Seconded by Mr. Sheehan

That the resolution be adopted on a
Poll being taken there voted
For:- Messrs Dunne. J. Mourphy John St & Sheehan 4
Against:- " D Murphy J Murphy, South St O'Connor & the Chairman 4
It was declared "Not Passed".

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Mrs. Aunt Quay applied under date 6th Inst for a renewal of her licence to sell cartridges and fixed explosives, as did also Mr. George Moran for a renewal of his store licence, and licence to sell fixed explosives

Proposed by Mr. John Murphy John St and
Seconded by Mr. Sheehan

That a renewal of their licenses under
the explosives Act be granted to Mrs. Heine and Mr. Moran.
Passed Unanimously

## Foremans Report

I beg to state that Mrs. Butlers house adjoins Kehoes at the Fairgate and owing to the excavating at Kehoes the footpath opposite Butlers house also the foundation of house was considerably injured. Further the foot-path in question was in a very uneven condition and most dangerous to people using same.

The building sand is nearly out of stock and the Council should take steps to get sand as soon as possible. I also wish to report that Cross Lane is at present very dangerous owing to apron being placed on street by Mr. James Connolly opposite Mr. Freemans where he is at present carrying on building operations. To-day Mr. Connolly is having this rubbish removed to the vacant space east of the Councils New Houses Wm St. He also gave to the Council some rubbish which I am having broken & spread on Michael St for filling.

In reply to your notice the following is the estimt of repairs on houses occupied by P. Kehoe & L. Butler Fair Gate.
Kehoe's house cementing foundation & approach to doorway 5/-
one man excavating and attendance to mason 2/6

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one bag cement 7/1

Two barrows gravel & two barrows sand from Councils stock

Total cost of Kehoes house 14/7

~~Butlers~~ house & footpath

James Flynn cementing & repairing foundation & footpath 2 days broken time 2/8 per day 5/4

4 ℔ cement 1/4

2 barrows sand & 1 Cwt macadam from Councils ~~stock~~ 0/8

Total cost of Butlers footpath

Ordered

That the foreman be informed the Council considers it desirable that he should in future, obtain an order for the carrying out of works before same is undertaken.

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Mrs. John Murphy South St gave notice that he would at next meeting that the resolution of the Council allowing Mrs. Butler at the rate of 4/- per night for repairing drains be rescinded and that in future he be granted no extra remuneration for repairing drains, water connections &c during night time.

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On the proposal of the Chairman seconded by Mrs. John Murphy John St, Messrs Dunne T.J. Murphy South St were appointed to report upon the necessity for a lamp at Drishtown, and the most suitable site for it.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 13th August, 1912.

Peter Murphy

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Tuesday 15th August, 1920.

A Meeting of the Newross Urban Council was to be held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Present Messrs John O'Sullivan Presiding
John Murphy Duck St
John Murphy John St
M. J. O'Connor
P. J. Dunne

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and signed

For the reason stated on the Sanitary Minutes there was no business transacted.

The Meeting adjourned to Friday 16th August, 1920.

John O'Stearin

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Friday 16th August, 1912.

An adjourned Meeting of the Newtown Urban District Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 and consider the following Notice of Motion which was handed in by Mr. John Murphy South St viz:-

I will move at next Meeting that the resolution of the Council allowing Mr. Butler at the rate of 4/- per night for repairing mains &c be rescinded, and that in future he be granted no extra remuneration for repairing mains, water connections &c during night time.

Present Messrs Peter Murphy Presiding
John Murphy John St
John Murphy South St
J. Dunne
Mr. Sheehan
Mr. J. O'Connor
David Murphy and
John O'Sullivan

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs O'Connor & Sheehan and the following Paying Orders were directed to be issued viz:-

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| No 44 | Jonas Hartrick | £6 | 0 - 7 |
| " 45 | James J. Phortall | | 4 - 5 - 5 |
| " 46 | Stephen Carroll | | 5 - 12 - 1 |
| " 47 | Secretary School Attendance Committee | | 8 - 19 - 9 |
| " 48 | Mr. J. Finn | | 11 - 5 - 0 |
| " 49 | same | | 10 - 2 - 11 |
| " 50 | John J. Browne | | 1 - 4 - 2 |
| " 51 | Thomas O'Neill | | 13 - 10 - 6 |
| " 51 | Waterford News Ltd | | 19 - 0 |
| " 53 | Mrs M. A. Corcoran | | 2 - 8 - 0 |
| " 54 | Patrick Blake | | 13 - 4 - 8 |
| " 55 | John M. Walsh | | 5 - 9 - 3 |

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| No 56 | James Power & Co | £0 | 3-11-11 |
| " 57 | George Moran | | 6-11-20 |
| " 58 | Mrs Margaret Murphy | | 15-0 |

## Correspondence

A bill was received from W. F. Hearn Esq. Solicitor amounting to £20.2.0 being costs in connection with Agreement between Council and Board of Guardians for water supply to Workhouse, Mr. Hearn having acted as Solicitor for the Council in the matter.
Proposed by Mr. John Murphy South St and
Seconded by Mr. OConnor
That the bill be referred to the Finance Committee for consideration.
Passed Unanimously

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applications were received from Messrs M. Hearn & Sons, South St for renewal of their license for the sale of Mixed explosives, and from John Doyle, Quay St for renewal of his license for the sale of Mixed explosives in his store at North St and his shop at Quay Street.
Proposed by Mr. Dunne and
Seconded by Mr. John Murphy John St
That a renewal of these licenses be granted.
Passed Unanimously

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A letter was received from Mrs. Tierney dated 16th Inst acknowledging receipt of the vote of sympathy passed by the Council on the occasion of the death of her brother Mr. John Meehan
No Order Made

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A tender was received from Mr. Stephen Carroll for the supply of one boat load of sand consisting of 16 tons @ 25/-
Proposed by Mr. John Murphy John St and
Seconded by Mr. OConnor
That the tender be accepted
Passed Unanimously

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Friday 16th. August, 1912. (Minutes Continued).

The Clerk stated that he did not send Notice to the Members to consider Notice of Motion handed in by Mr. John Murphy South St respecting the abolition of payment to the Water Inspector for attendance at repairs to Mains &c, during Night time, as there should be seven clear days Notice, and that could not be given owing to the Meeting having been adjourned from 6th to 13th. Inst but that Notice would be sent out in due time for Next Meeting, and this was approved.

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The Clerk also reported that the horse which the Council purchased from P Connolly, The Stand was delivered, and was certified by Mr. Lynch V.P. to be all right.

He also stated that stabling and fodder for him would be supplied by Mrs. Williams Cross Lane at 11/- per week.

This was considered cheaper than to pay a rent of 2/6 or 3/- for the stable and purchase fodder afterwards.

Accordingly it was

Proposed by Mr. Dunne and
seconded by Mr. John Murphy John St

That the horse be stabled at Kelly's Cross Lane for the present at a weekly charge of 11/- same to include cost of fodder.

Passed Unanimously

Mr. John Murphy South St reported that the Members of the special Committee viz:- Messrs Dunne and himself visited the Inishtown for the purpose of ascertaining whether an additional lamp should be erected at Inishtown and if so upon what site.

They are of opinion that a bracket one should be erected at South side, Nearly opposite Mr. Whelans public House, but they do not think that a pillar lamp would be at all suitable, owing to the cattle fair being held there.

Accordingly they interviewed the owner of the house which they consider most suitable to have it erected upon, but up to the present they have not been able to get a definite reply.

Ordered

That the Committee interview the owner again and

report the result to Next Meeting of the Council.

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attention was also drawn to the Necessity of having the lamps in North St, opposite Coopers Lane lighted during the summer months, and on the proposal of Mr. John Murphy John St seconded by Mr. Dunne, it was Ordered to be lighted during the summer months.

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It was also Ordered that the foreman have some hollows which are in the streets at Roche's turn, Boat House and the entrance to Mr. P. A Hearne's avenue filled with Metalling.

A discussion also took place respecting the construction of an additional surface trap at Neary St, and repairs to one in Priory Lane, and the Matter was referred to a Committee consisting of Messrs John Murphy John St & John Murphy North St.

The Clerk submitted a Number of bills, (see list at commencement of Minutes) and on the proposal of Mr. Dunne seconded by Mr. John Murphy John St, they wer Ordered to be paid.

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The Meeting adjourned to Tuesday 27th August, 1912.

John L Hearn

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Tuesday 26th August, 1912.

A Meeting of the NewRoss Urban District Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and consider a letter received from Mr. W. F. Hearn Solicitor asking the Council to instruct their Solicitors to accept service of a writ on behalf of Mr. Fanning of Robert Street in reference to the flooding of her yard.

Present Messrs John. D. Hearn J. P. Presiding
Peter Murphy
Patrick Dunne
John Murphy John St
John Murphy South St
Peter D. O'Gorman
and
M. J. O'Connor

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by The Chairman and Messrs Connor & J. Murphy South St and the following Paying Order was directed to be issued Viz:- No 59 £18-19-7 Petty Cash.

## Correspondence

A circular letter, dated 14th Inst, was received from the Local Government Board relative to the collection of the Poor Rates, and it was Ordered that the Collector be furnished with a copy of it.

Letter from the Clerk of the Stralbane Urban District Council, dated 30th Ult, enclosing copy of a Memorial which has been sent to the Chief Secretary in reference to certain anomalies in the Rating provisions of the Towns Improvement Act which affect the Rating powers of Urban Councils in Ireland especially as regards railways.

Ordered

That it be referred to the Finance Committee for report.

Letter from the Secretary of the Ladies Auxiliary Branch of The A.O.H. dated 21st Inst, surrendering the tenancy of The Large Room Thereof, as

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from the 20th Inst, and asking to have the bill for gas and rent sent.
Ordered

That the surrender of the tenancy be accepted, and that the Hon Secretary be informed her Committee is responsible directly to the Gas Co for Gas, also that the bill for rent be furnished

An application was received from Mrs. John J. French, Hon Secretary of the Gaelic League, dated 27th Inst, asking on behalf of the Newtons Branch the use of the Large Room, Tholsel for one year.
Proposed by Mrs. John Murphy South St and
Seconded by Mrs. OConnor

That the Large Room Tholsel be let to the Gaelic League on a weekly tenancy at the weekly rent of six pence, the League to be responsible direct to the Gas Co for any Gas consumed int it.

Passed Unanimously

Letter from Mr. W. F. Hearn L. L. D. Solicitor dated 22nd Inst, acknowledging receipt of the Council's letter of the 4th Inst in which they declined to take any action respecting the flooding of Mrs. Fannings yard, and stating that he was pending Instructions to Counsel to prepare necessary proceedings and asking the Council to instruct their solicitor to accept service of a Writ.

after a short discussion it was
Proposed by Mr. John Murphy, South St and
Seconded by Mr. Dunne

That the same Committee who inspected the yard previously viz:- Messrs John Murphy John St and OConnor wait upon Mrs. Fannings Solicitor for the purpose of ascertaining if she will be satisfied if the Council get the yard filled up, she to repair the sewer in the yard, and, if so, the Committee be empowered to get the work done.

Passed Unanimously

A circular letter was received from Messrs Bewley & Draper dated 21st Inst pointing out the good qualities of the Ink manufactured by them, and soliciting the patronage of the Council.

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The Clerk stated that this was the ink used in the Office, and it was decided to continue to purchase it solely.

The following copy of a resolution dated 22nd Inst was received from the Dublin Co Council in reference to the secretary-ship of the Post Office viz:-

That this Council trusts there is no truth in the report recently published that an English Official is about to be appointed to the Secretary-ship of the Post Office in Ireland to the exclusion of all existing Irish Postal Officials; that the Postmaster General be informed that in the opinion of this Council such an appointment would be strongly resented in Ireland and would be especially disappointing in view of its inconsist-ency with the Home Rule policy of the Ministry.

That copies of this resolution be sent to the Prime Minister, the Post Master General, the Chief Secretary and to all Public Councils and Boards in Ireland and J. E. Redmond M.P.

It having been pointed out that the appointment was only a tem-porary one, and was not opposed by the Irish Party, there was no action taken by by the Council.

The following letter was received from Mr. Kavanagh, North St., in reference to his tender for the supply of two sets of tackling viz:-

With reference to my tender for two sets of tackling which your Council were pleased to accept, I wish you to bring before them, that their specification for same as tendered for by me was for horse up to fifteen hands, fortunately I found out as I was putting same on hands, that the horse you had purchased was between sixteen and seventeen hands high and your street inspector Mr. Kelly informed me that the second one would be up to sixteen hands as smaller would be no use. Expect them of course to treat me fair by allowing me for any extra expence, I quoted very low for the articles required, but at the same time will put the extras as low as possible. Also your Mr. Kelly desired me not to finish the winkers, as the usual bit as supplied would not suit him for the horse at present purchased, and he would require instead a curb bit & curb chain, with a pair billets

with brass buckles to winkors, this will make it necessary to make cheeks of winkors shorter, and if I had gone on with same would have to remake. I have both sets just ready, one of them quite ready only the finishing of winkors and the other set all but the collar which cannot be put on hands until we see horse it is required for, the above precautions &c were necessary in your interests, I will ask you to kindly allow me 7/6 extra per set for extra size, and 3/6 each set for globe bit to curb chain & pair of billets with double brass buckles, or if with solid Nickel silver, Liverpool bit curb chains 5/6 each per set extra. You may only require the change on bit &c. for one horse. Also please give me instructions as to delivery of Tackling.

Proposed by Mr. John Murphy South St and
Seconded by Mr. Gorman

That Mr. Kavanagh be allowed 7/6 extra per sett of tackling for difference in size; and that each set be supplied with a Globe bit and curb chain, at an additional extra cost of 3/6 each

Passed Unanimously

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The following tender for the public lighting of the Town was received from the Gas Co.

## Winter Lighting

From 1st September 1912 to 1st May 1913.

50 lamps to be extinguished at eleven p.m. @ £1-18-0, per lamp
14 lamps to remain lighting all night @ £3-6-0, per lamp.
The above lamps not to be lighting on moonlight nights. viz:- two nights before, two nights after, and the night of full moon.

32 lamps to be lighted on the moonlight nights and to be extinguished at 11 p.m @ 7/6 per lamp.
33 of the above will be fitted with incandescent Burners, the mantles and chimneys used in maintainance of same to be charged at cost price.

## Summer Lighting

From 1st May, 1913. to 1st September, 1913.
16 Lamps to remain lighting all night except on moonlight nights when they will be extinguished at 11 p.m @ 1/7 per lamp.

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The Lamp at Tholsel to be lighted as at present @ £5-10-0 per annum.

The lamps at entrance to Town Hall, and Protestant Church, Rosbercon, to be lighted as required @ 10/- each per annum.

The lamps in the Irishtown and Neighbourhood will be lighted on the Fair Mornings, free of charge, as at last contract.

Proposed by Mr. P. Murphy and
Seconded by Mr. Dunne

That the Tender of the Gas Co for the Public Lighting of the town for year ending 1st September 1913 be accepted.

Passed Unanimously

It having been stated that the lamps at High Hill was not lighted regularly, and also some other lamps, a short discussion took place, which resulted in the following Order being made viz:-

That the street Inspector be furnished with a list of the different lamps to be lighted showing their position and that he report to the Meeting of the Council whenever any of them are not lighted.

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With reference to the erection of a new lamp at Irishtown Mr. John Murphy South St reported that the owner of the house, which the Special Committee Considered a bracket lamp could be fixed to, refused to give permission to attach it, and after a short discussion it was decided not to erect an additional lamp at Irishtown.

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It was Ordered that Mr. Leacy, the Contractor for the new cart be informed that if it is not completed within two weeks the Council will not accept delivery of it; also that he be asked to give it two coats of slate colour paint, the wheels to get two coats of red paint.

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The Clerk stated that only a small portion of the Military Barracks at Michael St, purchased some time ago by Colonel Tottenham, was occupied, and that on last occasion he paid rates only on the rent received and he (Clerk) now desired instructions as to whether he would issue a special Poor Rate receipt to the Collector in lieu of the one which is filled, for the rate calculated on the rent received, in the event of Colonel Tottenham paying the rates for all his tenants. He also stated that application had been made to the Commissioner of Valuation to divide up the Valuation.

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Proposed by Mr. Peter Murphy And
Seconded by Mr. P. J. Dunne

That the rates of the Barracks at Michael Street be accepted from Colonel Sottenham on the rent received by him out of it, in view of the fact that the total Valuation is being divided this year.

Passed Unanimously

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Mr. John Murphy South St drew attention to the system of scavenging of streets esisting at present and suggested that some steps might be taken to have it all carried out at the same time, instead of having different portions of the town attended to nearly the entire day. After a short discussion the following Committee was appointed to consider the matter and ascertain if the system can be improved Viz:- Messrs John Murphy South St, John Murphy John St and Patrick Dunne.

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The Foreman reported that the different streets and roads became very muddy owing to the continous drizzling rain. Some pots appeared in the surface which he is having filled with fine Macadam.

There is a wall at the top of Michael St, owned by Colonel Sottenham which is in a dilapidated state and dangerous to the public. It should be knocked down or secured.

Ordered

That Mr. Hamilton be written to and asked to have the wall repaired so as to render it safe to the public.

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Attention was drawn to the condition of some of the street gratings, or Traps, notably the one at junction of North St and Friary St, one at lower end of Priory Lane, and one on the Quay, near the Council's yard, and it was Ordered that a Special Committee consisting of Messrs John Murphy John St, and John Murphy South St, inspect and report upon them to Next Meeting of the Council.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 10th September, 1912.

Murphy
10/9/12

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Wednesday 28th August, 1912.

The special committee, consisting of Messrs John Murphy John St and John Murphy South St, appointed at last meeting to report upon the condition of some of the street gratings met to-day at 3 o'clock and proceeded to make an inspection of the gratings referred to at meeting of Council. Having done so they returned to the Office and prepared the following report viz:-

Your special Committee re traps met to day. We recommend that the metal trap at the junction of Neary St & South St be taken up and that a new grate 2ft long & 15 inches wide be fixed instead same to be fixed somewhat nearer corner than present grate, a new built trap will require to be constructed for this grate.

Priory Lane. The trap at Quay end is a flag with a small hole in it, this should be taken up and replaced by the one previously recommended to be taken up in South St.

There is a grating in the centre of the entrance gate to Councils yard on Quay which cannot do duty in a flood owing to the accumulation of the mud collected by traffic, if this was removed about 4 yards further south it would be a useful grate, some repairs will require to be done to the paved channel when the grate is fixed.

There are other grates between Councils yard & Friars Lane the nearer one of which is useless and ought to be taken up (opposite Bond store)

We recommend that the grass in Cross Lane and other parts of the town be removed and where there is a difficulty that the grounds get a treatment of Weedicide.

J. Murphy John St & J. Murphy South St.

The Members Separated

J. Murphy
10/9/12

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Wednesday 28th August, 1912.

Whilst the Committee appointed to inspect and report upon the condition of the street gratings were preparing their report in the Office, Mr. O'Connor called for the purpose of joining Mr. John Murphy John St, with the object of waiting upon Mr. Fanning's Solicitor as directed at last Meeting of the Council, to ascertain whether she will be satisfied if the Council get her yard filled up, she to repair the sewer in the Yard.

Mr. John Murphy stated that when the Committee were making their inspection of the traps, he met Mr. Hearn Solr. and asked him what Mr. Fanning required the Council to do in connection with the alleged flooding of her yard and Mr. Hearn informed him that he did not know, and suggested that the Committee should interview Mrs. Fanning, and ascertain. Mr. Hearn also stated that he would be from home for the best week, and would consequently be unable to discuss the matter with the Committee in the meantime.

The Committee proceeded to interview Mrs. Fanning and having done so returned to the office where the whole matter was fully considered by the members, with the result that they decided to take no further action in the matter until Mrs. Fanning's Solicitor would be again interviewed, after which,

The Members Separated.

P. Murphy
10/9/12

Monday 2nd September, 1912.

A Monthly Meeting of the Newross Urban District Council was to be held this day at 12 o'clock noon to transact business pursuant to The Town's Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

No Member of the Council attended

A Quorum not having assembled
The Meeting adjourned

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Friday 6th September, 1912.

A meeting of the Special Committee was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to consider the present system of scavenging of streets and ascertain if it can be improved.

Present Messrs John Murphy John St Presiding
John Murphy South St
and
Patrick J. Dunne

The foreman was also in attendance

after considering the question very fully, the Committee prepared a report embodying their views and recommendations on the matter, of which the following is a copy viz:-

Your Special Committee re scavenging met this evening for the purpose of considering if any improvement can be made in the present system, which means that the town is only cleansed @ one o'clock.

In order to try and arrive at a means of having this work completed by 10.30 we recommend that the hour for commencing work be changed from that at present in force to 8 o'clock at which time the foreman will insist that man & horse are ready to start (breakfast to be taken horse fed at that time)

The staff to be divided - One to clean Charles St, the quay from Charles St to the Bridge, Bridge St, John St, North St, Quay St, Conduit Lane South St from Charles St to Thorsel, Cooks Lane, Coopers Lane, Market to Convent Gate & south St to Robert St.

2 staff to start at Newtown cleaning Priory St, Cross Lane, portion of South St between Cross Lane & Robert St, little Archall St Lady Lane & the Quay from Charles St to Priory Lane, Priory Lane, Marsh Lane, Sugar Ho Lane, the Bridge & Rosbercon.

Where the streets have to be watered in the morning we recommend that the horse and man for the south end of the town be put at this work before any sweeping is done, the same system to be adopted on Saturday eve and on the eve of Holidays.

J. Murphy John St, J Murphy South St P Dunne

Having signed the foregoing report
The Members Separated

P Murphy
10/9/12

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Tuesday 10th September, 1912.

A meeting of the Newross Urban District Council was held this evening at 4 p.m. 30 to transact business pursuant to The Public Health, and Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Present Messrs John Murphy John St. Presiding
John Murphy South St
Peter Murphy
Michael Sheehan
David Murphy
and
Patrick J. Dunne

The Minutes of previous Meetings were read & signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman & Messrs John Murphy South St & M. Sheehan and the following Paying Orders were directed to be issued viz:-

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| No | 60 | William Leacy | £7-10-0 |
| " | 61 | Andrew Cullen | 3-7-9 |
| " | 62 | James J. Shortall | 4-5-8 |
| " | 63 | Richard Murphy | 8-14-8 |
| " | 64 | M. J. Finn | 11-5-0 |
| " | 65 | Parnell Quarries Ltd | 25-9-20 |
| " | 66 | M. J. Finn | 18-13-8 |
| " | 67 | Treasurer Wexford Co Council | 333-10-11 |
| " | 68 | John J. Browne | 1-17-8 |
| " | 69 | Same | 24-10-20 |
| " | 70 | Thomas Hogan | 5-0-0 |
| " | 71 | W. F. Hearn | 2-20-0 |
| " | 72 | Andrew Cullen | 500-0-0 |
| " | 73 | A. O'M Lovell | 50-0-0 |

## Correspondence

Letter from Mr. Hamilton J.P. dated 28th August 1912, stating that the wall at Michael St, referred to in report of

Tuesday 10th September, 1912. (Minutes continued)

Foreman at last Meeting was being repaired.
No Order Made this being considered satisfactory.

Letter from the Town Clerk Wexford, dated 4th Inst in reference to the Deputation to be sent to his Excellency, The Lord Lieutenant, to urge on Him the justice, and wisdom, of adopting means whereby it will be possible to borrow money upon more favourable terms than at present, for the purpose of building houses for the Artizans and Labourers, stating that the Deputation will be received by his excellency some time in the middle of October.
No Order Made

An application, dated 28th August was received from Mrs. James Connolly for permission to erect a scaffoleding in Priory st, and it was
Ordred
That the necessary permission be granted

Mrs. Scully D.I, acknowledged receipt of the Councils letter of the 4th Inst, in reference to tramps assembling in Cook's Lane, and promised that the matter would have attention.
No Order Made

Letter from Secretary Co Council, dated 9th September 1912, enclosing three copies of Final Print of the scheme under the Polling and Registration of Voters (Ireland) Act 1908, for records, which were examined by the Members but there was No Order Made in reference to them.

A number of applications were received for the tenancy of a house at William st, which was about to become vacant, but as the present occupant had decided not to vacate the house, they were not dealt with.

Mr. W. J. Cavanagh tendered, under date 10th Inst for the supply of two pair of reins at 10/- each, for the two sets of New Jackling, and, on the proposal of Mr. Peter Murphy, seconded by

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Mr. Sheehan, the tender was unanimously accepted.

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Letter from Mr. Hamilton J.P, dated 5th Inst, notifying the Council that at a Meeting of the Governing Body of Trinity Hospital, held on 4th Inst, Cecilia Brien of Henry St and Mary Finn, already an inmate, were elected as annuitants to fill the vacancies in the Hospital.
Proposed by Mr. O'Gorman and
Seconded by Mr. Peter Murphy

That this Council assent to the election of Cecilia Brien and Mary Finn to fill the vacancies in Trinity Hospital

Passed Unanimously

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The Clerk reported that the amount of Town & Domestic Water Rate collected amounted to £645-8-6 amount outstanding £314-16-6 and of Poor Rate £516-5-6 collected and £251-14-0 outstanding
No Order Made

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The following resolution was received from the Hon Secretary of the Meath Farmers association dated 8th Inst viz:-

That we call upon the Irish Members of Parliament to bring such pressure to bear on the Government as may be necessary to save the country from the disaster which now threatens it, consequent on the stoppage of our live stock trade.

After some discussion it was
Proposed by Mr. David Murphy and
Seconded by Mr. J. Murphy South St

That the Members of the Council be summoned to next Meeting to consider the foregoing resolution.

Passed Unanimously

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Mr. Peter Murphy pointed out that the Councils horse is often insufficiently loaded, and it was Ordered that the attention of the Foreman be directed to the matter, and that he be directed to see that the horse is properly but not too heavily loaded in future.

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Tuesday 10th September, 1912. (Minutes Contd.)

The Chairman Mr. Scourphy reported that he was unable to see Mr. Hearn Solr. who was acting for Mrs. Fanning since the Meeting of the Committee in reference to the flooding of her yard, but he would endeavour to do so as soon as possible, and arrange an interview of the Committee.

No Order Made for the present.

## Foreman's Report

I beg to report that the repairs to trap at North side of Cross Lane are now completed, also the repairs to public Closet on Quay. The wall reported dangerous at North side of Michael St has been taken down and rebuilt by Colonel Tottenham. The repairs to Roberson footpath are in hands. Since last Meeting four waggons of metalling from Arklow Quarries arrived and same have been removed to Depots in Koheen-na-plaun. The new cart for the Council has been taken over from the Contractor, and I beg to state that it would require rims for scavenging purposes, also draughts, back-band, Name Hamp. The pack store of Denny & Son Bridge St, becomes flooded during wet weather owing to the flags being defective at down pipe of house. This could be remedied by raising the flags and resetting them in cement.

Some repairs are required to be done to the Public Weigh bridge at Irishtown. The felting on house of same is also defective. The rain is coming through roof and falling upon beam of scales causing it to rust considerably. The door of house requires one pluck lock, and door of briage one pad-lock. The enclosure would also require pad-lock. The tie-bar of bridge also requires to be tightened as the pidings have left their sockets. This could be remedied by increasing tap or screws on tie-bar. There are only four sweeping brushes now remaining in stock.

Ordered

That drafts, back-band lamp and frames for carts be provided also locks for weighing machine at Irishtown.

That the Foreman have the flags in Briage St, referred to

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in his report raised and reset in cement as recommended by him, and the roof of weigh house repaired.

That Tenders be invited for the supply of two dozen of brushes one of fine and one of coarse.

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The report of the Committee in reference to scavenging of streets, entered on the Minutes of their Meeting held on 6th Inst. was read.
Proposed by Mr. Gorman and
Seconded by Mr. Peter Murphy

That the report of the Committee appointed to consider the present system of scavenging of the streets be adopted and the recommendations made by them for the future scavenging carried out by the Foreman

Passed Unanimously

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The report of the Committee re street traps copy of which is entered on the Minutes of their Meeting held on 28th Ult was also read.
Proposed by Mr. Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr. Gorman

That the report of the Committee be adopted, and the work recommended by them carried out, by the Foreman.

Passed Unanimously

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A Member drew attention to the dirty condition of the High Street footpath and it was
Ordered

That the Foreman be directed to pay special attention to the cleaning of this footpath.

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The Meeting adjourned to Tuesday 24th September, 1912.

Thos. F. Sullivan.

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Tuesday 24th September, 1912.

A Meeting of the Newross Urban District Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and to consider a resolution from the Secretary of the Meath Farmer's Association calling upon the Irish Members of Parliament to bring such pressure to bear upon the Government as may be necessary to save the Country from the disaster which now threatens it, consequent on the stoppage of the live stock trade.

Present Messrs John O'Sullivan Presiding
John Murphy John St
John Murphy South St
Patrick Dunne
Michael Freaney
Peter Murphy
M. J. O'Connor
Michael Sheehan
David Murphy
P. R. Gorman

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Dunne & J. Murphy South St and the following Paying Order was directed to be issued viz:- Bo 74. £19-1-11 Petty Cash.

A Paying Order was received from the Chief Secretary for £36-7-7, being amount of Private grant for year ending 31st March Next, and it was,
Ordered
To be lodged to the credit of the Council.

## Correspondence

A Notice dated 16th Inst was received from J. Moore O'Ferrall Esq. of his intention to audit the accounts of the Council for year ended 31st March last, on 15th October Next.

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Ordered

That the Clerk attend to the this Matter.

An application was received from Mr. D. Millar for a license to give a Cinematograph Entertainment in the Town Hall on to-night and on the proposal of Mr. Dunne, Seconded by Mr. John Murphy South St, it was granted.

An application dated 16th Inst was received from Mr. James Murphy Bullawn, for the tenancy of the house on the Bullawn lately occupied by Mrs. Donovan.

Proposed by Mr. Dunne and
Seconded by Mr. Peter Murphy

That Mr. James Murphy Bullawn, be accepted as tenant of the house, lately occupied by Mrs. Donovan, on the Bullawn, the person is at present surety to become surety for him in this case.

Passed Unanimously

Patrick Pyne, Moongarrett Lane, applied for the tenancy of the house on the Bullawn, and on the proposal of Mr. Dunne, seconded by Mr. Gorman he was accepted as tenant of the house at present occupied by James Murphy when he moves into the one lately occupied by Mrs. Donovan; he to enter into the usual Bond with Surety.

Patrick Grace, Church Lane, applied under date the 24th Inst for the tenancy of the house lately occupied by Mrs. Norris at Folly Ho Lane, and offered Mr. Wm. McCabe as surety.

Proposed by Mr. John Murphy South St and
Seconded by Mr. Dunne

That Patrick Grace Church Lane be accepted as tenant of the vacant house at Folly Ho Lane, he to enter into a Bond with Mr. McCabe.

Passed Unanimously

It was Ordered that the Sanitary Pub Officer get those houses Lime-washed, the Machine to be used in the work.

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# Tuesday 24th September, 1912. (Minutes Continued)

A letter was received from the Hon Secretary of the Strabo Industrial Development Association, Londonderry asking the Council to nominate two delegates to attend the conference of the association to be held in Londonderry on October 17th & 18th next, but the Meeting decided not to appoint any.

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Letter from Mrs Donovan, Abbey Hall, dated 23rd inst, pointing out that she had left the house on Bullawn for the past fortnight, owing to the bad state of repair in which it was. During her occupation of it, she had expended about eight shillings in repairing it, which she asked the Council to allow her.

Ordered

That Mrs Donovan be informed the Council cannot entertain her claim for repairs, as they did not authorize the expenditure.

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An application was received from Mr Taylor V.P for three loads of road scrapings, and the Clerk stated he gave them, and now asked if the Council will charge for them, but the Meeting decided not to do so, as it is an advantage to get it removed and out of the way.

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A very long letter, together with an amount of printed matter was received from the Secretary of the Land Union dated 13th inst, in reference to the proposed assessment of Local Rates on site Values, but the Meeting decided not to consider the matter.

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A discussion took place respecting the delay in holding the Local Government Board Inquiry into the charges against the Surveyor, and it was

Ordered

That Messrs Colfer & Son be asked to communicate with the Board, with a view to having arrangements made for holding it as soon as possible.

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A Tender was received from Mrs Hennessy South St, dated 24th inst for the supply of two dozen of brushes.

Four samples were submitted by her @ 27/-, 26/-, 24/- and 27/- per dozen. The Members having examined the samples selected the one

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@ 26/-, when it was:-
Proposed by Mr. John Murphy Sandhouse St and
Seconded by Mr. Dunne
That two doz of brushes same as sample marked "6" @ 26/- per dozen be Ordered from Mr. Hennessy

Passed Unanimously

The following Report of the Foreman was read:-

I beg to report the work Ordered by your Council at last Meeting re repairs to traps is now in progress. The footpath opposite Denny's on Bridge St has been repaired. I will have the repairs to weighbridge in hands this week; the necessary locks have been fixed to it. The directions given by your Council to me at last meeting regarding the scavenging of streets; I had your Orders carried out until the 17th inst when Mr. Hogan withdrew his men and horses from the Councils service. I then had to adopt the method of having the streets sprinkled earlier than usual namely from five to seven o'clock in the morning.

Three waggons of Metalling arrived from Arklow Quarries and boat of Metalling from Ballyneal Quarries since last Meeting. Mr. Neville Three Bullet gate complained to me that his store at Wm St is in danger of getting flooded during wet weather. I have not seen this place yet but I will report on this matter next Meeting.

James Kelly

The Clerk stated that Mr. Hogan, the Contractor for the horses informed him that he would not supply horses in future at the price he was getting, and withdrew them off the street to put them at other work.

He (Clerk) had to employ a temporary horse and man @ 6/ per day, the same rate as was paid recently for a temporary horse, and he had asked to have arrangements made for the supply of one pending the purchase of a horse by the Council. Mr. Hogan was prepared to supply one at 6/- a day, same as is being paid to the owner of the temporary horse. The Meeting considered that Mr. Hogan did not treat the Council fair by withdrawing his horses off the town without sufficient Notice, and also that they were not worth 6/- per day,

After a short discussion it was:-

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Proposed by Mr. Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr. Gorman

That the Clerks be authorized to employ a horse & man, at a rate not exceeding 6/- per day temporarily, and that the Employment of one, since last meeting, by him be approved of.

Passed Unanimously

The following Report of the Shops Act Inspector was read:-

I wish to report on the shops half holiday Act since it came into force. All the shops with the exception of a few Publicans & Provision Merchants closed for weekly half-holiday on every Wednesday until last week when a considerable No left open, which I understand is on account of the Harvest. They intend to give their assistants a half-holiday as usual. Up to last Wednesday the Act was working satisfactorily and the Traders did everything possible to assist the proper working of the Act in every way.

Several of the Assistants called on me in reference to All shops not being closed & also some Traders and apparently there is a certain degree of bad feeling existing between the Traders and employees over the matter.

Of course I offered no opinion whatever on the matter, until I got instructions from your Council. The principal cause of the friction I understand is due to one employer having discharged an employee on being asked for the usual annual holidays.

I only bring this report before you to show how matters at present stand.

James Kelly
Inspector

It was decided to consider the matter in Committee at the conclusion of the ordinary business of the meeting.

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The following resolution received from the Meath Farmer's Association for adoption, and which the Members of the Council had been summoned to consider, was after some discussion:-

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Proposed by Mr. John Murphy John st and
Seconded by Mr. Gorman

That we call upon the Irish Members of Parliament to bring such pressure to bear on the Goverment as may be necessary to save the Country from the disaster which now threatens it, consequent on the stoppage of our live stock trade.

To which the following Amendment was:-
Proposed by Mr. David Murphy and
Seconded by The Presiding Chairman

"That the resolution be marked read."

The Amendment was put to the Meeting when there voted:-
For:- Messrs David Murphy & The Presiding Chairman 2
Against:- Messrs Dunne, Gorman, O'Connor, Sheehan & D. Murphy
John Murphy John st & Freaney 7
Majority Against 5

Mr. John Murphy, South st did not Vote
The Chairman did not put the resolution, as the Voting would be the same, but declared it "Passed".

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The following Notice of Motion was handed in by Mr. Dunne viz:-
At next fortnightly Meeting of the Council, I will move that the Town Court be held in the Council Office and that the Chairman of the Council act as Magistrate in all cases brought under The Towns Improvement Act.

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The Street Inspector reported that the daily scavenging is carried out as usual.
No Order Made

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The ordinary business having concluded the Meeting went into Committee to consider the report of the Inspector in reference to the working of the Shops Act. Some Members left, and a very brief discussion ensued but no definite Action was taked, or Order Made in connection with it.

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The Meeting adjourned to Tuesday 8th October, 1912.

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# Monday 4th October, 1920.

A Monthly Meeting of the Newtown Urban District Council was to be held this day at 12 o'clock noon to transact business pursuant to The Public Health & Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

No Member of the Council Attended

A Quorum Not having assembled

John Sullivan

The Meeting Adjourned.

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Tuesday 8th October, 1912.

A Quarterly Meeting of the Newross Urban District Council was held this evening at 7 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898, and other Acts connected therewith, also, transact such Quarterly business as may be brought forward.

Present Messrs John O'Sullivan Presiding
Peter Murphy
James B. Hearne
James Jer. Dooley
John Murphy John St
John Murphy South St
Patrick J. Dunne
M. J. O'Connor
Peter M. Gorman

The Minutes of last Quarterly Meeting were read and signed.

The Special Committee who inspected Fountains on Yesterday having referred to the necessity of having the Water Channel at top of Cross Lane piped, so as to remove the dangerous pot, there at present, and the Clerk having reported that his special attention was drawn by Mr. John A. Browne, North St, to it, the following resolution was, after a short discussion,

Proposed by Mr. Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr. OConnor

That pipes be laid in the Water Channel, at top of Cross Lane, and the surface levelled off, the work to be carried out by the Foreman.

Passed Unanimously

The Meeting adjourned to Tuesday 14th January, 1913.

John J. Hearn

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# Tuesday 8th October, 1912.

A fortnightly and an adjourned monthly Meeting of the Newtoss Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Town's Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 and consider following Notice of Motion by Mr. Dunne viz:- "That the Town Court be held in the Council Office "and that the Chairman of the Council act as Magistrate in all "cases brought under The Town's Improvement Act".

Present Messrs John O'Sullivan Presiding
Peter Murphy
James B. Hearn
John Murphy John st
John Murphy South st
Patrick J. Dunne
M. J. O'Connor
Peter J. O'Gorman
and
David Murphy

Before the Municipal business was begun Mr. Dooley left.

The Minutes of previous Meetings were read and signed.

The Treasurer's Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs John Murphy South st and P. Dunne, and the following Paying Orders were directed to be issued viz:-

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|---|---|---|---|
| No 75 | M. J. Finn | £20 | 0 | 3 |
| " 76 | Stephen Carroll | 2 | 19 | 9 |
| " 77 | Thomas O'Neill | 3 | 9 | 6 |
| " 78 | John J. Browne | 25 | 12 | 0 |
| " 79 | Same | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| " 80 | Same | 2 | 1 | 9 |
| " 81 | Same | 52 | 0 | 2 |
| " 82 | Patrick Brennan | 1 | 10 | 0 |
| " 83 | M. J. Finn | 6 | 5 | 0 |
| " 84 | Same | 11 | 5 | 0 |
| " 85 | Joseph Freeman | 2 | 5 | 2 |
| " 86 | H. R. Hamilton Esqr. J.P. | 1 | 5 | 6 |

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| Nov | 87 | James Barron | £5 - 4 - 11 |
| " | 88 | Hibernian Fire & General Insurance Co Ltd | 2 - 10 - 6 |
| " | 89 | M. J. Finn | 1 - 17 - 6 |
| " | 90 | Parnell Quarries Ltd | 25 - 1 - 1 |
| " | 91 | Mrs. M. Hennessy | 29 - 0 - 0 |
| " | 92 | Cashiers Bank of Ireland | 30 - 18 - 7 |
| " | 93 | Same | 378 - 18 - 7 |
| " | 94 | Same | 69 - 1 - 11 |
| " | 95 | Same | 38 - 11 - 5 |
| " | 96 | Mrs. Mary A. Williams | 5 - 4 - 6 |
| " | 97 | John Falconer | 15 - 0 |

## Correspondence

Letter from the Local Government Board No 39876, dated 26th September 1912, pointing out that owing to the heavy engagements which Mr. Joyce has undertaken it would be quite impossible for him to hold the Inquiry into the charges preferred against the Town Surveyor for some considerable time. The Board are arranging for another of their Inspectors to hold the Inquiry, and when the date is fixed the Board will communicate with the Council again.

No Order Made

Letter from the Local Government Board No 39876: 1912 dated 1st Oct 1912, intimating that they have now instructed their Inspector Mr. A. D. Price, to hold a local Inquiry at the Urban District Council Office on the 15th Inst, at 10.15 o'clock a.m, into the charges.

No Order Made

Letter from Messrs Colfer & Son, dated 25th September 1912, informing the Council that they had written the Local Government Board as to the date of the Inquiry, and a second one dated 1st October, enclosing a letter from the Inspector, Mr. Price, informing them that the Local Government Board had instructed him to hold the Inquiry on the 15th Prox, and stating that the Town Clerk can no doubt arrange with the Auditor; and a further one dated, 8th October enclosing copy of one from the Inspector asking to have the Minute Books indexed, and also stating, that as the Auditor will be sitting it will be well to take the

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Clerk's evidence immediately on opening the Inquiry.

The Clerk stated that he had carried out the indexing as far as possible.

No Order Made

Letter from the Gas Co, dated 3rd October 1912, intimating that they intend opening the road in south st opposite Wm Cummins, and in John st opposite Mrs. Ashes to repair puppy pipes.

No Order Made

The following received from W.F. Deane Esq. Pde. was read :-

24th September, 1912.

Re :- Flooding of Mrs. Fanning's yard

Dear Sir,

Referring to your letter of 28th August, in which you stated that a Committee was appointed to wait on me in reference to above, I wish to point out that the Committee, although now nearly a month has elapsed, have not called. I cannot in the Interests of my client allow the matter to remain in abeyance any longer, and unless it is finally and definitely settled during this coming week, I will serve the Writ.

Yours faithfully
Wm F. Deane

Mr. Murphy, John St, who with Mr. O'Connor were appointed a Committee to wait on Mr. Deane Pde. in reference to the matter, stated that when acting on another Committee, he met Mr. Deane and informed him that a Committee would wait upon him later on in the day with reference to the yard. Mr. Deane informed him that he would not be in town then, and suggested that the matter be left over until he returns. Subsequently he saw Mr. Deane and arranged with his manager Mr. Hendrick, would call upon him (Mr. Murphy) for the purpose of discussing the matter so that it might be ascertained what Mrs. Fanning and he wanted, but Mr. Hendrick has not yet done so.

After a short discussion it was

Ordered

That Mr. Deane be informed the Committee are prepared to call upon him at his convenience.

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Mr. Lynch certified, under date 26th Sept. 1912 that he examined the mare purchased from Mr. Brennan, Ballybrophy and found her suffering from Chronic Lammitis "foot fever", and as this disease is chronic and always likely to get worse he would not recommend her.

The Clerk stated that on receipt of this report he wrote the owner saying the Council could not accept the mare, and she was taken back.

The minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on the 4th inst. for the purpose of purchasing another horse was considered, and the Clerk reported that the one bought from Mr. Hennessy for £29 had been passed as sound by the Veterinary Surgeon, and as satisfactory to work by the Foreman, whereupon it was,

Proposed by Mr. John Murphy South St and
Seconded by Mr. Dunne

That the Council purchase the horse selected by the Committee from Mr. Hennessy at £29.

Passed Unanimously

Letter from Bryan Ryan, Chapel Lane dated 8th October 1912, drawing attention to the bad state of repair in which the house occupied by him is, and asking that the necessary repairs be carried out.

Ordered

That the Foreman inspect the house and furnish to next meeting, an Estimate of the probable cost of repairing it.

An application was received from Mr. Hill for a supply of Water to his premises at South St lately occupied by Mr. OConnor, for use of horses, cows. etc, and it was Ordered to be referred to the Water Committee.

Letter from Messrs Wilkins & Burden, dated 4th October, enquiring whether there is any probability of the Council taking any action in the near future in connection with the Electric lighting of the Town. If so this would be the time of year to do so as notice of application for a Provisional Order can only be inserted in the Press in October and November of each year.

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Ordered

That the consideration of this letter be placed on the Agenda for next meeting of the Council.

The Clerk reported that Mrs Whitty, one of the Council's tenants, called to the Office and complained that some of the panes of glass in her windows were broken wantonly by some persons from outside, and he directed Mr. Freeman, painter, to put in new ones, and this was approved of. It was Ordered "That he put in some panes in the Vacant house, lately occupied by Mrs Harris, so that the new tenant may be enabled to enter into possession of it as soon as possible.

The Clerk submitted a number of bills (see list at commencement of minutes) for payment, which had been examined by the Finance Committee and on the proposal of Mr. John Murphy John St, Seconded by Mr. Dunne the accounts were Ordered to be paid. It was decided to defer the consideration of the list of uncollectable rates submitted by the Collector to next meeting.

attention was drawn to the Fair Heavy" method adopted by the men in cleansing the Streets, and also to the dirty condition of the footpath at High Hill, and it was:-

Ordered

That the Foreman be directed to have the footpath kept clean, and to direct the workmen to be more energetic in their work, and keep the horses moving somewhat more quickly.

The Council next proceeded to consider Mr. Dunne's "Notice of Motion" respecting the holding of a Town Court in the Urban Council Office, the Chairman of the Council to act as Magistrate, and after a very long discussion it was decided to refer the further consideration of it to the special Committee appointed to consider the letter received from Dr. Hearn, a meeting of which is to be held on Monday Evening 21st Inst.

The following report of the Committee appointed to inspect ground around Fountains was read:-

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Your special Committee re Fountains met to-day. In cases of fountains at Michael St, Rosbercon, Quay, Bullaun & Bunneen; we recommend that a large flag from Councils stock in Henry St (2 ft x 2 ft or more) be placed under each and set in cement. We have given our idea of how this ought to be done to Foreman.

The fountain at Bewley St requires a somewhat different treatment which we have also explained to foreman. The ground around fountain at Wm St (Upper) requires raising and the Channel requires to be cleared up.

The trap at Chapel Lane does not appear to be in proper repair Sought to be put right, in addition the ground ought to be raised so as to prevent the water splashing out on the street.

We recommend that about 24 ft of piping be laid in the sewer outside Mr Reville's store as there is a leakage through the wall and his corn may be injured; also that pipes be laid in the water Channel at top of Cross Lane and the ground made up so as to keep piping safe, the reason we recommend this is because there is a dangerous jolt in the channel at present.

J. Murphy John St & Patrick Dunne.

Proposed by Mr. J. Murphy South St and
Seconded by Mr. Foreman

That the report of the Committee be adopted and the work recommended by them carried out by the Foreman.

Passed Unanimously

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The Clerk drew attention to the necessity of having arrangements made for providing men to follow the two horses of the Council as Flynn and Keirthy who are following them at present are required at their own work, after a short discussion it was.

Proposed by Mr. Dunne and
Seconded by Mr. O'Connor

That the special Committee appointed re horses, cart &c, consider the question of appointing men to follow horses

Passed Unanimously

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The following Notice of Motion was handed in by Mr. O'Connor,

"I beg to propose that on this night fortnight the Council consider the advisability of applying to Mr. Carnegie for a donation for the erection and furnishing of a public free library in Enniscorthy.

Ordered

That the Members of the Council be summoned to attend next Meeting to consider it.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 22nd October, 1912.

John J Keary

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Monday 14th October, 1912.

A special meeting of the Council was held this evening at 5 o'clock to consider a letter received from Messrs Colfer Dean enclosing a report of J. Scully Esq. C.E. in reference to charges preferred by the Council against the Town Surveyor, and take any action that may be necessary in reference to it.

Present Messrs John. P. Deane J.P. Presiding
James B. Deane
J. Murphy John St
M. J. O'Connor
John. O'Sullivan
Peter Murphy
P. H. Aylward

The following letter received from Messrs Colfer Dean was read as well as the report of Mr. Scully :-

11th October, 1912.

Re :- Town Surveyor Inquiry

Dear Sir,

We enclose you copy of the report of Mr. Scully C.E. Waterford, as to this matter, and will be glad if you read it over and talk to the Committee (particularly Mr. J. B. Deane) about it. According to our view the report as a whole is rather weak and does not to any substantial extent support the case put forward by the Council against Mr. Shortall. In fact in some instances Mr. Scully says that Mr. Shortall was quite right while in other instances he considers the fault was not very serious. We have written Mr. Scully to be in attendance on Tuesday, but under the circumstances the Committee should carefully consider whether he ought to be produced as a witness.

We should mention that the only Councillors who have given us a statement of their evidence upto the present are Mr. J.B. Deane and Mr. J. Murphy John St.

Colfer Dean

Copy of report of Mr. Scully in right hand drawer of safe.

After a short discussion the following resolution was :-

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Proposed by Mr. J. B. Dean And
Seconded by Mr. O'Connor.

That Mr. Colfer produce as a witness Mr. Scully.

Passed Unanimously

This concluded the business of the meeting

The Members Separated

John P. Dean

Monday 14th October, 1912.

A meeting of the Committee appointed to make arrangements for the employment of men to follow the horses of the Council and transact other business in connection with the scavenging of the streets met this evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Present Messrs John P. Dean
Peter Murphy
John Murphy
John Murphy Jnr
P. M. O'Gorman

Proposed by Mr. P. Murphy and
Seconded by Mr. O'Gorman

That advertisements be issued for two men to follow the Councils horses and such other work as may be directed, at a weekly wage of 15/- the men to be appointed at the meeting of the Council to be held on Tuesday next 22nd Inst.

Passed Unanimously

Ordered

That the Clerk issue the necessary advertisements

The Meeting Adjourned

John P. Dean

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Tuesday 15th October, 1912.

A Sworn Inquiry was opened this day at 10.15 o'clock a.m in the Office of the Council by A. D. Price Esq. M. Inst C.E, Local Government Inspector into the charges preferred by the Council against the surveyor (see copy in safe)

Mr. J. R. Cotter, Solicitor, appeared on behalf of the Council, whilst the Surveyor was represented by Mr. Buggy, Solicitor. Waterford.

There was a fairly large attendance of the general public.

The Town Clerk was the first witness examined. He produced the Minute Books for the purpose of verifying the various extracts referred to in the charges. His direct examination occupied the entire day, with the exception of about half an hour, during which it was suspended, for the purpose of examining the Porter of the New Ross Workhouse to show the attendances of the Surveyor at the Workhouse as Clerk of Works.

The Inquiry was continued on the 16th, the cross examination of the Clerk occupying the entire day, and it was then adjourned for the production by him of the plan of the drainage works carried out at the Rookery.

On Thursday at two o'clock, the Inquiry was resumed, Mr. J. B. Hearn being the first witness examined. He gave general evidence in support of some of the charges. His cross examination was next taken up but he had not concluded when,

The Inquiry Adjourned to Tuesday 5th November, 1912.

John J Hearn

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Tuesday 22nd October 1912

A Meeting of the Newtors Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 o'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and appoint two workmen, consider letter from Messrs Watkins and Burden in reference to the lighting of the town by Electricity: also following Notice of Motion by Mr. O'Connor

"That the Council consider the advisability of appeying to Mr. Carnegie for a donation for the erection, and furnishing of a public free Library in Newtors.

Present Mssrs John P. Dean J.P. Presiding
John O'Sullivan
P. B. Dyorman
John Murphy South st
John Murphy John st
Michael Sheehan
Mr. J. O'Connor
Patrick J. Dunne
and
Peter Murphy

The minutes of previous meetings were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Dunne & J. Murphy South st and the following Paying Order was directed to be issued viz: Petty Cash £18.13.2 No 98.

The Meeting having considered the recommendation of the special Committee entered on the minutes of their meeting, recommending that the wages of the two men to be appointed at this meeting, to follow the horses and perform such other work as may be required to perform, be fixed at 15/- per week, it was

Proposed by Mr. O'Connor and
Seconded by Mr. Dunne

That the recommendation of the Committee be adopted, and the wages of the two men fixed at 15/- per week each.

Passed Unanimously

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# Correspondence

Letter from Local Government Board No 52.671 : 1912 dated 9th October 1912, acknowledging receipt of the Clerk's letter of the 3rd inst in which he pointed out that the audit had been fixed for the same date as the Inquiry, and stating that it is not anticipated any difficulty will arise by reason of both being held on the same date.

No Order Made

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Letter from the Commissioner of Valuation dated 17th inst, requesting that the Valuation Lists of the Urban District be forwarded to the Office for revision.

The Clerk stated that he forwarded the Lists on receipt of that letter, and there was:-

No Order Made.

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An application was received from Margaret Kehoe, Fishbourn for the tenancy of one of the Councils New houses and it was Ordered to be filed for consideration when the houses will be letting.

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A letter was received from the Hon Secretary of the Housing and Town Planning Association asking to have Delegates appointed to attend a conference to be held on following day but there was

No Order Made

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Letter from Fr. Heavey O.S.A, pointing out that he had given instructions to Mr. Connolly to repair the yard in Wm. St, but as this matter was dealt with at the Sanitary Meeting there was No Order Made on this letter.

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Letter from Mrs. Carroll, Folly Ho Lane, asking the Council to have the floor of her kitchen repaired as it wanted to be done very badly, it being in a dangerous condition. She never asked to have any repairs done for the past thirty years.

Ordered

That the Foreman get the necessary repairs to the house carried out at once.

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Letter from the Manager The Parnell Quarries Ltd, dated 12th inst, stating that as their carters are not in full work just now they will

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be glad to receive Orders for some of the Macadam contracted for.

The Clerk stated that he forwarded an order for four waggon loads and this was approved of.

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Letter from Johanna Frizelle, dated 10th Inst applying for one of the new houses in course of erection and it was Ordered to be filed for further consideration.

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A bill was received from Mrs. Lynch V.S. for £2.2.0, being fee for examination of horses, and attendance on fair with Committee for the purpose of purchasing one, and it was Ordered to be referred to the Finance Committee.

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Letter from the Commissioner of Valuation dated 16th Inst enclosing schedule showing alteration in valuation of residental College in the occupation of the Augustinian Fathers.

No Order Made

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Letter from Local Government Board enclosing abstract of Accounts of Technical Instruction Committee, together with copy of Auditor's report for year ending 31st March, 1920.

No Order Made

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The Clerk reported as Ordered at last meeting of the Council, he wrote to Mr. W. F. Dean Ex. intimating to him that a committee of the Council were prepared to wait upon him, at his convenience for the purpose of considering the question of the flooding of Mrs. Fanning's yard about which he had written, but no reply had been received to this letter.

The Meeting decided that pending a further communication from Mr. Dean nothing could be done by the Council.

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The Clerk reported that there were two latches required on doors of house at Folly Ho Lane, recently let to P. Grace as well as some panes of Glass in the Windows.

Ordered

That the Foreman get the latch and panes of glass

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fixed in the house.

A report was received from the Collector pointing out some repairs which require to be carried out in some of the other houses of the Council and it was Ordered that the foreman furnish to next meeting an estimate of the probable cost of having same carried out.

The following report of the Committee appointed to consider Mr. Dunnes Notice of Motion respecting the holding of a Town Court in the Council Office, the Chairman of the Council to act as Magistrate was read:—

21-10-12

Your special Committee to consider Mr. Dunnes Notice of Motion viz:- That the Town Court be held in the Urban Council Office and that the Chairman of the Council act as Magistrate next this evening.

We recommend that the existing arrangements for dealing with Offences under the Towns Improvement Act be altered to the extent that in future the Town Court be held in the Office of the Council and that the Chairman or in the event of his declining to act, a member of the Council be appointed by the Lord Chancellor and that the first member of the Council to be recommended for appointment be Mr. P. J. Dunne.

J. Murphy John St, J. Sullivan. J. Murphy South St, P. Murphy N, J. O'Connor.

The Clerk pointed out that his attention had been drawn to the fact that the Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898 had repealed Section 69 of the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 in so far as the latter section empowered the Lord Chancellor to select from the members of the Council, one of their number to act as a Justice of the Peace within the Town. It was now clear that the Chairman of the Council only could act.

After a long discussion it was

Ordered

That the District Inspector be written to drawing his special attention to the conduct indulged in, and the language made use of on the public streets of the Town especially on Saturday and Sunday nights and that he be asked to direct his men to use their best endeavours to detect the persons complained, and for this purpose to have some of them placed on duty in plain clothes.

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The following report of the Foreman was read :-

The streets and different roads are at present in a dirty state. The Councils staff I understand will be increased by two men to morrow, I shall then be able to remedy this defect. The following works have been completed since last meeting of Council viz:- repairs to water channel at fountain on Bullaun; repairs to water channel at fountain on Bunneen. A gullet has been constructed at fountain in Bewley St. Twenty four feet of 6" piping have been laid in old sewer at Mr. Reviles store Wm. St. The water table leading from Wm. St fountain is now cleared. The reconstruction of trap on the Quay at manure yard is completed as Ordered, the watertables leading to this trap still require to be paved. The tie-bars of Swinetown Weighbridge are repaired and the necessary locks have been affixed to gates and door of same. The repairs to range & plastering of Councils house unoccupied at Folly Ho Lane is now finished. This house still requires three window fastenings and two latches for doors. It is now up to the time of spreading Metalling, shall I proceed with this work in general commencing with the coarse macadam first. The floors of Bryan Ryan's house Chapel Lane require to be repaired badly. (cost about £1-0-0). There are now three dozen of old brushes in stock what do you wish done with same. There are four heaps of manure in yard ready for sale.

James Kelly
Foreman

Ordered

That the foreman of Bryan Ryan's house repaired at the cost estimated by him.

That the old brushes be disposed of at 3d each.

That the manure be advertised for sale.

An Order having been made at an earlier stage of the meeting directing the necessary repairs to be carried out on Grace's house, there was,

No Order made now

That he proceed with the metalling of the streets as soon as the weather breaks.

The letter received from Messrs Wilkins & Burden inquiring if the Council were prepared to take steps to have the Town lighted by

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Elictricity was considered, during which it was pointed out bythe Clerk, that this Firm had already suggested the necessity of borrowing £5000 for the purpose of having a scheme of Electric Lighting carried out.

It was now decided not to take any further action in the matter, since it involved such expenditure.

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The Notice of Motion handed in by Mr. OConnor asking the Council to consider the advisability of applying to Mr. Carnegie for a donation for the erection and furnishing of a public Free Library in Newbliss was next considered, and it was:-

Ordered

That the Clerk ascertain upon what conditions grants were given by Mr. Carnegie for such a purpose to towns as nearly like Newbliss in point of size and population as possible.

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The following report of the Inspector appointed under The Shops Act 1912, was read:-

With reference to the Shop's Act I beg to report as follows:- since my last report I find none of the Shops have closed on weekly half-holiday. The reason as I am informed being on account of the corn season. In the majority of business houses arrangements have been made to allow their assistants the weekly half holiday alternately but in such cases the Traders have not affixed any card in their shops to this effect as is required by the Act.

The following traders will not make any arrangements and the assistants are at present not getting the half holiday and when I called on them they only told me that the Act did not come into force and they would not make any arrangements at all:-
Powers Drapers, south st, Brownes Drapers North st, P. Kelly south st, Gorman & Co Robertson Dwyer north st, Mrs. Hennessy South st, Walsh Bros south st, Fleming north st, Feeney Quay st.

The shop assistants are continually complaining to me about the shops not being closed and also as to some of them not getting weekly half-holiday and as you know I cannot take any steps in the matter until I receive instructions.

What I would suggest to the Council is that they consider the matter and give me definite instructions as to what steps if any I am to take as the Assistants are very strong on bringing the

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point to an issue and with this object in view I am informed they intend holding a meeting to-morrow night.

The Recorder in Dublin gave a decision that all shops should be closed one half holiday in each week. The Traders asked to have a case stated to the superior courts on this point and the decision of the superior Court have not yet been published in the daily paper. If the Council could arrange that no action by either party be taken until the result of this decision be made known I think the matter would be more satisfactory.

James Kelly
Inspector

It was unanimously decided to await the decision of the superior Courts, referred to, before taking any further action in the matter.

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Applications were received for the two positions to take charge of the Councils horses, and perform such other work as may be necessary at a weekly wage of 15/- as advertised from the following persons Viz:- Matthew Cahill Irishtown, Patrick Laffan, John Hayden, James Sheehan, John Molloy, Wm Somers, Patrick Murphy, Michael Cousins, Michael Lindsay, Patrick Dunhan, Patrick Haddock, Michael O'Brien, and Stephen Boland.

Wm Somers and Michael Cousins, attended, and were called before the meeting when the Chairman explained to each that, in the event of being appointed he should do whatever work he might be required by the Foreman, or other Officer of the Council and remain on late on the eve of holidays and saturday evenings and both agreed to comply with these requirements.

The members went very carefully into the applications received and selected the following four from amongst those received as being most likely to be suitable Viz:- Laffan, Somers, Cousins, and Boland, and proceeded to the election of two of them. Laffan was proposed by Wm John Murphy south St and seconded by Wm Dunne; Somers by Wm John Murphy John St, seconded by Wm O'Gorman; and Cousins by Wm O'Connor and seconded by Wm Peter Murphy. Boland was not Proposed.

A Poll was first taken between Laffan and Somers when there Voted For:-

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Somers :- Messrs Gorman Dunne, OConnor. J. Murphy South St. P. Murphy
J. Murphy John St and the Chairman 4

For Laffan :- Messrs Sullivan and Sheehan 2

Somers having a majority of five over Laffan was declared "Passed".

A poll was next taken between Cousins and Laffan when there
voted for Cousins :- Sullivan, Sheehan Gorman Dunne OConnor
P. Murphy and the Chairman 4

For Laffan :- Messrs John Murphy South St & J. Murphy John St 2

Cousins was declared elected

A letter was received signed by, or on behalf of James Flynn and James Reilly offering to continue to follow the horses at 18/- per week and read by the Chairman previous to the consideration of the other applications for the position but it was

Ordered

To be marked "Read"

For the reason stated on the sanitary minutes,

The meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 29th October 1912.

John L Kearns

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Tuesday 29th October, 1912.

A meeting of the Newross Urban District Council was held this day at ½ 20 o'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Present Messrs P. K. Ogorman Presiding
John Murphy John St
John Murphy South St.
P. J. Dunne
and
M. J. O'Connor

For the reason stated on the Sanitary minutes there was no business transacted, And,

The Meeting Adjourned to Wednesday 30th October, 1912.

John A Dearn

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Wednesday 30th October, 1912.

An adjourned Meeting of the Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and consider a letter received from W. F. Browne Esqr. Solr. enclosing a re-quisition signed by a number of Shop Assistants requesting to have the Shop's Act 1912" put in force in the District, and take such action thereon as may be necessary.

Present Messrs John J. Hearn J.P. Presiding
John Murphy John st
Michael J. O'Connor
Peter D. Ogorman
and
Patrick Dunne
John Murphy South st

The Minutes of previous Meetings were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs J. Murphy John st and Ogorman and the following Paying Order was directed to be issued viz:- No 99. Petty Cash £9-0-1.

## Correspondence

The following letter was received from W. F. Browne Esqr. Solr.

29th October, 1912.

Gentlemen

In enclose herein a Requisition signed by 137 shop Assistants of this town asking you to make an Order fixing a day upon which the shops in this town must be closed in pursuance of the Shops Act 1912 for the weekly half holiday prescribed by that Act. The signatures can be verified if required.

These shop Assistants consider, and I am instructed by to inform you that Wednesday in each week would be the most suit-able day for the weekly half holiday and they ask you to fix that day.

The Majority of the shop keepers closed on Wednesday at one o'clock during June. July & August, when they ceased to do so, and since then 75 per cent at least of the shops Assistants of this town have had for weekly half-holiday to which they are

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entitled under this Act.

They also instruct me, (that being so) to call upon you as the Local Authority to put the Act into immediate force and effect, and to take such proceedings as may be necessary for the purpose of compelling those bound to do so to give their Assistants the weekly half holiday and to forthwith require you to take such steps as may be necessary for the purpose of enforcing and carrying into operation this Act within your District.

Your Obedient servant
Wm. Fras Browne

To The Newbliss Urban Council

The following is a copy of the Requisition referred to in the foregoing letter:-

We the undersigned being Shops Assistants within the meaning of the Shops Act 1912 (2 George V. Chapter 3.) residing within and employed in the Urban District of Newbliss hereby require you as the Local Authority to may an order fixing the day or days on which the shops in the said District are to be closed for the weekly half-holiday in pursuance of section 4 of the said Act, and the regulations made there under by the Lord Lieutenant dated the 29th of April 1912.

It was signed by 137 Assistants.

After a short discussion the following resolution was:-

Proposed by The Chairman and
Seconded by Mr. John Murphy Jnr.

That Dr. Browne be informed from this Council that his letter re shops Act has been before them and to state that it is the intention of the Council to enforce the Act, but at present the Council are considering the best means of doing so, in harmony with the interest of the trading of the Town, which must also be borne in mind, as any damage done to such trading interests would in like manner be a corresponding injury to the shops Assistants.

Your clients may feel assured that the Council will not allow the Assistants to be deprived of a half holiday, which

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the Council appreciate as the Object the legislation had in view.

The Council purpose at an early date inviting a deputation from your clients, so that an exchange of views could be had.

Passed Unanimously

Letter from Commissioner of Valuation, dated 22nd October, acknowledging receipt of Valuation Lists of Urban District, which had been forwarded for Revision.

No Order Made

Letter from Mr. Scully D.I, acknowledging receipt of the Council's letter of the 26th Ult in reference to the conduct of some persons on the public streets, and stating that he had sent it to the Head Constable with instructions to give the matter his particular attention, and to carry out the Councils instructions as to placing men on duty in plain clothes.

No Order Made this being considered satisfactory.

Letter from Fr Heavey OSA, dated 24th Ult informing the Council that he had already spoken with Mr. Connolly in reference to the repairs of stables and Car House at Wm. St, and had now written him in pursuance of their letter.

No Order Made

The Collectors Lists of Uncollectable Poor Rate, Town Rate and Domestic Water Rate was submitted to the meeting, having been previously examined by The Chairman (who was the only member of the Finance Committee who attended a meeting of that Committee). They were now considered by the meeting of the Council, and after a short discussion the following resolutions were

Proposed by Mr. John Murphy South St and

Seconded by Mr. P. Dunne

That sums of uncollectable Poor Rate for half-year ending 30th September 1912, amounting to £20-2-10, as shown in Collector's Abstract now before us, be cancelled.

Passed Unanimously

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Proposed by Mr. J. Murphy South St And
Seconded by Mr. P. Dunne,

That sums of uncollectable Town, and Domestic Water Rate for half year ending 30th September 1912, amounting to £67-19-8, as shown in Collectors Abstract, now before us be cancelled.

Passed Unanimously

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The following report of the Foreman was read:-

I beg to report since last meeting of the Council the construction of new gullet at crossing of Cross Lane is now completed. Two waggons of fine macadam have arrived. I am having same spread on streets & at the different crossings. The repairs Ordered to be carried out to floor of James Carrolls house Folly House are completed cost 7/-. I visited the Councils houses at Wm St as Ordered to see what repairs were necessary. T. McLoughlins house, the closing of roof of scullery is leaking, this would require a barge and some cement pointing to slates, cost about 4/6. Martin Kellys house requires same repairs as above and in addition repairs to floor about 2 square yards concrete; cost about 10/- Catherine Quigley same repairs to scullery, cost about 4/6. Timothy McCarthy, 2 panes glass; also James Roche 1 pane glass, cost for both about 3/-. The repairs to Graces house Folly Ho Lane are:- 3 window fastners, 2 door latches & shelves for range cost about 6/-. The sewer leading through Wm St from Union broke down to-day opposite old Quarry, I am having same repaired.

I also beg to apply for oilskins for workmen namely Shea, Cousins & Somers. I would also require oilcoat.

James Kelly
Foreman

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An application was also received from Walter Duggan for a suit of oil clothes.

Proposed by Mr. John Murphy South St. and
Seconded by Mr. Dunne

That the Foreman be directed to carry out the necessary repairs to the houses of the Council mentioned

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by him in his report, as stated by him.

Passed Unanimously

Proposed by Mr. Glorman and
Seconded by Mr. Dunne

That the Councils employees, Shea, Cousins, Somers and Duggan, be supplied with a suit of oil clothes, and that the Foreman be also supplied with an oil coat.

Passed Unanimously

Mr. OConnors Notice of Motion

That application be made to Mr. Carnegie for a grant for the establishment of a Free Library was next considered, and in conjunction with it, letters were read from the Town Clerk of Kingstown in which he stated that a free grant of £4,000 was given by Mr. Carnegie for the erection of the library on condition that a free site is obtained, and a rate of one-penny in the £, struck for the up keep of the Library. No grant was received for equipment or provision of books. Letters were also received from the Town Clerks of Black rock, Rathmines and Rathgar, both of whom stated that a rate of one penny in the £ had to be struck, and that their respective Councils did not receive any grant for Equip-ment of Library, or provision of books.

After a short discussion it was decided to defer the further consider-ation of the matter to next meeting, as additional information may be then available.

The Street Inspector reported that the daily scavenging of the streets was carried out as usual. Messrs James Power Snr, John Harrington, Thos Redmond and John A. Browne North St, had boxes &c on the street out-side their premises on several days since last meeting.

As this is the season of the year when drapers are usually getting in their Winter stock, it was decided not to take any action at present respecting boxes referred to in the report of the Street Inspector.

The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 12th November, 1912.

John L Hearn

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Monday 4th November, 1912.

A Monthly Meeting of the Newbliss Urban District Council was to be held this day at 12 o'clock noon to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

No Member Attended

A Quorum not having assembled

The Meeting Adjourned

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Tuesday 5th November, 1912.

The sworn Inquiry was resumed to-day by Mr. A. D. Price No. Inst. C.E. at 10.15 o'clock into the charges preferred by the Council against the Town Surveyor. Mr Buggy, Solicitor appeared on behalf of the ~~Council~~ Town Surveyor, and Mr J. B. Colfer on behalf of the Council. The cross examination of Mr. J. B. Hearn was resumed, and concluded, after which Thomas Scully Esqr. B.E. B.A. was examined on behalf of the Council. At the con-clusion of his cross-examination, the examination of the Chairman of the Council, Mr John P. Hearn J.P. was begun. His cross-examen-ation had not concluded when the Inquiry was adjourned until the following morning.

On resuming at 10.15 O'clock on Wednesday morning 6th Inst, the cross-examination of the Chairman of the Council was continued and concluded, after which the direct examination of Mr John Murphy, John St, was begun. His cross examination had not entirely concluded when the Inquiry was adjourned to the following morning at 10.15 oclock.

On resuming on Thursday morning Mr. Buggy Solicitor stated that he had finished the cross-examination of Mr John Murphy, and asked permission to examine Mr John Sullivan U. D. 6 on behalf of the Surveyor, as Mr Sullivan had to leave town. Mr Sullivan was accordingly examined and cross-examined. At the conclusion of Mr. Sullivans cross-examination, Mr Michael J. O'Connor U. D. 6 was examined and cross-examined. He was followed by Mr Andrew Cullen on behalf of the Council. When Mr Cullens cross-examination had concluded, the Sanitary Sub Officer was examined by Mr Buggy, Solicit-or on behalf of the Surveyor, and cross examined by Mr Colfer; after which the examination of the Town Surveyor was begun. When his cross-examination had concluded, Mr Buggy addressed the Inspector briefly on behalf of the Surveyor. He was followed by Mr Colfer, Solicitor on behalf of the Council, who, at the conclusion of his address, moved a vote of thanks to the Inspector, which was seconded by Mr Buggy. The Inspector gratefully acknowledged the vote of thanks proposed and seconded respectively by Mr Colfer & Mr Buggy, and thanked them, and the Clerk, for the assistance they had rendered him in conducting the Inquiry.

The Clerk, having briefly acknowledged the reference made to him by the Inspector.

The Inquiry terminated, it being then 8.20 P.M.

Mr Dunn
Clerk of Council

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Tuesday 12th November, 1912.

A fortnightly and an adjourned Monthly Meeting of the NewRoss Urban District Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. Presiding
John Murphy
John Murphy
M. J. O'Connor
P. M. Brennan
and
Dr Walsh

The Minutes of previous Meetings were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs John Murphy John Murphy & Dr Walsh and the following Paying Orders were directed to be issued Viz:-

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| No 100 | William Lacey | £ | 9 | 12 | 0 |
| " 101 | James J. Shortall | | 8 | 11 | 4 |
| " 102 | Garrett A. Hickey | | 7 | 10 | 0 |
| " 103 | Parnell Quarries Ltd | | 12 | 4 | 4 |
| " 104 | Dr O'Connor | | 10 | 15 | 0 |
| " 105 | John M. Walsh | | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| " 106 | Mrs M. A Corcoran | | 1 | 5 | 6 |
| " 107 | Waterford News Ltd | | | 7 | 6 |
| " 108 | M. J. Finn | | 11 | 5 | 0 |
| " 109 | Same | | 30 | 12 | 6 |
| " 110 | John J. Browne | | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| " 111 | John J. Browne | | 46 | 10 | 5 |
| " 112 | Wm J. Whitney | | | 17 | 6 |
| " 113 | School Attendance Committee | | 7 | 19 | 3 |
| " 114 | Stephen Carroll | | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| " 115 | Thos O'Neill | | 8 | 8 | 8 |
| " 116 | M. J. Finn | | 18 | 11 | 3 |
| " 117 | J. Lynch Ds | | 2 | 2 | 0 |

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# Correspondence

Letter from the Local Government Board No 57, 176 : 1912, dated 31st Oct 1912, referring to the Return, showing the condition to the 26th Inst, of the Collection of the Poor Rate for the current half-year, and stating that the Collector should be called upon to proceed forthwith with the collection of the second Moiety.

## Ordered

That a copy of this letter be furnished to the Collector, with a request that he will take immediate steps to have the rates collected expeditiously, and that he be informed if a very substantial amount is not collected by the next Finance Meeting of the Council, serious notice will be taken of the matter.

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Letter from Local Government Board, dated 30th October 1912, forwarding, for the information of the Council attested Abstract of Accounts for year ending 31st March 1912, together with the following copy of the Auditors Report for same period viz :-

Kingstown
26th October, 1912.

Sir

I have the honour to report that I have audited the Accounts of the New Ross Urban District Council for the year ended the 31st March last and to transmit herewith, duly certified Abstracts thereof.

The Rate Collections are not closed within the year, for the service of which the rates are struck. It is most desirable that delay in this direction should be avoided.

The Collector should be paid poundage in respect of lodgments during a calendar month, quarter or half-year. The present system of payment, in respect of lodgments made during some arbitrarily chosen period, is liable to cause errors and renders the work of checking the correctness of the amounts paid unnecessarily laborious.

The collection of the rents of the Councils property should be more punctually and energetically carried out.

The accounts were presented for my Audit in a very satisfactory manner.

The Secretary
Local Government Board

Your Obedient Servant
J. Moore O'Ferrall

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The Chairman remarked that the report was very creditable to the Clerk.

The Clerk inquired if he would have the Abstract of Accounts and Auditors Report printed, and a copy sent to each member of the Council as he believed under The Public Bodies Order he was bound to furnish a copy free to every newspaper proprietor, and member of the Council who applied for it.

After a short discussion the meeting decided not to go to the expense of having them printed as any person interested could inspect the originals in the Office.

Ordered

That the Collector be furnished with an extract from the Report referring to the Collection of the Rates and Rents, and that he be requested to carry out the recommendation of the Auditor, respecting their Collection in future.

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Letter from the Local Government Board, dated 4th Inst returning the Lists of Arrears of Rate for the half-year ended the 30th Sept with the rulings of the Board noted thereon.

Ordered

That the amounts lodged by the Collector of uncollectable rates as shown on the Abstracts, and allowed by the Local Government Board, be refunded to him.

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A Tender was received from John Walsh, Sinakilly, dated 12th Inst, of 4/- for heap of road scrapings on School Ho Road, and it was:-

Ordered

That it be accepted.

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A Tender of 1/-, dated 12th November was received from Martin Breen, Camblin for the third heap of manure at right side of entrance gate of yard on Quay; and one from Richard Walsh-Camblin, dated 11th Inst, of 14/- for heap of manure in yard on Quay; also one from Laurence Nolan, Camblin of 1/- for one heap of manure in same yard.

Ordered

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Ordered That the three Tenders be accepted.- that of Lawrence Nolan for one of the small heaps, subject to the manure being removed within three weeks from the Councils Yard, or that Yard-age be charged on any remaining after that date, at the rate of 2/- per week for each heap, or any portion of one.

The following letter, received from The Commercial Union Assurance Co, was read:-

8th November, 1920.

Dear Sir

We beg to advise that we have now heard from the Head Office of the Imperial Accident Co. The Insurance is in respect of death from Accident or disease and if the horses are insurable for £56 the premium will be £2-16-0 for the Ordinary risks with 3/- additional for Fire and Lightning, total £2-19-0. The terms appear to us tobe most favourable and we trust to have your advice that the Policy may be prepared.

H. G. Grenfell
District Manager

After a short discussion it was

Ordered That the Co be asked to have a Policy issued insuring the two horses against death from accident or disease, and also Fire and Lightning at the premium quoted viz:- £2-19-0

A long letter was received from Mr Rose, local representative of the "Echo" pointing out that the original report of the Meeting of the Council, which was corrected in "The Newross Standard", of last week, was correct as written by him. The Chairman only read a small portion of the letter and asked Mr Rose, who was present, to put briefly before the Meeting the substance of the very voluminous letter submitted by him. Mr Rose entered into an explanation as given, but the Meeting decided not to entertain the matter.

An application was received from the Water Inspector, Mr Butler, for an oil coat. It is now five years last month since he got the present one.

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Proposed by Dr Walsh and
Seconded by John Murphy John St
That the Water Inspector be supplied with an oil Coat.
Passed Unanimously.

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A resolution of which the following is a copy, was received for adoption from the Wexford Rural District Council Viz:-

That in the opinion of this Council, the National Insurance Act requires amendment especially as regards agricultural employees, that it places unnecessarily heavy burdens on farmers and country labourers, who follow the healthiest occupation in the wored, without any compensating advantages; that while every other class in the community can pass the tax on to the Consumer the farmers cannot do so, we therefore strongly request the Irish Party to use every means in their power to have this Act amended so as to meet the requirements of an agricultural country like Ireland.

That copies of this resolution be forwarded to Mr John E Redmond M.P. Sir Thos Esmonde Bart M.P. Mr Peter J French M.P, and the Public Bodies in the County Wexford.

Proposed by Mr John Murphy John St
That the resolution be adopted.

The proposition was not seconded, but the following amendment was
Proposed by Mr. John Murphy South St and
Seconded by Mr O'Connor
That it be marked "Read".
Passed Nem Con

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An application was received from James Holden, Playground, dated 30th October, for the tenancy of one of the New houses, and it was Ordered to be filed with the other Applications for consideration when the houses are being let.

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A letter was received from Dr Hickey enclosing two bills

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which totalled £15-4-7 being amount expended by him on the Councils yard at Priory St, which he had rented from them, but which he surrendered some few years ago.

A short discussion took place on the reading of the letter, and it was eventually decided to refer the letter and bills, to the Finance Committee for consideration and report.

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A letter dated 31st October was received from Mr Sullivan on behalf of Mrs Walsh and himself acknowledging the vote of sympathy passed by the Council with them on the occasion of the death of his uncle, Mr Michall J. Walsh, Mount Elliott.

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The Collector reported as follows:-

I beg to report that Catherine Allen of Wm St is now out of possession for over twelve months, on leaving here she handed over the key of the house to James Rochford who is still in possession and paying the rent punctually. I can recommend Rochford as a suitable tenant, and I consider that it would be advisable for you to accept him as the Tenant he giving the proper sureties.

The rain is coming through the roof of Scullery in Peter Higgins house Wm St.

James Blanche Wm St. Lock and hinges required on street door.

John J. Browne
Collector

Ordered

That the Sureties of Mrs Allen be informed she has not occupied the house for a considerable time past, and should any arrears of rent accrue, they will be held responsible for it.

That the Foreman have the roof of scullery of Mr Higgins house, Wm St, repaired and a lock and hinges fixed on door of house occupied by James Blanche.

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The Collector also submitted a report (See original on Letter File) giving the names of several tenants who owed arrears of rent, and showing the amount owed by each.

Ordered

That in future, in all cases where any of the Councils tenants owe two week's rent, the Collector is to make personal application for payment

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of it to the sureties of the particular tenant, and should he fail to obtain payment of it, he is to report the particulars of his application, and result to the Next Meeting of the Council.

That application be made to the Executors of the Late Mr Meehan for payment of rent due by Miss Drake for scales on Quay, he being her surety for payment of it.

Letter from The Royal Exchange Assurance Co, dated 11th Inst. in reference to Third Party Insurance, and expressing regret that a definite quotation could not be sent in time for Meeting. Particulars of each risk on the enclosed form was also asked for.

The Clerk stated that he had furnished the particulars as requested, and this was approved of.

## Foremans Report

I beg to report the repairs Ordered to be carried out to Councils houses on Wm St viz:- Mc Loughlins, Kellys & Quigleys are completed. The glazing of Windows of houses of Mc Carthy and Roches are in progress. I will now proceed to have the ashpits of Culletons and Quigleys, Wm St covered at once. The repairs to Councils stables Wm St by Mr Connolly are near finished and I would now ask the Council to give Orders to have forage for horses procured at once. Two boat loads of Metalling arrived from Ballyneal Quarries since last Meeting, one of those I have spread and one removed to depot as at present the weather is rather dry for spreading. I am having the sewer at Victoria Place cleared and repaired as Ordered. Mr Walsh Tinnakilly to Kilkenny, removed road scrapings from Boyds Avenue Rd. I must ask the Council has he permission to do so. I am informed some road cleanings were removed not to the proper dumping ground. I am making inquiries into this matter which I believed occurred in Inishtown.

James Kelly
Foreman

The Clerk stated that Mr Walsh called to the Office and informed him that Mr Byrne, the late Town Surveyor had given him permission to remove the road scrapings of the School Rd Road

as by doing so he was saving the Council the cost of removal.

It was now

Ordered

That Mr Walsh be informed he is not to take away any road scrapings in future.

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The following letter was read:-

Town Clerk's Office
Omagh
November, 1912.

Re Railway Rates

Dear Sir

I am directed to communicate with your Council in reference to the proceedings taken by us to make the Railway Company here pay rates in full on all property not specially described by the Commissioner of Valuation as "Railway".

As you are probably aware an action was instituted in the High Court in the name of our Collector against the Great Northern Railway Company, for the second Moiety of the rates for year ending 31st March, 1911.

This Action was heard in December last, before Mr Justice Dodd, without a jury, and resulted in judgment being given for the Defendants. Against this an appeal was taken to the Kings Bench Division, and same was heard by the Lord Chief Baron, Mr Justice Kenny, and Mr Justice Wright, and on the 26th June judgment was given reversing Mr Justice Dodd and awarding us the full amount of our claim with costs.

The rates for that year were assessed upon the full value of the railway premises, as appears in the Revised List of Valuation, in the Column headed Buildings. The Lord Chief Baron held that is was the duty of the Commissioner of Valuation to decide when making his Valuation what was and what was not "Railway" within the meaning of the Valuation Acts (Viz:- the ground the rails lay on either side thereof), and once he (The Commissioner) so decided (and no appeal to Quarter Sessions against his decision was taken), the description bound all parties. Up to the present the Commissioner of Valuation had not in any of the Revised Lists as far as I can learn, described any of the premises for which

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the Railway Cos now seek exemption as "Railway".

The G.S.W.R have appealed to the Court of Appeal, and it is of the utmost importance to Urban Councils (in whose area there are railways) to have the Lord Chief Baron's judgment upheld, as if it is, the Railway Cos. will have great trouble in getting the Valuation Lists altered to meet their views.

Further, if it were decided that Urban Councils were not to follow the Revised List of Valuation, but had to make up a list of assessment, and to show its correctness in any proceedings to recover rates, it would be a great burden cast upon them.

My Council consider that they should not be left to them-selves to fight this question, and ask your Council, with the others affected, to join in bearing a rateable share of the expenses they may be put to, in accordance with the arrangements made at the Portadown Conference, as, though they succeed, and they feel confident they will, there are always costs, as between Solicitor and Client which do not tax against the other party to the action.

Please bring this letter before your Council at as early a date as possible, and ask them to pass a resolution authorizing the exe-cution, by the Chairman, of an agreement, draft of which is enclosed.

Hoping to hear from you favourably at an early date,

I am

Your Obedient Servant
Wm. J. Corker
Clerk of Council

Ordered

That this letter be referred to the Finance Committee for report, the Clerk to ask the Town Clerk of Omagh, in the mean-time, to state whether such a contribution as that asked for, can be legally paid by the Council, and, if so, the approximate amount his Council would expect to receive.

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Letter from Dr. Browne L.L.D. solicitor dated 31st October 1912, as follows:- Dear Sir

Many thanks for your prompt letter exhib-iting a Resolution passed by your Council.

With regard to the first paragraph stating "It is the

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intention of the Council to enforce the Act but at present the Council are considering the best means of doing so". I am instructed to call your attention to the fact that this Act has been in force since 1st May 1912.

With regard to the second paragraph stating "The Council will not allow the Assistants to be deprived of a half holiday." 75 % of my clients have been deprived of a half-holiday for the last two months and are each week deprived of a half holiday.

With regard to the last paragraph stating "The Council propose at an early date inviting a Deputation from your clients", on their behalf I would be glad to know on what date you propose to meet the Deputation.

Yours faithfully
Wm. P. Browne

Ordered

That this letter, and the previous one received from Dr Browne be referred to the Shops Act Committee for report, and that a meeting of that Committee be held on Thursday evening at 7.30 o'clock.

Letters were received from the Clerk of the Kilrobbery Union, and the Assistant Town Clerk, Waterford in reference to the obtaining of a grant from Mr Carnegie, for the establishment of a free Library.

From both letters it appeared to be a condition that a rate should be struck for the up keep of the Library and a free site obtained upon which to build it.

After a short discussion Mr O'Connor moved the following resolution, of which he had given Notice viz:-

That the Council consider the advisability of applying to Mr Carnegie for a donation for the erection and furnishing of a public free library in New Ross.

The resolution was not seconded and did not, accordingly proceed further.

The following resolution in reference to the dismissal of Mr Mansfield by the Commissioners of National Education, was

Proposed by Mr John Murphy South St and

Seconded by Mr John Murphy John St

That

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That inasmuch as the vident and arbitrary action of Dr Starkie, through the education Board, in victimising Mr Mansfield, the accredited spokesman of the National Teachers of Ireland, because of his supposed violation of a rule which the Resident Commissioner is allowed to violate with impunity, is causing universal, and acute discontent, amongst the National Teachers to the great detriment of education, and consequent Neglect of children, whose school going days are, alas, all too few, and who are therefore the victims of this tyrannical exercise of Authority, we call upon the National Board to immediately re-instate Mr Mansfield, whose ability as a Teacher is unquestioned, and whose character as a man, and as an Irishman, is untarnished.

That the Teachers have our sincere sympathy in their struggle against tyranny, and their efforts to establish a proper system of inspection, instead of the present system of spying, and peeping, in vogue in some of the Irish Circuits.

Ordered Passed Unanimously

That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Commissioners of National Education, the Chief Secretary for Ireland, Messrs Redmond M.P., Dillon M.P. and French M.P.

The Street Inspector reported that, on each day he found the several streets and lanes clean.

No Order Made

The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 26th Nov, 1912.

John L Dean

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Thursday 14th November, 1912.

A Meeting of the Shops Act Committee was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to consider letters of Dr Browne and transact business of the Committee.

Present Messrs John .S. Hearn J.P Presiding
John Murphy South St
and
Peter Murphy

The Committee having briefly considered the letter received from Dr Browne, proceeded to read, and consider the Act which the Chairman read in detail.

The Committee also directed the Clerk to write to Messrs Eason asking if they publish an explanatory Treatise of the Act, and if so to forward copy by return, so that the Committee might have it for consideration at their adjourned Meeting.

They also noted some queries to be submitted to the Councils Solicitors for advice upon, after which.

The Committee Adjourned to Monday 18th November, 1912.

John S Hearn

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Monday 18th November, 1912.

An adjourned Meeting of the Shops Act Committee was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business of the Committee.

Present Messrs John .S. Hearn J.P. Presiding
John Murphy John St
John Murphy South St

The Clerk submitted a Hand Book of the Act, which he had Ordered from Messrs Eason & Son, as directed at last Meeting.

The Committee perused it very carefully; and after discussing the whole subject were of opinion that it would be best to recommend the Council to make a closing Order in the case of all the Trades, where the necessary majority could be obtained, in cases where such was legally necessary, and to take such other steps as might be necessary to give effect to the provisions of the Act. Before, however finally deciding they considered it better further adjourn the matter to Friday evening when more Members of the Committee may be present.

The Meeting Adjourned to 7 o'clock on Friday 22nd Inst.

John S Hearn

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Friday 22nd November, 1912.

A meeting of the Shops Act Committee was held this evening at 7 o'clock to transact important business of the Committee.

Present Messrs John. P. Deane J.P. Presiding
John Murphy John St
John Murphy South St

The meeting after some consideration signed a report of which the following is a copy viz:-

Your Committee having carefully considered the question of making a closing Order, which would effect the various Traders in town, are of opinion that it would be most desirable to have the same day fixed for all, provided of course that the necessary majority of the Traders both exempted and non-exempted can be obtained.

In Order to ascertain this, as well as the particular day most suitable to all.

Your Committee recommend the Council to take the necessary legal steps to make a closing Order fixing Thursday (same as Wexford & Enniscorthy & Waterford with of course Saturday as the alternate, as the Half Holiday; And also to ascertain the opinion of occupiers of shops on the proposal of the Council to make this Order.

We also recommend that whatever steps are necessary to put the Act into Operation in the District be taken as soon as possible.

(signed) John. P. Deane, John Murphy & John Murphy

The Committee Adjourned.

John P Deane

Tuesday 26th November, 1912.

A Meeting of the Council was to be held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Present Messrs Peter A. O'Gorman Presiding
John Murphy John St
John Murphy South St
M. J. O'Connor

For the reason stated on the sanitary Minutes there was no business transacted.

The Meeting Adjourned to Wednesday 27th November 1912.

John O'Hea

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Wednesday 27th November 1912.

An adjourned meeting of the Council was to be held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854

Present Messrs John Murphy John st Presiding
John Murphy South st
Peter M. O'Gorman
Peter Murphy

For the reason stated on the sanitary minutes there was no business transacted.

The Treasurers authority for making Payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs O'Gorman and P. Murphy and the following paying Order was directed to be issued viz:-
No 118 £2 25-12-10 Petty Cash.

The Meeting adjourned to Tuesday 3rd December 1912.

John L Dearn

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Monday 2nd December 1912

A Monthly Meeting of the Council was to be held this day at 12 o'clock Noon to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

No Member Attended

The Meeting adjourned

John A Kearn

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Tuesday 3rd December, 1912.

An Adjourned Meeting of the Newross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 O'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, consider a letter received from Dr Browne, Solicitor, intimating that if he does not have a reply to his letter in reference to "Shops Act" within four days undertaking to put the Act into force, he will apply to The Kings Bench Division for a Mandamus, and a report from The Shops Act Committee and take such action thereon as may be considered advisable; also to appoint a Delegate to attend a Meeting to be held in the City Hall, Dublin on the 11th Dec/ next for the purpose of forming a General Council representing Municipal Authorities in Ireland.

Present Messrs John. S. Hearn J P Presiding
John Murphy John St
John Murphy South St
Peter Jo. Gorman
Peter Murphy
Jo. J. Connor

The Minutes of previous Meetings were read and signed.

## Correspondence

Letter from Local Government Board, dated 14th November 1912, enclosing a sealed Order fixing the Amount of Audit fee for Audit of the Accounts of the Council for year ended 31st March last at £6-6-0

**Ordered**

That it be referred to the Finance Committee.

Letter from the Town Clerk of Blackrock, dated 22nd Ult in reference to the proposed formation of a General Municipal Council and pointing out that with a view to Meeting the expenses involved in carrying out the Objects of the proposed association, it would be desirable, if the Council would pass a resolution agreeing to subscribe such annual sum for copies of the reports as they may think desirable, as under The Public Health and Local Government Conferences Act, 1885; they are empowered to do so.

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The Meeting decided not to pass such a resolution until they have some means of ascertaining whether the reports would be necessary or value for the cost of them.

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Letter from same dated 20th Nov 1912, asking the Council to appoint a Delegate to attend a Conference to be held in the City Hall, Dublin on Wednesday 11th Dec (next) at 11 o'clock a.m, and on the following, with a view of forming a General Council representing Municipal Authorities in Ireland.

After some discussion, during which Messrs Peter Murphy, John Murphy South St & John Murphy John St were asked individually to attend, and each declined, it was

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy And
Seconded by Mr Gorman

That Mr Sullivan be appointed a Delegate to the Conference at the expense of the Council, and in the event of Mr Sullivan (who was not present) being unable to attend, that Mr Connor be appointed to represent the Council at the Conference at the expense of the Council.

Passed Unanimously

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Letter from the Local Government Bd 57. 732: 1912, dated 26th Nov 1912, enclosing two copies of an Order made by the Board under The Public Health and Local Government Conferences Act 1885, rescinding their Order of the 15th July 1894.

No Order Made

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Letter from the Town Clerk of Omagh dated 15th Nov acknowledging receipt of the Councils letter of the 13th Nov in reference to payment by the Council, of a contribution towards the expence incurred by the Omagh Urban Council in a law suit by them against the Great Northern Railway Co, where the question of Railway Rating was involved, and pointing out that the Local Government Board agreed that such an arrangement as was suggested might legally be made. He also pointed out that it will be necessary for him to get out another circular dealing fully with the matter.

No Order Made pending further information.

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A Post Card, dated 18th November 1912, was received from the same gentleman informing the Council that a full report of the Judgement appeared in the Irish Law Times of the 16th Nov

Ordered

That two copies of The Irish Law Times be purchased through Miss Nugent.

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Letters were received from The Imperial Accident Insurance Co Ltd and from The Commercial Union Assurance Co in reference to the Insurance of the Councils two horses against death by accident or disease, as also by fire.

In one dated 16th November the Co stated that on the understanding the Animals were in good health and condition they were holding them insured subject to Veterinary Report.

In a circular letter, dated 20th Nov 1912, the Co wrote stating that the proposal was approved of and on receipt of remittance for premium £2-19-0, a Policy would be prepared.

The Clerk stated that on receipt of this Notification he wrote the Co informing them that a paying Order would be issued at Next Meeting of the Council, and received a letter from the Co acknowledging this, and stating that they are holding the Animals insured pro tem.

Ordered

That a paying Order for the Amount of premium £2-19-0 be issued at Next Finance Meeting of the Council.

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A Quotation was received from The Royal Exchange Assurance Co dated 15th November 1912 of £2-4-6 for an Indemnity against Drivers Risk (Third Party) from the period from 15th November 1912 to 25th Dec 1913, and at an annual premium of £2-0-0. The Clerk stated that the Shops Act Committee, directed him to instruct the Co to prepare a Policy in this case as they considered the premium very Moderate, and he desired to have this ratified.

Proposed by John Murphy Fourth & and

Seconded by Mr Gorman

That the proposal of the Royal Exchange Assurance Co to grant the Council an Indemnity against Third Party Drivers Risk for an annual premium of £2-0-0 be

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accepted, and the Co be asked to prepare Policy forthwith, the premium to be paid at next Finance Meeting of the Council.

Passed Unanimously

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A letter was also received from The Royal Exchange Assurance Co dated 23rd Nov 1912, stating that in reference to Third Party Insurance, Outside Kerb, this risk would include protection in respect of damage caused through the negligence of the employees of the Council, or for any other tort for which the Council might be made responsible at law. The Policy would apply to claims for personal Injury as well as damage to property, and for the annual premium of £7-10-0 there would be a limit of £500 in respect of any one claim, in addition to law costs.

If the indemnity were reduced to a limit of £100 in addition to costs, our premium would be £5-10-0 per annum with the usual odd time to Christmas.

Ordered

That the final consideration of this matter be deferred for the present.

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A letter was received from Messrs Colfer Dixon enclosing a bill of fees & expenses amounting to £1-3-5, received from Mr Scully B.C. for attending as a witness at the Sworn Inquiry held in Connection with the Town Surveyor.

Ordered

That the bill be referred to the Finance Committee.

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An application was received from Sylvester Dempsey, Houghton Place and Mrs W. Doyle Irishtown for the tenancy of two of the new houses, and it was,

Ordered

That the applications be considered with all the others when the houses are being let.

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An application was received from James Lardy, Irishtown,

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dated 3rd Decr for the tenancy of the house at Wellrain / at about to be vacated by Lawrence Doyle but as the Council had not received any Notice of surrender of the Tenancy there was

No Order Made.

James Forrestal of Shanbaugh applied for two loads of road stuff for the purpose of making a floor and his application was granted.

A letter was received from R. J. Cosgrave, advance agent of Ireland's Own Animated Pictures by dated 18th Inst asking if a Hall could be obtained Rawhros for the 16th & 17th Decr for an exhibition of Pictures and also if the Hall was licensed &c.

The Clerk stated he informed Mr Cosgrave that the Town Hall was owned by Dean Kavanagh with whom he should communicate on the matter, and this was approved of.

An application was received from the Secretary of the Technical Instruction Committee for payment of an instalment of the Technical rate and it was

Ordered

To be referred to the Finance Committee

A letter was received from the Secretary of the County Council relative to the holding of fowl Markets on the roads leading to town, and from the Solicitor of the Co Council, inquiring if there is a regular market for the sale and purchase of fowl in Rawhros, and, if so, are there tolls payable for using it.

Ordered

That the Clerk furnish the necessary information to the Solicitor to the Co Council.

An application was received from Wm Somers, one of the workmen recently appointed by the Council for permission to sleep on the stable loft over the horses, at Wm St and a second one dated 5th Inst for an increase of 5/- per week.

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In the application he stated he was working nine hours a week more than any of the other workmen, and is all the time at street work which he thought would be done in turn by each man.

The Foreman was called before the Meeting and he informed the Meeting that Somers was not working longer than Cousins, or any of the other men.

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The Meeting decided to refuse both applications. Somers was called before the Meeting and informed that both applications were refused. The Chairman asked him if he wished to give Notice of his intention to leave the employment of the Council, and he replied that he would like to give a weeks Notice, which was accepted. He then retired.

It was Ordered that he be required to give up his oil clothes before he is paid his wages for week ending today, as it was stated he intended leaving immediately.

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The Street Inspector reported under date 26th Inst that the lamp over the public closet on Quay has not been lighting for the past fortnight, the protection glass frame having been carried away.

Ordered

That the attention of the Gas Co be directed to the matter and they be informed the Council will expect to get credit for the time the lamp is not lighted.

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A certificate, dated 25th Inst was received from Dr OConnor, certifying that James Keilthy one of the Councils workmen is suffering from Influenza, and will be unable to work for a week.

Ordered

That Keilthy be paid his wages in full for the present.

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Letters were received from Messrs John E. Redmond MP Peter Ffrench MP, the Chief Secretary for Ireland and the Commissioners of National Education, acknowledging receipt

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If the resolution passed by the Council protesting against the dismissal of Mr Mansfield.
No Order Made

An application dated 25th November 1916. was received from M. Keeffe Wm St, for the tenancy of the house occupied by his late father and mother, and on the proposal of Mr John Murphy South St, seconded by Mr Ofarrell he was unanimously accepted as tenant, he to enter into a bond with Mr John Murphy, Quay, the surety mentioned in his application.

A Paying Order for £7-1-5 less Income Tax 8/3 - Net £6-13-2 was received from the Irish Land Commission and it was Ordered to be lodged to the credit of the Council.

The General Accident Fire & Life Assurance Corporation Ltd Perth, Notified the Council that the premium on the Clerks Bond became due on the 2nd inst and should be paid within fourteen days from that date.
Ordered
That the Clerk attend to this matter.

## Foremans Report

The Foreman reported that the roof of scullery of P. Higgins house Wm St is now repaired. A new door has been fixed to sluice opposite Priory Lane, also some repairs to jaws of same cost about 15/- as Ordered. James Keithly is sick since the 2nd inst it would be well the Council would appoint a man temporary in his stead. The streets were in a very muddy condition on Saturday last and I had not men enough to have them cleaned, owing to one man limewashing and another man ill. I would ask the Council to have a rack placed in the stable for harness (also bin) currie comb) brush, sprong & lantern. It would be well to employ an extra man & horse for a few days to draw the metalling for spreading, as the time of one of the Councils horses is principally taken up scavenging and removing mud which is owing to the bad condition of the weather.

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Ordered

That an extra man and horse be employed temporary.

That the Clerk be empowered to get a temporary workman whenever he considers it necessary the employment of one by him during the week to be approved of

That the Foreman have gravel spread on the footpath of the bridge.

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The following was read:-

2nd November, 1912.

Re Shops Act 1912

Dear Sir

If I do not have a reply to my letter of the 31st Ult. in reference to above within four days from this date, undertaking to put the Shops Act into force forthwith in this town as local Authority, I am instructed and will apply to the Kings Bench Division for a mandamus to compel your Council to do so.

Yours faithfully
Wm Fras Browne

In conjunction with the foregoing letter the report of the Shops Act Committee entered on the minutes of their meeting held on the 22nd November 1912 (Folio 89) was read & considered

After some discussion it was
Proposed by Mr Oconnor and
seconded by Mr Ogorman

That the report of the Committee be adopted.

Passed Unanimously

Ordered

That the Councils Solicitors be instructed to take the necessary steps to give effect to the recommendation of the Committee.

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The Street Inspector reported that the daily scavenging of the streets was carried out as usual. No Order made

The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 10th December 1912.

P. O'Gorman

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Tuesday 10th December, 1912.

A Meeting of the Finance Committee was to be held this evening at 7 o'clock to transact business of the Committee.

Mr Peter Murphy was the only Member who attended and he directed that the Accounts be submitted to the Meeting of the Council, after which,

The Meeting Adjourned

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A Meeting of the NewRoss Urban District Council was held this evening at 7.30 O'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and appoint a workman to take charge of one of the Council's horses.

Present Messrs Peter B. Gorman Presiding
John Murphy John st
John Murphy South st
Patrick Dunne
and
Peter Murphy

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read and signed.

Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by The Chairman and Messrs John Murphy John st and John Murphy South and the following Paying Orders were directed to be issued Viz:-

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| Pd 119 | Treasurer Local Government Board | £ | 6-6-0 |
| " 120 | Treasurer County Council | | 333-10-11 |
| " 121 | Technical Instruction Committee | | 16-14-3 |
| " 122 | Thomas O'Neill | | 2-12-4 |
| " 123 | Stephen Carroll | | 1-6-2 |
| " 124 | M. J. Finn | | 11-5-0 |
| " 125 | Imperial Accident Insurance Co Ltd | | 2-19-0 |
| " 126 | Royal Exchange Assurance Co | | 2-4-6 |
| " 127 | John J. Browne | | 1-2-4 |
| " 128 | Secretary St Stephens Cemetery Committee | | 4-13-6 |
| " 129 | Parnell Quarries Ltd | | 12-13-6 |
| " 130 | Richard Murphy | | 8-14-5 |
| " 131 | Cashiers Bank of Ireland | | 12-11 |
| " 132 | M. J. Finn | | 1-10-9 |
| " 133 | Miss Nugent | | 1-5-11 |
| " 134 | M. J. Finn | | 26-1-5 |
| " 135 | James J. Phortall | | 4-5-8 |
| " 136 | Charles J. Kavanagh | | 3-11-6 |
| " 137 | Andrew Cullen (No 3 Loans) | | 500-0-0 |

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# Correspondence

Letter from the Local Government Board No 64, 767: 1912, dated 9th Decr 1912, referring to the Return showing the condition to the 30th Ult of the collection of the Poor Rate in the Newtown Urban District for the current half year, and pointing out that the amount of the second moiety collected so far would appear to be inadequate.

**Ordered**

That a copy of this letter be furnished to the Collector, with a request that he will proceed forthwith, with the collection of the Rate, and that he be informed the Council will have to take serious Notice of the matter if he does not comply with this Order, as they require Money very badly.

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Circular letter from the Town Clerk of Armagh, dated 8th Inst, informing the Council that he had received a large Number of replies promising assistance in connection with the appeal of the Council against The Great Northern Railway Co in connection with the railway rating case, provided he could give an estimate of the liability.

He is not however, in a position to state what each Councils liability would even approximately be, but his Council have authorized him to say that they will not ask any to become liable for a greater amount than £10, and suggesting that a resolution be passed authorizing payment of a sum not exceeding £10, as a Contributation towards the cost of the Appeal.

After a short discussion it was decided not to pass the resolution suggested pending some more definite particulars as to the amount expected from the Council.

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A Paying Order value £13-10-0 was received from the Secretary of the County Council being payment for Bridge Contract for half, and it was

**Ordered**

To be lodged to the Credit of the Council.

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An application was received from Miss Bridget Lords, signed by Dean Kavanagh P.P, and a Number of inhabitants, asking that she

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be recommended for admission to Trinity Hospital.

Ordered

That the application be filed with the other applications to be considered when there is vacancy.

A proposal was received from John Grace John St, for the purchase of the heap of road scrapings on Greywell road for 7/6, and it was

Ordered

To be accepted.

An application dated 7th Inst, was received from James Tarady, Irishtown, and from Patrick Furlong Abbey Hall for the tenancy of the house at Church Lane, occupied by Mrs Sweetman, which she was about to vacate, but as the Council had not received Notice of Surrender, the Meeting declined to consider the letting of the house.

For a similar reason an application received from Conat Cahillane for the tenancy of a house at William St, about to be vacated by Lawerence Doyle, was not dealt with.

A Tender of eight shillings per heap, for three heaps of manure was received from Maurice Whelan, Keyleen, but, it being considered too low, was not accepted.

A discussion took place as to the cleansing of the town on Saturday Nights, and eves of holidays, during which it was suggested that the same system as is carried out in the Morning be adopted, and it was accordingly,

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and

Seconded by Mr Dunne

That the two horses be put on the town on Saturday Nights, and on holiday eves for the purpose of having it properly cleansed and that William Shea be also added to the Cleansing staff for those Nights, he to be allowed the usual extra shilling for this work.

Passed Unanimously

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As there was no Meeting of the Finance Committee, the bill received from Mr Scully was again submitted to the Meeting and it was

Ordered

To be referred to the Councils Solicitors to have it taxed or certified, they to be informed that the Council considers it far too high.

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A letter was received from John Healy stating that he was anxious to get the Town water into his premises at Fair Gate, and inquiring the Annual rent of same, and it was.

Ordered

To be referred to the Water Committee.

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Applications were received from the following persons for the position of workman, in charge of Council's horse Viz:- Patrick Laffan, Thomas Freman, Patrick Maddock, John Sheehan and Lawerence Mc Guinness.

Proposed by Mr Dunne And
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy

That Thomas Freeman be elected.

Proposed by Mr John Murphy South St And
Seconded by The Chairman

That Patrick Laffan be elected.

On a Poll being taken there voted for

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| Freeman:- Messrs J. Murphy John St, P. Murphy & Dunne | 3 |
| For Laffan:- Messrs J. Murphy South St & The Chairman | 2 |

Freeman was declared elected by a Majority of one.

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A bill amounting to £7:9:2 was received from the Collector for poundage on Town & Domestic Water Rate for half year ended 31st March last which was lodged from the 1st to the 10th April, and it was:-

Ordered

That the Local Government Board be asked whether their sanction is necessary to the payment of this poundage, and, if so, that they be requested to kindly sanction same.

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A bill for £6-4-5 being poundage on Poor Rate for year ending 31st

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March last, which was lodged on the 1st April, was also received from the Collector and it was,
Proposed by Mr Dunne and
Seconded by Mr Gorman

That the Local Government Board be respectfully asked to sanction payment to the Collector, of £6-4-5, being poundage on £186:12:0, balance of Poor Rate for half-year ended 31st March last, as the Council are aware that the fact of it not being lodged on 31st March, was due to circumstances over which the Collector had no control.

Passed Unanimously

A letter was received from Mr Elgee, Solicitor to the County Council, dated 17th Inst, stating that if, in his opinion, the County Council was to make a Bye Law prohibiting the sale and purchase of Coal on the roads leading to the town, the Privy Council would not sanction it as they would probably consider such a Bye Law to be too restrictive.
No Order Made

## Foreman's Report

I beg to report that the condition of the streets at present are bad. I am making every effort to cope with them by having the Metalling spread as quickly as possible and the Mud removed.

Mr John Murphy John St, promised some rubble for filling for the College road parts of this road would require rubble filling before putting on the Metalling. I am having some of the footpaths gravelled and the Council would require about two boat loads to complete the remaining footpaths viz: Wexford St, Roaverson, Newtown, Greywell and College Rd. There are about nine loads of gravel in stock. One half of gate of manure yard has become broken by some person removing or depositing manure in yard. The damage done to gate amounts to about 5/-. The ashpits of Quigleys and Culletons houses William St are covered. Since last Meeting of the Council I have had four waggons of inch & half and a boat of Metalling spread on the different streets.

James Kelly
Foreman

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Ordered

That the Foreman have the rubble which Mr John Murphy John St, has kindly promised to give the Council, spread in College road for filling.

That he have the gate of the Manure Yard, and also the gate of the Quarry on High Hill repaired.

That he have the footpath on Greywell road from its junction with College road, to entrance to Brewery, repaired, by having kerbs fixed in it, where necessary, and the surface levelled off and gravelled.

That he also have the footpath on High Hill cleaned, and kept in a clean state; and some metalling spread on Barrack Lane, and gravel on the footpaths of the bridge.

That tenders be invited for the supply of two loads of gravel.

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A discussion took place respecting the possibility of having the three lengths of hose, which are used for flushing sewers repaired, and it was:-

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by The Chairman.

That a Committee consisting of Messrs P. Dunne, John Murphy John St and the Foreman, be appointed to inspect the lengths of hose, and get them repaired if possible

Passed Unanimously

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The Clerk submitted a number of bills, details of which are entered at the commencement of the Minutes, and, on the proposal of Mr Dunne seconded by the Chairman it was,

Ordered

That they be paid.

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The Clerk inquired if the usual extra cleansing would be carried out on Christmas Eve, and the day preceding, and, after a short discussion, it was,

Proposed by Mr John Murphy South St and
Seconded by The Chairman

That the usual extra cleansing be carried out on the days preceding Christmas day, at the

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employees, to be placed at the work, and to be allowed a sum of five shillings each, the portress to be also allowed five shillings extra for cleansing of Office, stairs, etc.

Passed Unanimously

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For the reason stated on the Sanitary Minutes (Folio 129) it was agreed to adjourn to the 17th. Inst.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 17th. December, 1912.

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Tuesday 19th December, 1912.

An adjourned Meeting of the Newtoss Urban District Council was held this evening at 7.30 O'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Present Messrs John Murphy John St Presiding
Peter Murphy
Wm. J. O'Connor
John Murphy South St
and
Peter W. Gorman

The Minutes of previous Meetings were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by The Chairman and Messrs Gorman & P. Murphy and the following Paying Order was directed to be issued Viz: Nov 158 £5:17:0 Petty Cash.

## Correspondence

A letter was received from Irelands Own Animated Picture Co, dated 16th Inst, stating that they propose giving a Cinemato-graph Entertainment in the Town Hall on the 19th & 20th Inst and asking to have it licensed.

Proposed by Mr P. W. Gorman And
Seconded by Mr Wm J. O'Connor

That we hereby license the Town Hall Newtoss for the purpose of a Cinematograph Entertainment to be given there by Irelands Own Anima-ted Picture Co on the 19th & 20th December, 1912.

Passed Unanimously

Letter from the D & S E Railway Co, dated 18th Decr intimating that the rate of 3/6 per ton, freight on Macadam from Arklow, would be increased to 4/- per ton, on 1st January to the end of March 1913.

As the Contract with the Parnell Quarries Ltd, included

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delivery at Newtoos, there was No Order made on this letter.

A Tender was received from Stephen Carroll, Butterbridge, for the supply of two loads of Gravel to be delivered on the 2way at 2/6 per ton. But this was considered too high, and was not accepted.

Ordered

That advertisements be issued again inviting tenders for the supply of two two boat loads at-per ton

The Foreman reported that owing to the weather being so bad the streets at present are in a very bad condition. To remedy this he will require two extra men, and would suggest that they be employed at once so that he may be able to keep them clean and free from mud.

Jame Kelly
Foreman

Proposed by Mr Gorman And
Seconded by Mr Oconnor

That two extra men be employed temporarily to assist in cleansing of streets of the town at the usual rate of wages.

Passed Unanimously

Tenders were received from John Shannon Ballybeg and Maurice Whelan, Roylem both dated 16th Inst for four heaps of manure, but neither was accepted, the price offered being con-sidered too low.

The Clerk submitted a drawing of a galavinzed Oat Bin, the cost of which would be £2-0-0. This was considered far too high, and on the proposal of Mr John Murphy South St, Seconded by Mr John Murphy John St it was Ordered that a large wooden box be purchased from some of the Drapers and fitted up for an oat bin.

The Clerk reported that since last Meeting he Ordered one barrel of oats for the horses, at the request of the foreman

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which he wished the Meeting to approve of, and also to authorize the purchase of any forage that might be required for the horses between the Meetings.
Proposed by Mr Gorman and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy South St
That the Clerk be authorized to purchase any forage for the horses that the Foreman may require between the Meetings of the Council.
Passed Unanimously

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The Street Inspector reported that the daily scavenging was carried out as usual.
No Order Made

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The following report of Mr O'Connor who attended as a delegate on behalf of the Council at a Meeting held in the City Hall, Dublin, for the purpose of forming an association of Municipal and Urban Authorities, was read:-

Bush Ross 14th Decr, 1912.

Mr Chairman and Gentlemen

I beg to report that in compliance with your request I attended the conference of Municipal Authorities held in Dublin City Council Chamber under the presidency of the Right Hon The Lord Mayor of Dublin assisted by Dr King Kerr of Belfast City Council. Lady Aberdeen was also present and read a paper. The assembled Delegates represented nearly all the important towns in Ireland, and it was the unanimous opinion of those present a most important work affecting the vital interests of the Country has been successfully inaugurated through holding this conference Viz:- The formation of an association of the Municipal and Urban Authorities of Ireland. This association will have for end and is confidently looked forward to as a potent means of acquiring sorely needed legislation and financial assistance to enable Urban Authorities to provide decent dwellings and healthy surroundings for the most deserving and most essential classes in our country - the artizans and labourers. The application of the Town Planning Act to Ireland an act which

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empowers Urban Authorities to clear away those unhealthy slums and make house owners keep their property in proper condition; in a word to make our cities and towns beautiful and healthy worthy of our people and our civilization.

In the course sittings many speeches were delivered and papers were read which dealt with the difficulties which confront Urban Councils in the discharge of their manifold duties and of which we all here have ample experience while attending our Council Meetings; much valuable advice was given and many useful remedies were suggested.

The Lord Mayor himself was a tower of strength to us by the admirable way in which he conducted the business and by the ripened wisdom with which he spoke to us. Dr. King Kerr was also extremely helpful but the long and touching discourse of our gifted fellow county man. Alderman Sadden of Wexford was the real magnum opus of the papers read at the conference. He approached the subject of Housing the working classes from the philantropic. The imperial and the business sides and such was the eloquence and forceful truth of his words that the conference was visibly moved and the Alderman was warmly applauded.

A detailed report of the deliberations of the conference is being prepared and I wish to express the hope that it will be subscribed for by this Council and that the above simple reason will encourage our members to take more interest in a work so influential for the good of our beloved country as the new Association of Municipal and Urban Councils.

M. J. O'Connor

The Chairman on behalf of the Council thanked Mr O'Connor for attending the Conference, and moved a hearty vote of thanks to him, which was seconded by Mr John Murphy South St. and Passed Unanimously.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Monday 30th December, 1912.

P. O'Gorman

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Tuesday 24th December, 1912.

A Meeting of the NewRoss Urban District Council was to be held this evening at 7.30 oclock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

No Member of the Council Attended

A quorum not having assembled

The Meeting Adjourned to Monday 30th December, 1912.

P. O'Gorman

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Monday 30th December, 1912.

An Adjourned Meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Present Messrs John J. Hearn J.P. Presiding
Peter J. Gorman
John Murphy John St
John Murphy South St
Patrick J. Dunne
John O'Sullivan

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by The Chairman and Messrs J. Murphy South St & J Murphy John St and the following Paying Order was directed to be issued viz:- No 134 £24-6-4. Petty Cash.

## Correspondence

Applications were received from the following for the tenancy of the house at William St viz:- James Furnios Beville St, Richard Hynes Show Grounds, James Martin (Junr) Wm St and Const Jeremiah Cahillane.
Proposed by Mr O'Sullivan And
Seconded by Mr John Murphy John St

That the house be let to Const Cahillane.

Proposed by Mr John Murphy South St And
Seconded by Mr Dunne

That Richard Hynes be accepted as tenant.

Mr Gorman proposed that James Martin Junr be accepted as tenant, but the proposition was not seconded, and Furnios was not proposed.

A Poll was taken between Cahillane and Hynes & there voted For Cahillane:- Messrs O'Sullivan, Gorman, John Murphy, John St and The Chairman



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For Hynes :- Messrs John Murphy South st & Dunne 2

Const Cahillane was accepted as tenant, and the sureties offered by him, Messrs Delaney & McKenna were approved of.

The application of James Fardy, Irishtown, received at last meeting, for the tenancy of the house at Church Lane, lately occupied by Mrs Sweetman was considered

The Clerk stated that Richard Hynes desired him to say that he would wish to apply for the tenancy of this house in the event of him not getting the house at William Street.

Proposed by Mr John Murphy John st and
Seconded by Mr Dunne

That the house be let to Jas Fardy.

Passed Unanimously

The surety offered by him viz:- John Butler John st was approved of.

The Clerk submitted the Water Rent Book for year ending 31st March 1913, and asked to have it signed and sealed.

Proposed by Mr John Murphy John st
Seconded by Mr Dyorman and Resolved

That the Water rent or Traders' Rate Book, for year ending 31st March 1913, be signed by the Presiding Chairman, and two members of the Council, and signed with the common seal of the Council, and countersigned by the Clerk.

Passed Unanimously

In pursuance of the foregoing resolution the book was signed by the Chairman and Messrs John Murphy John st and Dyorman, and sealed and countersigned by the Clerk.

Two tenders were received for the supply of two boat loads of gravel, one from Mrs Roche, Ballyanne at 2/- per ton and one from Stephen Carroll, Millbanks at two and four pence per ton.

Proposed by Mr John Murphy John st and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy South st.

That the tender of Mrs Roche for the supply of two boatloads of gravel

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at 2/- per ton, be accepted.

Passed Unanimously

Mr John Murphy John st stated that on this evening Mr W. F. Beamish, Solicitor, sent a verbal message to him by the Foreman stating that he looked into the matter of the flooding of Mrs Fanning's yard, and had decided to issue a Writ against the Council immediately.

After a short discussion it was:-

Proposed by Mr O'Sullivan and
Seconded by Mr O'Gorman

That a Committee consisting of Messrs John Murphy John st and John Murphy South st be appointed inspect the yard, and that they be authorized to consult the Councils' Solicitors on the matter, and take whatever action they consider necessary in the best interests of the Council and report to next Meeting.

Passed Unanimously

It was also Ordered that Mrs Fanning's Solicitor be informed that a Committee had been appointed to inspect the yard and report to the next Meeting of the Council.

For the reason stated on the Sanitary Minutes there was no further business transact, and,

The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 7th January 1913.

P. J. O'Gorman

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Tuesday 31st December January, 1912.

The Committee consisting of Messrs John Murphy Johnst and John Murphy South st, appointed at Meeting of the Council held last evening to inspect Mrs Fanning's Yard, and confer with Councils Solicitors respecting the matter proceeded at 11.30 o'clock to make the inspection and were accompanied by the Clerk and Foreman.

Having inspected it they decided not to make any recommendation pending an interview with the Councils Solicitors, which was subsequently arranged, and took place at 5.30 o'clock P.M on same evening. A copy of the letter received from Mrs Fannings Solicitor respecting the matter, as well as some extracts from the minutes dealing with it were submitted to the Solicitors.

Mr Colfer did not express any definite opinion upon the matter, at the interview, but promised to look into it, after which,

The Members Separated

P.J. Gorman

Monday 6th January, 1913.

A Monthly Meeting of the Council was to be held this day at 12 o'clock Noon to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

No Member of the Council Attended

A Quorum not having assembled

The Meeting adjourned

P.J. Gorman

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Tuesday 7th January. 1913.

An Adjourned Meeting of the Newross Urban District Council was to be held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 and consider a claim for compensation for criminal injury to a Jennett, made on behalf of Patrick Bailey, Irishtown, of £5.

Messrs J. D. Heath J.P., J. Murphy John St, ~~J. Murphy South St~~ M. J. O'Connor were the only Members who attended.

A Quorum not having assembled

The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 14th January, 1913.

R. O'Gorman

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Tuesday 14th January. 1913.

A Quarterly Meeting of the Bew Boss Urban District Council was held this evening at 7 O'clock to transact business pursuant to The Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898 and Other Acts connected therewith, also transact such quarterly business as may be brought forward.

Present Messrs Peter. B. Gorman Presiding
John Murphy John St
John Murphy South St
M. J. Connor
and
Michael Sheehan

The Minutes of last Quarterly Meeting which were previously signed were read.

The Foreman reported that the Council have Now received from Arklow Quarries 409 tons - 10 cwt and 1820 tons - 1 cwt from Ballyneal quarries. All the Ballyneal stuff is spread except a few tons. About fifty tons of Arklow material remain in stock, most of which is ½ macadam. He had some repairs done to Cherry Road footpath as Ordered, and will complete the work at once. The water table North side of Rooberon Hill is defective in a great number of places. It should be looked to as the water from it is washing away the road surface.

Proposed by Mr John Murphy South St and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy John St

That the Foreman have the watertable at North side of Rooberon Hill repaired as soon as the weather is favourable for doing so.

Passed Unanimously

The Meeting Adjourned

Patrick J Quinn

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Tuesday 14th January, 1913.

A fortnightly and an adjourned Monthly Meeting of the Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 and consider a claim for compensation for criminal injury to a jennett, made on behalf of Patrick Bailey, Irishtown, of £15.

Present Messrs Peter. B. Gorman Presiding
John Murphy John St
John Murphy South St
M. J. O'Connor
and
Michael J. Sheehan

The Minutes of previous Meetings were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by The Chairman and Messrs John Murphy South St & M. J. Connor and the following Paying Orders were directed to be issued Viz:-

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| No 140 | M. Hutchinson & Son | £4 | 8 | 6 |
| " 141 | Joseph Freeman | 1 | 9 | 1 |
| " 142 | George W. Taylor | 7 | 7 | 10 |
| " 143 | Borough Treasurer Kilkenny | | 10 | 8 |
| " 144 | Graves & Co Ltd | 8 | 18 | 3 |
| " 145 | W. J. Cavanagh | 10 | 13 | 6 |
| " 146 | John Harrington | 3 | 16 | 0 |
| " 147 | James J. Shortall | 4 | 5 | 8 |
| " 148 | J. T. Holmes | 3 | 10 | 0 |
| " 149 | John Doyle | 5 | 6 | 0 |
| " 150 | Mr Albert Tyndall | 5 | 10 | 0 |
| " 151 | M. J. Connor | 1 | 11 | 9 |
| " 152 | Wm J. Whitney | | 15 | 0 |
| " 153 | Mrs M Hennessy | 6 | 16 | 0 |
| " 154 | Parnell Quarries Ltd | 18 | 10 | 8 |
| " 155 | Moran Bros | 12 | 2 | 3 |
| " 156 | John J. Browne | 6 | 4 | 5 |
| " 157 | Same | 7 | 9 | 6 |
| " 158 | New Ross Gas Co | 16 | 10 | 0 |
| " 159 | James Barron | 5 | 4 | 11 |

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| Rev | 160 | Stephen Carroll | £3 : 4 : 8 |
| " | 161 | Thomas O'Neill | 6 : 9 : 5 |
| " | 162 | M. J. Finn | 6 : 5 : 0 |
| " | 163 | same | 11 : 5 : 0 |
| " | 164 | same | 1 : 17 : 6 |
| " | 165 | James Kelly | 2 : 10 : 0 |
| " | 166 | James Power & Co | 4 : 7 : 3 |
| " | 167 | M. J. Finn | 26 : 7 : 3 |
| " | 168 | John J. Browne | 2 : 9 : 0 |
| " | 169 | A. O'M Lovell (Loans a/c Rev 3) | 40 : 0 : 0 |

## Correspondence

Letter from the Local Government Board dated 3rd Inst, Rev 66.609.13 assenting to the payment of poundage fees on the balance of Poor Rate lodged after the expiration of the half-year ended 31st March 1912, and a second one, of same date, Rev Rev 66.610:1912 assenting to the payment of poundage fees on the Town Domestic Water Rate lodged between 1st and 10th April 1912.

Ordered

That the poundage fees due the Collector on these amounts be paid him at this Finance Meeting of the Council.

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Letter from same Rev M 66.849:1912 dated 13th January 1913, suggesting to the Council the desirability of placing a room in their Offices at the disposal of the Audit Department of The National Health Insurance Commissioners in connection with the Audit of the Accounts of approved Societies in Ireland.

Ordered

That the Local Government Board be informed the Council will be quite willing to grant the use of one of the rooms in the School building for the purpose specified in their letter.

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A copy of Notice of application to the County Court dated 31st Decr 1912 for compensation for criminal injury done to property Viz:- a fennett value £15, was received from Mr Patrick Bailey Irishtown, and also a report from Head Const Poyntz of which the following is a copy Viz:-

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Alleged Malicious Injury to a Jennet

On receiving a report that a jennet which had been confined in a stable at Patrick Baileys premises in the townland of Inishtown had been as alleged maliciously injured by being cut in the Off hind leg. Sergt Peter Rouane R.I.C Kew Ross visited the premises on 30:12:12 at 1¾ P.M and found in a small paddock at the back of Baileys house a female jennet lying dead. There were marks of two gun shot wounds on the forehead and a large pool of blood on the ground near the head. It was stated that the animal was shot on the advice of a Veterinary Surgeon.

On the Off hind leg there was a large gaping wound about 4 inches above the hoof. The tendons were severed and the cut reached the bone. The stable where it was stated the animal had been confined overnight had the appearance of being recently cleaned out, and the floor littered with fresh straw. A quantity of blood-stained litter was in course of removal from outside the stable door.

John Poyntz
Ld Const

After a short discussion the following resolution was:-
Proposed by Mr O'Connor and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy South St

That the claim of £5 for alleged malicious injury to jennet belonging to Mr P. Bailey Inishtown be opposed, that our Solicitor be instructed to appear in our behalf as the Council does not believe it to be a malicious injury and also that the Amount is excessive

Passed Unanimously

Letter from the local Government Board dated 7th January enclosing copy of sealed Order amending the regulations made by the Board under The Motor Car Acts 1896 to 1903, prohibiting the use of cut-outs.
No Order Made

Letter from Colfer Coon, dated 31st Ult in reference to alleged flooding of Fannings Yard in Robert St, and pointing out that

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they will be glad to see the Committee at 5 o'clock on that evening.

The Clerk reported that the Committee, appointed by the Council waited on the Solicitors, and Mr Colfer promised to look into the matter fully.

No Order Made

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Copies of resolutions received from the Meath County Council and the Meath Farmers Association dated respectively 21st and 16th December 1920, condemning the Regulations under the Cattle Diseases Acts, between Great Britain and Ireland, and calling on the Irish Parliamentary representatives to insist that Mr Asquith will remove Mr Runciman from the position of head of the Department of Agriculture, were submitted, but, as the regulations had been considerably relaxed since the passing of these resolutions, there was no action taken by the Meeting in reference to them.

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A letter was received from Richard Hynes, dated 7th Inst, applying for the first vacant house the Council will have in William St, as he is greatly inconvenienced for one. He offered Joseph Sullivan Quay St as his surety.

The Meeting decided not to make any definite order which might involve a promise, when there was no house vacant.

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Letter from Mrs Phelan, Church Lane, dated 24th Ult, pointing out, that she owes only six shillings rent, and she would not like that application should be made to her sureties for it

No Order Made

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Letter from the Automobile Association and Motor Union, dated 24th Ult, advising the despatch of a caution sign "Dangerous Hill" for erection and asking to be advised when it has been erected.

Ordered

That the Foreman have the caution sign erected as soon as possible and that a Committee consisting of Messrs Murphy, John St and O'Connor be appointed to point out the particular site at The Bullawn upon which it is to be erected.

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An application, dated 14th Inst, was received from James Keilthy,

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Irishtown, for a suit of oil clothes, as the ones he has are worn out, having been three years in use.
Proposed by Mor John Murphy South St and
Seconded by Mor Connor

That James Keithy be supplied with a suit of oil clothes.

Passed Unanimously

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A Tender was received from Mor Maurice Whelan, dated 7th January 1913. Of 2/-. for one heap of manure in yard on quay, the first one from the door on South side
Ordered

That Mor Whelans tender be accepted.

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A letter was received from Mor Lungley, dated 30th Ult, giving the attendance of each Member of the Technical Instruction Committee at the Meetings of Committee for the year 1912, as requested and it was
Ordered

To be considered when the Committees for the next year is being appointed.

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The Chairman of the Council, who was the only Member who attended a Meeting of the Finance Committee, to be held at 6.30 recommended payment of a Number of accounts, a list of which is entered at the commencement of the Minutes. The accounts were submitted by the Clerk and examined after which the following resolution was.
Proposed by Mor John Murphy John St
Seconded by Mor John Murphy South St

That the accounts now submitted by the Clerk, of which payment has been recommended by The Chairman after examination, and which has now been examined by the Council be paid.

Passed Unanimously

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On the suggestion of Mor Murphy John St it was.

Ordered

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Ordered

That the Foreman inspect the doors of the Councils houses at William St, Folly Ho Lane and Fair Gate, and give a rough estimate of the Cost of providing "Weather Boards", for such of them as in his opinion, requires same.

It was also Ordered that he get the watering Cart repaired, and that it be also painted by one of the Councils men.

## Foreman's Reports

The Foreman reported that two of the Workmen, Cousins and Broaders were somewhat the worse of drink on the 21st and 24th Decr respectively. Cousins house became flooded, and it was with great difficulty he could come to his work. Broaders apologised and promised that it would not occur again.

Keithy left his work at 11.45 on the 24th Decr, and was very impudent on the occasion. The gate of Yard on Quay is repaired and that of Old quarry on High Hill is being repaired. The High Hill footpath is cleaned and being kept so, as are also the water tables on Cherryproad and Wexford road.

Mr Whitty complains of sewer gas from sewer at back of his house. Eight waggon loads of Metalling have arrived, and they are being Spread as quickly as possible in the different streets

There are about one dozen slates broken off the roof of the Shoal. The chimney also requires to be repaired; three rings of brick on top being bad. The windows in the South side of the Tower are also broken.

Ordered

That the three workmen referred to in the foremans report be cautioned, and informed that serious Notice will be taken of a recurrence of such conduct.

It was decided to defer carrying out the Necessary repairs to roof of Shoal, pending the final settlement of the Surveyor question.

The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 28th January 1918.

Patrick J Dunne

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Wednesday 15th January 1913

The polling for the election of four Members of the Council for the New Ross Ward of the Urban District of New Ross to fill vacancies caused by the retirement, by rotation, of Messrs Peter Murphy J P Stearn, Patrick J Dunne, and Michael Freaney took place to-day.

The following candidates were duly Nominated Viz:-

Messrs Joseph Brewer, Irishtown, Andrew Cullen, Irishtown, Patrick J Dunne, South St. John Fanning, William St. Laurence Harney, Michael Street, James B. Hearne, Raheen, Charles J Kavanagh Neville Street, and James Roche, Michael Street.

The Voting resulted as follows:-

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| James B Hearn - | 301 |
| Patrick J Dunne | 300 |
| John Fanning | 262 |
| Joseph Brewer | 220 |
| Charles J Kavanagh | 216 |
| Andrew Cullen | 172 |
| Laurence Harney | 81 |
| James Roche | 21 |

Messrs James B. Hearn, Patrick J Dunne, John Fanning, and Joseph Brewer were declared duly elected Councillors.

Dr James G. Dooley was the only Candidate Nominated for the Robercon Ward and he was also declared duly elected Councillor for that Ward.

Matthew J Flynn
Returning Officer

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Thursday 23rd January, 1913.

The annual Meeting of the Bew Boos Urban District Council was held this day at twelve o'clock Boon to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 and other acts connected therewith; elect a Chairman for the ensuing year, and if deemed advisable a Vice Chairman.

Present Messrs John. A. Hearn J.P. Presiding
James. B. Hearne
John O'Sullivan
John Murphy John St
John Murphy South St
Michael Sheehan
Patrick J. Dunne
Joseph Brewer
Peter M. O'Gorman
and
M. J. O'Connor

Proposed by Mr O'Sullivan and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy John St

That the outgoing Chairman Mr John. A. Hearn J.P be elected Chairman for the ensuing year

Mr Hearn desired to thank the proposer and seconder of the resolution, as well as all the Members of the Council and the Clerk for the assistance given him during the years he occupied the position of Chairman of the Council. He regretted however that he could not accept the position for another year.

Mr P.J. Dunne then proposed the election of Mr O'Sullivan as Chairman but the proposition was not seconded.

Proposed by Mr John. A. Hearn J.P and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy John St

That Mr Patrick J. Dunne be elected Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year.

The proposer referred to the regular attendance given by Mr Dunne at the Meetings of the Council and also the interest he took

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in the business of it.

Mr Dunne declined to accept the position pointing out that he did not aspire to the position, which in his opinion, should be filled by some the senior Members present.

He was however urged to accept the position, and the Chair-man, having ascertained the individual opinion of the Members present, all of whom were in favour of Mr Dunne's appointment, put the resolution to the Meeting and declared it unanimously passed Mr Dunne alone dissenting.

Mr Dunne having, in deference to the wishes of the Members consented to act as Chairman, signed his declaration accepting office.

The Meeting decided after a short discussion not to elect a vice-Chairman, after which

The Meeting Adjourned Patrick J Dunne

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Tuesday 28th January, 1913.

A Meeting of the NewRoss Urban District Council was held this evening at 7.30 O'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Present Messrs Patrick J. Dunne Presiding
James B. Hearn
John Murphy John St
Peter D. Gorman
Joseph Brewer
David Murphy
John Fanning
John Sullivan
M. J. Connor
John Murphy South St.

The Minutes of previous Meetings were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by The Chairman and Messrs Joseph Brewer & M. J. Connor & the following Paying Order was directed to be issued viz:-
No 170. £24:17:10. Petty Cash.

Immediately after the Minutes were signed the following resolution was:-
Proposed by Mr OConnor And
Seconded by Mr Sullivan
That we send our heartiest con-
-gratulations to Mr John. E. Redmond and the Irish Party on the passing of the Home Rule Bill through its third reading in the British House of Commons. A glorious termination to the unwearied labours and lofty statemanship of our first Home Rule Member for NewRoss. The Irish Leader and his true and de-
-voted party, and also that we felicitate our esteemed Member Mr French on his constant attendance in the "House".

Passed Mr Fanning dissenting

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## Correspondence

A Copy of the Half-yearly Report of the Directors of The Bank of Ireland was received from the Secretary but there was No Order Made upon it.

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A Dividend Warrant amounting to £ 4:10:8 was received from the Secretary of The Great Southern & Western Railway Co being dividend on Debenture Stock of the Co, held by the Council & it was

Ordered

That the warrant be lodged to the credit of the Council.

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Mr John Doyle North St, tendered under date 28th Inst. to supply a coil of lead piping, Dublin Corporation Standard at 8d. per cwt and twenty eight pounds of plumbers best solder at 1/- per lb in one lb bars, and on the proposal of John Murphy John St, Seconded by Mr Brewer, it was unanimously accepted.

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An application was received from Mr John W Ryan, Mr Thos Dunphy's Foreman Baker, dated 25th Inst, for one of the New houses in course of erection, as also a letter from Mr Dunphy agreeing to go security for him.

Ordered

That the application be placed with all the others received for consideration, when the houses are to be let.

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A Notice was received from Mr Patrick Bailey, Irishtown, dated 21st Inst, that his application for compensation for criminal injury was withdrawn, and would not be proceeded with.

No Order Made

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A letter was received from the "Waterford News" pointing out that the Monthly fair of New Ross can be cheaply brought before the buyers in Waterford by the insertion of a small advertisement in The News, but the Meeting were of opinion that an advertisement of the Fairs was not necessary and there was

No Order Made

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An application dated 30th Inst was received from Mr Higgins William St. for a new range for his house, as the one at present in it is useless. He would prefer a cooking range, and he is willing to pay the differ-ence between the two.

An application was also received from James Lardy, Church lane dated 28th January for a new oven for the house occupied by him, as the old one is worn out and useless.

**Ordered**

That the Foreman inspect the range in Mr Higgin's house, and the oven in Mr Lardy's house, and report upon their con-dition to next Meeting of the Council, and also as to the suit-ability, and cost, of a cooking range for house occupied by Mr Higgins.

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An application was received from the Collector of Customs and Excise, Kilkenny, dated 27th Inst for payment of 1910 Income Tax, and it was

**Ordered**

To be paid at next Finance Meeting of the Council.

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The following letter received from Dr Browne, Solicitor in refer ence to The Shops Act was read.

**Re Shops Act**

Dear Sir 28 Jany. 1913.

I am instructed by the Secretary and Treasurer of the Shop Assistants Association to again inform you that I have been instructed to take immediate steps against the Urban Council to enforce the Shops Act on behalf of the Shop Assistants, unless the Council pro-ceed themselves to enforce it at once.

I saw by the Press that the Council put the matter in the hands of Messrs Colfer & Son, your Solicitors. I am writing them this day also and enclosing them a copy of this letter as I understand they are now acting for the Council in reference to the matter. Several of the Shop Assistants inform me that they have not yet got a half holiday of any kind since the Merchants ceased closing.

I request your immediate attention to this.

Wm Fras Browne

M. J. Finn Esq

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Proposed by Mr John Murphy South st and
Seconded by Mr Connor

That the Councils Solicitors be asked to have the Necessary Notices drafted at once, the Clerk to have them printed and posted as soon as he receives the draft from the Solicitors.

Passed Unanimously

## Appointment of Committees

Proposed by Mr Connor and
Seconded by Mr Brewer

That the following be appointed a Technical Instruction Committee for the Urban District of Newross for the ensuing year viz:-

Members of the Council

Messrs John. P. Hearn J.P. P.J. Delaney, John Murphy John st, John Murphy South st David Murphy, P.B. Gorman Mr. Sheehan.

Non-Members of the Council

Revd Thos Quigley C.C. Messrs Hugh R. Hamilton J.P. A.J. Bolger and Peter Murphy.

Passed Mr Fanning dissenting to the appointment of Fr Quigley on the Committee.

Proposed by Mr John Murphy John st and
Seconded by Mr Connor.

That the Finance Committee for the ensuing year consist of the following Members of the Council viz:- Messrs John. P. Hearn J.P, David Murphy, John Sullivan, John Murphy South st, & John Murphy John Street. Two Members to form a quorum, the Chairman to be ex-officio a Member of the Committee.

Mr Fanning proposed that the whole Council act as a Finance Committee, but the proposition was not seconded.

The resolution was put to the Meeting and declared "Passed", Mr Fanning dissenting.

over.

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Proposed by Mr Gorman and
Seconded by Mr Brewer

That the Street Committee for the ensuing year consist of the following Members of the Council Viz:- Messrs John. S. Hearn J.P, John Murphy John St, M. Sheehan, Mo. J. Connor and J. J. Dovey. Two Members to form a quorum the Chairman to be ex-officio a Member of the Committee.

Passed Mr Fanning dissenting to the appointment of the Committee.

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Mr J. B. Hearne declined to act on any of the Committees, on the ground that two Members of the Council were of opinion that the Finance Committee, and Sanitary committee did not discharge its duty properly for the past year.

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Two copies of Statutory Rules, and Orders 1912, regulating the keeping of Mixed Explosives on Registered Premises were received from the Home Office and they were Ordered to be filed for reference.

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Mr Fanning drew attention to the necessity for a lamp at South side of Inishtown, near Mr Hanlons premises, and also one at Seville St. Mr Connor also spoke in favour of the Inishtown lamp, and referred to the action taken by the Council previously in re-ference to one here. It was pointed out that Mr Hanlon refused to allow a bracket lamp to be attached to any of his tenants houses, and that the Council were of opinion that a pillar lamp would be injured frequently as the suggested site was in the most thronged portion of the cattle fair.

After a short discussion the following Notice of Motion was handed in by Mr OConnor viz:- I beg to propose that on this night fortnight we consider the advisability of erecting a stand-ard lamp near Mr Hanlon's House Inishtown.

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On the complaint of Mr Fanning it was
Ordered

That the Foreman pay more attention to the cleansing of the Inishtown.

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Mr Brewer also complained that the mud was allowed to remain on the side of the street, notably, Bosheen-Sea-Slawn for a considerable time. He was of opinion that it should be removed as soon as it was swept up, but it was pointed out that it was then in too liquid a state, and in addition it was very difficult to find sufficient depots for its storage.

It was however, decided to direct the Foreman to do the best he could to remedy the matter complained of.

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It was also Ordered that the attention of the Foreman be directed to a dangerous wall at Bunnery Lane, and that he report on it to the Council, or request the owner to have it put in a safe condition, if he can ascertain who the owner is.

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The following letter was read:-

Re Mrs Fanning

Dear Sir

28th Jany, 1913.

As to this matter, we had a look at the place, and it appears to us that the effect of making the present entrance to the Chapel ground, was to prevent the surface water which comes down from the upper part of Robert St, discharging itself as it previously did, and this resulted in turning some water into Mrs Fannings premises which formerly found its way elsewhere. The Council who know the locality better than we do, will be able to say how far our view of the matter is correct, but if our view is correct, we think that an injury has been done to Mrs Fanning by causing some water to enter her premises which previously did not enter them, and that the Council are responsible for their injury. We think however the injury is very trifling and probably the matter could be arranged by negociation with Mrs Fanning or her Solicitor, but we would suggest that any such negociation should be in writing, because, otherwise, the Council or ourselves cannot be certain of what has actually taken place.

Colfer & Son

Proposed by Mr. J. B Hearn And
Seconded by Mr. O'Connor

That Mrs Fannings Solicitor be

informed the Council are willing to have a trap, or grating, fixed in the yard to carry away the water, provided that he is satisfied on Mrs Fannings behalf, to accept this means of finally remedying the flooding.

Passed Unanimously

## Foreman's Report

I beg to report that thirty yards of the sewer at Rosbercon is now cleared. The remaining portion I will have cleared as soon as the weather permits. One boat of gravel has arrived, this I am having weighed and spread on Rosbercon footpath. I am having the Grey well ~~rd~~ footpath repaired but cannot get the work completed owing to the very bad condition of the weather. The trap Ordered to be constructed at the South junction of North Street & Mary St is now taken in hands and will be completed as soon as possible. The delay in constructing this trap was caused through the difficulty of procuring proper granite sets for same. A large quantity of road scrapings is now dumped by the boundry wall, east side waterford road. It would be well to have it disposed of or removed immediately as it is preventing the proper drainage of this road. There are now seven heaps of manure in Councils yard on the quay ready for sale. The heavy rain on Sunday 19th inst practically choked all the traps with silt &c. It was necessary to have them cleaned same evening. The Committee appointed viz:- Mr John Murphy & Mr M. J. O'Connor met to-day and pointed out to me the position that the danger notice to motorists be placed at the east end of Mr Butler's S. S. Co's house Fair-Gate.

He also gave a detailed list of repairs to be carried out on some of the Councils houses, as Ordered at last Meeting, and estimated the cost of same to be £2:5:0.

Ordered

That the Secretary of the Barrow Boat Club, to whom the road scrapings of the Waterford Road was previously given be directed to have it removed at once, or the Council will have to dispose of it otherwise.

That the heaps of manure be advertised for sale, tenders to

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be received at Next Meeting of the Council.

It was decided to defer carrying out the repairs to the Councils houses, until the Surveyor question is settled, as this work should be done by public Contract.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 11th February, 1913.

Patrick J Dunne

Tuesday 11th February, 1913.

A Meeting of the Finance Committee was held this evening at 6.30 o'clock P.M. for the transaction of business of the Committee.

Present Messrs John O'Sullivan Presiding
John Murphy South St
Patrick J. Dunne

The Clerk submitted a Number of bills which were examined by the Committee and payment where same was decided to be correct recommended.

In the case of Dr Hickey's claim for compensation for im-provements carried out in a yard at William St which he occupied as tenant some few years ago, amounting to £13-4-4, the Committee decided to recommend the Council Not to pay same as the improvements referred to, were carried out with-out the knowledge or approval of the Council, and the premises were afterwards surrendered voluntarily by him.

Having prepared a report, copy of which is entered on the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council on this date.

The Meeting Adjourned

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Monday 3rd February 1913.

A Meeting of the Council was to be held this day at twelve O'clock Noon to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

No Member of the Council attended

A quorum not having assembled

The Meeting Adjourned

Patrick J Devereux

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Tuesday 11th February, 1913.

A Meeting of the Newross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 o'clock P.M to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 and consider the following Notice of Motion by Mr O'Connor viz:-

"That the Council consider the advisability of erecting a"
"Standard Lamp near Mr Hanlons Houses at Inishtown"
also to recommend to the Governing Body of Trinity Hospital, a fit and proper person to fill a Vacancy in said Hospital.

Present Messrs Patrick J. Dunne Presiding
M. J. O'Connor
Joseph Brewer
John O'Sullivan
John Murphy South St
John Murphy John St
John Fanning

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman & Messrs Brewer & O'Connor and the following Paying Orders were directed to be issued viz:-

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| No 171 | John J. Browne | £ 1 : 12 : 6 | |
| " 172 | Collector of Customs & Excise | 19 : 10 | |
| " 173 | Messrs Doyle Bros | 8 : 5 : 4 | |
| " 174 | Parnell Quarries Ltd | 44 : 14 : 5 | |
| " 175 | Secretary School Attendance | 8 : 2 : 6 | |
| " 176 | M. J Finn | 11 : 5 : 0 | |
| " 177 | Same | 2 : 3 : 3 | |
| " 178 | Stephen Carroll | 1 : 10 : 8 | |
| " 179 | Thomas O'Neill | 3 : 11 : 8 | |
| " 180 | Martin Hanlon | 7 : 2 | |
| " 181 | Rev. J. Deavey. O.S.A. | 5 : 16 : 3 | |
| " 182 | James J. Shortall | 4 : 5 : 8 | |
| " 183 | Jonas Hartrick | 1 : 9 : 6 | |
| " 184 | M. J. Finn | 20 : 14 : 6 | |
| " 185 | Andrew Cullen (Loans a/c No 3) | 300 : 0 : 0 | |

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A Paying Order received from the Technical Committee amounting to £23:14:6 being a payment on % of Principal & Interest on Technical loan, was received, and Ordered to be lodged to the Credit of the Council as was also, a Dividend Warrant amount-ing to 18/5, received from Bank of Ireland being dividend on stock.

## Correspondence

Letter from Local Government Board, Nov 64350:1912, dated 31st January 1913, transmitting copies of an order issued under The Public Health and Local Government Conference Act 1885 prescribing the regulations tobe observed in future with re-gard to the payment from the rates of expenses of the Council in connection with general Conference of Urban Sanitary Authorities. Two copies of the order were received.

Nov Order Made.

Letter from the Department of Agriculture & Technical In-struction for Ireland, dated 5th February 1913, forwarding copy of an Extract from a report of an Officer of the De-partment in reference to the weighing Machine at Irishtown, in which he complained that the Surface of both the plat-form of the Machine and the Pen bore the appearance of being rarely, if ever, cleaned. The Pen should be provided with a Concrete surface in place of the present earthenware one, and arrangements should be made to have it, and the weighing Machine cleansed regularly.

Ordered

That the Foreman be directed to have the surface of Cattle Pen, and weighing Machine, cleansed regularly, and the Department be informed that the Council are of opinion it would be dangerous for the Safety of the limbs of the Cattle to have the surface of the Pen concreted.

Letter from Messrs Colfer & Son, Solicitors dated 11th Inst stating that they had received the following query from the Estates Commissioners in reference to Mr Delaney's holding viz:- "Are the Vendors prepared to accept a reduced"

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advance of £300 for the purchase of the holding".
The Solicitors also pointed out that the purchase money agreed on was £404, so that the acceptance of this offer would mean a loss of £104. On the other hand the refusal would mean almost certainly that the sale would fall through altogether. After a short discussion it was,

Ordered

That the consideration of this letter be adjourned to next Meeting, the Members of the Council to be summoned to consider it.

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Letter from same dated 6th & 10th Inst, in reference to Shops Act in which they pointed out that the report of the Committee Mentions a closing Order but they assume it is an order fixing a weekly half-holiday is meant. They also assume it is intended that the closing hour on the weekly half holiday shall be at one O'clock and that on Thursday of each week, save in a week in which a Catholic holiday occurs. All Shops of every description, whether licensed publicans or not, shall be closed and that when a Catholic holiday occurs in any week the weekly half holiday shall be on that day.

They also inquire whether it is intended that the weekly half holiday shall commence at the hour mentioned in the Act viz:- one O'clock, or that an exemption Order is to be made so as to make the half holiday commence at two O'clock.

The first step is the preparation of a proper Register of Shops, and they think the Register furnished requires some amendments, which they will point out, but which will not cause much delay in the completion of this Register.

The Clerk stated that he called on the Solicitors, and had, under the direction of Mr Colfer, prepared a new Register which is now correct as far as Mr Colfer and he knew. He also pointed out that Mr Colfer informed him that the shop assistants were entitled to their half-holiday since first of last May, irrespective of any half-holiday order the Council might make, and it was the duty of the Council to enforce the provisions of the Act in this respect. He hoped by the end of the week, to be in a position to have the Notices, referred to in the resolution of the Council ready.

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Ordered

That Messrs Colfer & Son be informed the Committee Meant an order fixing a weekly half-holiday, and Not a closing Order as stated in the resolution, and also that the closing hour on the weekly half holiday shall be one o'clock, and that on Thursday of each week, save in a week in which a Catholic holiday falls, all shops of every description, whether licensed publicans or Not, shall be closed and that when a Catholic occurs in any week the weekly half holiday shall be on that day, also that it is intended the weekly half-holiday shall commence at the hour mentioned in the Act viz:- one o'clock.

In reference to the question of the assistants getting the half holiday a short discussion took place resulting in the following resol-ution been

Proposed by Mr John Murphy South St and

Seconded by Mr Brewer viz:-

That the Inspector under the Shops Act call on all Traders & others where Assistants are engaged, and require them to have cards exhibited on the premises in a prominent place, stating the day of the week on which the assistants are allowed the weekly half-holiday, and that the Inspector report defaulters to the Council.

Passed Unanimously

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Letter from Mr Joseph Freeman, Hon Sec of the Chamber of Commerce, dated 11th Inst, directing the attention of the Council to the Obstruction caused to Members of the Chamber by the Number of persons allowed to congregate in the hall of the Tholsel.

He pointed out that they pay a liberal rent for the premises and the Members feel they should have free access to them.

A somewhat lengthened discussion took place upon the reading of this letter, but it resulted in No Order being made upon it.

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A circular letter was received from the secretary of the Great Southern & Wn Railway Co drawing attention to the issue of £300,000, four per cent Preference stock, but the Meeting decided the Council had No funds available for Investment.

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A Tender dated 1st Inst was received from Messrs H Harvey & Co, of 60/- for the supply of three Rate Books, and, on the proposal of Mr Connor, Seconded by Mr Fanning it was unanimously accepted.

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Letters from R Finlay Deacon, Hon Secretary, of the Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland, dated 28th January 1913, asking the Council to lodge with the Hon Treasurer of the Association, Municipal Buildings, Dublin, the amount of the Council's Subscription for year ending 31st Dec next.

Copies of the Conference will be Charged at ten shillings each, and in fixing the amount it would be well to mention the number of Copies which they will take so as to make the value of same equal to the amount of subscription.

The Minimum for copies of reports to entitle a Council to be represented on the association is £2:2:0 but most of the Municipal Authorities will make a much larger subscription.

He also asked for a statement of what the Council regard as the most pressing reforms in the existing Municipal law affecting their District, same to be forwarded before the first of April next. If the Council have not already appointed delegates he would ask them to do so now, as it is probable that an important special Meeting of the Association will be held during the year.

The Local Government Board have made a New Order empowering Councils to appoint and pay the expenses of two delegates attending Conferences of the Association and also the expenses of the Members of the Executive Committee, Not exceeding twenty in Number, when attending Meetings of the Committee (Not to exceed two in each year).

Ordered

That the Members of the Council be summoned to attend Next Meeting to appoint two delegates to a special Meeting of the Association of Municipal Authorites and decide upon the Number of copies of the Report of the Conference the Council will purchase.

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Letter from Mr Butler S.S.O, dated 11th February 1913, pointing

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out that if the Council erected the Motor Danger Sign on the gable wall of his house it would not be safe for him or any Member of his family to enter or leave his house after dark on account of the habit of stone throwing which prevails in the locality. He asked the Council not to insist on putting it there.

After some discussion the following "Notice of Motion" was handed in by Mr O'Sullivan viz :-

I beg to give Notice that the resolution passed to fix Motor sign on Butlers house be rescinded and another site selected.

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Letters were received from Messrs Redmond M.P. & French M.P. acknowledging receipt of the Councils resolution congratulating the Irish Party on the passage of the Home Rule Bill through the House of Commons.

No Order Made

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Letter from Hugh R. Hamilton Esq J.P. Secretary of the Trinity Hospital, dated 7th February, intimating that there will be a Meeting of the Governing Body at 10.30 A.M. on Wednesday 5th March to elect a suitable person to fill a vacancy.

No person over seventy years of age is eligible.

Proposed by Mr John Murphy John St and
Seconded by Mr O'Connor

That we recommend to the Governing Body of Trinity Hospital, Miss Anne Culleton, late of John St. New Ross, as a fit and proper person to be admitted an inmate of the Hospital.

Passed Unanimously.

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A Notice was received from Mrs Elizabeth Thorpe, as Administratrise of Mr Richard Thorpe, of her intention to sell his farm at Ballyrue which the Council are Landlords.

Ordered

That the Members of the Council be summoned to attend Next Meeting to consider it.

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A Notice was received from Mr Denis Rice of his intention to

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discontinue the water except for domestic purposes.

Ordered

That the Clerk attend to this.

## Foremans Report

I beg to report that the danger sign to Motorists to be fixed at the Fair gate has not been placed there yet, owing to Mr Butler who strongly Objects to it being placed on his house. The wall in Nunnery Lane has not yet been remedied. I was speaking to the Agent Mr Tehan, he states he will not do anything with it until he receives instructions from the landlord who is Miss Richards. The grating of fireplace of Farys house, Church Lane is bad also the oven of same. I believe a new one to be necessary. The cost of same is 25/-, cost of new range 47/6. The same remarks apply to Higgins William St. I would ask the Council to give me a couple of extra men during bad weather to keep the streets and roads clean. Edward Broaders require oil clothes. Two waggons of Metalling arrived from Arklow, and one boat of Metalling from Ballyneal. Those I had spread on College Road, Irishtown, Three Bullet Gate and Newtownrd.

James Kelly

Ordered

That the Clerk write to Miss Richards, and require her to have the dangerous wall taken down or repaired so as to render it safe for the public.

In reference to range required in houses of Messrs Higgins Wm St and Farry Church Lane it was:-

Proposed by Mr John Murphy South St and

Seconded by Mr O'Connor

That a working range be fixed in the house occupied by Mr Higgins at Wm St, provided he is willing to pay the difference, which is twenty-two and six pence, between it and an ordinary open range and give an assurance in writing to the Council that he will not retain any claim upon it in the event of him, through any cause, ceasing to occupy the house

Passed Unanimously

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Proposed by Mr John Murphy South St and
Seconded by Mr O'Connor

That an ordinary open range be fixed in the house of the Council occupied by James Fardy at Church Lane, or a cooking range, if he prefers the latter, and is willing to pay the difference (22/6), and give an undertaking in writing that he shall not have any claim upon same in the event of him ceasing to occupy the house at any time.

Passed Unanimously

Proposed by Mr Fanning and
Seconded by Mr Brewer

That Edward Broaders be supplied with a suit of oil clothes by the Council.

Passed Unanimously

A Tender was received from Messrs R. Harvey & Co. Waterford for the supply of three Rate Books at 6/- for the three and, on the proposal of Mr Fanning, seconded by Mr O'Connor, it was unanimously accepted.

The following report of the Finance Committee was read viz:-

With regard to Dr Hickeys claim for £ 8:15:0 and £ 4:9:7, the Finance Committee recommend the Council to refuse to pay same. Dr Hickey appears to have made some alterations with consulting the Council and then he voluntarily gave up possession of the premises. The Committee believe the Council cannot be held liable, but in case Dr Hickey presses his claim we recommend the Council to get legal advice on the matter.

We recommend payment of following A/cs:-

(see list at commencement of Minutes.)

Proposed by Mr Brewer and
Seconded by Mr O'Connor

That the report of the Finance Committee be adopted, and the payments recommended by them be made.

Passed Unanimously

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On occasion the Clerk reported that at the last meeting of the School attendance Committee a resolution was passed congratulating Mr Dunne on his election as Chairman of the Urban Council, and asking him to act in the capacity of a magistrate to which the position entitled him. The members of the Council concurred in this and unanimously expressed the hope that the Chairman would do so. Mr Dunne thanked the members & promised to comply with the wish of the Council.

Patrick J Dunne

The Notice of Motion, in reference to the erection of a lamps at the south side of Irishtown, handed in by Mr O'Connor at last Meeting, was first considered and in conjunction with it a letter from the Manager of the Gas Co stating that the cost of fixing a pillar lamps, with an ordinary burner, at south side of Irishtown would be £5:7:6.

Proposed by Mr O'Connor and
Seconded by Mr Fanning

That a pillar lamps with an ordinary burner be fixed at South side of Irishtown near Mr Hanlons houses.

Passed Unanimously

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On the proposal of Mr O'Sullivan, Seconded by Mr Sheehan, Messrs O'Connor & Brewer were appointed a Committee to select the site upon which it is to be erected.

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Mr Brewer drew attention to the length of time which has elapsed since the Local Inquiry in reference to the Surveyor was held, but respecting which the Local Government Board have not yet given their decision, and was about to propose a resolution asking the Board to do so as soon as possible, but after a brief discussion it was decided to defer the further consideration of the matter to next Meeting of the Council.

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Mr Fanning drew attention to the condition of the Gable end of house occupied by John O'Neill, at William St, in which he stated there was a large aperture, and it was,

Ordered

That the Foreman be directed to report upon it to next Meeting of the Council.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 25th February, 1913.

Patrick J Dunne

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Tuesday 25th February, 1913.

A Meeting of the Newtownstewart Urban District Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and consider a Notice of Motion by Mr O'Sullivan to rescind order of Council fixing site for erection of Motor danger Signal, and select another site; appoint two delegates to a special Meeting of the Association of Municipal Authorities in Ireland, also decide upon the number of Copies of the Report of the Conference the Council will purchase; consider a letter from Mr Hearn, Solicitor, in reference to the flooding of Mrs Fanning's yard, suggesting that it be raised by spreading builders old rubbish in it, and fixing a proper grating or Trap same to be properly finished, and the following Query, received from the Estates Commissioners through Messrs Lefer & Son viz:-

"Are the Council prepared to accept a reduced advance of £300,
"for the purchase of Mr Delaney's holding, the purchase money agreed on being £404; also a Notice of the proposed sale of the farm of the late Mr Richard Thorpe, of Ballymue, and an agreement received from the Solicitors to the Omagh Urban District Council to be signed and sealed on behalf of the Council, if approved of, agreeing to pay a proportionate amount of the costs of the Omagh Council incurred in the Railway Rating Appeal.

Present Messrs Patrick J. Dunne Presiding
John Murphy John St
M. Sheehan
John Fanning
M. J. O'Connor
John S. Hearn J.P.
John Murphy
Joseph Brewer
John O'Sullivan
Peter B. O'Gorman

The Minutes of previous Meetings were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by The Chairman Messrs Brewer and Fanning and the following Paying

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Order was directed to be issued viz:- No 186: £19:7:6. Petty Cash.

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When the Minutes were signed, Mr Sullivan drew attention to the fact that at previous Meeting the Council did not authorize the necessary steps to be taken to have the Chairman of the Council sworn in a Magistrate, and he now proposed that the Councils Solicitors be instructed to take the necessary steps. This was seconded by Mr John Murphy South St, but before it was put to a vote, Mr Fanning proposed that the Clerk of Petty Sessions be informed the Chairman intends to act as a Magistrate, as soon as he can be sworn in, and that he make the necessary arrangements with the Resident Magistrate to enable the Chairman to be sworn in on Friday next, 28th inst, at New Ross Petty Sessions. Mr Sullivan withdrew his proposition in favour of Mr Fannings and the latter was passed Unanimously.

## Correspondence

Letter from the Department of Agriculture, No G 643-13, dated 21st inst, stating, in reply to the Council's letter of the 13th inst, that they understand in concreting pens at fair greens it is usual to groove the surface of the concrete, and if this is done there should be no risk of injury to cattle while enclosed in the pens.

No Order Made.

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Letter from Messrs Shields and Murnaghan, Solicitors to the Omagh, Urban District Council, dated 14th inst, enclosing agreement in duplicate, to have sealed by which the Council would bind themselves to pay to the Omagh Urban District Council a proportion of the costs incurred in the Rating Appeal such proportion to be calculated upon the ratio that the valuation of the Railway premises (other than land) in the District bears to the aggregate of the valuations of the other Councils executing the agreement, after taxation of costs.

Ordered

That the Solicitors to the Omagh Urban District Council be informed the Council are not prepared to sign the Agreement

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until the Omagh Urban District Council is in a position to inform them the exact amount this Council is expected to contribute.

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Letter from the Automobile Association, dated 18th Febry 1913, asking to be informed upon what date the danger Motor sign was erected.

In conjunction with this letter, Mr O'Sullivan's Notice of Motion was considered, and it was proposed by him, and Seconded by Mr Sheehan

That the resolution passed to fix Motor sign on Mr Butler's house be rescinded and another site selected"

Passed Unanimously

After a short discussion it was :-
Proposed by Mr John S. Hearn J.P. and
Seconded by The Chairman

That the Motor sign be fixed on wall of house (facing Irishtown) occupied by the late Mrs Galavin.

Passed Unanimously

Letter from the County Council, dated 13th Inst enclosing copy of Demand by County Council for year ending 31st March 1914, amounting to £1223-6-5.
Noted Order Made

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An application was received from the Hon Secretary of The Bew-Ross Boat Club asking for the use of the Large Room, for the purpose of holding their annual Meeting, on Tuesday 4th March, and it was granted on the condition that he arranges with the present tenants for the gas, Mr Fanning Objected to the use of the room being granted.

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Letter from Mrs Fannings Solicitor, dated 14th Inst, in reference to the alleged flooding of her yard, stating that he is advised the Trap, or grating, which the Council are willing to fix in the yard would be insufficient to remedy the matter, or take away the water;

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and what was suggested as a remedy is that the Yard be raised by spreading the usual builders rubbish, same to be properly done, and have a grating or trap put in the Yard, properly finished. If this is done he will advise his client to accept this means of remedying the flooding.

Proposed by Mr O'Sullivan and
Seconded by Mr Fanning

That the Foreman be asked to advise the Council as to the best means of diverting the surface water from Mrs Fannings Yard, and that the Council be summoned to consider same on Tuesday 4th prox.

Passed Unanimously

Proposed by Mr John Murphy John St and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy South St

That a copy of the Council's letter Offering to have a grating fixed in the Yard, and Of this letter from Mrs Fannings Solicitor be sent to Messrs Colfer & Son, and they be asked to advise the Council the best Means of remedying the Matter

Passed Unanimously.

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A Tender was received from John Doyle, North St, dated 25th February Of £5. for the supply of paling wire, and angle irons, but as the fencing of the plot of ground for which this was intended, was dealt with at the Sanitary Meeting, there was Now No Order Made upon it.

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A requisition signed by a large Number of residents, was received on behalf of Mary Phelan Of Lady Lane asking to have her recommended for admission to Trinity Hospital, and it was Ordered that it be considered with the Other applications received, when a Vacancy occurs

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A Tender was received from Mr Martin Breen Of 12/- for one heap of manure, the lower one on left hand side of Yard.

Ordered

That Martin Breen's tender be accepted, provided he re—

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-moves it within three weeks otherwise he to be charged the usual Jarvage.

The Committee appointed at last Meeting to select the site at Irishtown, upon which to erect the lamp, reported that, with the Manager of the Gas Works, they chose a site opposite the second of Mr Hanlons houses, on the Rear side, and just outside the water channel.

They recommended that the Foreman be instructed to place a few granite setts at foundation of Standard so as to obviate any danger from vehicular traffic.

Proposed by Mr John Murphy John St, and
Seconded by Mr Gorman

That when the lamp is erected the Foreman be directed to have some granite setts fixed at the base of the pillar to prevent it being injured by cattle on Fair days, or by cars.

Passed Unanimously

## Clerks Report

I beg to report that the amount of Poor Rate collected at date is £383:3:0, Outstanding £384:16:6. Town Rate collected £435:6:5, Outstanding £443:4:9, Domestic Water Rate Collected £49:5:3, Outstanding £31:10:7, which leaves a total, including uncollectable rate, outstanding of £859:11:10. I may say your Bank account is overdrawn, whilst there will have to be large payments made at the Next Finance Meeting of the Council to be held on the 11th Prox.

Ordered

That the Collector be directed to proceed at once with the collection of the rates for the half year ending 31st March last, a very large amount of which is still outstanding, as the Council require money very badly to meet their liabilities.

A letter was received from James Costelloe, Chapel Lane, dated 25th Inst, applying for one of the Councils houses at Wm St, at present occupied by Miss Bravazon, but which is about to become vacant. He attached a Note from Miss Bravazon to him in which she stated that she did not intend to keep on the house any longer than another week.

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It was decided not to let the house at this Meeting, but an order was made directing the Clerk to issue the usual advertisements, that the house is to be let, as soon as he receives the key of it.

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A Tender was received from Mr Cleere Lennakilly @ 8/- for the heap of manure in yard at lower end, at left hand side, but it was already sold to Mr Breen @ 12/-.

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The Collector submitted a list of arrears due by weekly tenants, and also informed the Council that Peter Murphy Mary St, Miss Askford Millbanks, Mrs Deane Longraigue and Miss OBrien Irishtown, have refused to pay rates for their tenants, Miss OBrien on the ground that the Council have put her to unnecessary expense in connection with sanitary Arrangements.

He previously took proceedings against Miss Askfords tenants and the Decrees were placed in the hands of the Constabulary for execution, but were returned uncollectable. If he again proceeds he will be put to considerable expense.

He also submitted a list of repairs which required to be carried out on some of the houses of the Council and reported that Miss Bridget Maher, Mary St, owes £1:13:0 for rent of weighbridge at Irishtown, and 6/= for one on Quay, she being out of possession of them in both cases.

Ordered

That the Collector be directed to collect the rates from the tenants of those landlords who refuse to pay their tenants rates.

That the arrears of weekly rents due by tenants be collected from their sureties if the tenants do not pay at once.

That the Councils Solicitors be instructed to take proceedings against Miss Maher for the recovery of arrears of rent due by her, Mr Fanning dissenting to this order.

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A copy of an order made by the Insurance Commissioners as to Subsidiary Employment, dated 25th January 1913, was received but there was No Order made upon it.

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That Foreman reported that three waggons of Metalling

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arrived from Arklow Quarries since last Meeting of your Council, three I had removed to upper portion of Town and have spread as the weather permit. There are now only a few sweeping brushes remaining in stock, New brushes are required. A new Tonge & Taggart trap taken from Councils stock has been constructed on the Quay opposite Mr Roches Malting store. I am having the watter channel on the North side of Roberton Hill repaired.

No Order Made.

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Letter from Messrs Colfer and Son, dated 24th inst pointing out that the preparation of the Register for the purpose of taking the necessary steps to fix a weekly half holiday has given much more trouble than they anticipated. They observe that such people as Butchers, Chemists, Provision Dealers and cookshops have not been included in the Register and they would like to know if there is any reason for ommitting them.

The Clerk stated that he thought such traders were exempt from the operations of the Act, and consequently he did not include them.

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The following communications in reference to the proposal of the Council to make an order fixing a half holiday under The Shops Act, were read:-

15th February, 1913.

Dear Sir

On being informed that your Council have given instructions to their Solicitors to make Thursday the closing day under the Shops Act the following resolution was passed unanimously at a largely attended meeting of the Assistants.

That in the interest of the trade of the town we believe thursday most suitable as a Market is held in town on that day and closing would mean a big loss to the traders and would consequently affect us in sympathy and we also believe that the Majority of the Shopkeepers would be very reluctant to close on this day.

That we consider Wednesday the most suitable day as already the shops have been closed on that day for a considerable time during last Summer and business was not affected in the least.

That we protest in the strongest manner possible against Thursday to be the closing day and shall request our requisition signed by 137 Assistants of the town and served on you on October 29th 1912

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for Wednesday to be the closing day be upheld.

We now request you to bring this before your Council for immediate attention.

Signed on behalf of the Assistants Association.

William Yantley President

Joseph Schelby Secretary

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25th Feby 1913.

Re:- Shop's Act

Dear Sir,

After careful consideration we have found it necessary to recast the Register of Shops, so as to make it what we think it should be for the present purposes of the Council. We understand from the Committee's report, that the Council are desirous of making an order fixing a weekly half holiday, and that this order shall apply to as many of the shops of the town as is legally possible.

In carrying out this idea, it is necessary to bear in mind that licensed houses, and houses in which the sale of intoxicating drink is carried on, in conjunction with some other trade, are in our opinion entirely outside the jurisdiction of the Council so far as fixing the weekly half holiday is concerned, and that the exempted trades such as Butchers, Bakers, Confectioners, Fishmongers, &c., are also outside the Councils jurisdiction unless they chose to bring themselves within it by deciding by at least a two-third majority of their Number, to approve of the proposed order. We have therefore omitted the licensed trade altogether from our draft Register, but we included what are called the exempted trades, as it may turn out that two-thirds of some of these trades will desire to close on the selected day, and to bind the other one-third to do so. We have placed these exempted trades, last on the Register, but as your list omitted many of them and ours is only compiled from our general knowledge of the town, we cannot be responsible for its accuracy and must ask you to check it over carefully. We ought perhaps to mention that in the case of traders having two or more establishments not having internal communication, we have entered these traders' names in the Register in respect of each of their establishments

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as we think this is the intention of the legislature although both the Act and the rules give very little guidance on the subject. We also enclose a Notice on what is called. Form D, prepared to carry out the objects of the Council as far as we understand their Objects. We think that the public should be given a reasonable time to inspect the Register, and have it amended where necessary, before any further Notice is published, and we are of opinion anything less than a fortnight would not be reasonable time. When the Register is checked and approved of, this Notice should be published, and this publication may be by inserting it in two Newspapers, or by putting up posters in prominent parts of the town. We wish to ~~repeat~~ what we said several months ago, that the Shops Act is an extremely ill drawn and confusing Statute, and we are by no means certain that the Construction we have put upon it is correct. All we can do is our best, and we are informed that Counsel of experience who have been consulted as to some of its provisions have added to their opinion the remark that the ~~amounts~~ many doubts arising under the Act must await solution by the judicial tribunals of the Country

Yours very truly,
Wolfe & Son

P. S. If it is intended that in any week in which a Catholic Holyday occurs the weekly half holiday shall be deemed to take place on that date, please let us know, and we shall amend Form D accordingly. W & Son

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A copy of the Register referred to in the letter of Messrs Wolfe & Son was received from them.

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A requisition signed by sixty six traders informing the Council that they consider Thursday or Saturday, the days proposed by the Council, the most unsuitable days for a closed half holiday. In their opinion Wednesday is the only suitable day and they agree to close on that day at one o'clock as before.

A long discussion took place on the whole question which resulted in the following Notice of Motion being handed in by Mr O'Sullivan viz:-

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I beg to give Notice that on March 11th. I will propose that the resolution of Dec/ 3rd selecting Thursday and Saturday to be voted on by traders as a half holiday be rescinded and that Wednesday be substituted for Thursday in the voting papers to be sent out by our Solicitors.

Ordered

That Messrs Colfer & Son be informed that in any week in which a Catholic Holiday falls the weekly half holiday shall be deemed to take place on that day.

The Inspector reported that he called on all the Shop Keepers and ordered them to take the necessary steps to affix proper Notices in their shops, as prescribed by the Act, in connection with the shop assistants half holiday. Up to the present only six have complied. He will call again and report progress at Next Meeting of the Council.

The letter received from Messrs Colfer & Son, dated 11th Inst, trans-mitting a query from the Estates Commissioners asking "Are" "the Vendors prepared to accept a reduced advance of" "£300 for the purchase of Mr Delaneys holding." was con-sidered and after a short discussion the following resolution was

Proposed by Mr John Murphy John St and
Seconded by Mr O'Connor

That the Solicitors be in-formed the Council are not prepared to accept a reduced advance of £300.

Passed Unanimously

The Notice received from Mrs Thorpes Solicitors of her in-tention as administratrise of the late Richard Thorpe to sell the Farm of which the Council are landlords was Considered but there was No Order made upon it.

Proposed by Mr O'Connor and
Seconded by Mr J. Murphy South St "That"

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five copies of the Report of the conference of Municipal Authorities be purchased @ 10/. each.

Passed Unanimously

Proposed by Mr O'Connor and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy South St

That the Chairman of the Council, Mr P.J. Dunne, be appointed a delegate to a special Meeting of the Association of Municipal Authorities in Ireland at the expense of the Council.

Passed Unanimously

Proposed by Mr O'Connor and
Seconded by the Chairman

That Mr John Murphy, South St, be appointed a delegate to a special Meeting of the Association of Municipal Authorities in Ireland at the expense of the Council.

Passed Unanimously

In accordance with the resolution passed upon the proposal of Mr Sullivan, deciding that a report from the Foreman as to the best means of remedying the alleged flooding of Mrs Fanning's yard be considered at a Meeting of the Council to be held on 4th Prox.

The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 4th March 1913.

Patrick J Dunne

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Monday 3rd March 1913.

A monthly meeting of the Council was to be held this day at 12 O'Clock, noon to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854

No member of the Council attended

A Quorum not having assembled,

The Meeting adjourned to Tuesday 11th March.

Patrick Downes

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Tuesday, 4th March 1913.

An adjourned meeting of the Council was held at 7.30 O'Clock this evening to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854; consider a letter from Mrs Fanning's Solicitor relative to the alleged flooding of her yard, a report from the Foreman as to the best means of remedying it; and also a letter from the Council's Solicitors respecting the matter, and a report from the Foreman.

Present Messrs Patrick J Dunne Chairman Presiding
John Fanning
Michael J O'Connor
John O'Sullivan
John Murphy South St.
Joseph Drewe
and
John Murphy John St.

The Chairman read the resolution, passed at last meeting of the Council, authorizing the holding of this adjourned meeting, and also the letter received from Mrs Fanning's Solicitor, entered on minutes of last meeting, as well as the following letter received from Messrs Roberts & Son:-

Offices New Ross, 3rd March 1913.

re:- Flooding of Fanning's yard.

Dear Sir

We are in receipt of your letter of 26th Ult, and have read the copy Resolutions, and Correspondence enclosed.

We gather from one of the resolutions sent to us that the Council ask us to advise them as to the best means of remedying the matter. We shall always be glad to assist the Council as far as possible, but the advice above referred to should, we think come from an Engineer or an experienced builder as we are quite unable to suggest a remedy.

All we can say is that in our opinion the Council are bound to carry out such works as will leave Mrs Fanning's premises as dry, and free from flooding as they were before the ground in front of the entrance to the Church grounds was raised.

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We cannot say how far the Drap and grating suggested by the Foreman would be sufficient, or whether it is necessary to do what Mrs Fanning's Solicitor suggests.

This, as we stated above, is a matter for an Engineer or a Builder.

Yours Very Truly
Coffey Kelly

The Foreman reported under date 4th Inst. that "the best means of diverting the surface water which" "enters Mrs Fanning's Yard from Robert Street, would" "be to have two small Traps fixed, one placed at each" "side of entrance gate"

After some discussion the following resolution was:-

Proposed by Mr O'Sullivan and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy, South St.

"That the remedy suggested by the"
"Foreman to prevent flooding of Mrs Fannings"
"Yard be adopted, and that Mr Kelly be instructed"
"to have the work finished as soon as possible".

Passed Unanimously.

An application, dated 4th Inst. was received from the Street Inspector and Sanitary Sub Officer, for leave of absence from the 10th to the 15th Inst. the S. I. Officer having promised to look after his duties, during his absence, as far as possible.

Proposed by Mr O'Sullivan and
Seconded by Mr Fanning

That Mr Butler be granted the leave of absence asked for

Passed Unanimously

The Meeting adjourned to Tuesday, 11th March 1913.

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Tuesday, 11th March 1913

A meeting of the Finance Committee was summoned for 6-30 Oclock this evening to transact business and consider Clerks Estimate of Poor Rate for financial year ending 31st March 1913, and, if approved of, adopt Same.

No Member of the Committee attended until 7.10 P.M, when the following attended Viz:-

Messrs Patrick J Dunne J.P. Chairman
and
John Murphy Louth Dc.

The Committee examined a number of bills, submitted by the Clerk, and recommended payment of them. The list of same appears at the beginning of the Minutes of the Comcil Meeting.

They decided to defer the Consideration of the Clerks Estimate of Poor Rate, to a future date, as the time at the disposal of the Committee previous to the Meeting of the Comcil would not permit of a thorough examination of the Estimate.

The Committee Adjourned.

Patrick J Dunne

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Tuesday, 11th March 1913.

A meeting of The New-Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 O'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts Connected therewith; also to consider the following Notices of Motion Viz:- by Councillor O'Connor:-

"That the Chamber of Commerce be asked" "to pay a yearly rent of £12, inasmuch as they occupy the" "best part of the Thoroughfare, and should be made pay accordingly."

By Councillor O'Sullivan:-

"That the resolution of December the 3rd" "selecting Thursday and Saturday to be noted only" "Traders as a half holiday, be rescinded, and that" "Wednesday be substituted for Thursday in the Voting Papers" "to be sent out by our Solicitors."

Present Messrs Patrick J Dunne J.P. Chairman, Presiding
John Murphy South St.
Joseph Brewer
Michael J O'Connor
John Fanning
Michael Sheehan
John Murphy, John St.
Peter B O'Gorman
John and Sullivan

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurer's Authority for making Payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs John Fanning and M.J. O'Connor, and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued Viz:-

John J Browne £2-3-8; Joseph Quick Jr. £5-0-0; Patrick Quanie £3-3-5; New Ross Gas Co £8-12-6; Harbour Commrs £1-1-3; E. W Eyre £2-10-0 Patrick Kierney £5-1-6; Dr J Trim £11-5-0; Same £21-12-1. County Council £333-10-10; J J Browne £2-5-2-9; Richd Murphy £8-14-5 James J Rochford £4-5-8;

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# Correspondence

Letter from The Local Government Board No 10461/1913, dated 24th ult. February, 1913, requesting to be furnished, in due course, with a return showing the condition of the Collection of the Poor Rate to the middle of March

Ordered

That the Clerk furnish the return asked for.

Letter from the Commissioner of Valuation, dated 28th ult. forwarding the revised Valuation lists for Year ending 31st March 1914, with the necessary instructions for publication of Notice of receipt of same.

Ordered

That the Clerk attend to same.

Letter from Messrs Colles Son, dated 11th inst. informing the Council that Mr Delaney is willing to pay in Cash the £104. which the Estate Commissioners refused to advance, provided the Council is satisfied to accept same. The only difference to the Council is that they will not receive any bonus on the £104, which means a loss of, say £12-10-0, but they still think Mr Delaney's Offer ought to be accepted. After a short discussion it was

Ordered

That the consideration of this letter be referred to next meeting, the Members of the Council to be summoned to attend the meeting.

Letter from Hugh R Hamilton Esq J.P. Notifying the election of Bro Annie Harrington Priory St. as an Annuitant of Trinity Hospital.

After a short discussion, during which it was pointed out that the two inmates elected to fill vacancies in the Hospital, previous to the election of Bro Harrington, were not recommended by the Council, it was:-

Proposed by Bro O'Connor and
Seconded by Bro Fanning "That this Council dissent"
"to the election of Bro Annie Harrington of Priory St."
"as an Annuitant of Trinity Hospital."

Passed Unanimously.

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Letter from Messrs P. J Roche & Sons, dated 27th February, 1913 Accepting a supply of water to one of their Dwellings on the Quay at the rate fixed by the Council.
No Order Made.

Letter from The Manager of the Gas Co, dated 1st March, Notifying the erection, at the Irishtown, of the lamp ordered by the Council.
No Order Made.

Letters were received from The Prime Minister, The Chief Secretary, Mr Redmond, M.P. and Sir Thomas Grattan Esmonde, M.P. acknowledging receipt of the resolution passed by the Council at their last Meeting on the subject of Municipal Housing Schemes.
No Order Made

Letter from Messrs Shields and Donnaghan, Solicitors to Omagh Urban District Council, dated 1st March pointing out that they cannot give the amount of Costs of Railway Appeal to be Contributed by the Council as they have not been furnished with the Valuations of the Districts, nor has the Costs been taxed. They also asked for the Valuation of the railway premises in the New Rols Urban District, other than those described as "Railway".

The Clerk stated that he had furnished the information asked for, and this was approved of.

Letters were received from Messrs Peter Higgins, Wm St. and James Hardy, Church Lane, dated respectively the 10th and 11th Inst, stating that they wish to have the Cooking ranges, referred to in previous Correspondence, fixed in their respective Houses, and they also guaranteed that they would not retain any claim on same in the event of them leaving the Houses, and also that they are willing to pay the difference in price, 22/6, but asked that it be taken in weekly instalments of 3d. or 6d.
Ordered

That Messrs Higgins and Hardy, be informed the Council will accept payment of the difference in weekly instalments of six pence provided

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they give security for the payment of it.

A letter was received from Michael Rice, Irishtown, dated 10th inst, handing over ten trees, which he had planted at North side of Irishtown, to the Council, and asking that a notice be put on each tree guard cautioning people against injuring them.

Owing to the softness of the ground the guards cannot be fastened down at present, and he wishes for further permission to have this done during the Summer.

On the suggestion of Mr O'Sullivan it was

Ordered

That the thanks of the Council be conveyed to Mr Rice for his generosity in planting the trees at North side of Irishtown, and that he be also informed his request respecting them will be complied with.

Mr O'Connor drew attention to the desirability of having the guards of those trees, and also the guards of the ones at South side of Irishtown, painted, and after some discussion it was

Ordered, on the proposal of Mr O'Connor, seconded by Mr Canning

That the railings of the trees at North, and South, side of Irishtown, be painted green, the Foreman to get the work done.

Applications were received for the tenancy of the vacant house at William Street, from John W Ryan, Bridge St, Michael Culleton, Quay, and James Costello of Chapel Lane, who offered his brother, Thomas Costello of Priory St, as surety.

On the proposal of Mr John Murphy, South St, seconded by Mr O'Gorman, Mr James Costello was unanimously accepted tenant.

A Tender was received from Mr. Edwd. Browne, Creacon, dated 28th ult, for three heaps of manure at 9/-, and from Mr Harney for the cradle heap of manure in the Councils yard at William St, and it was unanimously

Ordered

That both Tenders be accepted on the usual conditions as to the prompt removal of manure.

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Tenders were received from Messrs M. Hutchinson Hon and John Doyle for the supply of two Doz brushes - one of fine, and a second of coarse.

Samples were submitted by both, and after being examined by the Comal it was:-

Proposed by Mr Cleomot, and
Seconded by Mr O'Sullivan

"That John Doyle's Tender"
"for the supply of one dozen of Coarse brushes @ 22½ per doz,"
"one doz of Fine brushes at 20/- per doz be accepted."
Passed Unanimously.

The Foreman reported that the Motor danger sign to Motorists has been fixed to wall of late Mrs Galavin's yard, and granite "Setts" have been placed around the base of new gas lamp at Irishtown.

No Order made.

The Shops Act Inspector reported that very good progress has been made by the different Traders to have Cards displayed in their Shops for assistants half holiday. almost all drapers Closed their shops on Wednesday last. Messrs Cleomot, Dempsey, and Mr O'Gorman, Rosbercon, have not displayed any Card in their shops yet. He would ask the Comal to send them warning Notices.

After some discussion the following resolution was
Proposed by Mr O'Sullivan, and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy, South St. Viz:-

"That the Shop's Act"
"Inspector be authorized to prosecute any Trader not"
"complying with the provisions of the Act"

Mr John Murphy,
John St. proposed that warning Notices be sent to the Traders as suggested by the Foreman, but the resolution proposed by Mr Sullivan was put to the Meeting, and the following voted for:- Messrs Sheehan, Brewer, Murphy, South St, Fanning, Cleomot, Sullivan, and the Chairman 7
against:- Mr John Murphy, John St. Mr O'Gorman did not vote.

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The following resolution, of which Notice had been given by Mr Sullivan, was:-
Proposed by Mr O'Sullivan and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy, South St. Viz:- "That the resolution of the"
"3rd Dec last, selecting Thursday and Saturday to be voted"
"on by traders as a half holiday be rescinded and that Wednesday"
"be substituted for Thursday in the voting papers to be sent out by our"
"Solicitor"

Passed Unanimously.

The following resolution, of which Notice had been given by Mr O'Connor, was moved by him, and Seconded by Mr Fanning:-
"That the Chamber of Commerce be asked to pay a yearly"
"rent of £12, inasmuch as they occupy the best part of the"
"Thobel and should be made pay accordingly."

During the discussion which ensued the Clerk, in reply to the Chairman, stated that the rooms occupied by the members of the Chamber of Commerce were let by resolution of the Town Commissioners, to the members as yearly tenants, at a rent fixed by the Commissioners of £6, and, in his opinion this resolution should be rescinded before the one Mr O'Connor gave Notice of could be moved. The resolution was then put to the Meeting and the following Notice of Motion was handed in by Mr O'Connor Viz:- "That we consider, on this Right Fortnight, the"
"advisability of rescinding an old resolution on the"
"minutes giving the large upstairs rooms of the Thobel"
"to the Body known as "The Chamber of Commerce" and"
"that we re-take possession of these rooms in the"
"interests of the ratepayers at large".

Mr Murphy, South St. drew attention to the fact that on the previous Saturday papers were strewn on the streets early in the forenoon, as if the men had not cleansed the streets referred to that morning, and it was Ordered "That the matter be referred to the Foreman".

The Clerk stated that the shed in garden, or yard, rented to him by the Council was leaking owing to one of the slates being off the roof and also

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that water was oozing through the wall in such quantity as to seriously damage anything stored in it. The entrance from the lane also required to be repaired as it was in a dangerous condition at present.
Proposed by Mr John Brimpley, South St. and
Seconded by The Chairman "That the Foreman have the"
"roof of Shed in Council's Yard at William St. occupied"
"by Mr Tim, repaired, and a small channel made in same"
"to carry away water coming from the wall, also that"
"the entrance from lane be repaired"
Passed Unanimously

The Clerk suggested that Tenders be invited for the supply of Oats, Hay, &c for the horses, but the Meeting decided that the present season of the year was not the proper time, as all those things were very dear just at present, and, in addition, they hoped to be able to put the horses on grass at Right, after a very short time. It was accordingly Ordered that Forage be purchased as at present.

The Meeting adjourned to Wednesday, 25th March 1913.

Patrick J Dunne

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Tuesday, 18th March 1913

A meeting of the Finance Committee was held this day at 5 O'clock P.M, to consider the Clerk's Estimate of Poor Rate for financial year ending the 31st day of March 1914, and, if approved of, adopt same.

Present Messrs John O'Sullivan Presiding
P Dunne T.C.
John Murphy John St
John Murphy South St

The Clerk submitted his Estimate, from which it appeared that a total Poor Rate of 3/2 would be required for the service of the Financial Year ending 31st March 1914. In it a rate of three pence in the Pound was provided for seperate Charges, Nearly two pence of which was required to meet the levy for extra police engaged at Wexford, during the strike.

Considerable discussion took place as to the advisability of providing this money for the County Council during which it was pointed out that it was a County Charge. Eventually it was

Proposed by Mr O'Sullivan and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy, Jno St.

"That we protest against"
"the Extra Police Tax incurred during the Strike in"
"Wexford being made a County Charge resulting in"
"the Urban District Council being called upon to pay"
"a tax of Nearly two pence in the £ as their portion of"
"the levy for a dispute over which they had no control,"
"or in which they were no way Concerned"

Passed Unamously

Ordered

That Copy of this resolution be sent to each Member of the Council, with the Copy of the Estimate of Poor Rate.

Proposed by Mr O'Sullivan, and Seconded by Mr John Murphy, Jno St.

"That the Clerk's Estimate of Poor Rate for Financial"
"Year ending 31st March 1914, Amounting to 3/2 in the £ be adopted"

Passed Unanimously

The Committee adjourned.

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Wednesday 25th. March 1913

A meeting of the Finance Committee was held this evening at 5 Oclock, to consider, and, if approved of, adopt Clerks Estimate of Town Rate for year ending 31st March 1914

Present Cnrs Patrick J Dunne J.P. Presiding.
John Murphy
John Walsh
John Shallvan

The Clerk submitted his Estimate of Town Rate for financial year ending 31st March 1914, amounting to 4/9 in the £. The committee examined the Estimate in detail, and decided to recommend the Council to adopt same, after which,

The Members Seperated.

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Tuesday 25th March 1913.

A meeting of the Newross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 O'Clock to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith; to consider and, if approved of adopt Clerk's Estimate of Poor Rate, and Town Rate for financial year ending 31st March 1914; also a letter from Messrs Colfer & Son stating that Mr Delaney is prepared to advance £104, balance of purchase money of his holding at Bennetts Knock; and the following Notice of Motion by Councillor O'Connor Viz:- "That we consider the advisability of" "rescinding an old resolution on the Minutes giving the" "large upstairs rooms of the School to the Body known" "as the Chamber of Commerce, and that we re-take" "possession of these rooms in the interests of the ratepayers" "at large"; as also a claim on behalf of Mr James Power Quay, amounting to £8 for the malicious breaking of a plate glass window.

Present Messrs Patrick J Dunne J.P. Chairman, Presiding
Joseph Brewer
John Fanning
John Murphy, South St.
John O'Sullivan
Michael J O'Connor
John Murphy, John St.

The Minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurer's Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Joseph Brewer and John Murphy, South St. and the following Paying Order directed to be issued Viz:-

No 901 - Petty Cash £21-0-9.

A Paying Order for £31-13-8 being Amount of Probate Duty payable to the Crown was received and ordered to be lodged.

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Tuesday, 25th March 1913 (Minutes Contd.)

The following letter received from the L.G. Board was read:-

LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD,
DUBLIN, 13th March, 1913.

No. 1021 : 1913.
New Ross Urban District.

SIR,

The Local Government Board for Ireland desire to inform the New Ross Urban District Council that they have had under consideration the minutes of evidence and the report of their inspector (Mr. A. D. Price) in connection with the Inquiry held by him into certain charges preferred by the Urban District Council against their Town Surveyor, Mr. J. J. Shortall.

Mr. Shortall was first proposed by the Urban District Council for the position of Town Surveyor in October, 1908, but it was not until some fourteen months later that theBoard found themselves in a position to confirm the appointment; and during this intervening period, while Mr Shortall was performing the duties of the office in a temporary capacity, the Council repeatedly pressed the Board to give their final sanction to the appointment.

Some of the charges now preferred by the Council have reference to incidents which occurred prior to the date of the confirmation of Mr. Shortall's appointment, and the Board have some difficulty in comprehending why, if the Council had considered his conduct in connection with these incidents to be open to objection, they did not submit their objections to the Board while the question of confirming his appointment remained in suspension.

The statements of the charges forming the subject of the Inquiry deals with the Town Surveyor's conduct in twelve specific instances, and was prepared by a Committee of the Council, the Clerk to the Council having, by direction, extracted from the Council's records the entries bearing on the incidents complained of. It transpired, however, at the Inquiry that some material entries were omitted by the Council which told in the Surveyor's favour, and that various notes were added by the Committee in the statement for the insertion of which the Clerk disclaimed any responsibility. Sufficient investigation does not appear to have been made as to whether evidence would be forthcoming to substantiate each of the charges, and in fact the Solicitor acting for the Council was obliged to abandon two of the charges during the course of the Inquiry.

Coming to the specific charges, the following are the findings of the Board on the evidence :—

(1). The Council complain that the Surveyor connected a new surface trap with the main sewer instead of with the old sewer in the Cockpit It was not specified by the Council's order with which sewer the connection was to be made, and the Board are of opinion that the Surveyor, to whose satisfaction the work was to be done, acted properly in disregarding the Cockpit sewer, which was defective, and in joining the trap with the main sewer.

(2). In July, 1909, Mr. Shortall proceeded without any order from the Council, with the reconstruction of a footpath in Wexford Street. He had reported the necessity of this work both previous to its commencement and subsequently to a quarterly meeting of the Council a few days after its commencement. Mr. Shortall who had only been a few months in the employment of the Council at this time, stated that he was under the impression that an order of the Conncil was not necessary for this work, and when called upon by the Council to explain his action, both expressed his regret for the incident and offered to contribute £5 towards the expenditure. The Council themselves on this consideration decided that no further action be taken. In view of this ruling of the Council, and of the fact that this occurrence took place before the Board's ratification of Mr. Shortall's appointment, the Board do not consider that any decision adverse to him should be given.

(3). In June, 1910, the Surveyor acted as Clerk of Works in connection with a new waterworks scheme at the Workhouse, in violation of a Resolution of the Urban District Council refusing to grant him leave to do so. It was understood that when making his appointment that Mr. Shortall's whole time was to be at the disposal of the Urban District Council, and the Board are of opinion that the Surveyor was guilty of disobedience in acting for the Board of Guardians as long as the consent of the Council was not obtained. It appears, however, that early in the following month (July) the Council rescinded the resolution refusing the permission asked for by Mr. Shortall, and by this resolution the Council themselves overlooked the offence.

(4). On the 22nd September, 1909, the Surveyor failed to fulfil an engagement which had been made for the inspection of two water connections. It appears, however, that he was detained on other business of the Council, and his apparent remissness has in the Board's opinion, been satisfactorily accounted for.

(5). Early in December, 1909, a complaint was made that Mr. Shortall had been absent from duty for ten days. The evidence, however, showed that his absence lasted only five days, during which time he attended at the Office of this Board for his qualifying examination prior to the ratification of his appointment, and was detained in Dublin one further day in consequence of illness.

(6). On the 19th July, 1911, a report was received from the Surveyor that the Robert Street drain was completely choked, and he was thereupon ordered to have it cleaned, and the Clerk directed to ascertain the cost of a drain brush for the purpose of carrying out this work. There is not sufficient evidence to show neglect of duty on the Surveyor's part in connection with this charge, and indeed he appears to have been somewhat hampered on this occasion as he was neither supplied with an adequate number of men to discharge the work nor with the necessary appliances.

(7). This charge, dealing with the painting work done in September, 1909, was withdrawn at the Inquiry.

(8). On a complaint made by an individual that fluid matter was percolating into his cellar the Sanitary Committee inspected the premises, and directed that the ground be opened to the rock under the footpath. The Surveyor, who it appears, had not been consulted as to the propriety of this work, in carrying it out opened the ground both on the footpath and in the water channel. Heavy rain fell on the following night, the cellar being at the same time flooded, and the Council attributed this flooding to the Surveyor's action in causing the opening to be made in the water table.

The Surveyor, however, explained that in order to properly fulfil the Committee's directions it was necessary that the water channel should be opened, and the Board cannot find that his action was in any way blameworthy in the circumstauces.

(9). No comment is necessary on this charge as it was withdrawn at the Inquiry.

(10). This charge arose out of an order of the Council directing the Surveyor to construct a trap at the head of John Street to prevent the flooding of Messrs. Hearn's yard. The exact location of this trap was not specified in the Council's order, but objection was taken by the Council to the position selected by Mr. Shortall, and it was stated that this position was not that recommended by him in a report previously furnished.

The evidence as to this charge was somewhat contradictory, but the Board on the whole are satisfied that the Surveyor in the provision of the trap reasonably complied with the directions of the Urban District Council.

(11). The Surveyor, following recommendations made by himself, was directed to provide a new surface trap on Monk's Lane, and to connect it with the Irish Street sewer, and he was also ordered to connect the surface water trap in High Hill Street with the same sewer.

Some time later flooding occurred in the premises of the Royal Hotel, and it was alleged that "the flooding was caused by the new trap and pipe put down at the end of Monk's Lane not being sufficiently large to take the flow of water; also by reason of the natural channel being elosed up."

In carrying out the directions of the Urban District Council the Surveyor closed up an old surface grating above the adjacent quarry, but he neglected to make any alternative provision for the disposal of the storm water which occasionally rushes down the roads above the spot. The Surveyor alleged that he would have made such provision had not his services been discontinued by the Council before the work was completed.

The Board, on the evidence, could not undertake to say that the flooding of the hotel premises which occurred was solely due to this omission of the Surveyor, but they consider that when closing up the old grating he could, and ought, to have made proper alternative provision for the abnormal rainfall, and this omission must have contributed to some, though possibly not very considerable extent, to the flooding complained of.

(12). Complaint was made as to the system of sewerage carried out at the Rookery, and in particular that there was a stench from a manhole at the backdoor of one house. The evidence showed that Mr. Shortall was not responsible for the system of sewerage adopted, and the Board cannot find that any blame could be attached to the Surveyor in the matter of this complaint.

It will be seen that in the result of the twelve charges preferred against Mr. Shortall, two were withdrawn by the Council as being unsustainable, while in only two of the remaining ten charges are the findings of the Board unfavourable to Mr. Shortall, viz.: (*a*) in the case of No. 3 where he is held to be technically guilty of disobedience in acting as Clerk of Works to the Board of Guardians until the consent of the Urban District Council was given, as was ultimately done, and (*b*) in the case of No. 11, where in carrying out an order of the Council he neglected to provide an outlet for the disposal of surface water in case of abnormal rainfall.

The Board do not consider that these findings are of themselves sufficient to warrant the extreme step of dismissing Mr. Shortall from the office of Town Surveyor; but while this decision involves his continuance in office, the Board recognise that the Urban District Council are entitled to some guarantee that Mr. Shortall's conduct in the future will be satisfactory more especially as the general tenor of the evidence showed that on some occasions Mr. Shortall in the discharge of his duties displayed a want of appreciation of his subordinate position as an officer of the Urban District Council.

His conduct in this respect might reasonably be attributed to inexperience, and the Board consider that the circumstances of the case will be met by treating Mr. Shortall as being on probation up till, say, the 1st of January next, and if it is found necessary his case can be then reconsidered.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
J. E. DEVLIN,
Assistant Secretary.

The Clerk,
New Ross Urban District Council.

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After a short discussion the following resolution was:-
Proposed by Cor O'Sullivan and
Seconded by Cor Fanning Viz:-

"That the reply of the Local"
"Government Board, re the Town Surveyor be considered"
"at the next meeting, and that the Town Clerk be"
"instructed to have for that meeting a full account of all"
"expenses incurred by Cor Shortall's suspension and"
"the subsequent Enquiry; also that the Clerk furnish"
"every Member of the Board, and the Town Surveyor with"
"a printed Copy of the Local Government Board's reply."

Passed Unanimously

Ordered

That the Town Surveyor be instructed to resume duty on Monday 31st Inst.

Cllrs John Murphy, Jun Sr. and O'Connor were not present at this stage of the meeting.

Letter from the Dublin, and South Eastern Railway, Co. dated, 22nd Inst, enclosing copy of the Company's Tourist Guide for last year, and asking if the Council would be willing to insert an advertisement referring to New Ross, opposite the reference to the town in the Guide. The cost of a one page advertisement is £4.

Ordered

That the Railway Co be informed the Council will not have an advertisement of the town inserted in the Guide, or in any other publication.

The Malicious Injury Claim received on behalf of Mr James Power, for the breaking of a plate glass window in his Shop on Quay, amounting to £8, was Considered, and, in conjunction with it, a report of Sergt Ruane, R.I.C. New Ross, on the matter.

After a long discussion it was decided not to oppose the claim.

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A letter was received from The Hibernian Ins. and General Insurance Co Ltd., dated, 18th Inst, drawing attention to the Company's special profit-sharing Policies, and asking if they might supply any further particulars.

It was decided Not to consider any change in the existing Fire Insurances of the Council.

Letter from Patrick Mc Namara, Fair Gate, one of the Council's tenants, dated 12th Inst, pointing out that the floor of the house is in a bad way, as also the windows, and that there is no fastening on the Street door.

Ordered.

That the Foreman report to next Meeting of the Council what repairs are necessary to be carried out on this house.

Letter from James Costello, dated 18th Inst. complaining of the Chimney of the house which the Council let to him at last Meeting is stopped, and the grate broken, so that it is impossible to light a fire in any of the rooms. It would Not be fair to expect him to pay Rent until the house is habitable.

Ordered

That the Foreman have the grates repaired and the Chimney cleaned.

Letter from Mr French. Sec. P. dated 19th Inst. acknowledging receipt of the resolution passed by the Council relative to the Housing of the Working Classes. He also enclosed Copy of a reply received by him from the Chief Secretary on the subject.

No Order made.

Letter from Mr John Butler, John Street, dated 18th inst. March offering to secure, on behalf of James Tandy, payment of £2/6, difference in price of Cooking Range.

A similar letter was received from Matthew Cooney, Charles St. securing payment, by Peter Higgins William St, of a like amount and both were considered Satisfactory, and approved of.

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Letter from Messrs Cofler & Son, Solicitors, dated 25th inst. returning the draft Notice prepared by them under The Shops Act, in which they made only one alteration viz: the substitution of Wednesday for Thursday as the weekly half holiday.

The doubt which they entertained as to the power of the Council to make an Order that Catholic Holydays are to be treated as the weekly half holiday, has so much increased that they would not like to take the responsibility of including anything in relation to these holidays in the proposed Order, because doing so might have the effect of invalidating the entire Order.

They think it probable, however, that the matter can be arranged mutually between the Shopkeepers and the Assistants.

Proposed by Mr John Murphy, South St. and
Seconded by Mr Brewer. "That the Clerk get copies of this"
"Notice, as to inspection of Register, received from"
"the Council's Solicitors, printed and posted around"
"town."

Passed Unanimously

Proposed by Mr John Murphy, South St. and
Seconded by Mr O'Sullivan "That the attention of the"
"Shops Act Inspector be drawn to the Order, or"
"resolution, passed by the Council at their last"
"meeting, and that he be authorized to employ the"
"Council's Solicitors in any prosecution he may"
"bring under the Act."

Passed Unanimously

The Foreman reported that about one dozen slates have been blown off the roof of the Council's stable at William St.

The house occupied by the late Mrs Galavin at Dunlotown require about the same number fixed on the roof.

Nothing has been done to remedy the dangerous road in Summerlane.

Some Shopkeepers sweep out their shops after the men cleaning up in the morning, and on Saturday nights, with

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with the result that papers, etc, will be blowing about the street all day.

Ordered

That Mr Heavey. O.S.A. the owner of the stable at William St. he asked to give the necessary instructions to have the roof of it repaired.

That the Foreman be directed to have the slates, which are necessary, fixed at once, on roof of house occupied by the late Mrs Galavin.

That the Foreman also have the roof of shambles off which some slates have fallen, repaired as soon as possible.

That the attention of Mrs Richards be drawn again to the dangerous wall at Brimery Lane, and she be informed legal proceedings will be taken against her without further notice, if it is not repaired at once.

That the Street Inspector take the necessary steps to ascertain the names of Traders who are depositing shop sweepings on the streets, and report same to the Council.

## Report of Finance Committee.

25th March 1913

The Finance Committee met this evening and having carefully examined the Clerk's Estimate for the coming year, recommend its adoption. The rate the Committee recommends to be struck is 4/3 in the £.

In Conjunction with this report, the Clerk's Estimate of Town Rate, Sanitary Rate, and Domestic Water Rate, which was submitted by him was considered, and, after a short discussion, the following resolution was:-

Proposed by Mr John Murphy South St. and Seconded by Mr Brewer, and Resolved.

"That the Clerk's Estimate of Town Rate, and Domestic Water Rate for year ending 31st March 1914, now before us, be adopted, and that he publish the necessary Notice of our intention to make a Town Rate of 4/3 in the £, and a Domestic Water Rate of 1/3 in the £ on the

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"the valuation of the premises supplied with water, said"
"last mentioned Rate to be in relief of the portion of the Town"
"Rate, raised as Sanitary expenses, the rateable value of"
"the property assessable being £8310.6.6."

Passed Unanimously

Ordered

That the Clerk have the necessary advertisement published.

The Meeting having considered the Clerk's Estimate of Poor Rate for Financial Year ending 31st March 1914, which was adopted by the Finance Committee, and a copy sent to each member of the Council, the following resolution was:-

Proposed by Mr John Murphy, South Ward and Seconded by Mr Brewer W.C.:- Resolved:-

"That the Clerk's Estimate of Poor Rate for"
"financial Year ending 31st March 1914, amounting"
"to 3/2 in the £, be adopted by the Council, and that"
"he publish the necessary Notices, and take the necessary"
"steps to have said Rate made."

Passed, Mr Fanning dissenting on the ground that the estimate provided for uncollectable rate amounting to £60, which, he held, should be paid by the Landlords of the Houses occupied by the Tenants from whom it cannot be collected, and also because it provided for the extra police Tax levied in connection with the strike at Wexford, the amount apportioned to the Urban District of Kilmuckridge in the County Council Demand.

The resolution passed by the Finance Committee in reference to this Tax, Copy of which is entered on the Minutes of their Meeting held on the 18th Inst, was also adopted by the Council.

The letter received at last Meeting from Messrs Colfer & Son, informing the Council that Mr Delaney is willing to pay in Cash the £104, which the Estates Commissioners refused to advance for the purchase of his holding at Bennets Knock, of which the Council are owners, having been read, a short discussion took place upon it, during which Mr Fanning contended that the property should not be sold

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but Should be taken possession of by the Council, it was:
Proposed by Mr O'Connor and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy, Jno St.
"That we accept the terms proposed"
"by Mr Cofer in his letter of the 11th Inst in reference to
"the sale of Mr Delaney's land at Bennets Knock subject"
"to the sanction of the Local Government Board, Viz:"
"the sum of £404."

Mr Fanning proposed an amendment, "That the farm be not sold," but it was not seconded.

The Chairman put the resolution to the Meeting, and it was Passed;- Mr Fanning alone, dissenting to it.

The Clerk brought under the Notice of the Council the fact that there was a resolution passed sometime ago prohibiting persons from loitering in the Hall, and pointed out that same was not since rescinded. He also complained of the large number which congregate there sometimes, and indulge in singing, and whistling, whilst Spitting in it was carried on to such an extent as to be disgusting. He suggested that arrangements be made to keep the Hall clear, or rescind the resolution prohibiting loitering in it.

A long discussion took place upon the matter but there was No Order made upon it.

The Clerk also referred to the Order made at last Meeting directing that Notice be affixed to the trees at Brickton, recently planted there by Mr Rice, and asked what form the Notices Shall take, or whether they Shall be printed Notices on boards. It was now decided not to have any Cautionary Notices affixed to the trees, as same was not considered necessary

It was also ordered that Mr Ashe John St. be required to have some Cement plaster on the wall of his house at John St, which is loose, and in danger of falling

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off, repaired so that it may not cause any injury to the public.

It was also Ordered that the hoarding over the door of Fish House on Quay be repaired.

The following resolution, in reference to the tenancy of the Chamber of Commerce, & which due notice was given, was:-
Proposed by Cor O'Connor, and
Seconded by Cor John Murphy, John St. who explained, in reply to Cor Fanning, that he seconded the resolution for the purpose of having it brought properly before the Meeting, Viz:-

"That we consider the advisability of rescinding"
"an old resolution on the Minutes giving the large"
"upstairs rooms of the School to the body known as"
"The Chamber Of Commerce, and that we retake"
"possession of these rooms in the interests of the"
"ratepayers at large."

The resolution was put to a vote by the Chairman, and there Voted:-
For:- Reps O'Connor and Fanning 2
Against:- Reps Sullivan, Murphy Jno St, Murphy South St, Brewer, and The Chairman 5

The Chairman declared the resolution defeated.

The street Inspector reported that Reps Murphy & Roche, and John Browne, had empty Leases on the street outside their premises on some days.

The daily Scavenging of the streets was Carried Out as usual.

No Order Made.

The Meeting adjourned to Tuesday 8th April 1913.

Patrick J Sinnott

Monday, 7th April 1913.

A monthly meeting of the Council was to be held this day at 12 O'Clock - noon - to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

No member of the Council attended

A Quorum not having assembled,

The Meeting adjourned to Tuesday, 8th April 1913.

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A Quarterly Meeting of the Council was held this evening at 7 o'clock to transact business pursuant to the Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898, and other acts connected therewith, also to fix the dates upon which the Quarterly Meetings are to be fixed held for financial year ending 31st March 1914.

Present Messrs Patrick J. Dunne JP Presiding
John Murphy South St
John Fanning
Joseph Brewer
and
John O'Sullivan

The Surveyor was also in attendance.

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The Minutes of the last Quarterly Meeting were read & signed.

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The following Quarterly Report of the Town Surveyor was read:-

I beg to submit herewith My annual estimate for the repairs and maintenance of your streets for the ensuing year - (1913-14). 650 tons Parnell Quarries @ 7/7 £246:3:2 300 tons Ballyneale quarries @ 5/3 £78:15:0, 200 tons Palace quarries @ 5/3 £52:10:0 70 tons fine gravel sand @ 2/- £7:0:0, Wages and upkeep of horses £317:4:0. New surface traps £22:1:0, New footpaths and other special works £75:0:0.

Although 900 tons of Macadam were applied during the past year the surface of many streets are presently in a very worn and neglected condition. I find it therefore necessary to increase to 1150 tons, the estimated quantity for the ensuing Year in order to improve, to some extent at least, the general condition of your thoroughfares.

I am estimating also for material from the Palace quarry. From long personal experience of the wearing effect of this Macadam on many of the roads in the District, I can confidently recommend it on condition that approved quality only, from this quarry be supplied. The price it will be seen compares favourably with that of the other specified material. Improved drainage facilities, to divert surface water, are still required in many streets, particularly in the hilly districts, and when these have been carried out a saving in the cost of maintenance is bound to follow. I am therefore estimating for the sum of £22:1:0

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under this head. My estimate of £317:4:0 for wages &c is based on the Average weekly expenditure for the past six Months, and shows for increase. Whilst on this subject I would ask you, to empower me, to employ actual labour, when necessity for such arises, as during the winter Months street cleansing requires extra attention and much time would be lost in waiting for a Council Meeting to ratify individual recommendations for this purpose.

I have no special recommendations to lay before you on the present occasion for New works, but I propose to ear mark the sum of £75, under the head of special works in case any recommend-ation may be brought forward during the financial year for the construction of New footpaths or other public works.

The public water supply continues to give satisfaction.

James J Shortall
Town Surveyor.

It appeared that the amount provided for Street Maintenance in the annual estimate which was adopted by the Council at their last Meeting was £589:4:0, a sum considerably less than that estimated by the Surveyor. A long discussion took place upon the Report which resulted in the following resolution been

Proposed by Mr John Murphy South Pt and
Seconded by Mr O'Sullivan Viz:-

That the Surveyors Report be adopted except that portion of it referring to the quantity of Metalling, and provision of Surface Traps, the consideration of same to be deferred to an adjourned Quarterly Meeting of the Council to be held at 7 o'Clock P.M. on Tuesday the 22nd inst, the Surveyor to amend his estimate in accordance with the Amount provided in the annual estimate of the Council already adopted.

Passed Unanimously

The Meeting next proceeded to fix the dates of the Quarterly Meetings for the ensuing year, and, after some discussion it was
Proposed by the Chairman and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy South Pt

That the Quarterly Meetings

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of the Council for the financial Year ending 31st March 1914,
be held on the first Tuesday in the Months of July, October 1913
and January & April 1914. at 7 o'clock P.M.

Passed Unanimously

The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 22nd April 1913.

Patrick J Timmins

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Tuesday 8th April, 1913.

A Meeting of the Newtown Urban Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 and consider a letter received from the Local Government Board, relative to the Town Surveyor.

Present Messrs Patrick J. Dunne JP Presiding
John Murphy South St
John Fanning
Joseph Brewer
John O'Sullivan
M. J. O'Connor

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Joseph Brewer and John Murphy and the following Paying Orders were directed to be issued viz :-

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| No 1 | No. Hutchinson Hon | £2 | 12 : 1 |
| " 2 | John J. Browne | 31 | 19 : 7 |
| " 3 | Same | 3 | 8 : 3 |
| " 4 | Same | 25 | 12 : 0 |
| " 5 | Moran Bros | 1 | 9 : 0 |
| " 6 | Daniel Egan | 6 | 10 : 0 |
| " 7 | James Kelly | 15 | 0 : 0 |
| " 8 | Parnell Quarries Ltd | 22 | 8 : 9 |
| " 9 | M. J. Finn | 11 | 5 : 0 |
| " 10 | Same | 6 | 5 : 0 |
| " 11 | Same | 1 | 17 : 6 |
| " 120 | Hibernian Fire & General Insurance Co | 1 | 13 : 11 |
| " 13 | Patrick Flynn | 1 | 5 : 0 |
| " 14 | Jonas Hartrick | | 9 : 4 |
| " 15 | Doyle Brothers | 1 | 7 : 8 |
| " 16 | John Harrington | 1 | 1 : 7 |
| " 17 | James Power Hon | 1 | 17 : 8 |
| " 18 | M. J. Finn | 20 | 1 : 3 |
| " 19 | Eashers Bank of Ireland | 30 | 8 : 20 |

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| No 20. | Cashier Bank of Ireland | £37:17:0 |
| " 21 | Same | 81:0:7 |
| " 22 | Same | 372:6:7 |
| " 23 | James J. Shortall | 4:6:8 |
| " 24 | Andrew Cullen | 500:0:0 |

When the Minutes of the last Meeting of the Council were being read, Mr Fanning stated, that at that Meeting he objected to two Members of the Council who were Members of the Chamber of Commerce voting on Mr O'Connor's Notice respecting the Chamber, and asked to have the Minutes amended so as to have his Objection recorded.

After a short discussion it was agreed that a Note of his Objection be entered on the Minutes of this Meeting.

## Correspondence

Letter from the Commissioner of Valuation No 67/550, dated 31st March 1913, intimating that the time for receiving appeals against the revised Valuation Lists had expired and asking to have any that were received forwarded.

The Clerk stated that he had informed the Commissioner there were None received, and this was approved of.

Letter from the Local Government Board No 15979:1913, stating that their costs in connection with the Inquiry held by their Inspector at Newbay, into the charges preferred by the Council against their Town Surveyor amount to £95:1:6.

A letter was also received from Messrs Colfer & Son enclosing their Bill of Costs in connection with same amounting to £51:10:9, but for which they would be willing to accept £45 in order to avoid the trouble, inconvenience, and expense of taxation. They also returned Mr Scully's Bill in connection with same which amounts to £17:3:5. The Clerk submitted a statement showing that the total cost of the Inquiry is £157:4:11. Some Members contended that the salary paid to Mr. Shortall during suspension amounting to £82:6:8 should be added to the actual expenses of the Inquiry, so as to show the total cost of his suspension, whilst other Members were of opinion that he would be

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paid his salary in the event of his suspension not having taken place.

A brief discussion took place upon the whole matter but there was no definite action taken, or Order made, except that the following Notice of Motion was served by Mr Fanning viz:-

That the

Members of the Council who called for the suspension of the Surveyor be asked to pay the expenses incurred therewith.

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Letter from the Local Government Board No 36073:1913, dated 5th April 1913, enclosing a sealed Order discharging the surcharges of £14:16:0, £14:11:8, and £12:0:9, made by the Auditor against Messrs John S Hearn JP, James B Hearne, John Murphy and John Fanning, on the audit of the Accounts of the Council for the financial year ended 31st March 1911.

No Order Made.

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The following copy of a resolution received from the Killarney Rural District Council was unanimously adopted, on the proposal of Mr John Murphy, seconded by Mr O'Connor

That we regret to find the Chairman of the Great Southern & Western Railway Co stating at the last half-yearly Meeting of the Shareholders that the Directors contemplated altering the system of open competitive examination for clerkships in their service, that in the interests of fair play we earnestly request the Directors of the Company to refrain from adopting a course which could only be construed as an attempt to keep the Nationalists shied out of the service.

That copies be sent to the Board, to the Nationalist Mps to the County, District, and Urban Councils and Corporations in Ireland.

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A letter was received from the Automobile Association and Motor Union dated 28th March stating that in connection with the erection of Direction signs in the County Wexford, the association recently supplied a number of arms to the County Surveyor, some

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of which are designed for erection, within the Urban area, as regards the County, the association supplies the arms free, the County Council agreeing to bear the cost, and supply the posts for erection, and the association will be glad to know if the Urban Council will take in hand the erection of the signs within the Urban Area.

Ordered

That the Association be informed the Council are not prepared to undertake the erection of the Arms, or incur any expenditure in connection therewith.

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Letter from Hugh R Hamilton Esq JP, Secretary of Trinity Hospital, dated 28th March asking the reason which the Council objected to the election of Mrs A Harrington as an inmate of the Hospital.

He also stated that the Council's nominee - Mrs Anne Cullinan was not an eligible person.

On the suggestion of Mr O'Sullivan the Chairman and Clerk were appointed to call on Mr Hamilton, and explain to him that the Council understood there was an arrangement existing by which the person recommended by the Council would be admitted as an Inmate alternately with the person elected by the Governors, and that the last two or three, were the nominees of the Governors, and that the Council consider their recommendations should not be ignored.

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A letter was received from Mrs Richards, Ranelagh, dated 27th Ult stating that she was surprised the dangerous wall at Summery Lane was not yet repaired.

A letter was also received from Mr James Connolly stating that he had orders to repair the wall, and that he would get the work done at once.

No Order Made this being considered satisfactory.

A Notification was received from Sylvestor Bros, dated 28th Ult of their intention to give a Cinematograph Entertainment in the The Town Hall for six Nights commencing on the 7th April.

No Order Made

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An application was received from Mr James Connolly, for permission to erect a scaffolding in Priory Street at the Police Barrack.

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Proposed by Mr Sullivan and
Seconded by Mr Fanning

That Mr Connolly get permission to erect the scaffolding and that in future application be made through the Surveyor who will report to the Council on same.

Passed Unanimously

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The following letter was received from Messrs Colfer & Son in reference to the Shop's Act:-

Mr Kelly, the Inspector appointed by your Council under the above Act called on us a few days ago, and handed us a list of persons against whom proceedings were to be taken for failure to comply with the Act. On examining this list, however, it occurred to us that in the great majority of the cases mentioned in it, the default had arisen from ignorance of the Meaning of the Act, rather than from any intention to disregard its provisions We therefore postponed taking any action until we had an opportunity of laying our views before the Council which we now do.

Our idea is that in carrying out the provisions of a statue such as the Shops Act, it should be the desire of the Council to avoid friction with the public as far as possible, and we are practically certain the Council themselves share this view. What we propose therefore is, that we be permitted to write to each of the parties on the list handed to us, pointing out in clear and plain language their duties under the act and informing them that if within, say, a week we receive from them an undertaking to obey the law: no proceedings will be taken, failing which, summons's will be at once issued. If this letter is not acted upon the parties can be prosecuted and no blame can be attached to the Council for ordering the prosecutions.

Colfer & Son

John Murphy South St suggested that the list handed to the Solicitors by the Inspector be examined and only those be written to who did not close on last Wednesday.

Mr O'Connor proposed that the persons reported by the Inspector be prosecuted, but the proposition was not seconded.

After a short discussion the following resolution was

Proposed by Mr Fanning and
Seconded by Mr O'Sullivan "That the Inspector be directed to"

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furnish to next Meeting of the Council a detailed report as to the working of the Act in the District at present, and also the names of the Traders whom he instructed the Council's Solicitors to take proceedings against.

Passed Mrs O'Connor dissenting.

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Letter from Mrs James Costelloe, William St, dated 8th Inst stating that the rent Collector was demanding three weeks rent from him for the house of the Council to which he was elected tenant on the 11th Prox.

The house was in a very bad condition, and he had to wait a fortnight for the following Meeting to which he wrote asking the Council to repair the grates and clean the chimneys, which were cleaned, the following Saturday, and the grates are about being repaired now.

He had to employ a Tradesman to paint and do up the house at a cost of £1-7-2. as he went into possession on Saturday last, and it is not fair for the Council to chare him for the three weeks he was waiting for the house to be made habitable. In fact he should be allowed something for what he had expended.

Ordered

That Mrs Costelloe be informed the Council cannot make any allowance in the rent of the house for the period he states it was not occupied by him, and that it will run from the date mentioned in his proposal and bond.

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The Foreman reported that he required two small hand barrows, and one wheel barrow to clean the ashpits. His attention was drawn to house occupied by Mrs Grace Wm St, the down pipe of which is broken.

Damage has been done to watering cart in Henry St Yard, Considerable trespass comes from the old quarry direction into this Yard. As regards other works ordered to be done he will proceed with same now under the supervision of the Surveyor.

Ordered

That the Surveyor prepare a specification for the hand barrows and wheelbarrow, and that tenders be invited for same to be considered at next Meeting.

There was No Order made respecting Henry St Yard, or the other works referred to by the Foreman.

Mr O'Sullivan drew attention to the bad state of repair in which many of the Houses of the Council are, and, after a short

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discussion it was Ordered that the Surveyor inspect them and give an estimate of the probable cost of ~~painting~~ them in a proper state of repair.

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The following report of the Finance Committee was read viz:-
Your Finance Committee Met this evening and having considered accounts submitted by the Clerk for payment, recommend the following (See list at commencement of Minutes). We also recommend that paying Orders for loans be held over till the end of the month.
Proposed by Mr. O'Sullivan and
Seconded by Mr. Brewer

That the report of the Finance Committee be adopted, and the payments recommended by them made.

Passed Unanimously.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 22nd April 1913.

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Monday 21st April 1913.

A Meeting of the Finance Committee was held this evening at 7 o'clock to consider Abstract of Uncollectable Rates and transact business of the Committee.

Present Messrs Patrick J. Dunne
and
John Sullivan

The Collector was also in attendance.

The Committee having examined the list of outstanding Rates, submitted by the Collector, prepared a Report of which the following is a copy:-
In the opinion of the Finance Committee the sum of £33:15:9 Town & Domestic Water Rate, and the sum of £23:19:3 Poor Rate, is irrecoverable, and we recommend that £57:15:0 which has been paid by the Collector in respect of those two items be refunded.

The Meeting adjourned

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Tuesday. 22nd/o April 1913.

An adjourned Quarterly Meeting of the Council was held this day at 4 O'Clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898: Consider Surveyor's amended Estimate for Metalling, etc, and decide upon quantity to be obtained for current year.

Present Messrs Patrick J Dunne J.P. Chairman Presiding.
John Fanning
Joseph Brewer
John Dorothy, South St.
Richard J O'Connor
John Aud O'Sullivan

The Town Surveyor was also present.
The Minutes of the last Quarterly Meeting were read and signed.

The following report of the Town Surveyor was read:-

22nd/o April 1913

In Compliance with your resolution I herewith Submit my amended Annual Estimate in order to Coincide with the pre-estimated Amount already allocated for street Maintenence.

600 Tons Pannell Quarries Material @ 7/6 = £225-10-0
100 " Ballyneal Do @ 5/3 = 26-5-0
50 " Palace Do @ 5/3 = 13-2-6
50. " Glenamaw Do @ 5/3 = 13-2-6

Gravel, sand, and New Surface Traps £20. Special Works £45. Maintenence and upkeep of horses £185-4-0. Total £528-4-0

In Order to Check the expressed wishes of the Council I am requisitioning fifty tons of unbroken Material from Glenamaw Quarry. I have had a quotation from a local Contractor who will undertake to deliver this Material @ 3/9 per Ton in the Rosbercon depots only. I am allowing the sum of 1/6 per Ton for breaking, making a total of 5/3 per Ton.

I herewith Submit a sample of this Stone, and would recommend You to accept it, On condition that all Material shall be equal in every respect to sample submitted

J J Shortall
Town Surveyor.

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After a long discussion the following resolution was.
Proposed by Dr John Murphy South Sh and
Seconded by Dr Brewer "That the amended estimate"
"of the Town Surveyor be adopted, and the material"
"specified by him obtained"
Passed, Dr O'Connor dissenting to
the purchase of so much material from The Parnell Quarries.
The Meeting adjourned to Tuesday, 1st July 1913.

Patrick J. Dunne

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Tuesday, 22nd April 1913.

A Meeting of the Council was held this evening at 7.30 O'Clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, Consider a letter from Mrs Fanning's Solicitor asking to have the Council's Solicitors instructed to accept service of a Writ; Cancel uncollectable Poor Rate, Town Rate, and Domestic Water Rate for Current Financial Year, and Consider following Notice of Motion by Mr Fanning Viz:- That the Members of the Comcil" "who called for the Sworn Inquiry be asked to pay the" "expenses incurred therewith".

Present Messrs Patrick Dunne J.P. Chairman, Presiding.
John Fanning
Joseph Brewer
John Murphy, South Ward
Michael O'Connor
John O'Sullivan

The Town Surveyor was also present at the Meeting

The Treasurer's Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Brewer and Murphy, and the following Paying Order directed to be issued:-

Petty Cash £19-13-9

## Correspondence.

Letter from the Department of Agriculture, dated 15th April, requesting to be informed what rate was struck under The Technical Instruction (Ireland) Act 1899, for the financial year ending 31st March 1913, and what sum was realised by the levy.

Ordered.

That the Clerk furnish the desired information.

Letter from Mrs Galavin, Inishtown, dated 22nd Inst. drawing the attention of the Council to the condition of the house occupied by her, which for the sake of decency, if nothing else, requires to be repaired very badly. Some of the roofing of the stables was

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was blown away recently.

Proposed by Mr John Murphy South St. and
Seconded by The Chairman

That the Surveyor inspect the house, and sheds in yard, and give an estimate of the probable cost of putting them in a state of repair.

Passed.

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Letter from Mrs Whitty, Fair Gate, dated 22nd Inst. calling attention to the bad condition of the roof of the house occupied by her at Fair Gate. The catches on the windows, and the latches on the doors are also broken, and she would be thankful to have them repaired as soon as possible.

Ordered

That the Surveyor report upon them to Next Meeting.

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Mr John Murphy, South St. at this stage of the Meeting, drew attention to the exclusion of the Press from the Meetings of the Technical Instruction Committee, which, he contended was a Committee of the Council, and asked to have an expression of Opinion from the Council on the Matter.

After a short discussion it was:-

Proposed by Mr O'Sullivan and
Seconded by Mr Fanning

"That this Council is of the opinion"
"that the representatives of the Press should be invited to every meeting"
"of the Technical Committee, and that they should obtain every"
"facility to assist them in the full publication of the affairs"
"of the Council."

Passed Unanimously.

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Letter from Mr Hamilton, dated 10th Inst. stating that he will be at home every day except the 14th, and can see the deputation in reference to Trinity Hospital anytime they like.

The Clerk reported that the Chairman and he called on two occasions but were unable to see Mr Hamilton, nor can he be seen for the next ten or fourteen days owing to him having met with a Motor accident. He however directed Mr Harding to call to the Office and explain that the Lady recommended by the Council

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was not eligible owing to her not being residing in town. He could not, of Course, give an undertaking on behalf of the Governors that the Nominee of the Council would in future be elected alternately with the Nominee of the Governors.

A long discussion took place upon the matter during which it was pointed out that Mrs Harrington was already admitted to a room, and would not be removed from it so that if the Council persisted in their refusal to assent to her election she would be deprived of the pension. Eventually the following resolution was:-

Proposed by Mr O'Sullivan and
Seconded by Mr O'Connor "That this Council assent to the"
"election of Mrs Bridget Harrington as an inmate of"
"Trinity Hospital."

Passed Unanimously.

Letter from H. A. Langrishe Esq Solr, dated 19th inst, as Chief Consulate for the Counties of Kilkenny, Tipperary and Wexford of the Cyclists Touring Club calling the attention of the Council to the fact that no steps appear to have been taken by them to obtain grants from the Road Board towards the upkeep of roads. He also pointed out that the Road Board was established by Act of Parliament in 1910, and has since then allocated a large sum for expenditure in Ireland. That the cost of steam rolling the roads from Ardress to Childcomb Can be had for the asking.

The Clerk stated that in December 1910, the Council made application to the Roads Board, direct, who informed them that the application should be made through the County Council. This was done and an acknowledgment of the application received by the County Council. Since then nothing further was heard of it presumably owing to the County Council, and the Roads Board not being able to agree as to a scheme of Steam Rolling.

Ordered

That the Clerk ascertain from the Secretary of the County Council what stage the matter is in at present.

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Letter from Mrs M. Moran, John St. dated 21st April 1913, stating that the water Channel in Maiden Lane, outside her premises, is very bad, and in wet weather her place is being Constantly flooded.

She asked the Council to have the matter put right.

Ordered

That it be referred to the Surveyor to see to it.

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Letter from A O'M Lovell, Architect, dated 9th Inst asking for a Cheque for £3-3-0 for plans of Technical School supplied to Council for Local Government Board as directed in the Council's letter of the 30th June 1911.

Ordered

That the letter be referred to the Finance Committee.

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Letter from Messrs Colfer & Son Solicitors, dated 21st Inst. in reference to Railway Rating. In it the Solicitors pointed out that until a few months ago it was doubtful to what extent Rating Authorities in Ireland were bound by the Valuation lists supplied by the Commissioner of Valuation, but the recent case of Whalley Against The Great Northern Railway Co (reported in Irish Law Times in January last) decided that the Rating Authority is bound both as to description and Valuation of property by these lists, and therefore in making the present rate the item of £30 set out under the head of Railways etc, should be assessed at one-fourth of the Valuation and the items of £35 and £123, set out in the "total" Column should be assessed at the full value.

The Clerk stated that he was assessing the two items referred to, at full value, and there was;

No Order made.

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The Finance Committee reported that they examined the lists of uncollectable rates and are of Opinion that the sum of £33-15-9 Domestic Water Rate, and Town Rate, and the sum of £23-19-3, Poor Rate is irrecoverable, and recommended that £57-15-0 which has been paid by the Collector in respect of these two items be refunded.

Mr Fanning objected to the cancellation of some of the items shown in abstract of uncollectable Rates until a full opportunity would be afforded each Member of the Council to investigate them, and, after a short discussion, it was agreed to defer the further Consideration

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of the matter to an adjourned Meeting of the Council to be held on the 29th. Inst, the list to be open in the Office for examination by any Member of the Council in the meantime.

The Foreman reported that Mrs. Ginn William Street, Fish dealer, came down and took some hay without permission out of a load he was after buying. He mentioned the matter to the police. He also asked permission to prosecute her if it occurs again

Ordered

That the permission asked for, be given to the Foreman.

The following letters received from W.J. Hearn Solicitor were read Viz:-

Offices, 15th. april 1913

re:- Fanning's Yard

Dear Sir,

Referring to this matter, please instruct your Solicitor to accept service of the Writ & Summons which I have now issued, and in the event of my not hearing from him by Thursday I will have it served in the Ordinary way.

Yours faithfully,
W. J. Hearn.

The Clerk stated that on receipt of that letter he wrote Mr Hearn informing him that he had no authority to instruct the Council's Solicitors to accept service of the Writ, but if he kindly let the matter stand over until Wednesday he (Clerk) will ask for permission to instruct them, at Meeting of Council to be held on the 22nd. Inst.

He also pointed out that work which it was considered would remedy the matter complained of, would be undertaken at once.

In reply to that, the following letter was received:-

Enniscorthy, 17th. April 1913.

re:- Fanning's Yard
Fanning v Urban Council.

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of your letter of 16th Inst, and as you have not authority to instruct the Council's Solicitors to accept

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Service of the writ I will allow the matter to remain over until Wednesday, but You will please at your meeting on Tuesday next, 22nd inst, obtain Authority from your Council to instruct your Solicitors to accept service of the Writ.

My Client is not prepared to allow the matter to remain over any longer, having regard to the fact that we are Corresponding about the Complaint since the 19th July 1912, and although that is nearly twelve months, we are now no nearer to having the matter remedied.

As regards the last paragraph in your letter it is immaterial to my Client when your Council proceeds to do the work specified in yours of the 5th March last, and although your Council may consider that that work will remedy the Complaint my Client is not, and will not be satisfied with that, and the proceedings will go on irrespective of any work that may be done by your Council now. My Client has been put to considerable expense over this matter, and, in the writ of Summons now issued she claims an injunction to prevent the Surface water from flowing in, an injunction to prevent the Council from obstructing the flow of surface water out of her yard, for damages, and for Costs. The work proposed by your Council in your letter of the 5th March was not accepted by my Client as a remedy, or at all, and accordingly any work that your Council may carry out now unless it has been approved of by my Client, will be a matter entirely for themselves.

Yours faithfully,
Wm F Deane

In connection with this matter the following report of the Town Surveyor was considered in Conjunction with the foregoing letter:-

With reference to the drainage of Fanning's yard, I am having the drain pipe carried up for the purpose of draining the locality. It will be necessary to blast portion of the pipe Trench. On examination I find that it will not be practicable to construct the proposed new Surface Traps in the exact positions selected, as there is a built Sewer immediately beneath the ground Surface at these points and any position outside that selected for those Traps would be ineffectual.

The only alternative appears to be the Construction of one large Trap at the lowest point in Mrs Fanning's yard, which would take the Combined drainage from the street area

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and the entire Yard. From Measurement I find that the area of Robert St from which surface water would actually find its way to this Yard is about one-thirtieth that of the area of the Yard, and from examination I find that the level of this Yard appears to have been, even prior to the raising of the roadway of Robert St, considerably below the original level of the Street, so that I am not satisfied that the raising of the roadway interfered with any privileges possessed by the proprietors of this Yard, although, I understand, it is alleged that the drainage of the Yard surface water was affected by this alteration. There are several features to which support may view. The only solution of the difficulty appears to be the Construction of the surface Trap indicated. The question of Cost appears to be one for mutual adjustment.

I would respectfully ask You to Consider the advisability of adopting the Local Government Board's Model Building Bye Laws.

After Considerable discussion the following resolution was

Proposed by Mrs Fanning and Seconded by Mr Keenan viz:-

That the Correspondence be submitted to the Council's Solicitors, as well as the remedy suggested by the Surveyor, which the Council Consider adequate, and if this is not accepted by Mrs Fanning's Solicitor, the Council's Solicitor be instructed to accept service of the Writ.

Passed Unanimously

Ordered.

That the Surveyor wait upon Messrs Cofer Roe for the purpose of affording them any information that he can.

There was No Order Made respecting the adoption of the building Bye Laws.

It was agreed, at this stage, to defer the remainder of the business to an adjourned Meeting to be held on the 29th inst, and accordingly The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 29th April 1913

Patrick J Deane

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Monday, 28th April 1913

A special Meeting of the Council, called in pursuance of a requisition, was to be held this Day at ½ 15 Oclock to consider a letter received from Messrs Coleford Son in reply to the Resolution passed at last Meeting of the Council, copy of which was conveyed to them, respecting the flooding of Hammondspond, and take such action thereon as may be approved of.

Present Messrs Patrick J Dunne J.P. Chairman
John Fanning
John and Murphy, South Ob.

As Quorum not having assembled there was no business transacted, and, at 8 Oclock P.M.

The Members Seperated.

Patride. J. Dunne

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Tuesday 29th April, 1913.

A Meeting of the New Ross Urban Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, make Poor Rate & Town Rate for year ending 31st March 1914, and cancel Uncollectable Poor Rate & Town Rate.

Present Messrs Patrick J. Dunne JP Presiding
John Sullivan
John Murphy South St
John Fanning
Joseph Brewer
Wm. J. O'Connor

The Surveyor was also in attendance.

The Minutes of previous Meetings were read and signed.

The Treasurer's Authority for making payments was signed by The Chairman and Messrs Sullivan & Murphy and the following Paying Order was directed to be issued viz:- Nov 26, £15:10:2, Petty Cash.

The Council first proceeded to make the Poor Rate, and Town Rate and Domestic Water Rate for year ending 31st March 1914, and the following resolutions were duly passed viz:-

Proposed by Wm O'Connor and
Seconded by Wm Murphy and Resolved.

That we raise the sum of one thousand, three hundred and eighty three pounds, nine shillings, and four pence as, and for Poor Rate, and for the purpose aforesaid make a Rate of three shillings and two pence in the £, for the financial year ending on the 31st day of March 1914, on the property situate within the Urban District of New Ross, pursuant to The Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898, and other Acts incorporated therewith, and same be collected in two moieties, the first on, or before the 30th day of September 1913, and the second on, or before the 31st day of March 1914.

That public Notice be given of said rates having been

made, by printed placards duly posted."

Passed Unanimously

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Proposed by Mr O'Connor
Seconded by Mr Murphy and Resolved

That the Presiding Chairman and two Members of the Council sign the Poor Rate Books, and the resolution making the Poor Rate endorsed thereon, and the Collectors Warrants, and affix the common seal of the Council to said Poor Rate Books and Documents.

Passed Unanimously.

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Proposed by Mr Murphy
Seconded by Mr O'Connor, and Resolved.

That we raise the sum of One thousand seven hundred and sixty seven pounds, five shillings and eleven pence, as and for Town Rate, and for that purpose we make a Town Rate of four shillings and three pence in the £, for the financial Year commencing on the first day of April 1913, and ending on the 31st day of March 1914, on the property situate in the Urban District of Tourlos, rateable under the undermentioned Acts for the purposes thereinmentioned, of which Town Rate of four shillings and three pence, the sum of one shilling is for general purposes under the provisions of the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and the sum of one shilling and five pence is for special purposes under the Locale Government (Ireland) Act 1898, and the sum of one shilling and ten pence in the £ is for sanitary purposes under the provisions of The Public Health (Ireland) Acts, which sanitary rate includes one penny in the £ under the provisions of The Technical Instruction Act 1889, and one penny in the £ under the provisions of The Agriculture & Technical Instruction (Ireland) Act 1899, for the purpose of Technical Instruction, and we hereby make a Domestic Water Rate under the provisions of the Public Health (Ireland) Acts, of one shilling and three pence in the £ on the Valuation of premises supplied with water, for the financial Year commencing on the first day of April 1913, and ending on the 31st day of March 1914, and we hereby fix that said Rates shall be payable on the first day of June 1913, and shall be collected

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in two moieties, the first on or before the 30th day of September 1913, and the second on or before the 31st day of March 1914.

Passed Unanimously

Proposed by Mr. O'Connor
Seconded by Mr. Murphy and Resolved

That the presiding Chairman and five other Members of the Council sign the Books in which the Town Rate and Domestic Water Rate are made out, also the resolution making the Town Rate and Domestic Water Rate, and the adoption of the Town Rate endorsed on said Books, and affix the common seal of the Council to said Rate Books and endorsements, and the Collectors Warrant affixed to said Rate Books be signed by the Presiding Chairman and five other Members of the Council present, and countersigned by the Clerk, and sealed with the Common seal of the Council.

Passed Unanimously

In pursuance of the foregoing resolutions the Rate Books were duly signed and sealed.

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The Clerk submitted the Abstracts of Uncollectable Poor Rate and Town Rate for half-year ended 31st March 1913, and after some discussion the following resolutions were duly passed viz:-

Proposed by Mr. O'Connor
Seconded by Mr. Brewer and Resolved

That sums of Uncollectable Poor Rate, for half-year ending the 31st day of March 1913, amounting to £23:19:3, be cancelled.

Passed Mr. Fanning dissenting

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Proposed by Mr. O'Connor
Seconded by Mr. Brewer and Resolved

That sums of Uncollectable Town & Domestic Water Rate for half-year ending the 31st day of March 1913, amounting to £33:15:9, be cancelled

Passed Mr. Fanning dissenting

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## Correspondence

Letter from Mr. Mc Rice. Irishtown, dated 19th Inst, expressing the opinion that it would be much better and less expensive to replace the wooden tree guards at South side of Irishtown with iron ones, same as those on North side, as nearly all those are decayed, and in addition it will take five times the quantity of paint to paint one of the wooden ones, as it would to paint one of the iron ones.

Ordered

That the consideration of this matter be deferred to next Meeting the Clerk to ascertain in the meantime, the cost of Iron guards, and if they can be made locally.

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Letter from Secretary of the County Council dated 24th Inst, stating that he was unable to say what became of the Councils application to the Road Board for a grant, but he knew that the scheme drafted by the County Surveyor did not go through. He suggested that the Town Surveyor give another scheme and he will bring it before the Meeting of the County Council on the 7th May. It would be well not to make the scheme too ambitious at first, and that grants be asked for streets which can be used by those who will benefit by the trunk road system.

Ordered

That the Surveyor prepare a small scheme for transmission to the County Council.

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Letter from Mrs Hamilton Jr, dated 25th Inst, thanking the Council for copy of resolution assenting to election of Mrs Harrington as an inmate of Trinity Hospital.

No Order Made

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Letter from Shand Mason & Co, dated 25th Inst, acknowledging the Councils Order for two Engines of hose, and stating that it is having best attention

No Order Made

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Notice was received from Mr J.R. Colfer Solr of his intention to apply at next Quarter Sessions for the sum of eight pounds for compensation for malicious injury to a yacht, his property.

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A discussion took place as to whether the claim should be opposed and it was:-
Proposed by Mr John Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Connor

That the claim be not opposed, but that the Councils Solicitors be instructed to make application to have portion of the Amount levied off the County Kilkenny.

Mr Fanning proposed that the claim be opposed but the proposition was not seconded.

The resolution was put to a vote and declared passed, Mr Fanning dissenting.

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The following report of the Shops Act Inspector was read viz:-
In reply to yours of the 10th inst for report on working of Shops Act, I beg to report as follows:- That almost all the business houses specified on Notice posted up by your Council are closing on weekly half holiday viz:- Wednesday, and any houses not within the Act viz: Publicans are all allowing their Assistants the weekly half holiday. In fact with the exception of some names given to the Councils Solicitors for prosecution on 29th March last the Act is being carried out most satisfactorily and all the Assistants getting their half holiday. The following named handed to Councils Solicitors on 29th March for prosecution but I am not aware wheather summons have been yet issued:-
P. Warner Quay Barber, M. Furlong Mary st Barber, A.J. Doyle three coal yards and Offices open, D. Hill 1 coal yard open & offices, J.J. Dooley 1 coal yard & offices open, P.R. Gorman & Co 1 coal yard & office open. John Doyle Quay & flour & meal shop open. P. Power Priory St no notice displayed in shop as prescribed. With the exception of P. Power, M. Furlong & J.J. Dooley all those parties have complied with the Act in all respects since. I would wish your Council to instruct their Solicitor to have summons issued in all the above cases who have not complied as this is the only way by which the regulations of the Acts may be properly enforced.

James Kelly
Inspector

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Ordered

That the Voting papers be sent out to the different Traders whose names appear on the Register, that the Council may ascertain the particular day approved of for a half holiday.

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The Clerk reported that James Keighry one of the Councils Workmen, was sick since last Meeting and asked if he would be paid his wages in full

Proposed by Mr. Fanning and
Seconded by Mr Brewer

That he be paid his wages in full for the present week.

To this the following Amendment was
Proposed by Mr Sullivan and
Seconded by Mr O'Connor

That he be paid the difference between what he is entitled to receive under the National Insurance Act and the amount of wages paid him by the Council.

A discussion ensued during which it was pointed out that if the Council paid him five shillings he would only receive five more from his Society as he would be only entitled to ten altogether, and eventually the amend-ment was withdrawn and the resolution put to a vote and

Passed Unanimously

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The Street Inspector submitted a list of persons who deposit shops sweepings on the streets, and it was Ordered

That they be written to and cautioned gain-st doing so.

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A Tender was received from Thomas Cleere Finakilly, offering 10/- for the fifth heap from entrance to Yard, and it was Ordered to be accepted.

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An application was received from the Postmaster, dated 29th Inst, for permission to erect a Pillar Box, near the approach to the Catholic Church, Scutts St, for the convenience of the people residing in that street. He made a similar application to the Surveyor some days ago, as he does not know in whose province the matter is precisely.

Proposed

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Proposed by Mr Fanning and
Seconded by Mr O'Connor

That permission be granted to erect the pillar box, the Surveyor to select the exact site.

Passed, Mr Murphy dissenting on the ground that the position in which it is proposed to erect the pillar box is not indicated clearly enough in the letter.

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The Surveyor reported as follows:-

A detailed estimate of repairs required to your house property is herewith submitted as directed. I await instructions with regard to the drainage of Fanning's Yard I interviewed Mr John Murphy in reference to the letter received from Mrs M. Moran. Mr Murphy believes that the surface water enters those premises from Maiden Lane. This is not improbable and if the water table adjacent were concreted it would help to obviate the trouble complained of.

I received a communication from the Local Postmaster stating that he proposed to erect a pillar letter box in Bower St, and asking for formal permission to do so.

Jas J Shortall
Town Surveyor.

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The total amount of the estimate referred to is £47:14:5. After some discussion it was:-

Proposed by Mr Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Fanning

That the repairs to Mrs Galavins specified in the Surveyors Estimate be carried out by him at once, and the consideration of the remainder of the work mentioned in the Estimate be adjourned

Passed Unanimously

Ordered

That the Water Channel at Maiden Lane adjacent to the premises occupied by Mrs Moran be concreted.

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When the resolution making the Rate was proposed, Mr Fanning

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Objected to it on the ground that the rate included one penny in the pound for the purposes of the Technical Instruction Act 1899, which he contended should not be assessed until the Technical Instruction Committee of The New Ross Urban District consent to permit the Press to be present at their meetings.

It was, however, pointed out that the rate might be made and held over by the Council afterwards, until the Committee would consent to the admission of the Press to their meetings.

After a short discussion this course was agreed to.

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There was no Order made in reference to the drainage of Fannings Yard; as the whole question will be considered in Committee when the ordinary business of the Council, in conjunction with Letters received from Messrs Cooper Hon.

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The following resolution, of which notice had been given by Mr Fanning was proposed by him Viz:-

That the Members of the Council who called for the Sworn Inquiry be asked to pay the expenses incurred therewith.

The proposal was not seconded.

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The Meeting went into Committee to Consider the question of the alleged flooding of Fanning's Yard, and the following letters received from Messrs Cooper Hon, were read:-

23rd April 1913

- Fanning's Yard -

Dear Sir

We are in receipt of your letter of this date enibvaying a resolution of the Council adopted at their meeting last evening. So far as we understand that resolution it conveys a desire of the Council that we should peruse the Surveyors Report and advise as to whether the remedy suggested by him will or will not be sufficient. We have therefore carefully perused that report, but we must decline to express any opinion whatever upon it, as we know nothing about Engineering matters. We may say however, that construing that report according to ordinary methods we should be inclined to think that the Surveyor himself is not very confident that the remedy proposed will be effectual.

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All this, however, is Engineering and not legal business. We think it right also to direct your attention to the passage in Mr. W. F. Hearn's letter in which he states that the legal proceedings will go on, irrespective of any works which the Council may now carry out, as his client is not satisfied with the work proposed to be done. It will be observed further, that Mr. Hearn refers in his letter to the lengthy correspondence which took place between him and the Council and we take this opportunity of suggesting that when a Complaint is made through the medium of a Solicitor the Council will usually be well advised to consult their own Solicitor before committing themselves to correspondence.

The Council are apparently under the impression that it is our duty to suggest a remedy for the state of affairs of which Mr. Fanning complains but this is an entire fallacy, as we pointed out in our letter to you of the 3rd March. In conclusion we must warn the Council that they appear to be on the brink of what may prove to be a very expensive law suit, and our advice to them is, that if any doubt is entertained as to the efficiency of the remedy proposed by the Town Surveyor, the advice of a qualified Engineer should be obtained and acted upon. In giving this advice we dont mean to question Mr. Shortall's report in any way but in legal proceedings evidence on Engineering questions given by persons who do not hold an engineering diploma, is usually of little value. We assume that the Councils resolution authorises us to accept service of the threatened Writ, and we are accordingly writing Mr. Hearn that we will accept service.

May we suggest that if proceedings are taken a small Committee should be appointed to confer with and instruct us from time to time. It is ridiculous that in proceedings by or against Municipal bodies, the opposite side should have the benefit of all the advice and information given to or obtained by the Municipal body.

Yours very truly
Culverhouse

28th April 1913

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Dear Sir

The Writ herein was sent to us by Mr. Hearn on Saturday

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last, and service accepted on same day. We would wish very much to see you to-day about this case as we fear that notwithstanding our warnings the Council are not yet sufficiently alive to the seriousness of proceedings in the Superior Courts.

Yours truly
Colfer & Son

28th April, 1913.

Dear Sir

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We understand there will be a meeting of the Council this evening and therefore we enclose the copy Writ which was served on us on Saturday so that the Council may note for themselves the nature of the claim. We had the advantage of seeing the place again to-day in your company, and also of interviewing your Surveyor Mr Shortall who was then engaged in the superintendence of certain works which he believes will have the effect of preventing any flooding of Mrs Fanning's premises. On this point we dont desire to offer an opinion, as it is not within the sphere of our duty, but we think an ordinary person, as distinguished from a Surveyor or Engineer, would come to the conclusion that the Works now being carried out would be sufficient to deprive Mrs Fanning of all reasonable grounds of complaint.

Unfortunately however, the commencement of this work was too long delayed, and consequently Mrs Fanning will most probably be entitled to her costs of action, up to the present at all events, if the case goes to trial. As to these costs, if the case remains in the Superior Courts, they will be very heavy, and quite disproportioned to the miserably trifling nature of the case itself. We therefore advise that an application be made at once to the Master of the Rolls to have the case remitted for trial to Quarter Sessions unless the Plaintiff gives security for the payment of the defendant's costs in the event of the defendants succeeding in the case.

Applications of this kind are, we believe, very rare in the Chancery Division, but we recollect one or two of them being successful, and we think there is a reasonably good prospect of the present one also succeeding. Even this application will cost a substantial sum, which shows the imprudence of temporising too much in a case where the Plaintiff employed a Solicitor so far back as nine months ago. Our earnest advice to the Council is to appoint this evening a Committee of two or at most three members, with absolute

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powers to carry on or compromise the case as they may be advised without waiting for the decision of the Council, because the periods allowed for taking the various steps in a lawsuit do not usually give sufficient time to have meetings of the entire Council

Yours very truly
Colgerton

After some discussion the following resolution was:-

Proposed by Mr O'Connor and
Seconded by Mr Brewer

That a Committee Consisting of the Chairman of the Council, and Mr John Murphy South St be appointed to confer with the Councils Solicitors respecting the Writ served on behalf of Mrs Fanning the Committee to have absolute power to carry on or compromise the case as they may be advised without waiting for the decision of the Council.

Passed Unanimously

Mr Brewer referred to the flooding of the streets which takes place sometimes on Sundays and at night, owing to the choking of the Street traps after heavy showers and suggested that arrangements should be made for the cleaning of them after heavy showers.

Ordered

That the Foreman have the street gratings cleaned during Sundays or Catholic Holydays, or, after the men have ceased work in the evenings, should he consider same necessary, owing to heavy rain having recently fallen, and that he pay special attention to the regular cleaning of them at all times.

That the man engaged at this work on a Sunday or Holyday be allowed o/t.

The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 13th May. 1913.

Patrick J Dunne

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Wednesday 30th April 1913.

The Committee appointed to confer with the Council's Solicitors respecting the Writ served on them on behalf of Mrs Fanning, waited on Mr Colfer by appointment in his Office at 5 O'Clock this evening.

The Chairman of the Council, and Mr John Murphy South St, the two Members who constitute the Committee, were present, as was also the Clerk.

After discussing the matter at considerable length with Mr Colfer, the Committee authorized him to obtain Counsels Opinion on the case, and to make application to have it remitted to Quarter Sessions for trial; also to engage the services of an Engineer, if he considered it desirable to do so, after which,

The Committee Withdrew.

Monday 4th May 1913.

A Monthly Meeting of the Council was to be held this day at 12 o'clock noon, to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854

No Member of the Council Attended

A Quorum not having assembled

The Meeting Adjourned

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Tuesday, 13th May. 1913.

A meeting of The New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7. 30. Oclock, P. M, to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith.

Present Messrs Patrick J Burne J.P. Chairman
Michael J'Connor
John Murphy, South St.
John Fanning
and
Joseph Brewer

Dr Sheehan attended during the transaction of the Sanitary business, but retired as the Municipal was begun.

The Town Surveyor was present at both Meetings.

The Treasurer's Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman, and Messrs John Murphy and Joseph Brewer, and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued Viz:-

No 24 — James J Shortall £4-6-8. John J Browne £2-8-8 (No 28)
" 29 " John J Browne £1-1-10. No 30. Same £55-16-6.
" 31 " D V E Railway Co £1-9-0. " 32. Rob[t] J a Heavey O/a £5-16-3
" 33. W[m] P Kirkpatrick £14-17-6. No 34: Dr W[m] O'Connor £8-6-0
" 35 - A. Nicholl £3-3-0. No 36 - John Doyle £6-12-8
" 37 - Thomas Hennessy £1-10-0 : James Barron £5-4-11 (No 38)
" 39 - R Harvey Clio £3-0-0. No 40 Staff Firm £11-5-0
" 41 - Do Firm £1-15-4. Cashier Bank of Ireland £2-13-9
" 43 - St Stephen's Cemetery Committee £4-13-6 - £7-12 - School attendance Committee
" 45 - Hugh R. Hamilton J.P. £7-19-9. No 46 - Petty Cash £26-2-3
" 47 - Edw[d] Talor £5-10-0.

## Correspondence.

Letter from the National Insurance Commissioners, dated 10th May 1913, informing the Council that they were about making a Special Order under Part Two of the First Schedule to the act, dealing with Subsidiary employment and requesting to be furnished with particulars of any employment under the Council, which it is thought might, with advantage, be included in such an Order.

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It was considered that the employment of Timothy Doran, who is in charge of the weighing machines, Richard Murphy, water works inspector, and possibly Mrs Brien, might be regarded as work of the nature intended to be included in the Order, and the Clerk was directed to furnish particulars respecting, Wages, hours of employment, &c, of those persons.

Letter from the Secretary of the County Council, dated 8th inst, stating that the Scheme submitted by the Council for grant from Road Board had been forwarded to the County Surveyor. It understood it required some amendments, so that it might be well to communicate with him.

Ordered

That the letter be referred to the Town Surveyor to reply, but that Officer stated that he written to the County Surveyor for information in connection with this application but had received no reply. He was of Opinion that it was the County Surveyor who should know move in the matter, and, it was agreed to await further developments.

A Tender of fourteen Shillings for One heap of manure was received from Mrs Whelan, Rylleu, and it was Ordered to be accepted.

A letter, dated 13th inst, was received from John R Coffey, thanking the Council for deciding not to oppose his claim for the Malicious injury to his Yacht, and stating that the damage is not so serious as he at first believed, and Consequently he will not proceed further with the claim

No Order made.

A report was received from Serjt McGuire, Rosbercon, in which he described the injury done to the Yacht, but there was no Order made upon it.

Messrs Shand Mason Nfo, advised the despatch of Two forty foot lengths of hose.

No Order made.

A postcard, dated 9th inst, was received from Messrs Smith and Pearson Ltd Newcomen Iron Works Dublin intimating that they hope to quote for tree guards, in a day or two.

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A Paying Order, value £13-10-0, was received from the Wexford County Council for amount of Bridge Contract for Hay-Year, and, it was Ordered to be lodged to the Credit of the Council.

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An application was received from John Earley, dated, 10th inst, for a license for a Cinematograph Exhibition to be given in the Town Hall, for week from 16th to 21st June, same to be issued in the name of Arthur B. Calvert who will act as manager, and is in Charge of the Door.

Proposed by Mr Fanning and
Seconded by Mr O'Connor

"That we hereby license the Town Hall,
"New Ross, for the purpose of a Cinematograph Entertainment"
"to be given there by Mr Arthur B. Calvert from the 16th to"
"the 21st June 1913."

Passed Unanimously.

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Tenders were received for the supply of one dozen Iron Guards for trees on South side of Irishtown, somewhat similar in design to those erected on the North side of Irishtown, Viz:-

From Messrs M. Hutchinson & Sons @ 23/8 each
" " Jonas Hartrick @ 19/- "
" " Edward Lalor @ 17/6 "

After some discussion it was:-
Proposed by The Chairman and
Seconded by Mr John Dunphy "That the matter be adjourned".

To this the following Amendment was:-
Proposed by Mr Fanning and
Seconded by Mr O'Connor Viz:- "That the Tender of Mr Lalor"
be accepted".

The Amendment was put to a Vote and
there Voted - For:- Messrs Fanning and O'Connor 2
against:- Messrs Brewer, Dunphy, and The Chairman 3
The Amendment was declared lost and the original resolution "Passed".

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In connection with this matter the following Notice of Motion was handed in by Mr O'Connor Viz:-

"I beg to propose that we consider on this night fortnight"
"the advisability of getting iron guards for the twelve"
"trees on South side of Dristown and a simpler and"
"cheaper Kind of Guard be advertised for to secure those"
"trees than those we had Tenders for this evening".

A Tender, dated 3rd. Inst. was received from Messrs Stanley Bro Waterford for the supply of six dozen rent books, forty-eight leaves in each, ruled, bound, leather back, name space, punched and lettered in good @ 6/- per doz; or twelve Doz @ 5/6 per Doz.
Proposed by Mr Fanning and
Seconded by Mr Brewer.

That 12 doz of Tenants rent books"
"Same as specified by Messrs Stanley Bro. at 5/6 be"
"Ordered from them"

Passed Unanimously.

The Foreman reported that the Council's horses should be put out on grass now, but it is difficult to get any.

The grass of a field at Down Hall, the property of the late Mr Hogan, will be let by Auction on Thursday next, and he desires to have the Authority of the Council to purchase it as it is most convenient.
Proposed by Mr Brewer and
Seconded by Mr O'Connor

That the Chairman and Foreman attend the Sale of the grass, and purchase same on behalf of the Council, if possible.

Passed Unanimously.

## Surveyor's Report.

The Surveyor reported that repairs were carried out to the Water main at Ballyanne on the 22nd Inst.

The Council's Order in reference to Steam rolling Scheme for transmission to Roads Board has been complied with.

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He has requested Mr Connolly, builder, to carry out the necessary repairs to house occupied by the late Mrs Galavin, and he promises to have them attended to as soon as possible.

He estimates the cost of laying a 6" inch drain as recommended to the William Street Roads, to be £9-10-0.

An alternative remedy would be to insert sections of 9" inch pipe with junctions for gully traps where necessary to existing drain, and to flush the drain occasionally, to prevent silting up. Estimated Cost £5-15-0. He estimated the Cost of Covering the yard surfaces of these houses to be £11-5-0. He has employed a tradesman to repair and re-hang the entrance gates to Henry Street Yard as the work was urgent.

He expects to have the repairs already recommended carried out to Water Table on "Little Hill" during the week. New surface Traps are required on South Sides of Irishtown, and William St, to prevent damage to road surface. The watering trough on Quay requires some repairs to valves.

Portion of the weather dating on the South side gable of Royal Hotel is in a dangerous condition.

A gate pier at the entrance to Mr Quinn's Marsh at Newtown is also dangerous. I beg to be supplied with a levelling instrument. With reference to the letter box proposed to be erected in South St, and the Postmaster, and he, has selected a site on the East side outside house in occupation of Mrs Moloy.

Proposed by Mr Fanning and
Seconded by The Chairman

"That the work specified by the Surveyor be carried out in the Yards of the Corporation houses at William St. by him, in accordance with his specification, "6" drain pipes to be used, and the surface of the yards to be concreted at a cost not exceeding £20."

Passed Unanimously.

Proposed by Mr Fanning and
Seconded by Mr Brewer

"That the surface Traps referred to by the Surveyor, be constructed by him at a cost not exceeding £4-0-0."

Passed Unanimously.

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It was ordered that the attention of Mr Keane be drawn to the weather slating of the Hotel, which is dangerous, and of Mr Quinn, to the dangerous condition of the gate pier of his Marsh.

A discussion took place in reference to the site selected for the erection of the Pillar Letter Box, some members being of opinion that it ought to be fixed in the Vacant Wall near the Town Hall, as this would be more Convenient for the public

Proposed by Mr Murphy, South St, and
Seconded by Mr O'Connor

"That permission to erect the Pillar Letter"
"Box on the site selected be refused"

To which the following Amendment was:-
Proposed by Mr Fanning and
Seconded by The Chairman

"That the necessary permission"
"be given the Postmaster to erect the Pillar Letter Box on the site selected."

On the Amendment being put to a Vote, the following Voted
For - Messrs Brewer, Fanning, and the Chairman 3
Against - Messrs Murphy & O'Connor 2
The Amendment was declared "Passed".

The question of providing a levelling Instrument was deferred to Next Meeting, the Surveyor to ascertain particulars of cost of same in the meantime.

The advisability of adopting the Local Government Board's Model Code of Bye Laws was referred to the Sanitary Committee, the Surveyor to attend the meeting.

The Clerk submitted a Number of Bills for payment, and it was:-
Proposed by Mr John Murphy, South St, and
Seconded by Mr Fanning

"That the balance of the Technical Rate for"
"half year ending 31st March last, amounting to £16-11-3, be not paid"
"paid over to the Committee, until such time as the Press is permitted"
"to attend the meetings of the Committee."

Passed, Mr O'Connor dissenting.

On the proposal of Mr Fanning, Seconded by Mr Brewer,

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the remainder of the bills, a list of which appears at the commencement of the Minutes, were ordered to be paid.

The Clerk reported that the Contract of Messrs Hartrick for repairing of Water Mains, Tapping of do. and Making of Connections to Footpaths for House Supplies, which they had for the past three years expired on 12th inst. and it was

Ordered

That Advertisements be issued inviting Tenders for similar work for three years, from date of acceptance of Tender, in accordance with a Specification to be prepared by The Town Surveyor.

The Meeting adjourned to 27th Inst. May 1913.

Patrick J Dunne

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Thursday 22nd May 1913

A Meeting of the Sanitary Committee was held this evening at 8 o'clock to consider advisability of adopting Building Bye Laws.

Present Messrs P. J. Dunne JP Presiding
Th J O'Connor
John Murphy South St

The Surveyor was also in attendance and submitted a copy of the Model Building Bye Laws of the Local Government Board.

After a long discussion it was:-
Proposed by Mr Murphy and
Seconded by The Chairman

That we recommend the Council not to adopt Building Bye Laws at present, and that any person requiring to Connect with the Sewers of the Council be required to give notice to the Council of their intention to do so so that the Surveyor may see the Connection is properly made.

Passed Mr O'Connor dessenting

The Meeting Adjourned.

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Wednesday, 15th May 1913

A meeting of the Committee appointed to confer with Messrs Colfer & Sons, and give them such instructions as may be necessary, respecting the writ which has been served on the Council in the case of Fanning v Urban Council held Mr Colfer sent by appointment in his offices at 5 Oclock P.M. in pursuance of a letter received from the Council's Solicitors by the Clerk in which they pointed out that they would like to see the Committee

Present Messrs R J Dunne JP.
and
John Murphy.

The Clerk was also present.

Mr Colfer stated that he had received Counsels Opinion on the Case, and read extracts from it, in which Counsel, whilst characterizing it as a very paltry case stated that the application to remit ought to go to trial. He also expressed some doubt as to whether it was one which the Court would decide might be tried by a Court of Quarter Sessions as if the principal Cause of action was the seeking of an injunction, and not damages, the trial could not be originated in the inferior Court, but, on the whole Counsel was of opinion that it would be remitted. A long discussion followed as to the Advisability of Compromising the case by payment of a small sum for damages, on the understanding that this would relieve the Council from all present and future liability.

Mr Colfer pointed out that if it went to trial in the Superior Courts, apart from the question of damages, if any, that might be given, the costs would be very heavy, and even assuming that the Council succeeded in the case it would be impossible for them to recover their costs from Mrs Fanning.

Whilst the costs of the trial at Quarter Sessions would not be much compared with the Superior Courts, still, taking the costs of the motion to remit, and subsequent costs of County Court into Consideration, they would be considerable.

The Committee, having considered all the circumstances, directed the Council's Solicitors to offer, on behalf of the Council, £10 damages, and £5-5-0 costs in full settlement of all liability, present and future, and without prejudice to the interests of the Council if the case went to trial.

Mr Colfer agreed to make this offer to Mrs Fanning's Solicitor, after which,

The Committee withdrew.

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A Meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this evening at 7.30 O'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854; conaider following Notice of Motion by Mr O'Connor viz:- That we conaider on this night fortnight the advisability of getting iron guards for the twelve trees on south side of Irishtown and a simpler and cheaper kind of guard be advertised for to secure these trees than those we had tenders for this evening." also conaider recommendation that Building Bye Laws be not adopted.

Present Mesrs Patrick J. Dunne JP Presiding
John Fanning
John Murphy South St
Joseph Brewer
No. J. O'Connor
John O'Sullivan

The minutes of previous Meeting were read and signed.

The Surveyor was also in attendance

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Mesrs Fanning and Brewer and the following paying order was directed to be issued viz:- No 48 £25:18:0 Petty Cash.

Before the business of the Meeting was proceeded with the following resolution was Proposed by Mr Fanning and
Seconded by Mr O'Connor

That We the members of the New-
- Ross Urban District Council, seeing that the Government contemplates introducing in the present Session of Parliament, a Land Bill request the Chairman Mr Redmond, and members of the Irish Parliamentary Party, to see that provision shall be made in the Land Bill so as to include the following Objects, viz:-

(a) That town tenants, yearly, monthly and weekly, be enabled to become the owners of their houses on the same easy terms as the tenant farmers.

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(B) That Municipal and Urban Councils be empowered to compulsorily accquire Land to build artizans dwellings on the same terms as are now given to provide agricultural labourers with cottages.

(C) That Urban Councils be empowered to accquire land to let in allotments for tillage in and about towns.

(D) That owners of houses and lands be compelled to pay rates on vacant houses and lands.

(E) That town tenants be entitled to compensation for unjust or capricious eviction.

(F) That leases in lands and houses be abolished as an unjust tax upon industry.

(G) That town tenants have fixicity of tenure.

That the Clerk be directed to send copies of this resolution to Mr Redmond Chairman of the Irish Party, our county Members Messrs French & Esmonde, Mr William Field MP, Mr Wm O'Brien MP, Sir Edward Carson MP and Mr Bob Browne (Sec town tenants association, Dublin.)

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When the Minutes of the Meeting of the Sanitary Committee, in which the Committee recommend the Council not to adopt building Bye Laws were read, a short discussion took place after which, the following resolution was:-

Proposed by Mr Fanning and
Seconded by Mr O'Connor

That the Model code of building Bye Laws of the Local Government Board be adopted by the Council.

To which the following amendment was
Proposed by Mr John Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Brewer

That the recommendation of the Committee respecting those Bye Laws viz:- That they be not adopted, be adopted by the Council.

On the amendment being put to a vote there voted For
For:- Mayor O'Sullivan, Brewer, Murphy & the Chairman 4
Against:- Mayor O'Connor and Fanning 2

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The Chairman declared the amendment lost and the resolution "Carried".

## Correspondence

The following Tenders were received viz:- For the supply of two boat loads of St Mullins Gravel, and two boat loads of Sand, at per ton from Stephen Carroll who offered to supply the gravel @ £1:10:0 per boatload and the sand at £1:5:0.

From Mrs Roche Ballyanne who tendered to supply St Mullins gravel at 2/6 per ton and Ballyanne fine Sand @ 2/- per ton.

Proposed by Mr O'Connor and
Seconded by Mr Murphy

That the Tender of Mrs Roche for the supply of two boatloads of St Mullins gravel @ 2/6 per ton and of Ballyanne fine sand at 2/- per ton, delivered on Quay, New Ross be accepted

Passed Unanimously

For the supply of fifty tons of stones from Glensinsaw quarries delivered at the Councils Depots at Rosbercon, the following tenders were received viz:- from Richard Malone and Thos Oneill the former offered to supply unbroken stones @ 3/10, and broken ones @ 5/0 per ton, whilst Thos Oneills tender was for unbroken ones only @ 4/- per ton.

Proposed by Mr O'Connor and
Seconded by Mr Brewer

That Richard Malones tender be accepted for twenty tons of unbroken stones from Glensinsaw quarry at 3/10 per ton, and thirty tons of broken stones @ 5/6 per ton delivered in the Councils Depots at Rosbercon.

Passed Unanimously.

Thos O'Neill also tendered for the supply of one hundred tons of unbroken stones from Ballyneal Quarry at 2/6 per ton, but as it was for broken stones a Tender was invited, this one was not accepted but it was,

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Ordered

That advertisements be again issued inviting Tenders for the supply of one hundred tons of broken stones.

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Patrick Nolan. Templenacrue, tendered to supply 50 tons of broken stones from Palace Quarry delivered on rail there, at 2/- per ton, and unbroken at 1/6 per ton.

Mrs Bridget Doran, Gobbinstown tendered at 3/9 for ~~unt~~-broken and 2/- for unbroken stones from same quarry delivered on rail there.

Proposed by Mr. O'Connor and
Seconded by Mr. Fanning

That the tender of Patrick Nolan. for the supply of fifty tons of broken stones from Palace Quarry @ 3/- per ton delivered on rail at Palace Station be accepted.

Passed Unanimously

Ordered

That the Councils Solicitors be instructed to prepare the usual Contract and Bond in the case of the accepted tenders, and have same signed.

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A Paying Order for £6:13:2, being Interest in Lieu of rent, was received from the Irish Land Commission and Ordered to be lodged to the credit of the Council.

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A Notification was received from The Registrar of Petty Sessions Clerks, intimating that a sum of £19:16:7 being the proportion of surplus money from the sale of Dog Licenses, had been lodged to the credit of the Council, but there was No Order made upon it.

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Letter from the County Surveyor, dated 18th Inst, enclosing two Forms to be filled, in connection with the application of the Council for a grant from the Road Board.

Ordered

That the Surveyor furnish the required particulars to the County Surveyor.

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Letter from the Manager the "People", dated 13th Inst in reference to publication of Notice of Rates having been made, and stating that the rate for Public Bodies, not having contracts with him is 6p per £.

Ordered

That this letter be referred to the Finance Committee.

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The Hon. Secretary of the Housing and Town Planning Association of Ireland, wrote under date 13th Inst stating that the Committee are anxious to send some complimentary copies of their pamphlet "Housing and Town Improvement" to ten persons in the town who are likely to be interested in the work of the Association, and asking to have a list sent.

Ordered

That the Clerk furnish a list of names of persons whom he considers likely to take an interest in the work.

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A Tender was received from Mr John Ryan, Red House, for two heaps of manure in depot at Town Wall of 21/6, for middle heap of manure and 17/6 for next largest.

Proposed by the Chairman and

Seconded by Mr Murphy

That Mr Ryan's tender for the two heaps of manure be accepted subject to the advertised conditions as to removal.

Passed Unanimously

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A Tender of 5/- for another heap of manure in same Dept, received from Mr Wm Gannon, Arnestown, was accepted on same conditions.

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A Letter was received from Messrs Shields & Murnaghan, Solicitors to the Omagh Urban District Council, dated 21st Inst, stating that the proportion of the Costs to be borne by this Council in the Railway Rating Appeal case was £1:19:6, and asking for a Paying Order for the amount

Ordered

That it be paid at Next Finance Meeting of the Council.

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A Tender was received from Messrs W. & P. Hartrick for repairs to

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mains, fitting of house supplies &c, and on the suggestion of Mr O'Sullivan it was referred to the special Meeting of the Council to be held on 3rd June, prox.

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An application was received from three of the Workmen for a suit of Oil clothes each, and on the suggestion of Mr John Murphy Sower St, the application was referred to the Sanitary Committee for the purpose of ascertaining if they can be got made in town instead of buying them in a shop ready made.

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Letter from Messrs Cooper & Son, dated 23rd Inst in reference to the Shops act, stating that they had gone carefully over the Register prepared by the Clerk, and have separated the licensed Trade from the other Trades, and as to these other Trades, the exempted from the Non-exempted. They have also prepared amended Notices, and have added several Names omitted to the list of trades, but they are not to be taken as responsible for the completeness of the list.

A further letter dated 24th Inst, was received, forwarding amended Register of exempted and Non-exempted Trades, and stating that they had prepared Notice of intention to made the order, which should be posted around town and completed by printer.

No Order Made on either letter.

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Letter from Same, dated 20th Inst, stating that before replying to the letter of the Council in reference to the Insurance Act, they required to know the particulars of terms of employment of each Officer and employee of the Council including wages, etc.

Ordered

That the Clerk furnish the information asked for.

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Letter from Same dated 27th Inst, enclosing bill of General Costs up to 31st March last, including the costs in reference to the Town Surveyor particulars of which they gave some time ago. The total bills £164:14:10, but to avoid the expense, delay, and trouble of taxation they would be glad to take £10 or £12 off this amount. They anticipate however the Council cannot pay without

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YEATES,
Law Stationers,
Stamp Retailers,
Printers, Scriveners,
Typists & Searchers,
74 Dame Street,
& Crampton Court,
Dublin.

*(Requisition to Tax—Order 65, Rule 54 (b) ).*

# In the High Court of Justice in Ireland.

DIVISION.

The New Ross Urban District Council

To

Cotter & Son, Solicitors Dr.

In the matter of the general Costs of said Council

In pursuance of "The Rules of the Supreme Court (Ireland), 1905," Order 65, Rule 54 (*b*) the said Council hereby request John Mathews Shapland, Morris Sandy, and James Goff

Esquires, Taxing Masters of the said Court, to Tax the Costs of the said Council in the matter of a dispute between the Council and their Town Surveyor and of the Miscellaneous Costs of said Council and of certain Post costs in connection with the New Ross Waterworks Scheme.

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in the Title hereof described as between Solicitor and Client

And the said Council hereby undertake to pay any Balance which the said Taxing Master may certify to be due by them ——— on foot of the said Bill of Costs ——— after getting all just Credits on Account thereof.

And the said Council ——— hereby Appoint W. F. Brown L.L.D Solicitor of No. 34 Lower Ormond Quay. Dublin, Solicitor , to attend on their ——— behalf on said Taxation.

And the said Council ——— hereby consent that the said Bill of Costs ——— be certified

Dated this 27th day of May 1913.

Sealed by the said Council with their Common seal in presence of :-

D J O'Connor
South St

I ~~Certify that the name~~
Journalist

Patrick J. Dunne (Presiding Chairman)

John Murphy
Joseph Brewer
(Two members of the Council)

Countersigned

M J Finn
Clerk of Council

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signed to the above Requisition the proper name and

handwriting of the said

*Solicitor*

day of

*Witness*

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taxation and they accordingly enclosed a requisition to tax which should be signed and sealed. It is also usual to appoint a Solicitor to apper for the Council on the taxation.
Proposed by Mr John Murphy South St and
Seconded by The Chairman

That the requisition for the taxation of Messrs Cotter & Sons costs be signed and sealed, and that Mr W. F. Browne, Solicitor be appointed to represent the Council on the taxation.

Passed Unanimously

In pursuance of the foregoing resolution the requisition, (copy of which is attached) was duly signed and sealed.

## Town Surveyor's Report

I beg to report that the water table in Braiden Lane has been repaired and the entrance gates to Henry St yard have been rehung and repaired as ordered. The watering trough on Quay has also been repaired. Specification for repairs &c to your water mains has been submitted. I called on Lt Heavey RA. with reference to the drainage of "Pondfields", as directed and explained my proposal to abate the nuisance complained of there. This work should now be carried out soon as possible. Building Scaffolding has been erected in Mary Street, by Col Sottenham's workmen, without having applied for the necessary permission. A quantity of building material was left in Charles St on the right of the 21st Inst by Messrs Mc. Kelly & Co's workmen without being lighted or protected. The surface water was also diverted by it, which injured the roadway.

This practice should be prohibited as the Council are I believe responsible in the event of any accident arising from this cause. The water main valve in Bridge Street requires to be repaired

Jas J. Shortall
Town Surveyor

Ordered

That Messrs Kelly & Co be written to and informed of the matter complained of and they be requested to take the necessary steps to prevent a recurrence of it.

That Mr Hamilton, and all other Contractors, be apprised

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Of the order of the Council requiring that application should be made for permission to erect scaffolding in the streets.

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Mr Fanning drew attention to the condition of the "Eave Board" over the Fish House, and it was Ordered "That the Surveyor" have it repaired.

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The Foreman reported that in accordance with the directions of your Council, the Chairman and myself attended at the auction of the grass of the late Mrs Hogan's field. The bidding was too high and accordingly we did not purchase. I have been making enquiries since and find that I can now get grass from Mrs Lewe, Steward at Mr Lyndalls Oakleands at the rate for both horses at 7/- per week. I have the horses there temporarily. I would be glad to have your instructions.

James Kelly. Foreman.

Proposed by Mr John Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Brewer

That grazing for the two horses be rented from Mrs Lewe, Mr Lyndalls Steward, at 7/- per week for the two, to date from the 17th May

Passed Unanimously

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The resolution of which notice was given by Mr OConnor respecting the provision of Iron Guards for the trees at South side of Irishtown was mentioned by him, but not moved, the following being, by agreement substituted by him Viz:-

Proposed by Mr OConnor and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy

That the Surveyor furnish an Estimate to best meeting of the cost of one dozen simpler Iron railings for trees at South side of Irishtown than those at North side and that he also examine and report upon the Condition of the existing wooden ones

Passed Unanimously

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The Chairman drew attention to the wall and piers built for the

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purpose of hanging the gates of the Manure Depot at Town Wall, and complained that the work carried out was too expensive, and on the suggestion of Mr John Murphy South St, the consideration of it was deferred to the Meeting of the Sanitary Committee already directed to be held early next week.

The Clerk drew attention to the fact that there was a quantity of old iron, or Meatal in the Fish House which ought to be disposed of to make room, and it was Ordered to be advertised for Sale.

He also stated that the person in charge of weigh Machine on Quay was of opinion that it required to be oiled, and cleaned, and it was

Ordered

That the Surveyor get this done.

The Surveyor not having obtained any particulars as to the cost of a Levelling Instrument, as Ordered at last Meeting, there was no action taken respecting the purchase of it.

The following Notices of Motion were handed in viz:-

By Mr Dunne

That the authority given the Surveyor to employ men temporarily be rescinded and that a small Committee be appointed to authorize, should they consider it necessary, the employment of temporary men between the Meetings of the Council.

By Mr Dunne

That the resolution authorizing that the repairs to Yards of their houses at William Street to be carried out by direct labour be rescinded and that same be carried out by contract.

By Mr O'Connor

That we rescind resolution keeping back grant to Technical School and that we pay this grant at once.

The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 10th June, 1913.

Patrick J Dunne

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Tuesday 27th May 1913.

A meeting of the Committee appointed to confer with Messrs Coffey & Son respecting the case of Fanning v The Council was held at 5.15 in the office of the Council on last evening in pursuance of a letter, of which a copy is entered here, received from Messrs Coffey & Son. Solicitors.

Present Messrs Patrick J Dunne J.P.
and
John Murphy

The following letter was read by each Member of the Committee:-

26th May 1913

Fanning v Council

Dear Sir,

Acting on the instructions of your Committee given us at the interview of 15th inst. we wrote to Mr Hearn proposing to settle this case by a payment of £10 for damages, and £5-5-0 for costs.

In reply, we received a letter offering to accept £20 for damages and £10-10-0 for costs provided that the works now being carried out proved effective for putting an end to the flooding of which the Plaintiff complains.

Although the amount demanded was, in our opinion, more than the Plaintiff was justly entitled to, yet in order to save costs, we were inclined to advise its acceptance if the proviso added by Mr Hearn was abandoned but before doing so we consulted our Counsel on the subject who was of the same opinion. We accordingly wrote Mr Hearn on 24th inst. stating that we would advise the Council to pay the £20, and £10-10-0, costs, if this payment would entirely end the matter, but to-day we received from Mr Hearn the enclosed letter. We would be glad to see your committee this evening, if possible, any between 5-30, and 6-30 so that we may further discuss the matter.

Yours very truly
Coffey & Son

The copy of Mr Hearn's letter to Messrs Coffey & Son, referred to in the above, set out that his Client will not agree to accept the amount offered unless on the express condition that the proposed work, which the Council are at present carrying out, will be effective, and unless the Council are prepared to agree to this, the only remedy is to let the case go to Court.

The Committee having read those letters proceeded to the office of Messrs Coffey & Son, and had a long interview with

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Mr Colfer Sen^r. The Committee, and Mr Colfer, were satisfied that no settlement would be satisfactory, or could be entertained by the Council, which did not fully protect them from any future proceedings in respect of the matter, and, as it appeared clear from Mr Hearn's letter that this could not be arrived at, the Committee decided that the only course open to the Council was to permit the case to go to trial, and they accordingly instructed Mr Colfer to tender to Mr Hearn, for signature, a consent to have the case remitted for trial to Quarter Sessions, and, in the event of him refusing to consent to same, that Mr Colfer take the necessary steps to apply to the Court to have the case remitted, after which,

The Committee withdrew

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Monday 2^nd^ June 1913.

A monthly meeting of the Council was to be held this day at 12 Oclock, noon, to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

No member of the Council attended

The Meeting adjourned to Tuesday, 3^rd^ June 1913.

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Tuesday 3rd June, 1913.

A Special Meeting of the Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to deal with the question of repairs to all the houses of the Council, and consider tender for repairs to water mains, etc.

Present Mayor Patrick J. Dunne JP. Presiding
John S. Hearn JP.
John Fanning
John Murphy South St
Michael J. O'Connor
and
Dr M. Walsh
Joseph Brewer

The Chairman read the resolution passed at last Meeting authorizing the holding of this Special Meeting.

The list of houses requiring repairs, and the estimated cost of same, furnish by the Surveyor to meeting of the Council held on the 9th April was submitted by the Clerk, and on the proposal of Mr Murphy, seconded by Mr Brewer, it was decided to consider repairs to each house separately. Each item was then dealt with in de-tail. During the consideration of the repairs necessary to each it appeared that some of the items consisted of panes of glass, when it was pointed out that hitherto it was not the practice to have glass put in for the tenants, Mr Murphy pointed out that it has been done some short time, and after a short discussion, the following resolution was:-

Proposed by Mr John Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Fanning

That glass be put in the windows where necessary on this occasion, and that the tenants be informed it will not be done in future, but that all broken panes will have to be replaced by the occupier.

Passed, Mr O'Connor dissenting to putting in the glass.

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When the examination of the list was completed a short discussion took place as to whether all the repairs showed

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be carried out, and if so, whether by direct labour, or Contract.

The total amount of the Surveyors Estimate for the work is £57:9:11, Of which the repairs to house occupied by the late Mrs Galavan amounting to £7:15:0, should be deducted, as an order had been given at a previous Meeting to have this work carried out, and it was now in progress. Eventually the following resolution was:-

Proposed by Dr Walsh
Seconded by John Murphy South St

That repairs to all the Tenants Houses, detailed by Surveyor in his report before the Council this evening be carried out, and that the Surveyor prepare a Specification for a Meeting of the Council to be held on the 10th Inst and that tenders be then invited and considered at Meeting to be held on the 24th Inst.

Passed Unanimously, Mr Fanning expressing the opinion that the work should be undertaken at once and carried out ~~at once~~ by direct labour.

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The Tender received from Mr Hartrick at last Meeting for House Connections, repairs to Mains &c was next considered and the following resolution was:-

Proposed by Mr O'Connor and
Seconded by Dr Walsh

That the tender of Messrs W. & F Hartrick for repairs to water Mains, tapping of same &c, be accepted.

Passed Unanimously

Ordered

That the Councils' Solicitors be instructed to prepare the necessary Contract and Bond.

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The Members Separated.

Patrick Fanning

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Monday 9th June. 1913.

A Meeting of the Finance Committee was held this evening at 5. o'clock to transact business of the Committee for the Finance Meeting of the Council.

Present Mayor Patrick J. Dunne JP
John Murphy South St.

The Clerk ~~reported~~ submitted a number of bills which the Committee examined in detail, and decided to recommend payment of a number which are entered on the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council. In reference to one received from "The New Ross Standard" for advertising "Notice of Rates having been made", a letter was read from the Manager stating that the Scale of charges was Six pence per line, but the Committee decided not to pay the amount charged. Having examined accounts of Messrs Connolly, Cullen & Kelly, the Committee prepared a report Copy of which also appears on the Minutes of the Council, after which,

The Meeting Adjourned

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Tuesday 10th June, 1913.

A Meeting of the New Ross Urban Council was held this evening at 7:30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and consider following Notice of Motion.

By Mr O'Connor

That we rescind resolution keeping back grant to Technical School, and that we pay this Grant at once.

By the Chairman of the Council

That the resolution authorizing that the repairs to yards of their houses at Wm St, to be carried out by direct labour, be rescinded, and that same be carried out by Contract.

That the authority given the Surveyor to employ men temporarily, be rescinded, and that a small Committee be appointed to authorize, should they consider it necessary, the employment of temporary men, between the Meetings of the Council.

Present Mayor Patrick J. Dunne JP Presiding
John Fanning
M. J. O'Connor
John Murphy John St
Joseph Brewer
John Murphy South St
John O'Sullivan

The Minutes of previous Meetings were read and Signed.

The Treasurer's Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman, and Mayor Brewer & O'Connor and the following Paying Orders were directed to be issued Viz:- No 49 Mrs B. Walsh £5:6:1, Boro Borough Treasurer Kilkenny £:10:8, No 51. Mc Firm £11:5:0, 52 W & J. Partrick £1:1:0, 53. Cashiers Bank of Ireland £5:10:0, 54 John J Browne £2:3:9, No 55 The Waterford New Ross Port Sanitary Authority £5:5:0, 56 Mrs M. A. Corcoran £1:10:6, 57 Omagh Urban Council £1:19:6, 58 James J. Shortall £4:6:8, 59 Dr Hickey £13:1:6, Treasurer Local Government Board £6:10:0, 61 Mc Firm £27:0:4, 62 Lynch & Co £5, 63 Richard Murphy £8:15:0, 64 Andrew Cullen £500, 65 Cashiers Bank of Ireland £2.

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## Correspondence

Letter from the Local Government Board dated 29th May 1913, No 28.081:1913, drawing attention to previous correspondence relative to the Sum of £95:1:6, due to the Board in connection with the Local Inquiry in relation to the Surveyor, and requesting that a Paying Order for the amount may be forwarded to the Board without delay.

As the Finance Committee had recommended that the Board be asked for particulars of the amount, it was Ordered that the recommendation of the Committee be carried out.

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Letter from Commissioner of Valuation enclosing a list of cases requiring revision, which should come through the hands of the Rate Collector.

The Clerk having stated that the matter was attended to there was No Order Made upon it.

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The Clerk also submitted the list of Valuations requiring revision received from the Collector, for transmission to the Valuation Office, and, after some discussion it was decided to defer the consideration of it to the Special Meeting to be held on Tuesday 17th Inst.

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Letter from Mr Lungley, dated 4th Inst, referring to the Vacancy in the Technical Instruction Committee arising out of the resignation of Mr Delaney, and intimating that the Department are also of opinion that the most desirable arrangement respecting the Constitution of the Committee is that in which the Number of Councillor Members exceeds the Number of added Members by one.

Ordered

That the Members of the Council be summoned to attend Next Meeting of the Council for the purpose of electing a Member of the Technical Instruction Committee in the room of Mr Delaney resigned.

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Letter from the County Surveyor dated 7th Inst, Stating that the Maintenence of the New Ross Bridge was omitted to be brought forward for a New Proposal, and the Contract with the Urban Council expires on the 30th June Next. If the Clerk is prepared to Continue the Main-

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-tenence on the same terms, and rate, he shall bring forward a Proposal at the December Meeting so as to cover the works between now and then, and to provide for its continuance after December next.

It was decided to approve of this arraugement and to continue the Contract upon the conditions pointed out by the County Surveyor.

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Tenders were received for the purchase of the old iron in the Fish House from James Kelly @ £2:12:6 by bulk, or £2:2:0 per ton, A.J. Marshall @ £2 per ton, and Martin Cooper Roville St @ 34/- per ton.
Proposed by Mr John Murphy South St and
Seconded By Mr O'Connor

That James Kelly's Tender for the old iron (only) which was pointed out by the Foreman, at £2:2:0 only be accepted, the Conduits and pumps not to be disposed of at present.

Passed Unanimously

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A Tender of £2 for the heap of manure in the Council's Depot at Town Wall, or £1 for half of it, was received from Mr W. Hopper Roville Bawnmore, and in the event of neither being accepted, he offered 10/- for the heap at right hand side of entrance to yard on Quay.

The Meeting considered the amount offered for heap at Town Wall far too little, but decided to accept 10/- for heap in yard on Quay.

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Letter from Mr Cullen, dated 3rd June asking what the intentions of the Council are with regard to the payment of the balance of his account. As this is dealt with on the report of the Finance Committee there was No Order Made here.

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Acknowledgments of the resolutions passed at last Meeting, in reference to Town Tenants, and other matters, were received from Messrs Coghlan Bruce, Wm Field M.P. John E. Redmond M.P. and Sir Thomas Grattan Esmonde M.P. Dart, all of whom promised attention to the subject matter of the resolution.

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Resolutions received from the General Secretary of the Town Tenants League in favour of Town Purchase being included in the forth coming Land Bill, and referring to the grant to the I.A.O.S, as well as organization, and Finance, were unanimously adopted

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on the Proposal of Mr Fanning, Seconded by Mr Hannon as were also resolutions received from the Louth Co Council, dealing with the Land Purchase Bill of 1913.

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The following report of the Finance Committee was read:-

(See list of payments at Commencement of Minutes.)

In the case of the application of the Local Government Board for £95:1:6, costs of Inquiry in connection with the Surveyor we recommend that the Board be asked to furnish the Council with particulars of the amount.

A Bill received from The Manager of the People for advertising "Notice of Sales" is about 100% over what they charged for the same advertisement on a former occasion, and 50% on another paper, we recommend that the Clerk be directed to inform him, that we are not prepared to pay more than that charged by other papers for the same advertisement Viz:- 18/-.

We recommend that the Board be asked to consent to the payment of bills from Messrs Cullen, Connolly & Kelly amounting respectively to £6:8:9, £8:17:0, and £3:11:0, which is not certified by your Surveyor, this work not having been carried out under his supervision, some of it being done during the period of his suspension.

P. J. Dunne
John Murphy

Proposed by Mr Brewer and
Seconded by Mr O'Connor

That the report of the Committee be adopted and the payments recommended by them made.

Passed Unanimously

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Mr O'Connor proposed the resolution of which he had given Notice viz:- That the resolution keeping back grant from Technical School be rescinded, and that the Council pay this grant at once." but it was not Seconded.

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The following resolutions of which due Notice was given were:-

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Proposed by the Chairman and
Seconded by John Murphy South St

That the resolution authorizing repairs to yards of their houses at William Street to be carried out by direct labour be rescinded and that same be carried out by Contract.

Passed Mrs Fanning dissenting

That the authority given the Surveyor to employ men temporarily be rescinded and that a small Committee be appointed to authorize, should they consider it necessary, the employment of temporary men between the meetings of the Council.

Passed

The Sanitary Committee was authorized to employ men temporarily.

The Surveyor Submitted a Specification of the repairs to be carried out on the houses of the Council as agreed to at the Special Meeting held on the 3rd inst, and on the proposal of Mrs John Murphy South St Seconded by Mrs O'Connor it was adopted. It was also decided not to use any jointing material in the fixing of any down pipes required.

## Foreman's Report

I beg to report that owing to the bad weather the Councils houses have not improved on the marsh lands at Oaklands. If the weather continue as it is at present I would suggest to the Council to change them, if such Change could be obtained conveniently and reasonably in the Neighbourhood. The Council may dispose of three more heaps of manure at Town Wall. The size of them to be the same as those bought recently by Messrs Ryan & Gannon. A number of the General Dealers inspected the metal for sale at Ashouse Store by your Council. I pointed out to them the metal for sale per cwt weight. also I informed them that the old pump of South St Cross Lane, would be sold separate also the two old fountains.

James Kelly
Foreman

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Proposed by Mr John Murphy South St and
Seconded by Mr Brewer

That the Foreman be authorized to obtain more suitable grazing pasture for the Councils horses, upon the best he can.

Passed Unanimously

Mr John Murphy South St handed in the following Notice of Motion Viz:-

I hereby give Notice that I will move at the next quarterly Meeting of the Rowlos Urban District Council, to be held on the 1st July 1913, that a new concrete footpath and water-table be constructed on the North side of Cross Lane from the entrance Gate of Catholic Church to the entrance Gate to the Presbytery, an approximate distance of about 110 Yards. Cost Not to exceed £50.

Ordered

That the Clerk attend to the Matter.

It was decided to defer the consideration of the remainder of the business, to next Meeting of the Council.

The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 24th June, 1913.

Patrick J. Durcan

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Wednesday 18th June 1913.

A Meeting of the Finance Committee was held this evening at 1.30 o'clock P.M. to consider Tenders for advertising for Contractors for carrying out of Sewerage Scheme.

Present Mess^rs Patrick J. Dunne Chairman
John Murphy South St
and
John Murphy John St

Quotations were received from the following papers viz:-
The Irish Architect @ £2:3:9, Daily Independent £1:17:6, The Irish Builder and Engineer £1:5:0, Free Press and New Ross Standard three pence per line, total amount per insertion quoted by the latter being £1:6:0. A long discussion took place as to the necessity of inserting it in more than "The Irish Builder & Engineer", and the Committee were unanimous of opinion that this paper was quite sufficient as it was probably read by every Contractor.
According the Committee
Ordered

That the advertisement be inserted be inserted in the "Irish Builder & Engineer, Issue, and that one dozen copies of the paper be ordered, and sent to probable contractors later on if Tenders are not being received.

The Meeting Adjourned

Patrick J. Dunne

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A Meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and elect a member on the Technical Instruction Committee in room of Mr. Delaney resigned.

Present Mayor Patrick J. Dunne JP Presiding
John. S. Hearn JP
John Fanning
P. H. Gorman
John Murphy John St
M. J. O'Connor
Joseph Brewer.

The Minutes of previous Meetings were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Murphy & Brewer and the following Paying Order was directed to be issued Nos 8866 £24:10:1 Petty Cash.

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Finance Committee held on the 18th inst. from which it appeared the Committee confined the advertisement for Contractors for the Sewerage Scheme to "The Irish Builder & Engineer" having been read it was proposed by Mr. John S. Hearn JP and Seconded by Mr. O'Connor

"That the action of the Committee be approved of."

Passed Mr. Fanning dissenting

on the ground that the advertisement should have been sent to the Local papers as well.

## Correspondence

Letter from Local Government Board, No 31. #66:1913, dated 16th June 1913, acknowledging receipt of the Councils letter of the 10th inst relative to the expenses of the Inquiry, and stating that a sum of £76:3:6, was paid for Shorthand writing and £18:18:0

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for the Services of the Inspector who held the Inquiry.

Ordered

That the Local Government Board be asked to inform the Council how the Amount Charged for Shorthand writing is made up, as the Council consider the amount excessive.

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A circular letter dated 16th Inst, was received from the Under Secretary, Dublin Castle, asking to be furnished with particulars of any Orders made by the Council under the Shops Act, this information being required in Connection with the preparation of a Return for presentation to Parliament.

Ordered

That the Clerk furnish the necessary particulars.

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Letter from Messrs Colfer & Son Solrs, dated 16th Inst, enclosing Draft Orders which the Council propose to make in reference to the Sale of the Councils lands of Commons or Newtown, and stating that if there was a Meeting on Each evening it might be submitted to the Council, but if there was not, they will take it upon themselves to approve of the Draft Order, as it is merely a matter of Form, and there is Nothing to alter or Amend.

Ordered

That they be approved of by the Council.

A letter was received from the Hon Sec of the Association of Municipal Authorities, enclosing A list of Delegates appointed to attend the first Conference of the Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland held in December last, and asking if there was any change in the representatives appointed in order that he may have the correct Names of the Delegates to be summoned to a conference on the 7th Oct next.

The Clerk stated that he furnished the Names of the representatives of the Council who were appointed to attend the Special Meeting, or Conference, to the Secretary, Sometime ago, and there was Now

No Order Made.

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Letter from the County Surveyor dated 13th June, acknowledging receipt of Councils letter of the 10th Inst in reference to maintenence of New Ross Bridge. When the New proposal is passed he can enter

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into an agreement to cover the work done in the interim.

He also acknowleged receipt of Specification, Sent by him in Connection with the application to the Roads Board, after Some discussion it was

Ordered

That the County Surveyor be informed the Council are of opinion the Amount allowed annually for the maintenence of the Bridge is not Sufficient owing to the increase in labour and Cost of Macadam which has taken place Since the last Contract was entered into.

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A Quotation was received from the "Echo" dated 17th June, for insertion of Sewerage Advertisement, but as this matter was already decided, the letter was not Considered.

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Letters were received from Messrs Colfer & Son, Solicitors, enclosing perfected Contract & Bond of Patrick Nolan, and of Richard Malone for the Supply of Stones from the Palace & Glenamaw quarries, that Same might be Sealed by the Council.

Proposed by Mr. John Murphy John St and
Seconded by Mr. O'Connor

That the Contract & Bond of Patrick Nolan, and Richard Malone, for the Supply of Stones, be Sealed.

Passed Unanimously

In pursuance of the foregoing resolution the documents were duly Sealed.

Ordered

That the Surveyor inspect the Stones in the Palace Quarry before they are put on rail.

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Letter from Local Government Board, dated 17th inst, acknowledging receipt of the Councils letter of 14th inst, in reference to payment of Accounts without Same been certified by the Surveyor.

No Order Made.

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Letter from Manager of "The People" agreeing to accept 18/- in Settlement of account for insertion of advertisement re rates.

Ordered

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Ordered

That the Account be paid at Next Finance Meeting of the Council.

An application dated 19th Inst was received from the Local Superintendent of the British Petroleum Co Ltd for permission to store Motor Spirit (Not more than 2 000 Gallons at Mr Hill's Yard. Priory Street.

A discussion took place on the matter, Members being of opinion that such a large quantity should Not at any time be permitted there, and it was decided to adjourn the consideration of the application to Next Meeting, the Clerk to ascertain in the Meantime, what quantity is allowed in other towns.

Letter from Messrs Dooley & Son Ltd dated 18th June, Stating that they will be pleased to send a fitter to repair the weighing machine at Inishtown, but it is quite impossible to say what it will cost without first examining it, but generally Speaking it would be about £4 or £5.

If the Council prefer they can have a fitter at 12/- per day, plus rail fare and lodging expenses.

Proposed by Mr Hearn and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy

That Messrs Dooley & Sons fitter be employed to repair weighing Machine, Inishtown, at 12/- per day in addition to rail fare & lodging expenses.

Passed Unanimously

Ordered

That the Foreman be directed to give any assistance he can to the Fitter when here so as to facilitate him in his work.

A Sender dated 24th Inst was received from Mr Michael Rice, Inishtown, Of 14/- for the two old fountains in Store on Quay. In it he stated that he intended erecting them near his dwelling and they will thus be preserved in the town. After some discussion it was
Proposed by Mr Hearn and
Seconded by Mr O'Connor "That the Tender of Mr Rice of

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14/- for the two old Fountains be accepted it being understood that he is to erect them at the Irishtown.

Passed Mr Fanning dissenting.

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A Post Card was received from Messrs Smith & Pearson Ltd asking if their Tender for tree guards was satisfactory, and if they can be favoured with an order.

The Clerk stated that he replied stating that the Council had not yet decided whether Iron Guards would be erected, and this was approved of.

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The Meeting took up the election of a Member on the Technical Instruction Committee in the room of Mr. Delaney resigned, the Members were of opinion that as Mr Delaney was a Member of the Council, another Member of the Council should be elected in his stead.

Proposed by Mr. Gorman and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy

That Mr Jno. J. Connor be elected a Member of the Technical Instruction Committee, in the room of Mr Delaney resigned.

Passed Mr Fanning dissenting.

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## Surveyor's Report

He reported that he has asked Mr P. Leacy, Contractor to carry out the necessary repairs to Fishhouse roof already ordered, and he promises to attend to same as soon as possible. Specification for repairs to your house property is herewith furnished as ordered.

I have inspected the wooden tree guards at Irishtown, as Ordered, and find that most of them are in fairly good order and would I believe be serviceable for at least another year. Three of them require some small repairs to the Cross Laths. One of the guards is almost is almost rotted away at ground level. This ought be replaced by a new one. From enquiries made I find that there is no cheaper or simpler design of iron tree guard obtainable than those already quoted for.

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There is a dangerous wall abutting on the public roadway at Town Wall adjoining the late Mr Thomas Hogan's field.

The dangerous gate pier at New Ross previously reported has been taken down and rebuilt. Specification for the drainage of your William St houses is herewith submitted.

James J. Shortall
Town Surveyor.

Ordered

That the Surveyor have the Tree Guards, referred to in his report, repaired at once, at the cost estimated by him 2/-.

That he serve notice on Major Hogan to have the dangerous wall referred to, put in a proper State of repair.

The Street Inspector reported that a number of Traders, whose names are entered in his report, kept machinery on the footpaths outside their premises on several days, On the 10th Inst he called on the different persons. Messrs M. Hearn & Son are the only persons who will not desist from this practice. The other Traders are willing to do so. He also reported a number of persons who deposit shop refuse &c on the streets, daily, and do not provide a receptacle for its reception. Dr Browne Local Government Inspector directed him to request the Council to prosecute in every case where properly covered dust bins are not provided, as he considers the depositing of refuse on the streets a danger to the public Health. The daily Scavenging was carried out as usual.

Proposed by Mr Hearn and
Seconded by Mr O'Connor

That notice be served on all those persons mentioned in the report to provide properly covered dust bins, and also to have the machinery &c removed off the footpaths, and streets, and that they be prosecuted if they do not carry out the order of the Council.

Before the resolution was put Mr Murphy suggested that the Street Inspector be directed to report all traders who place any obstruction on the Streets. Mr Fanning contended that he did so, and in an excited manner referred to election of Mr O'Connor on the Technical Committee. The Chairman reminded Mr Fanning that he was out of order but the latter only persisted in disobeying the Chairmans request for

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order, and on the Suggestion of Mr Murphy the Chairman declared the Meeting adjourned without having put Mr Deans pro-position to the Meeting.

The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 8th July 1913.

Monday 7th July 1913.

A Monthly Meeting of the Council was to be held this evening at twelve O'clock Noon, to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

No Member of the Council Attended.

The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 8th July 1913.

Patrick J. Dunne

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Tuesday 1st July 1913.

A Quarterly Meeting of the Council was held this evening at 7. O'clock to transact business pursuant to the Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898, and consider following notice of motion by Councillor John Murphy South St, and take such action thereon as may be deemed advisable viz:-

"That a New Concrete footpath, and water table, be con-
"structed on the North side of Broad Lane from the entrance
"gate of Catholic Church to the entrance to the Presbetery, an
"approximate distance of about 110 yards. Cost not to
"exceed £20."

Present Messrs Patrick J. Dunne JP Presiding
John Fanning
James J. Dooley
John Murphy
John Murphy
M. J. O'Connor
John O'Sullivan
and
P. J. A. Delaney

The Town Surveyor was also present.

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The Minutes of last Quarterly Meeting were read and signed.

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The Clerk reported that No Tenders were received for the supply of One hundred tons of broken Stones from Ballyneal Quarry and it would consequently be necessary to provide for the supply of Stones instead.

A long discussion took place as to the Quarry from which they should be obtained, during which the different prices already quoted were compared. Eventually it was agreed to use the Stones from Glenamaw Quarry, and it was accordingly,

Proposed by Mr. John Murphy South St. and
Seconded by Mr. O'Connor

That advertisements be issued for the supply of one hundred tons of Stones from Glenamaw Quarry, fifty of same to be broken to two inch guage and fifty to be unbroken, both to be delivered in the Councils Depots at

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"Roserton"

Passed Unanimously

The following report of the Town Surveyor was read :—

During the past quarter the general condition of your streets has improved, but surface water still continues to do much injury owing to the inadequate drainage facilities. A good deal however has been done to cope with this trouble and it would be well if further provision were made for the Con-struction of a Number of surface traps in the Districts where its is proposed to construct New Sewers.

Two surface traps are presently required in South St one on each near the entrance to Brennans Lane.

I beg to recommend that the proposal of Councillor John Murphy re the construction of a concrete footpath in Cross Lane be carried out. The amount estimated is I believe sufficient. The public Water Supply continues to give Satisfac-tion but the quantity of water passing through the Bye Wash is gradually diminishing. The iron and wood work of the footbridge and in-take door at Dranagh requires painting. Provision should be made to replace the Sand which is removed from the filter beds at Ballyleigh when cleaning.

James J. Shortall
Town Surveyor

Proposed by Mr Fanning and
Seconded by Mr Sullivan

That the report of the Surveyor be adopted, except that portion of it relating to the Water Supply, which is to be adjourned to the ordinary Meeting of the Council for transaction of business under The Public Health (Ireland) Acts.

Passed Unanimously

In accordance with Notice the following resolution was Proposed by Mr John Murphy South St and Seconded by Mr Sullivan viz :— "That a New concrete

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"footpath, and water table be constructed on the South"
"side of Cross Lane from the entrance Gate of Catholic"
"Church to the entrance to the Presbetery, an approxc-"
"imate distance of about 110 yards. Cost not to exceed"
"£50."

Passed Unanimously

Proposed by Mr. John Murphy South St and
Seconded by Mr. O'Connor

That the Meeting be adjourned to
Monday the 21st for the purpose of receiving Tenders
for the Construction of the footpath, the Surveyor to pre-
pare a Specification in the meantime

Passed Unanimously

The Meeting adjourned to Monday 21st July 1913.

Patrick J. Dunne

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Tuesday 8th July 1913.

A Meeting of the New Ross Urban Council was held this evening at 7.30 O'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and consider an application from the British Petroleum Co for permission to store up to 2000 gallons of Petroleum in Mr Dill's yard at Priory St.

Present Mayor P. J. Dunne J.P. Presiding
John Fanning
John Murphy South St
John Murphy John St
M. J. O'Connor
and
Joseph Brewer

The Surveyor was also present.

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Letter from the Local Government Board dated 30th June 1913. No 32.381:1913, referring to the Councils letter of the 14th Inst, relative to the proposal of the Council to pay certain accounts without being certified by the Surveyor, and stating that before the Board could express any opinion thereon, the Council should furnish information as to the works executed and the dates on which they were carried out.

Ordered

That a copy of the accounts be forwarded to the Local Government Board.

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Letter from Same No 34, 324:1913 dated 27th June. giving particulars of the item of £76:3:6 paid to the Shorthand writer who was engaged at the Town Surveyors Inquiry

After some discussion it was

Proposed by Mr John Murphy South St and
Seconded by Mr Brewer

That the Bill be paid at the next finance Meeting of the Council.

Passed Mr Fanning dissenting.

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Letter from Mr Scully B.E, dated 1st July, pointing out that his account for professional services in connection with the Town Surveyors Inquiry, was still unpaid, and trusting that it would be settled without delay.

It was agreed that it be paid at this Meeting of the Council.

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Letter from Messrs Henry Pooley & Sons Ltd, dated 20th Ult, acknowledging receipt of the Councils letter accepting their terms for the services of Skilled Workman to repair the weighing machine at Irishtown, and stating that they will advise the Council what day they can send a man.

No Order Made.

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Letter from Dublin & South Eastn R. Railway Co, dated 3rd Inst, quoting a rate of 1/6 per ton on macadam from Palace to New-Ross and it was Ordered to be accepted.

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Letter from Mr J. J. Gorman Hon Secretary of the Enniscorthy Branch of the Town Tenants League, dated 2nd Inst enclosing circular letter asking the Council to appoint Delegates to attend a Monster Meeting of Town Tenants to be held at Enniscorthy on the 13th Inst.

Proposed by Mr. Fanning and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy John St.

That all the Members of the Council be appointed a Deputation.

Passed.

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An application was received from the Workmen for a half holiday on the day of the Show in town, and same was unanimously Granted.

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A Tender was received from Edward Roe of Begerin, dated 30th Ult, for two heaps of manure at 15/6 each, but as the price was considered too low, it was not accepted.

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A Notification was received from Mr George Mallin, that he will visit New-Ross on the 14th 15th & 16th July, and exhibit

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Bioscope living pictures with a Machine and outfit that Comply with the Act.
Proposed by Mr. John Murphy South St and
Seconded by Mr Fanning
That the Town Hall be
licensed for the purpose of this entertainment
Passed Unanimously

The following letter, read at the Meeting, was Ordered to be inserted on the Minutes :-

New Ross

The New Ross Urban Council

Gentlemen

Arising out of a discussion which took place at last Meeting of your Council re certain reports which appeared in my Street Inspectors Report Book and which you had before you, Councillor John Murphy John St, stated that he knew of cases of Obstruction which were not reported by me. This I desire to contradict and now challenge Mr Murphy to name a single instance in which I have failed to report a genuine case of Obstruction.

Thomas Butler
Street Inspector.

The application of the British Petroleum Co to have their store in Mr Hills yard registered, and for permission to store up to 2,000 gallons of Petroleum was considered.

In conjunction with this, a number of letters were received from other towns specifying the largest quantity allowed to be stored in the different towns, but the quantity allowed did not appear to exceed five hundred in anyone.

The Clerk stated that Mr Hill informed him that there would never be more stored than four hundred gallons.

Ordered

That the Surveyor inspect the store and report to next Meeting as to its construction and Capacity.

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Mr John Murphy, South St drew attention to the present footpath on the New Ross Bridge, and suggested that the County Council be asked to substitute an asphalte one for the gravel one.

After a short discussion the following resolution was:-
Proposed by Mr John Murphy and
Seconded by the Chairman

That the Wexford County Council be asked to have an asphalte footpath Constructed on the New Ross Bridge instead of the present gravel-surface one.

Passed Unanimously

It was Ordered that the Surveyor have the pier or wall at Sour Wall, where second entrance gate is hung, Completed.

## Surveyor's Report

I beg to report that the Specification for Cross Lane footpath has been prepared as Ordered. I have requested the man who asked for the road stuff at Newtown to have it removed soon as possible. I have asked Mr Connick Carpenter to repair Inishtown tree guards and he promises to do so soon as possible. I inspected the Chimney in Inishtown referred to by Mr OConnor at Council Meeting 24th June, and believe same to be in a dangerous condition.

James J Shortall
Town Surveyor

No Order made

The consideration of the Street Inspector's Reports, which was adjourned from last Meeting was taken up, and after considerable discussion it was
Proposed by Mr John Murphy John St and
Seconded by Mr OConnor

That all those persons whose names are entered in the Street Inspectors Report Book be cautioned, and directed to desist from depositing, shop sweepings &c, Machinery or other articles, upon the Streets or Lanes and allowing them

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to remain there.

The following Amendment Proposed by Mr Fanning was not seconded

That Messrs Sean Glon & Gorman be Prosecuted.

The resolution was put and passed, Mr Fanning dissenting.

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The Meeting adjourned to Tuesday 22nd July 1913.

Patrick J. Dunne

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Tuesday 22nd July, 1913.

A Meeting of the Newross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Present Mesprs Patrick J. Dunne Jr Presiding
John Murphy South St
John Murphy John St
John Fanning
John S. Hearn Jp
John O'Sullivan
Mo. J. O'Connor

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurer's Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman & Messrs John Murphy John St. & John Murphy South St and the following Paying Order was directed to be issued Viz:- £22:6:5.

A Paying Order was received from the Local Government Board for £16:7:6 being the final instalment of Death Duty for year ended 31st March last.

Ordered

That it be lodged to the credit of the Council.

## Correspondence

Letter from Mesprs Pooley & Son Ltd stating that they will have a fitter here on Wednesday 16th Inst to repair weighing machine at Irishtown.

In connection with this a time sheet was received from the fitter showing the time worked as three and a half days, but the actual time worked did not appear to equal this. He charged for time on Monday which he spent at testing his previous work only.

Proposed by Mr John Murphy John St and
Seconded by Mr Brewer "That Mesprs Pooley's man"

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be paid for the actual time he worked only.

Passed Unanimously

A Dividend Warrant for £7:10:8 was received from The Great Southern & Western Rly Co, for half year ended 30th June, and it was Ordered to be lodged to the credit of the Council.

Letter from Messrs Colfer Bros, dated 16th July re reference to Insurance of Officers and of payment of Salaries to them during illness. In their opinion the Clerk, Sub Sanitary Officer, Surveyor, Street and Water Inspector, and Rate Collector, do not come under the Act, but the Ordinary workmen, including the foreman do.
The Liability of the Council with regard to the former class is unchanged and of course the latter should be insured.
Proposed by Mr John Murphy, South St and
Seconded by Mr Brewer.

That the Council discontinuing insuring the Officials whom our Solicitors advise do not come under the Act, and that the Insurance Commissioners be asked to refund the Insurance already paid on account of those Officers.

Passed Unanimously

Letter from Same dated 19th July 1913 stating that they had lodged with the printer corrected proof of the necessary forms for taking a vote to fix the weekly half holiday.
The forms consist of Form D.I to be sent to Non exempted Traders and Form F.I. to be sent to Exempted Traders also a Form of voting, a copy of which must be sent to each class of Trader.
Ordered

That the Clerk attend to the papers and have them sent out.

Letter from Ed Roe Begerin, dated 17th July 1913, Offering 20/- per heap, for two heaps of manure at Town Wall
Proposed by Mr John Murphy and
Seconded by Mr O'Connor That Mr Roe's Tender of 20/-

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"each for two heaps of manure at Town Wall be accepted."

Passed Unanimously

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A proposal Of 16/- for one heaps was received from Thos Neill but being considered too low was not accepted.

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A copy of the Report of the Court of Directors of the Bank of Ireland for half year ended 30th June was received from the Secretary but there was No Order made upon it.

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A circular letter dated 14th July was received from The Under Secretary, forwarding copy of Specimen Bye Laws under The employment of Children Act 1903, for the perusal of the Council.

No Order Made

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Letter from Mr French dated 10th July 1913, apologising for not acknowledging, through illness, receipt of copy of Resolution passed by the Council relative to the Housing of the Working Classes, and stating that he had placed the resolutions before some of the leading members of the Party.

No Order Made.

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Letter from Mr Philip Kelly, Palace, dated 21st July calling attention to the state of the Town Wall on Greywell Road, which has from time to time been falling into his land, and stating that portion of it was made good by a Magistrates Order.

Ordered

That the Councils' Solicitors be asked to advise them whether they are liable for the repair of this wall.

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Letter from Messrs Wolfe Ton, dated 22nd July, enclosing sealed copies of the Orders of the Local Government Board, sanctioning the Sale of Lands to Mr Thorpe, and Mr Delaney, and directing that the Money shall be invested in Government Annuities for the benefit of the District Fund.

No Order Made.

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Letter from the Dublin & S. Eastern Railway Co. dated 11th Inst, stating that the rate quoted in his previous letter of 1/6 freight on stones from Palace to New Ross is subject to an increase of 40% and that the rate will now be 1/7 instead of 1/6.

It was agreed that the Council had no alternative but to accept the rate of 1/7 per ton.

A general discussion however, took place upon the increase proposed to be made in all the Railway rates and the following resolution was

Proposed by Mr. John Murphy South St and Seconded by Mr. O'Connor

That this Council is strongly of opinion, the proposed increase in Railway Rates will inflict grevious injury upon the industries of this country, and we call upon the Department of Agriculture, and the Board of Trade to use every means in their power to prevent the carrying into effect of the proposed increase.

Passed Unanimously

Mr. John Murphy South St, drew attention to the fact that cheap passenger tickets are issued from New Ross to Waterford on certain days of the week, and proposed that the Railway Co be asked to issue cheap tickets from Waterford, Palace and intermediate Stations to New Ross on Thursdays and Saturdays.

The propostion was seconded by Mr Brewer and passed Unanimously.

The Surveyor reported that he inspected Mr Hill's premises in Priory St as directed where petrol is stored.

The oil is stored in Metal Cans Containing two gallons each in a corrugated iron shed measuring 8'-2" x 10'-3" and about 7'-6" high. The store does not appear to be ventilated.

It is divided from a stable by a rubble masonry wall; is 16'-0" from the Methodist Church only 4'-7" from a small shed where paraffin oil is stored.

In view of the highley inflamable nature of Petrol

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this store can hardly be said to be sufficiently isolated or adequatly constructed. The Urban Council being the Licensing Authority have power to enforce certain regulations to minimise the danger arising from the storage of Petrol. Messrs Mason. Dublin will supply a suitable levelling instrument for £8.0.0.

A short discussion took place respecting the matter and it was Ordered

That the Clerk purchase a copy of the Petroleum Act 1871, and of any amending Act passed by Parliament, and that the further Consideration of the matter, as well as of the purchase of a levelling instrument be adjourned to the special Meeting to be held on Monday evening, 28th inst.

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The Clerk reported that the tender of the Gas Co for public Lighting of the Town will expire next month, and it was

Ordered

That advertisements be issued inviting Tenders for the public lighting for one year from the expiration of the existing Contract, the Tenders to be considered at Meeting of Council to be held on the 12th August.

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Ordered

That the Surveyor inspect the roof of Shelsel and report to next Meeting as to its Condition.

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The Street Inspector reported some persons who allowed barrels & boxes on the Streets but it was found that since the Notices Ordered at last Meeting were issued the persons upon whom they were served had ceased to deposit articles on the Streets. It was now ordered that the Newcastle Sea Co & Mr M Cooney be also cautioned against the practice.

He also reported that an obstruction is caused daily by cars being allowed to remain on the roadway outside Mr T. Hennessy's premises Henry Street; the same applies to

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Cross Lane, opposite Kellys Hotel, but in this case they are not there every day. Complaints have been made to me of Country people allowing their cars to remain in Conduit Lane on Saturdays and fair days.

A serious obstruction is caused in Charles St on Saturdays by persons offering calves for sale there. In some cases the calves are kept in wooden pens which extend to about 8 feet from the kerb. All the above have been reported by me in the past, but the Council let the matter drop. I now respectfully ask if it is the wish of the Council that I should again report persons causing Obstructions as above.

The daily Scavenging was carried out as usual.

After a long discussion the following the following Order was made:-

That all the persons whom the Street Inspector considers are causing an Obstruction be written to and directed to discontinue the practice.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday Wednesday 5th August 1913.

Patrick J Devine

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Monday 21st July, 1913.

An adjourned Quarterly Meeting of the Council was held this evening at 7 o'clock p.m. to transact business pursuant to The Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898, consider tender for Construction of footpath at North side of Cross Lane, as approved of at last Quarterly Meeting, and tender for supply of one hundred tons of stones from Glenanscaw Quarry.

Present Mess^rs Patrick J. Dunne J.P. Presiding
M. J. O'Connor
John Murphy South st.
Joseph Brewer
John Sullivan
Michael Sheehan

The Minutes of last Quarterly Meeting were read and signed.

The only tender received for the Construction of the footpath was one from Mr James Connolly, Builder and Contractor, who tendered to construct it at £49:10:0, and offered Joseph Freeman and James Power of South st as Sureties.
Proposed by Mr O'Connor and
Seconded by Mr Brewer

That the tender of James Connolly for the Construction of a Concrete footpath and water channel, on the North side of Cross Lane for £49:10:0. be accepted.

Passed Unanimously

A tender was received from Richard Malone, Woodgrove for the supply of fifty tons of unbroken stones at same price as his previous tender, and he Offered the same sureties
Proposed by m^r M. J. O'Connor and
Seconded by m^r John Murphy

That the tender of Richard Malone for the supply of fifty tons of stones broken to two inch gauge, and fifty tons of unbroken stones from Glensinsaw Quarry, delivered at the Councils Depots

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at Roberroon at the price Mentioned in his previous tender viz:- 3/10 for Unbroken, and 5/6 for broken stones, be accepted, same to be delivered in convenient quantities before 1st September be accepted

Passed Unanimously

Ordered

That the Councils Solicitors prepare the Necessary Bond.

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The Meeting Adjourned

P. J. Duggan

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Monday 28th July, 1913.

A Special Meeting of the Council was held this day at 7.30 o'clock p.m to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, consider an application from the British Petroleum Co for licence to store 2,000 gals of Petroleum in Mr Bills Yard, and advisability of purchasing a levelling instrument at a cost of £8:0:0.

Present Mayor Patrick J. Dunne JP Presiding
John P. Hearn JP
James B. Hearne
John Fanning
John O'Sullivan
John Murphy John St
John Murphy Souter St
Joseph Brewer
David Murphy
Dr MO Walsh
Mo J. Connor
M Sheehan
P. Mo. Gorman

The following letter received from the British Petroleum Co was read:-

July 26th 1913

Dear Sir

I shall be glad if you will kindly cancel our previous application for licence to store 2,000 gals petrol and accept this letter as a fresh application to store 1,000 gals. The Insurance Coy who have the Fire Insurance of Mr Bills premises are only requiring an extra premium of 5/- and this shows that they consider the risk practically nil. In other towns such as Carlow, Waterford, Maryboro, Kilkenny, Thurles &c our licensed quantity runs between 2,000 & 3,000 gals. In your case we now only require licence to store 1000 gals.

I shall be obliged if you will bring this matter up at your Meeting on Monday the 28th inst and trust that you will be enabled to pass us the necessary license.

John Mo Hutchinson

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The Clerk stated that he had written to John Falconer, publisher, for a copy of the Petroleum Act 1871, and any amending Act, but up to the present had not received.

The report of the Town Surveyor in reference to the store at Mr. Hill's yard, in which the petrol is stored, which was read at last Meeting was again considered, and after a short discussion the following resolution was

Proposed by Mr. O'Sullivan and
Seconded by Mr. Fanning

That the necessary permission be given to the Petroleum Co. to store one thousand gallons of Petrol or Motor spirit in store in Mr. Hill's yard at Priory Street subject to complying with the prescribed conditions.

Passed Unanimously.

Letter from Major Dooley Hon. dated 25th inst. in reference to time worked by their man repairing machine at Irishtown, pointing out that on the Councils own showing, he worked without counting Monday practically three and a half days, and should be paid overtime for any after that. He remained over on Monday to have the Machine tested in the interest of the Council, and they never before heard it put forward that he should not be paid for this time.

As he was doing other work in the locality they are not charging rail fare, although the Council agreed to pay it.

Ordered

That the time sheet be signed for three and a half days, it being considered a gain to the Council that Railway Fare will not be charged.

The application of the Town Surveyor for a Levelling Instrument which had been adjourned from previous Meeting was consider as was also an extract from his report in which he stated that Messrs Mason vowed supply one for £8.

Proposed by Mr. Fanning

That the instrument be

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purchased by the Council.
The proposition was not seconded and the application fell through.

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The Members Separated

Patrick J Devers

Monday 4th August 1913.

A Monthly Meeting of the Council was to be held this day at 12 O'clock Noon, to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

No Member of the Council attended.

A Quorum not having assembled.

The Meeting Adjourned.

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Tuesday 5th August. 1913.

An adjourned Meeting of the Bawnboy Urban District Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Present Messrs P. J. Dunne Jr Presiding
John Murphy South St
John Murphy John St
Mc. Sheehan
J. Sullivan
Mc. J. O'Connor
Joseph Brewer

The Surveyor was also in attendance.

## Correspondence

Letter from Local Government Board dated 24th July. 1913. No 37,327: 1913, acknowledging the Councils letter of the 10th Inst, respecting the proposal of the Council to pay certain Accounts which were not certified by the Town Surveyor, and in reply the Board state that in the circumstances they will raise no objection to the proposed payments, but in future all accounts for works and materials should be certified by the Surveyor.

Ordered

That those accounts be referred to the Finance Committee.

Letter from the Board of Trade, dated 31st Ult acknowledging receipt of the Council's letter of the 30th Ult, re Railway rates & stating that it will receive attention.

No Order Made.

Letter from the Commissioner of Valuation, dated 25th July 1913. No 68/53, enclosing a Supplemental list of Valuations requiring revision, and requesting that, should the Council consider such revisions necessary. they will include the cases in the List and forward it to him by the 31st Ult in accordance

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with the provisions of the Valuations acts.
Nov Order Made as the List referred to has been already for-
-worded to the Department.

Letter from the Commissioner of Valuation, Notifying the Council that he has appointed, Mr Mills, to make the annual revision in the Urban District and that it will be commenced about the 8th inst
Nov Order Made.

Letter from National Health Insurance Commission, dated 31st July, 1913, acknowledging receipt of the Councils letter of the 24th inst, and stating that the Subject of which will be duly Considered by the National Health Insurance Commissioners for Ireland.
Nov Order Made.

Letter from the Department of Agriculture & Technical Instruction for Ireland, acknowledging receipt of copy of resol-
-ution adopted by the Council re Railway Rates, and stating that the rates Charged on the 30th June 1900, on the lines now forming the Great Southern & Western system cannot be in-
-creased without the Consent of the Railway & Canal Commissioners. As regards increases on other lines of Railway, any complaints that the increased rates are unreasonable may be brought for determination before the Railway & Canal Commissioners, but not until such complaints have first been made to and Considered by the Board of Trade under Section 31 of the Railway and Canal Traffic Act 1888. In this Section it is provided that" Whenever any person receiving or sending or desiring to send goods by any Railway is of opinion that the Railway Co is charging him an unfair or unreasonable rate of charge, or is in any other respect treating him in an oppressive or un-
-reasonable manner, such person may complain to the Board of Trade. The Department are empowered under Section 7 of the Agriculture and Technical Instruction (Ireland) Act, 1899, to appear as complainant on behalf of persons aggrieved in reference to matters which the Railway and

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Canal Commissioners have jurisdiction to hear and determine and which relate to Agriculture or other Rural industry: and the Department are prepared to consider representations from aggrieved persons with a view to exercising this power in Suitable cases.

A County Council or an Urban Sanitary Authority may make to the Railway and Canal Commissioners any complaint which the Commissioners have jurisdiction to determine, and may do so without proof that the Council or Sanitary Authority is aggrieved by the matter complained of. (Section 7 Railway and Canal Traffic Act, 1888.)

Ordered

That a copy of this letter be sent to each member of the Council and that it be considered at next Meeting.

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Letter from Messrs Wolfer Hon, Solicitors, dated 31st July 13, enclosing copy of certificate of Taxation of their Costs, showing amount due to be £15:9:9:4, and stating that they will feel obliged if the Council will let them have Cheque for the amount.

Ordered,

That it be referred to the Finance Committee.

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Letter from Henry Pooley & Son Ltd thanking the Council for their favour of the 29th Ult. enclosing Sinn Note signed

No Order made.

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Letter from the Dublin & South Eastern Railway Co, acknowledging receipt of copy of resolution passed by the Council re Cheap Tickets, and stating that the Matter shall receive attention

No Order made

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Letter from The London & Counties Advertising Co Ltd, Sheffield, applying for permission to fix a Barometer Cabinet on the corner of the Thoresel and stating that they will pay the Council £1-1-0 per annum for the right or easement to do so.

Ordered

That permission be not given.

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Letter from the Secretary of the Technical Instruction Committee dated 4th August 1913, requesting the Councils consideration of the position of ~~my~~ his Committee by reason of the withholding, by the Council, of the rate for Technical purposes, and to request that the contribution from the rates, due to ~~my~~ his Committee, may be paid over as soon as convenient.

He has to draw the attention of the Council to the fact that pending the receipt, by my Committee, of the contribution from the rates the Department will in all probability withhold further contribution from endowment and consequently, though the Council, to the 31/3/13 owes his Committee £16 (approx), his Committee owes the Council £35 (proc), being half years contribution for the repayment of Principal & Interest of the loan for the School Building, but which his committee will be unable to pay until a further contribution be received from the Department.

After a lengthened discussion the following resolution was :-

Proposed by Mr John Murphy South Strand

Seconded by Mr Brewer.

That the attention of the Committee be drawn to the resolution of the Council of the 22nd April

Passed Mr Murphy John St and Mr O'Connor dissenting.

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Letter from the Secretary of the Town tenants League, stating that the annual Convention of the Town Tenants League will be held in the City Hall, Dublin at 3 p.m. on Thursday August 28th, and requesting the Council to appoint two or more Delegates to attend same.

Proposed by Mr John Murphy South St and

Seconded by Mr Sheehan

That Messrs O'Connor & Brewer be appointed to represent the Council at the Convention.

Passed Unanimously.

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Letter from the Corporation of Cashel dated 28th July 1913, forwarding copy of a resolution passed by that Corporation re Municipal Authorities in Ireland and requesting the favour

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Q[uarterly] reply.
Ordered
That its consideration be adjourned to Next Meeting.

Letter from Richard Hynes, Maiden Lane, applying for the tenancy of the house previously occupied by Terence Muskey Wm St. He offers as surety for the payment of the rent Mr Joseph J. Sullivan Quay St. New Ross.
Proposed by Mr John Murphy John St and
Seconded by Mr. O'Connor
That Mr. Richard Hynes
be accepted as tenant of the House.
Passed Unanimously.

Letter from the British Petroleum Co. Dublin, dated 31st July '13 extending their special thanks for permission granted by the Council, to store Motor Spirit at Mr Hills Yard Priory St.
A short discussion took place regarding the issuing of licenses for the storage of Petrol, after which it was decided to defer the consideration of the Petrol Acts to next Meeting.

Letter from Messrs Smith and Pearson. Dublin, stating they shall be pleased to hear if the Council has yet come to any decision regarding the supply of tree guards.
No Order Made.

A tender was received from Mr. Maurice Wheean Kyleen for the two unused heaps of manure at Town Wall of £1.0-0 per heap.
Proposed by Mr. O'Connor and
Seconded by Mr. John Murphy South St
That Mr. Wheans tender of
£1. per heap for the two heaps at Town Wall be accepted
Passed Unanimously

An application was received from Mr. Lawrence Feeney Cock Pit Lane, for the tenancy of No 1 house at Bunneen Lane.

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Ordered

That it be filed with rest of the applications and that it be considered when the houses are to be let.

An application was received from the workmen for a half day on the Regatta day.

Ordered

That they be given the half day.

A tender of £1:14:0 was received from Mr Happer Neville for the two heaps of manure at Town Hall.
As the two heap referred to had been purchased by Mr Whelan there was No Order made.

## Surveyor's Report

He reported that he served Notice on Mr Langrishe re dangerous chimney in Irishtown, but it has not yet been repaired. A Scaffolding has been erected in John Street by Ed Cooney. the Quay, and portion of the footpath was obstructed thereby. I received no Notice concerning this. It would be well that the Council would insist that all Scaffolding shall be so constructed as to protect passers-by from the danger of falling bats &c. Portion of the Carriage-way of the Quay has for some time past been obstructed by a quantity of timber placed there by Messrs Kelly & Co employees. I have frequently brought the matter under their Managers (Mr Rowland) Notice and he promised to remove the obstruction. This has not been done. I offered to peg out the boundary line between the Council's portion and that maintained by the Harbour Commissioners for their guidance but Mr Rowland did not consider it necessary as he had said they would know the boundary line in future. This practice is dangerous to the public and should be prohibited.

Ordered

That the matter of the dangerous chimney in Irishtown be referred to messrs Wolfe & Son Solicitors

That Mr Ed Cooney be informed that in future he

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must give Notice to the Town Surveyor of his intention to erect a Scaffolding.

That portion referring to Construction of Scaffolding be referred to Street Committee.

That Messrs Mc. Kelly & Co be written to and requested to have timber presently stored on the Carriage-way of the Quay be removed immediately, otherwise Proceedings will be instituted against them.

The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 12th August 1913.

Patrick Power

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Tuesday 12th August 1913

A Meeting of the Finance Committee was held this evening at 7 O'clock to transact business ~~pursuant~~ to of the Committee for the Finance Meeting of the Council.

Present Mess^rs P. J. Dunne Esq J.P. Presiding
John Murphy South Ward

The Clerk submitted a Number of bills which the Committee examined in detail, and decided to recomm^end payment of a Number which are entered on the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council of this date, after which

The Committee Adjourned.

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Tuesday 12th August 1913

A Meeting of the New Ross Urban Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Present Mess^rs P. J. Dunne P Presiding
Joseph Brewer
M. J. O'Connor
John Murphy South St
John O'Sullivan
Michael Sheehan

The Surveyor was also in attendance.

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Mess^rs Brewer & Murphy. and the following Paying Orders were directed to be issued Viz:-

| | | | |
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| No 87 | Secretary School Attendance Committee | £7 : 14 : 0 |
| " 88 | Patrick Flynn | 1 : 3 : 1 |
| " 89 | Daniel Evoy | 1 : 18 : 6 |
| " 90 | Henry Lew | 3 : 6 : 0 |
| " 91 | John Connick | 1 : 2 : 6 |
| " 92 | James Kelly | 2 : 10 : 0 |
| " 93 | James J. Shortall | 4 : 6 : 8 |
| " 94 | M^c Finn | 11 : 5 : 0 |
| " 95 | Mess^rs Shaud Mason & Co | 4 : 15 : 10 |
| " 96 | The Solzenberg Patent File Co | 11 : 1 |
| " 97 | John J. Browne | 1 : 12 : 9 |
| " 98 | James Kelly | 3 : 11 : 0 |
| " 99 | James Connolly | 13 : 18 : 3 |
| " 100 | Andrew Cullen | 6 : 8 : 9 |
| " 101 | Mess^rs Colfer & Son | 80 : 0 : 0 |
| " 102 | M^c Finn | 9 : 9 : 9 |
| " 103 | A. D. M^c Lovell (Loans A/c No 3) | 20 : 0 : 0 |

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## Correspondence

Letter from the Under Secretary Dublin Castle, dated 5th Augt, enclosing copies of Petroleum Regulations made by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, dated March 18th 1903 and February 11th 1905; since which dates no further regulations have been issued.

Ordered

That the consideration of this matter and of the advisability of requiring persons selling Petroleum to be licensed, be deferred until the Clerk returns from Holidays.

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Letter from the Commissioner of Valuation acknowledging receipt of List of Tenements requiring revision.

No Order Made.

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Mr J. More O'Ferrall gave Notice of his intention to hold the Audit of the Accounts for Year ending 31st March 1913, on the 2nd September.

Ordered

That the Clerk attend to the Notice from the Auditor.

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A Tender of 20/- for one heap of manure at Town Wall was received from Edwd Roe, Begerin and it was Ordered to be accepted.

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The following tender was received from the Bawnboy Gas Co for the public lighting of the town viz:-

Winter Lighting

(from 1st September 1913 to 1st May 1914.)

51 Lamps to be extinguished at 11 p.m. @ £1:18:0. per lamp.
14 Lamps to remain lighting all night @ £3:6:0 per lamp.
The above lamps not to be lighting for two nights before, two nights after, and the night of full moon.
32 Lamps to be lighted on the moonlight nights, and to be extinguished at 11 p.m. @ 7/6 per lamp.
33 of the above will be fitted with incandescent burners, the

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Mantles and chimneys used in maintenance of same to be charged at cost price.

## Summer Lighting

(from 1st May 1914 to 1st September 1914)

16 Lamps to remain lighting all night except on Moon-light nights when they will be extinguished at 11 p.m. at 17/- per lamp.

The Lamp at Shelsel to be lighted as at present @ £5:10:0 per annum.

The lamps at entrances to Town Hall and Protestant Church Rosbercon, to be lighted as required at 10/- each per annum.

The lamps in the Bushtown and Neighbourwood will be lighted on fair mornings free of charge, as in last Contract.

Proposed by Mr O'Connor and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy South St.

That the tender of the New Ross Gas Co, for the public Lighting of the town be accepted

Passed Unanimously

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Mr Sinn asked to have the gate leading into his premises at William St repaired, and it was,

Ordered

That the Surveyor have same carried out.

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Letter from Secretary of Wexford County Council, dated 7th Inst stating that the resolution of the Council, asking for an asphalte footpath on New Ross Bridge was at Yesterdays Meeting of this Council referred to the County Surveyor to report to next Meeting of Finance Roads Committee.

No Order Made.

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The resolution received from the Enniscorthy Corporation which was adjourned from last Meeting was next taken up

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when it was decided to postpone its consideration.

## Surveyor's Report

He reported that portion of the timber which was reported by him on the 5th Inst, as obstructing the carriage way of the Quay has been removed and Messrs Kelly & Co's Manager (Mr Rowland) promises to have the remainder of it removed soon as possible. A Large quantity of macadam and gravel arrived during the past week from Wicklow, Palace and Enniscorthy, and the workmen and horses were obliged to work overtime to discharge the waggons &c before the local fair. I consider this a better arrangement then employing additional labour for this purpose.

No Order Made.

The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 26th August, 1913.

Tuesday 19th August, 1913.

A Meeting of the Street Committee was to be held this evening at 8.30 p.m. to transact important business of the Committee.

Mr Dunne was the only Member who attended.

A Quorum not having assembled

The Meeting Adjourned

J Murphy.

26th Aug. 1913.

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Tuesday 26th August, 1913.

A Meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Present Meprs John Murphy South/t Presiding
M. J. O'Connor
John Murphy John/t
Joseph Brewer
Michael Sheehan

The Minutes of previous Meetings were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Meprs O'Connor and Murphy John/t and the following Paying Order was directed to be issued viz:- No 104 £21:3:1, Petty Cash.

The Clerk reported that since last Meeting of the Council the Caretaker of the Office, Mrs Catherine Brien, died, and suggested that arrangements be made for the appointment of her successor.

Her daughter, Annie Brien, discharged the duties of the position for a considerable time past during the Mother's illness, and a letter was now read from her, dated 26th Inst, applying for the position.

It was agreed to advertise for a Caretaker, the election to be held on 9th September 1913.

Mr O'Connor proposed that the wages be 10/- per week, but, before it was seconded, Mr John Murphy, John/t proposed that the wages be 7/- per week same as at present. This was seconded by the Chairman and passed unanimously.

A Tender, dated 25th Inst, of 25/- was received from Myles Moran, Gobbinstown, for the old pump at Three Bullet Gate.

After some discussion, it was proposed by Mr John Murphy, John/t and seconded by Mr O'Connor "That" "tenders be invited for all the old pumps, the persons"

tendering to pay the cost of taking up the pumps, and also take them up at their own risk, and restore the surface of the ground, and secure the opening in the street to the Satisfaction of the Down Surveyor.

Passed Unanimously

Ordered

That the Council's Solicitor to prepare the advertisement inviting Tenders, that the Council may be protected from liability in the event of an accident to any person engaged in the removal of them.

Letter from Mrs Brazil, Quay, dated 9th Inst. drawing the attention of the Council to the grave inconvenience, and loss which she suffered owing to the neglected state of the public sewers and Traps adjacent to her premises and the inadequate means of carrying away the excessive water in times of heavy rainfall.

During the recent heavy rains her place was flooded, a quantity of perishable goods destroyed, and in addition she was prevented from carrying on her business. She will be driven to take legal proceedings against the Council unless the matter is remedied.

A long discussion took place on this letter, during which Mr Murphy, John St, drew attention to the manner in which the cleansing of the Traps at Irishtown, and the upper portion of the town, was neglected during the down pour of rain.

It was eventually Ordered that the consideration of the matter be referred to the Sanitary Committee and that Mrs Brazil be informed that the subject matter of her letter will receive the serious attention of the Council.

Letter from Messrs Cole & Son dated 16th Inst. enclosing Contract and Bond of Richard Malone and Sureties for execution by the Council.

Proposed by Mr Murphy, John St. and
Seconded by The Chairman

That the Contract and Bond of Richard Malone, and Sureties, with the Council be Sealed

Passed Unanimously

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In pursuance of the foregoing resolution the Contract was duly Sealed.

A resolution received from Rathkeale Rural District Council, pointing out the inadequacy of the grant of one hundred pounds, proposed to be made in Mr Birrell's recently-introduced Land Bill for the carrying out of improvement Schemes under the Labourers Acts, was, on the proposal of Mr O'Connor, seconded by Mr Dunphy John St. unanimously adopted.

The Rate Collector enclosed copy of a letter dated 25th Inst. received from the Accountant of the Dublin and S. Ln Railway pointing out that he had made an alteration in the Town Rating No 1273 assessed at £13-1-4½, Should have been £3-5-4. assessment being as heretofore on one-fourth of the rateable Valuation, No Change having been made by the Commissioner of Valuation during the annual revision this year. The Clerk having stated that the Council's Solicitors advised the assessment of the property described in this rating, at the full valuation, it was

Ordered

That the Collector be directed to collect the rates as assessed in the Rate Book.

The Foreman submitted a certificate received from Mr Bailey, dentist, that he had four teeth extracted and would be unable to follow his outdoor occupation for a few days.

No Order Made.

The Town Surveyor's report was submitted and its consideration adjourned to next meeting, except that portion of it referring to an obstruction to the Water Channel at Mary St. and Priory St. in reference to which the following Orders were made Viz:-

"That Mr Dunphy be required to remove the concrete blocks"
"which he fixed in the water Channel outside his Priory St."
"premises, and restore the surface of the Channel to its"
original condition, and to the satisfaction of the Town Surveyor.

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"That Mr Wm. Ahern be requested not to deposit"
"barrels &c in the water Channel as they obstruct the"
"flow of water in case of rain and divert it on to the"
"Street."

The Meeting adjourned to Tuesday, 9th September 1913.

Monday. 1st September 1913

A monthly meeting of the Council was to be held this day at 12 O'Clock-Noon- to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

No member of the Council attended

The Meeting adjourned to Tuesday, 9th September 1913.

Patrick J Drury

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Tuesday 9th September, 1913.

A Meeting of the Finance Committee was held this evening at 7 o'clock to transact business of the Committee for the Finance Meeting of the Council.

Present Mess^rs P. J. Dunne J.P. Presiding
John O'Sullevain
John Murphy South St

The Committee after considering a Number of Bills submitted by the Clerk recommended payment of the following:-

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| 100 | 105 | Richard Murphy | £8:13:11 |
| " | 106 | Patrick Leacy | 4:12:6 |
| " | 107 | Henry Pooley & Son | 2:5:6 |
| " | 108 | Dublin & S.E. Railway Co | 3:19:2 |
| " | 109 | Patrick Kavan | 7:17:6 |
| " | 110 | James J. Shortall | 4:6:8 |
| " | 111 | M^c Finn | 11:5:0 |
| " | 112 | Mrs W. J. Williams | 1:4:0 |
| " | 113 | John J. Browne | 19:11 |
| " | 114 | New Ross Gas Co Ltd | 87:9:0 |
| " | 115 | Mrs K. Nugent | 10:5 |
| " | 116 | Patrick Blake | 1:15:0 |
| " | 117 | John J. Browne | 24:16:0 |
| " | 118 | Treasurer Local Government Board | 95-1-6 |
| " | 119 | Treasurer County Council Wexford | 305:16:7 |
| " | 120 | Richard Malone | 12:10:0 |
| " | 121 | Patrick Brennan | 3:0:0 |
| " | 122 | M^c Finn | 20:3:10 |
| " | 123 | Andrew Cullen (Loans No 3) | 400:0:0 |

The Committee Adjourned

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Tuesday 9th September 1913.

A Meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and elect a Caretaker of the Office in room of Mrs Breen deceased.

Present Mess^rs P. J. Dunne J.P. Presiding
John Sullivan
M. J. O'Connor
Michael Sheehan
John Murphy John St
John Murphy South St
Joseph Brewer

The Minutes of previous Meetings were read and Signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Mess^rs John Murphy & M. J. O'Connor and the following Paying Orders were directed to be issued:- No 105 Richard Murphy £8:13:11, No 106 Patrick Leacy £4:12:6, No 107 Henry Pooley & Son £2:5:6, No 108 Dublin South Eblty Co £3:19:9, No 109 Patrick Nolan £7:17:6, No 110 Jas. J. Shortall £4:6:8, No 111 M^c Cann £11:5:0, No 112 Mrs W Williams £1:4:0, No 113 J. J. Browne 19/11, No 114 New Ross Gas Co Ltd £87:9:0, No 115 Maj^r L. Nugent £-:10:5, No 116 Sat^d Blake £1:15:0, No 117 John J Browne £244:16:0, No 118 Treasurer Local Government Board £95-1-6, No 119 Treasurer Co Council Wexford £205:16:7, No 120 Richard Malone £12:10:0, No 121 Patrick Brennan £3:0:0, No 122 M^c Cann £20:3:10, No 123 Andrew Cullen, Loans No 3 £400.

## Report of Street Committee

8th September 1913

Your Street Committee met this evening at 7.45 o'clock to consider various matters in connection with the Scavenging and Watering of Streets as also the best means to prevent flooding of certain houses during heavy rain.

The Town Surveyor, and Foreman were both present

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for the purpose of giving such information to the Committee as might be necessary.

Having considered matters in detail Your Committee begs to make the following recommendations viz:—

(1) That the regulations made by the Council on the 10th September 1912 for the Scavenging and Watering of the Streets copy of which was handed to the Foreman on 12th Sept last be strictly carried out by that Officer, and that he insist upon the work of cleansing of the Streets be finished at a regular hour, say not later than ten o'clock on Saturday Nights, and the eve of holidays, as the Committee believe that if reasonable diligence is used the work can be completed at that hour. When watering the Streets the Hydrants are to be worked by the Foreman only, and he is not to allow any of the workmen to interfere with them at any time. He is also to insist upon the men giving up their tools at the Fish House each evening when work is discontinued so that they may be locked up there each night and given out to the men on following morning. The men's time should be entered each day by him in the Foreman's Time Book, as prescribed in "The Foreman's Duties".

(2) That the present practice of men and horses working overtime in the evenings and night time be discontinued at once, and if through an accumulation of work, or in case of urgency, an extra horse be necessary he can be employed in the same manner as temporary workmen.

(3) In the event of the temporary absence of the Foreman through illness, or other cause, the Surveyor be directed to take charge of, and direct the workmen, in whatever work they may be engaged and also keep their time. (This officer has undertaken to carry out this work.)

(4) The order of the Council respecting the employment of temporary men should be strictly adhered to, but in cases where the Surveyor is directed to carry out any work which involves the employment of skilled labour he is to be empowered to employ such Tradesmen as may be necessary for carrying out the work, but where possible an Estimate of the Cost of the work should be

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obtained before an order is made to have it carried out.
(5) The Foreman is to have all the Street traps flushed regularly and frequently, say twice each week. He is not to remove any sweepings etc off the Streets or Lanes after they have been already cleansed that day. The Street inspector should be directed to report the names of all persons depositing refuse etc on the Streets instead of in Bins and should endeavour as far as possible to detect persons who do this.
(6) With regard to the flooding of premises consequent upon heavy rain, The Town Surveyor should submit a report to next Quarterly Meeting of the Council embodying his recommendations to remedy as far as possible, the flooding; the water channels to be kept cleansed by the Foreman in the meantime.
(7) The Rent Collector should report monthly to the Council whether damage is being caused to the Councils houses, and when one becomes vacant he should report upon its condition imediately possesion is given up.

Proposed by Mr John Murphy John St and
Seconded by Mr Brewer

That the report of the Street Committee be adopted and their recommendations carried out.

Passed Unanimously

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Letter from Local Government Board dated 29th August forwarding a Copy of amended Regulations made by the Lord Lieutenant in pursuance of the Cinematograph act 1909. No Order Made

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Letter from Local Government Board, dated 3rd Sept 1913, requesting to be furnished with a return showing the condition of the Collection of the Poor Rate to the Middle of the month.

Ordered

That the Clerk furnish the Return asked for in due

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course.

Letter from the Hon Secretary of the Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland, dated 6th Sept 1913, intimating that it has been found necessary to alter the date of the Annual Conference of the Association from the 7th and 8th Octr 1913, to the 15th & 16th Octr, and stating that he would be glad if the delegates will advise him if they propose to read any papers or move the adoption of any resolution at the Conference

No Order Made.

Letter from the County Surveyor, dated 27th August 1913, stating that he had made arraugements to erect posts, one beside the Royal Hotel, and the other at the Court House to carry the Automobile Association direction Signs and he will be glad to have the Sanction of the Council to this.

Proposed by Mr Sullivan and
Seconded by Mr Murphy South St

That the Council give per-
-mission for the erection of the posts subject to the Town Surveyor approving of the site selected.

Mr Connor proposed the following Amendment which was seconded by Mr Murphy John St

That before the Town Surveyor give permission, the site be approved of by the Council.

On the amendment being put the proposer and Seconder voted for it, and the remainder of the Members voted against it. The resolution was put and declared "Passed" by the same Voting.

An application for the tenancy of one of the New houses was re-
-ceived from Wm O'neill, Mary St and it was Ordered to be placed with all the other applications until the houses are being let.

An application dated 9th Inst was received from Annie O'Brien for the position of Caretaker of the Council's Offices

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which was held by her late Mother for over twenty-one years. If appointed She promised to do all in her power to give satisfaction. There was no other application received.
Proposed by Mr O'Connor and
Seconded by Mr Murphy South St

That Annie O'Brien be elected Caretaker of the Council's Offices at 7/- per week, one weeks notice on either side to terminate the engagement.

Passed Unanimously

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An application dated 9th September was received from the Town Surveyor for remuneration for discharging the Duties of the Foreman during his recent illness.
Ordered

That it be referred to the Finance Committee for report.

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A letter dated 2nd Inst was received from Mr J. C. Laudy Manager of the Wexford Meat Supply Ltd, inquiring if the Council were prepared to receive a proposal for the renting of a Stall in the Shambles Mary Street.
Proposed By Mr Sullivan and
Seconded by Mr Murphy South St

That the Manager of the Wexford Meat Supply be informed the Council are not prepared to rent a Stall in the Shambles.

Passed Unanimously

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The following report of the Clerk in reference to the state of the Rate Collection was read viz:-

I beg to report that the Amount of Poor Rate collected at date is £367:19:10., Outstanding £323-14-10., Town Rate Collected £448:3:0., Outstanding £435:18:6., Domestic Water Rate Collected £52:4:10. Outstanding £31:7:9. Total Amount uncollected at date £791-1-1.

I also desire to point out that only three weeks now remain before the close of the half-year, and that active steps should be taken by the Collector to make a sub-

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-Stantial lodgment to the credit of the Council at once. The Bank Account is considerably overdrawn which ought not to be the case considering that there is such a large amount of money outstanding.

M. J. Finn
Clerk of Council.

Proposed by Mr O'Sullivan and
Seconded by Mr Brewer

That the Rate Collector be directed to take immediate Steps to collect all the outstanding Rates.

Passed Unanimously

Letter from Messrs Colfer & Son re:- Shops Act viz:-

9th Sept 1913

Shops Act 1912

Dear Sir

We are in receipt of yours of 4th inst, enclosing the voting papers received by you from the several exempted and non-exempted Trades in the Town recording their votes as to whether or not they are in favour of an Order being made fixing the weekly half holiday on Wednesday. We have carefully checked the voting papers and we now enclose a schedule showing the result of the voting of each Trade. In the case of the exempted trades there is not a two-thirds majority of any of them in favour of the Order and therefore no order can be made affecting these trades. As to the non-exempted trades, with the exception of Pawnbrokers, Jewellers, Stationers, unlicensed Grocers, Hairdressers and Retailers of Lighting and Gas Requisites, all the trades have failed to show the necessary majority of votes in favour of the Order. Therefore the Council can only make the order with regard to these six trades, and can do nothing about the others.

As to framing an order affecting the above six trades we have not done so, as we consider it extremely unlikely that under the circumstances, the Council will make such an order, but if they decide on doing so, we shall at once prepare it. It must however be borne in mind that as to the Non —

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-exempted trades even although no half holiday order may be made regarding them they are bound to fix a Notice in their Shops pursuant to sub-section 2. Section 4 of the Act stating on what day in each week they intend to close for the weekly half holiday, and they will be liable to prosecution if they do not close on that day. This is a matter which the Council's Inspector should see to. We return the voting papers herewith.

Yours very truly
Colfer & Son.

The Schedule referred to in the letter was received and examined.

After some discussion it was unanimously decided not to take any further action respecting the making of a closing Order. It was, at the same time understood that the Inspector would take the necessary steps to ensure that all the Assistants would get their half holiday.

The Town Surveyor reported that he inspected roof of Shelsea but could find no indication of any leak. The valleys and gutters thereon require to be cleaned. If there is any further indication of a leak he will examine and report upon the matter again. He has to again report that obstructions are still being placed in the water table outside Mr Hearnes premises in Mary St. I would recommend that your house in occupation of mrs Curran situate in Bullawn be closed up as it is unfit for habitation.

Ordered

That Michael Curran be informed the Council have decided to close up the house on the Bullawn, owing to its dangerous condition, and he be requested to make arrangements to give up possession of it within the next ten ~~or twelve~~ days, otherwise they will have to take the necessary legal steps to obtain possession of it

The Clerk stated he would write Mr. Ahern in reference to Obstruction of Channel in Mary St.

The following letter was considered in Committee Viz:-

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2nd September, 1913.

Fanning -v- The Council

Dear Sir

This Chancery action having been remitted for trial to the County Court will come on before Judge Barry at the Quarter Sessions here on 10th October.

The case has developed into an important one, certainly so far as costs are concerned, and the result will depend largely we think on the value of the Engineering evidence which will be forthcoming. We are of opinion that the Council ought to procure the best Engineering evidence available and we would suggest their engaging the services of Mr Deane a man of admittedly large experience in drainage engineering and who is already well known to your Council.

Kindly bring this letter under the notice of the Council at their next Meeting.

Yours very truly
Colfer & Sons

It was unanimously Ordered that it be referred to the Committee already appointed to deal with this matter, they to be empowered to take whatever action they consider best in the interests of the Council respecting it.

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In reference to the Order made at last Meeting directing that Tenders be invited for all the old pumps, the persons tendering to remove same from their present positions, and be responsible for any accident that might occur in their removal. The Clerk inquired in what papers if any he would have the advertisement inserted, and also whether the openings made in the ground should be covered with Railway bars, as intended when they were about being removed before.

A long discussion took place upon the matter, and it was eventually decided not to sell the pumps, as it was considered safe to leave the wells in which the pumps are fixed, closed in as at present.

The Surveyor asked to have one in Fish House

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offered for sale as it is only in the way there and it was ordered that tenders be invited for it from Messrs Marshall & Kelly.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 23rd Sept, 1913.

Patrick J Sheehy

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Tuesday 23rd September, 1913.

A Meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this Evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Present Mssrs P. J. Dunne Presiding
M. J. O'Connor
P. D. Gorman
John Murphy John St
John Murphy South St
John Sullivan
Joseph Brewer
John Lannon
James B. Keane
David Murphy
P. J. A. Delaney

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read and Signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Mssrs Gorman & O'Connor and the following Paying Order was directed to be issued viz:- £20:16:11 No 124 Petty Cash.

## Correspondence

Letter from Local Government Board No 50,182:1913, dated 22nd Sept 1913, acknowledging receipt of a Paying Order for £95:1:6, Amount payable to the Board in connection with The Town Surveyor Inquiry.
No Order Made

A Notification dated 12th Inst, was received from Henry A. Murphy Esq, Local Government Board Inspector, of his intention to hold a Local Inquiry into a Labourers Act Scheme in the Board Room of the New Ross Workhouse on the 23rd Inst.
No Order Made

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Letter from Local Government Board dated 11th Inst forwarding audited Abstracts of Accounts for year ended 31st March 1913 together with the following copy of a Report of the Auditor on same.

Kingstown
5th September, 1913.

Sir,

I have the honour to report that I have audited the accounts of the Newross Urban District Council for the year ended the 31st March, 1913. Duly certified abstracts hereof are transmitted herewith. There are sums due from several persons, in respect of water connections, some of which have been outstanding for a considerable time. The Council should take steps to collect these without delay.

The Clerk performed his duties in connection with the preparation and presentation of the Accounts for audit, with care and accuracy.

I am, Sir,
Your Obedient Servant
J. Shore O'Ferrall
Auditor.

Ordered

That the Collector be furnished with a copy of the Extract in reference to the outstanding Sums referred to in the report and he be directed to have them collected forthwith.

It was unanimously decided not to have the report or Abstract of Accounts printed, or circulated amongst the Members of the Council, as it was considered unnecessary to incur the Expense as any Member can inspect same at the Office.

Letter from Same dated 16th Inst, forwarding a copy of the Abstract of Accounts of the Technical Committee for the same period as also the following copy of the Auditors Report.

Kingstown
11th September 1913.

Sir

I beg to report that I have audited the Accounts of the above –

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-named Committee for the financial year ended the 31st March 1913, and to enclose duly certified Abstracts thereof.

The Accounts were presented for audit in a satisfactory manner.

I am, Sir,
Your Obedient Servant
J. More O'Ferrall
Auditor

To Order Made

Letter from Same dated dated 19th Inst, enclosing Paying Order for £33:5:8, being the 1st instalment of Estate Duty payable to the Council for year ending 31st Inst.

Ordered

That it be lodged to the credit of the Council.

The following letter was received from the National Insurance Commission Viz:-

8th September, 1913.

Sir,

I am directed by the National Health Insurance Commission (Ireland) to draw your attention to Section 6 of the National Health Insurance Act, 1913, which enacts that "Employment under any local or public authority except such as may be excluded by a Special Order" shall be added to the classes of employment which are employments within the meaning of Part I of the National Insurance Act, 1911. Hitherto persons engaged in such employments were only insurable if they were employed under a Contract of Service and as in many cases there was a considerable doubt in the matter, and on and after that date all employees of local Authorities who were not excluded by Special Order or by the provisions of Schedule one Part two of the Act of 1911, will be compulsorily insurable. The Commissioners have at present under consideration the making of a Special Order dealing with the matter, but I am to state for your information that no such order will except from Compulsory Insurance any employees who are not permanent pensionable Officers of the Authority concerned.

The period within which reserve values may be credited to persons of the age of seventeen or upwards entering into insurance has been

extended by Section 2 Of the National Insurance Act, 1913, to 13th Oct next and it is urgently requested that Local Authorities will take the necessary steps to secure that such of their employees as will not be excepted either as pensionable Officers or otherwise may be duly insured before that date. I am to add that the Sections of the Act of 1913 above referred to apply to the employees of Boards of Guardians equally with those of other local authorities.

Your Obedient Servant.
Pierce Kent.

Ordered

That a copy of this letter be forwarded to the Councils Solicitors and they be asked to advise the Council whether the Officers named in their letter of 16th July as not coming under the National Insurance Act 1911 must now be insured.

A Notification, dated 16th Inst was received from the Gas Co of their intention to open the Street in North St opposite Mr Fleuchs and in Mary St, near Technical School to remedy a leak.

No Order Made.

An application, dated 22nd Inst was received from Mrs A. O'Neill Mary Street for permission to erect a "Standing" in Robert St, during the Retreat and it was unanimously granted.

Letter from Robert Costelloe, Sanitary Engineer Waterford, dated 18th Inst stating that he had a Contract for laying down five Hydrants and five Mains for Messrs Cherry Bros, and as they require the Hydrants and Other Screwed fittings, to be similar in everyway to those already fixed in the Town he would be glad to have particulars of them.

He also asked permission to open the road and make the necessary Connection with the Main at the top of John Street.

Ordered

That the Clerk furnish the necessary particulars.

A discussion took place as to whether the Main should be tapped by the Council's Contractor, during which it was pointed out that Messrs Hartrick had not yet entered into a Bond, and that the necessary particulars respecting their price for certain work.

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outside the District cannot be obtained from them,
It was eventually
Proposed by Mr Flaim and
Seconded by Mr Sullivan
That permission be given to Mrs
Costello to open the road at John St, and also to tap
the water main for the purpose of making a connection
with the Brewery premises, the work to be done under
the supervision of the Surveyor, Mr Costello to be re-
-sponsible for any damage done to the main by himself
or his men.

Passed Unanimously

Ordered

That Messrs Hartrick be informed if they do not
furnish to next Meeting the necessary information frequently
asked for, which was ommitted from their tender, advertise-
-ments will be issued for another Contractor.

A Tender of £12/. or £2/6 per ton was received from James Kelly, Upper
Mary St, for the old pumps in Fish House on Quay, and, on the
Proposal of Mr O'Connor Seconded by Mr Gorman, it was decided
to accept the tender of £2/6 per ton.

The Clerk reported that Rev Wm Gibson called to the Office and
stated that he was about to connect the Teachers residence with
the water supply to the School, and asked if there would be an
additional charge
Proposed by Mr. J.D. Flaime and
Seconded by Mr Gorman
That as the Teachers residence is in
the same building as the School for which a rent is already
paid, there be no additional charge made
An amendment that the matter be referred to the Water
Committee was proposed by Mr John Murphy, Seconded by Mr
O'Connor.
On a Vote there voted for the Amendment
Messrs Sullivan, Drewer, Murphy, South St. O'Connor & the Chairman 5

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Against:- Messrs Hearn, Murphy John St Gorman & Fanning &
Mr David Murphy did not vote.

The Surveyor reported that the obstruction placed in the water table at Priory St outside Mr Dunphy's premises was not yet removed.

Ordered

That Mr Dunphy be informed if he does not remove it within one week from date it will be removed by the Councils men at his expense.

He also reported that the water from the Carmelite Convent grounds continues to discharge on to the street surface in Mary St.

It was decided that the Clerk furnish particulars to next Meeting of the action taken by the Council on a former occasion respecting this matter.

The Street Inspector reported that the daily Scavenging was carried out as usual.

Ordered

That the Street Inspector be directed to report the names of persons depositing shop sweepings on the Streets, and also those who place dust bins to be emptied after the Scavengers have removed others for the day.

Mr Sullivan drew attention to the closing of the Technical School owing to the Council refusing to pay over the Technical Rate collected. He considered that the protest against the exclusion of the Press from the Meetings of the Technical Committee had been carried quite far enough now, and suggested the payment of the Rate to the Committee so that the School might be opened.

A long discussion took place upon the matter in which all the Members present participated.

Eventually the following resolution was

Proposed by Mr O'Connor and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy John St

That the balance of the Technical Rate collected be paid over to the Technical

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Committee.

The Chairman refused to put this resolution on the ground that Notice of it should be given and also that a similar resolution proposed recently was not carried or seconded.

Standing Order No 24 having been read, it was:-

Proposed by Mr Hearne and
Seconded by Mr O'Connor

That the Standing Orders be suspended So that the Chairman may be enabled to put the resolution respecting payment of Technical Rate, which has duly been proposed and Seconded.

This resolution was put to a Vote, when there voted

For:- Messrs Hearne, Delaney, Sullivan, Murphy, John St. O'Connor, Gorman & D Murphy. 7

Against:- Messrs Brewer, Murphy South St, Fanning & the Chairman 4

The necessary three fourths majority in favour of the resolution not having been obtained it was declared "Not Carried".

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The Clerk reported that as directed at last Meeting he wrote the tenant of the dangerous house on Sullivan requesting him to give up possession of same, but had not since obtained the key or any communication respecting it, and it was proposed by Mr O'Connor that Notice to Quit be signed and sealed but the proposition was not seconded.

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The Clerk submitted a copy of the regulations in force in the Urban District of Enniscorthy for regulating the storage of Petroleum, and licensing of persons storing it. The regulations are practically a copy of those issued by the Home Authority.

It was unanimously decided to adopt them and have a License issued to the British Petroleum Co Subject to these regulations.

It was decided not to take any action respecting the other persons who store Motor Spirit or Petroleum in town.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 7th October 1913

Patrick J Brennan

Tuesday 30th September 1913.

A Special Meeting of the Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to consider a report of the Housing Committee in which they recommended that five additional houses be built in Lock Pit Lane, on the same plan as the present ones, and twenty one-storey, three-room houses in Barrack Lane, also to consider the question of an additional Housing Scheme generally, the class of houses to be built, and the site upon which they are to be built.

Present Mesprs P. J. Dunne JP Presiding
John O'Sullivan
John Murphy John St
Joseph Dwyer
David Murphy
M. J. O'Connor

The resolution passed at last Meeting of the Council authorizing the holding of this Meeting was read by the Chairman after which the Report of the Housing Committee was read.

A long discussion took place respecting the advisability of undertaking an additional Scheme of houses, and also the most suitable of the Sites in the possession of the Council.

Eventually the following resolution was:-

Proposed by Mr O'Sullivan and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy South St

That our Surveyor be instructed to have for the Next Meeting plans of a Scheme three and four roomed houses at a cost of about £120 to be built in Cross Lane, Barrack Lane or Dunneen Lane

Mr O'Connor proposed that five houses be built on the Lock Pit Lane Site to the same plan as existing houses, but, the proposition was not seconded.

Mr O'Sullivans resolution was put and "Passed Unanimously".

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The Clerk Stated that he had received an application from John Neill Mary St for the tenancy of the vacant house at Wm Street,

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and he offered Thomas Fitzgerald Quay St, as Surety, and suggested that it might be dealt with although the Meeting was called for a Special purpose.

Proposed by Mr Sullivan and
Seconded by Mr Murphy South St

That John Doull Main Street, be accepted as tenant for the vacant house at Wm St, tenancy to commence 6th prox.

Passed Unanimously

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The following letter received from Mr W. F. Hearn, Solicitor, was also considered it being of an urgent nature viz:-

27th September, 1913.

Dear Sir,

On my own behalf as a Rate payer, I hereby request that your Council (The Urban District Council of New Ross), forthwith proceed to discharge their Statutory duty, in paying over to the Technical School Committee of the Urban District of New Ross, such Sum or sums of Money as your Council have levied and Collected for the purposes of Technical Education, and failing your Council doing so, or giving me a Satisfactory assurance of compliance with this Demand by Next Wednesday, the 1st prox., I will, without further Notice, apply to the High Court of Justice, for a Writ or Mandamus, to compel your Council to so discharge their duties.

Yours faithfully
Wm F. Hearn

After a long discussion the following resolution was:-
Proposed by Mr Sullivan and
Seconded by Mr Murphy South St viz:-

That the Chairman and Clerk wait upon the Councils Solicitor on following day & ascertain if the Council can be compelled to pay over this Money, and if so that it be paid at Next Finance Meeting of the Council, Mr Hearn and the Secretary of the Technical Committee to be apprized of this as soon as the Solicitors opinion is obtained. Passed Mr D Murphy Not voting.

The Members Separated.

Patrick Grace

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Monday 6th October 1913.

A Monthly Meeting of the Council was to be held this day at twelve O'clock Noon, to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

No Member of the Council attended.

The Meeting Adjourned

Tuesday 7th October 1913.

A Meeting of the Finance Committee was held this evening at 5.30 O'clock to consider Abstract of Uncollectable Poor Rate & Town Rate furnished by Collector, and recommend to the Council the particular items to be cancelled.

Present Messrs T. J. Dunne P. Presiding
John Sullivan
John Murphy South St.

The Collector was also in attendance.

The Committee was not satisfied that Some two or three of the items claimed should be refunded and although they were allowed when being examined by a Majority of the Members present, it was subsequently agreed that they be all reconsidered.

The Meeting Adjourned

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Tuesday 7th October, 1913

A Quarterly Meeting of the Council was held this evening at 7 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898 and other Acts Connected therewith.

Present Messrs Patrick J. Dunne J.P. Presiding
John O'Sullivan
John Murphy South St
John Fanning
Joseph Brewer

A Member drew attention to the fact that Mr Connolly had not yet begun to construct the footpath at Cross Lane for which he obtained a Contract at the last Quarterly Meeting the time allowed for its construction having expired. After a short discussion it was:-

Ordered

That Mr Connolly be informed if the Contract is not completed within one month the conditions of his Bond will be enforced.

## Surveyor's Report

During the past quarter your Streets have been maintained in fair order. Extra workmen will now be required for the winter months. Four Surface traps have been constructed and are working satisfactorily. Additional surface traps are now required in Dullaun and Irishtown, two in each District, to abate the flooding usually caused by rainstorms. Possibly the Contractor to the New Sewerage Scheme would undertake this work by Agreement. I have no recommendation to lay before you for "Special Works" as I understand the amount estimated under this head for the current financial year has been allocated to certain other works which have been already passed. I have to report that your Contractor for the Cross Lane footpath has not yet undertaken its construction, but says he expects to start working this week.

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Mr Fanning drew attention to the condition of the pathway between Wm St and Cross Lane and it was:-

Ordered

That the Surveyor have it repaired.

The question of the employment of extra workmen was referred to the Sanitary Committee who are already appointed to deal with such applications

Proposed by Mr John Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Joseph Brewer

That the four new surface traps recommended by the Town Surveyor be constructed and that Tenders be invited for their construction, same to be considered at Meeting of the Council to be held on 28th inst.

Passed Unanimously

It was also Ordered that the Surveyor have some repairs carried out on the Wexford St footpath.

The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 6th January, 1914.

Patrick J. Dunne

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Tuesday 7th October, 1913.

A Meeting of the Newtown Urban Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Present Messrs P. J. Dunne Jr Presiding
John O'Sullivan
John Murphy South St
John Fanning
Joseph Brewer

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read and Signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Fanning & Murphy and the following Paying Order was directed to be issued viz:- No 125 £23.16.5 Petty Cash.

## Correspondence

Letter from the National Insurance Commissioners dated 6th Inst, No 44, 396/13 informing the Council that after careful consideration they regret they cannot see their way to accede to the application of the Council for a refund of Contributions paid in respect of certain Officials of the Councils which their Solicitors have advised were exempt.

Ordered

That the Councils Solicitors be asked to advise the Council whether they can legally insist upon a refund being made.

Letter from Robert Costello, Waterford dated 25th Ult, thanking the Council for having given him permission to tap the water main to enable him to connect with the Brewery and stating that he will give due Notice of his intention to connect.

No Order Made

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Letter from Local Government Board dated 3rd Inst, enclosing a sealed Order fixing a fee of £6:6:0 for auditing Accounts, and it was referred to the Finance Committee.

A Tender of 6/- per heap, for three heaps of manure, was received from Patk Kelly, Camolin; but the price was considered too low, and it was

Ordered

That they be sold at 8/- per heap to Mr Kelly if he is satsfied to take them at this price.

Letter from Messrs Colfer & Son Solrs, dated 1st Oct 1913, advising the Council that in their opinion they are bound to apply the amount of the poundage rate levied for the purpose for which it was struck. the purpose of Technical Instruction.

As the Secretary of the Technical Instruction Committee had been already advised that the money will be paid over at the next Finance Meeting of the Council there was.

No Order Made.

A Memo was received from Mr Hartrick, dated 1st Inst, stating that his prices for repairs to mains extensions and services with cuttings between 6 P.M and 6 A.M would be 10/- in addition to the prices set out in his Tender dated May 1913. This not to apply to Domestic Services.

The Clerk stated that this was an explanation of the minimum price referred to in his tender.

After a short discussion it was:-

Proposed by Mr Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Fanning

That this additional tender of Mr Hartrick for repairs to mains during the night be accepted.

Passed Unanimously

The Street Inspector reported that the daily Scavenging was carried out as usual, also that a number of persons had empty boxes on the Streets on different days.

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As all those persons, with one or two exceptions, were Drapers who are getting in goods at this season of the Year it was decided not to take any action in reference to them.

The following Report of the Surveyor was read viz:-

A water supply has been laid on to house in occupation of Wm Carty Souths St. The Ventilation Shaft to the Fair Gate house drain as been constructed as Ordered. I have to ask you to kindly extend the time for furnishing plans &c for your proposed New housing Scheme.

I will thank the Council to kindly provide me with an Office.

Jas J Shortall
Town Surveyor

Ordered

That the time for preparation of Housing Specification be extended to 28th Inst.

That the Members of the Council be Summoned to attend Next Meeting to be held on 14th Inst, to Consider the application of the Surveyor for an Office.

The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 14th October, 1913

m/f Connors

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Tuesday 14th October, 1913.

A Meeting of the Council was to be held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and consider application of the Town Surveyor for an Office.

Messrs M. J. O'Connor & John Fanning were the only members who attended.

A Quorum not having assembled,

The Meeting Adjourned to Wednesday 15th October, 1913.

M. J. O'Connor

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Monday 13th October, 1913.

A Meeting of the Finance Committee was held this evening at 5 O'clock to reconsider Collectors Abstract of Uncollectable Rates., Correspondence received by him from the D.S.E.Rly Co, declining to pay full Rates on portion of their premises at Kilmacow, an application from the Surveyor for remuneration for taking charge of the workmen during the temporary absence of the Foreman and an application from Mrs Hogan for payment of Money due to her late father as well as, a number of accounts received.

Present Messrs Patrick J. Dunne J.P. Presiding
John Murphy John St
John Murphy South St

Mr Sullivan called and expressed regret that he was unable to remain, and stated that he came specially to oppose the granting of any remuneration to the Surveyor for taking charge of the workmen during the temporary illness of the Foreman.

The Committee re-examined the list of Uncollectable Poor Rate and Town Rate, and recommended that a few items be carried forward to the next half year for Collection, and be refunded in the meantime to the Collector.

They also examined a number of Bills submitted by the Clerk and having prepared and signed their report, copy of which is entered on the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council.

The Committee Adjourned.

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Wednesday 15th October, 1913.

An adjourned Meeting of the Council was held this evening at 7.30 O'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and consider application of the Town Surveyor for an Office.

Present Mess^rs M. J. O'Connor Presiding
Michael Sheehan
John Murphy John St
Joseph Drever

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read and Signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was Signed by the Chairman & Mess^rs Drever Sheehan and the following Paying Orders were directed to be issued viz:-

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| No 126 | Parnell Quarries Ltd | £63 | 10 | 6 |
| " 127 | George Moran | 12 | 16 | 6 |
| " 128 | Hibernian Fire & General Insurance Co^s | 2 | 10 | 6 |
| " 129 | Treasurer Local Government Board | 6 | 6 | 0 |
| " 130 | Hugh & Hamilton Jn^o | 1 | 5 | 6 |
| " 131 | James Shortall S.S. | 4 | 6 | 8 |
| " 132 | Mess^rs Heleys Ltd | 1 | 10 | 11 |
| " 133 | Technical Instruction Committee | 16 | 11 | 3 |
| " 134 | Same | 16 | 11 | 7 |
| " 135 | John J. Browne | 23 | 1 | 2 |
| " 136 | Same | 32 | 5 | 2 |
| " 137 | Same | 1 | 0 | 7 |
| " 138 | Same | 1 | 0 | 6 |
| " 139 | Mess^rs Graves & Co | 9 | 16 | 0 |
| " 140 | Miss Alicia Doyle | | 16 | 0 |
| " 141 | Miss Sarah Hogan | 11 | 13 | 4 |
| " 142 | Mess^rs Doyle Bro^s | 8 | 10 | 9 |
| " 143 | Mrs^s J. Turney | 8 | 5 | 9 |
| " 144 | C & E French L.S.S.I | | 13 | 2 |
| " 145 | Mess^rs James Power & Co | 2 | 9 | 2 |
| " 146 | M^r J Finn | 1 | 17 | 6 |
| " 147 | Same | 11 | 5 | 0 |

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| No 148 | Wm. J. Finn | £ | 6 : 5 : 0 |
| " 149 | James Barron | | 5 : 4 : 11 |
| " 150 | A Lyndall | | 5 : 10 : 0 |
| " 151 | John Stephenson | | 1 : 15 : 0 |
| " 152 | Joseph Lynch | | 13 : 0 |
| " 153 | Henry Lew | | 4 : 10 : 0 |
| " 154 | Dr Wm. Walsh | | 2 : 12 : 6 |
| " 155 | John Doyle | | 12 : 18 : 5 |
| " 156 | Wm J Finn | | 11 : 7 : 3 |
| " 157 | Cashiers Bank of Ireland | | 31 : 8 : 11 |
| " 158 | Same | | 103 : 10 : 1 |
| " 159 | Same | | 393 : 19 : 5 |
| " 160 | Same | | 30 : 9 : 2 |
| " 161 | Andrew Cullen (Loans a/c No 3) | | 100 : 0 : 0 |
| " 162 | The Irish Builder & Engineer (Loans No 4) | | 1 : 5 : 0 |
| " 163 | Jeremiah Fitzpatrick Limerick (Loans No 4) | | 200 : 0 : 0 |
| " 164 | James. J. Shortall (Loans a/c No 4) | | 15 : 0 : 0 |

## Correspondence

Letter from the Secretary Technical Instruction Committee, forwarding a Demand for Income Tax, together with Correspondence which passed between him, The Department, and the Collector in reference to it.

Ordered

That Same be returned to the Secretary with a Suggestion that he intimate to the Collector that the Urban Council, and not the Technical Committee, are the lessees of the School.

Letter from the Secretary of the Limerick Industrial Association informing the Council that the Ninth All-Ireland Industrial Conference will be held in Limerick on the 22nd & 23rd Inst and inviting the Council to appoint two delegates to attend it.

No Order Made.

A Tender was received from Mr Edwd Browne, dated 1st Inst for three heaps of manure @ 9/- per heap and it was Ordered

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to be accepted.

A tender was also received from George Dooley for two heaps @ 9/- per heap and it was accepted subject to them being in Stock.

Francis Browne offered 12/6 for one heap of manure in field at Town Wall, but as it was considered too low was not accepted.

The following letter, received from Messrs Coffey & Son, in reference to Insurance Officials was read. viz:-

8th October, 1913.

— New Ross Urban District Council —

re:- Insurance Act

Dear Sir,

We are in receipt of yours of 27th Sept, enclosing copy letter received from the National Insurance Commissioners.

In our letter to you of the 16th July last we pointed out that by the decision of the Master of the Rolls in the South Dublin Union case it was laid down that employees of Local or Public authorities performing fixed Statutory duties did not come under the Act but employees of such authorities employed under ordinary "Contracts of Service" did come under the Act and were compulsorily insurable.

The effect of this decision has since been somewhat altered by Section 6 of the National Insurance Act of 1913 which lays down that employees of any Local or Public Authority are compulsorily insurable except such as may be excluded by a Special Order.

The Commissioners have not yet made the Special Order in question but they have intimated that it will not except from compulsory Insurance, any employee who is not a permanent pensionable Officer.

A Pensionable Officer in our opinion would be held to be a person holding an Office arising within the provisions of any Act authorizing the grant of a Superannuation allowance. Pending the publication of the Special

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Order of the Commissioners it is difficult to advise what employees should be insured, but we think the Council would be safe in insuring all their Officials who do not earn more than £160 per annum and who do not hold a pensionable Office.

Coffey Hon

Ordered

That the consideration of the letter be adjourned to next Meeting the Members of the Council to be Summoned to consider it.

## Report of Finance Committee

Your Finance Committee met this evening and had before them an application from the Town Rate Collector for a refund of a Sum of £9:16:0½, being balance of accesment of Town Rate No 1243, which the Dr S & Railway Co have refused to pay on the ground that this particular rating should be assessed on the fourth value only. This rating has been assessed at full value in pursuance of the advice of your Solicitor and we recommend that copies of the correspondence which passed between the Collector and his Solicitor & the Railway Co be submitted to the Councils Solicitor and he be asked to advise the Council if the Coy are liable for the balance which they have refused to pay.

We do not recommend any remuneration to Surveyor for taking charge of the men in the Foremans temporary absence through illness.

We recommend that the claim of Mrs Hogan for £11:13:4 be paid. We recommend that Nos 2744 2/9, 3371 9/6, 6444 28/6, 1119 (7/11), 1123 1/1, & 1336 5/6½, Poor Rate also 2744 3/8½, 3371 12/9, 1119 10/7½, 1123 2/1½, 1336 7/5½, Town Rate be carried forward to Next half-years collection.

We recommend payment of the following accounts.

(See list at Commencement of Minutes).

The Schedule of Uncollected Rates referred to were submitted and examined after which the following resolutions were passed:-

Proposed by Mr O'Connor and
Seconded by Mr Sheehan

That Sums of uncollected

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Poor Rate amounting to £12:13:6½ be cancelled and sums of same amounting to £2:0:9½ be carried forward to next half year for collection, bore tobe refunded to the Collector in the meantime.

Passed Unanimously

Proposed by Mr O'Connor and
Seconded by Mr Sheehan

That Sums of Uncollected Town Rate amounting to £26:12:5 be cancelled, and Sums of Same amounting to £1:16:8 be carried forward to next half-year for collection, Same to be refunded to the Collector, also that the portion of Rating No 1273 amounting to £9:16:8½, which the Railway Co have refused to pay be carried forward to next half-year for collection, and refunded in the meantime to the Collector.

Passed Unanimously.

Proposed by Mr Drewer and
Seconded by Mr Sheehan

That the Report of the Finance Committee be adopted, and the payments recommended by them made.

Passed Unanimously

The Street Inspector reported that the daily Scavenging was carried out as usual. He also reported some persons who were causing obstruction in the Streets by placing empty boxes outside their premises.

It was Ordered that he be directed to report the names of persons who store empty carts in the Streets or Lanes, and that Same, together with the Reports now before the Council be considered at Next Meeting.

The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 28th October, 1913.

Patrick J. Dillon

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Tuesday 28th October 1913

A Meeting of the New Ross Urban Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, consider an application from the Surveyor for an Office, and a letter from Messrs Coffey & Son respecting the Insurance of Some of the Councils Officials.

Present Messrs P. J. Dunne J.P. Presiding
Joseph Drewe
M. J. O'Connor
John O'Sullivan
John Murphy John St.

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by The Chairman and Messrs O'Connor & Drewe, and the following Paying Order was directed to be issued viz:- No 165 £24:2:10 Petty Cash.

## Correspondence

Letter from Local Government Board No 54:924/1913 dated 21st October 1913 returning the lists of uncollected rates for half-year ended 30th Sept last, with the rulings of the Board Stamped thereon.

The Board observed that the Collector had signed the unused Receipts in some cases which was irregular, and the Collector should be warned not to sign or date the receipts until he has actually received the money from the ratepayers.

The Board furthermore observe that in four cases the Collector has accepted payment of Rates for a lesser Sum than that named in the Official Receipt, although a Collector is not entitled to issue a receipt from his book of Receipts for any Sum less than the amount mentioned in the Receipt, nor has he any power to make any substantial alteration beyond filling up the necessary blanks.

If the Collector finds that the amount of recoverable rate mentioned on the Receipts he holds requires to be amended he

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Should Report Same to the Clerk who on being Satisfied as to the accuracy of the amended amount of rates, Should remove from the Collector's book the receipt Form originally handed to him for the particular ratepayer concerned, and issue to the Collector from a Book of Forms kept Specially for the purpose, a receipt for the Sum representing the Rate legally due. The original Form of the Receipt, and the Block Should be cancelled by means of a rubber Stamp, and the original cancelled Receipt Should be forwarded to the Local Government Board Office as a Voucher in Support of the Collectors claim for recoupment.

Ordered

That a copy of the portion of this letter relating to the duty of the Collector be furnished to him, and he be directed to carry out the instructions of the Local Government Board in the matter.

That the Clerk also have any receipts, cancelled as directed by the Board, and that a rubber Stamps be ordered for the purpose.

The Clerk stated that the Collector does not issue a receipt from his Book of Receipts, ~~The original Receipt however~~ for any Sum less than the amount of the particular Rating, all such receipts are taken by him (Clerk) from a Special Book of Receipts.

The original receipt however is retained by the Collector as a Voucher for the unpaid portion of the Rate which he has to lodge the amount received or/and amount due been Shown on the unused receipt.

Ordered

That the Local Government Board be informed of this.

The following letter was read Viz:-

22nd October 1913.

Re:- Shop's Act

Dear Sir

Mr Kelly, the Inspector under the above act called upon us to-day with instructions to prosecute Mrs Hennessy of South St and Mr Arthur J. Doyle of Bridge Quay for breaches of the Act. As a result of our Conversation with the Inspector we have formed that opinion that in both cases, the omission to comply with the

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Act arose from a misunderstanding of its provisions, and we are informed that both of these parties gave a half holiday to each of their Assistants last week.

If therefore a prosecution takes place now, it will be treated by the Magistrates as a very trifling matter, and the penalty, if any, will be very small. In these circumstances we suggest to the Council that it is scarcely worth while to issue Summonses in these cases, but if the Council think otherwise we shall proceed.

It is worthy of Remark that a publican (of whom there are about eighty in Newbass) is not bound to close his premises at all under the Act; all he is bound to do is to refrain from employing his assist-ants for more than seventy two hours in each week, and to give each Assistant a half holiday of at least Seven hours on some day of each week.

Collector's Loss.

After a short discussion the following resolution was:-
Proposed by Mr Sullivan and
Seconded by The Chairman viz:-

That in accordance with the advice of our Solicitors, Summonses be not issued in the two cases mentioned in his letter, and that our Inspector be directed to carry out the Act Stringently in future.

Passed Unanimously

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The Collector submitted a list of tenants owing more than four weeks rent, and it was Ordered that he be directed to make written application to the Sureties of those tenants for payment of the Amounts due by them, and report the result to next meeting of the Council.

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Letter from Street Inspector, dated 28th October 1913, Stating particulars re Storing of Cars in Streets will be found in his reports for Meeting to night.

No Order Made

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A Tender was received from Mr Wm. Gannon, Arneatown of 13/- for one heap of manure at Town Wall but as it was considered too low

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it was not accepted.

The Street Inspector reported a number of Traders for placing boxes &c, on the Streets causing obstruction; also that Messrs T. Hennessy and C. J Kavanagh had cars outside their premises at Henry St and Cross Lane. There were also a number of cars in Conduit Lane, the owners of two being James Kennedy, Gaulstown and Kate Galavin Begerin. The daily Scavenging was carried out as usual.

Some discussion took place respecting a number of cars which were placed in Robert St, near the entrance to the New church, of which no mention was made in the Street Inspectors Report, but there was no Order made upon the Report.

A circular letter dated October 1913 was received from the Secretary of the National Health Insurance Commissioners (Ireland) directing attention to Section Six of the National Insurance Act 1913, and intimating that a Special Order has now been issued under this Section excluding from liability to Insurance, the employments named in the appendix to the letter; also defining what a pensionable Office may be taken to mean.

The consideration of the letter dated 8th Inst received from Messrs Colfer Hore at last Meeting, and adjourned to this was taken up, when the following letter, dated 28th Inst, received from Messrs Colfer Hore was read:-

Re:- Insurance Acts

Dear Sir

Referring to our interview yesterday, and to our letter to you of 3rd Inst; with regard to the liability of permanent Officials of your Council to insure under the Act of 1911, as amend-ed by the Act of 1913 we are of opinion that you at all events are a pensionable Officer and as such are not bound to insure, having regard to the recent Special Order of the Insurance Commis-sioners. As to what other employees of the Council are "Pensionable Officers", we should not like to say definitely until we are given full particulars as to the terms of their employment &c, and whether they are full time Officers or not. Each case must be consid-ered on its merits, and it would be risky to lay down any

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fixed rule of general application.

As to obtaining a refund of premiums paid in error, we are of opinion this cant be done.

We will be glad to advise you further on this matter if necessary.

Colfer & Son

At the conclusion of the reading of this letter, Mr Sullivan left, and a quorum was not then present - Mr John Murphy having left during the discussion on the reading of the letter received from Mr O'Lovell - so that the further consideration of the letter respecting the Insurance of Officials was adjourned to next Meeting.

At the special request of the Clerk Mr Murphy returned to the Council Chamber when the labour Bills were passed and the Treasurer Authority for payment of same duly signed after which.

The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 11th November, 1913.

Monday 3rd November, 1913.

A Monthly Meeting of the Council was to be held this day at twelve O'clock Noon to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

No Member of the Council Attended

The Meeting Adjourned.

Patrick J Dowd

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Tuesday 11th November, 1913.

A Meeting of the Finance Committee was held this evening at 7 o'clock to transact business of the Committee for the Finance Meeting of the Council.

Present Messrs D. J. Dunne JP Presiding
John Murphy John Sh.

The Committee examined a number of bills submitted by the acting Clerk and after a brief consideration, decided to recommend payment of the following viz:-

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| No 166 | M. Timi | £11 : 5 : 0 |
| " 167 | Sec School attendance Committee | 8 : 0 : 10 |
| " 168 | James Shortall | 4 : 6 : 8 |
| " 169 | M. Timi | 22 : 17 : 9. |

after which

The Meeting Adjourned

Patrick J Dunne

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Tuesday 11th November 1913.

A Meeting of the New Ross Urban Council was to be held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to Transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, & consider Notice of Motion by Mr O'Connor re cleansing Ashpits &c.

Present Messrs Patrick J. Dunne JP Presiding
John O'Sullivan
John Murphy South St
John Murphy John St
M J O'Connor

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman & Messrs O'Connor & John Murphy South St, and the following Paying Orders were directed to be Signed viz :-

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| No 166 | M J Finn | £11:5:0 |
| " 167 | Sec School Attendance Committee | 8:0:10 |
| " 168 | James J. Shortall | 4:6:8 |
| " 169 | M J Finn | 22:17:9 |

Owing to the deaths of Mr David Murphy who was a Member of the Council and of the old Town Commissioners for over forty years, and of Mrs Mary E. Finn wife of Mr M. J. Finn Clerk of Urban Council, and who also was Chairman of Town Commissioners for a considerable period, it was decided not to transact any business (except the payment of the foregoing bills) as a mark of respect to their memory.

Accordingly it was

Proposed by Mr Sullivan and
Seconded by The Chairman

That we tender to Mr Doherty and his immediate relatives, our most sincere sympathy & condolence at the death of his uncle, Mr David Murphy, who was for a considerable number of years a valued Member of the Council and of the old Town Commissioners, and we ask him to accept the assurance of our regret at the loss he has sustained.

Passed Unanimously

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Ordered

That a copy of this resolution be sent to Mr Doherty.

Proposed by Mr O'Sullivan and
Seconded by The Chairman

That we the Members of the New Ross Urban Council desire to tender to Mr Finn our greatest and most Sincere sympathy and condol-ence at the death of his very respected wife, which sad event occurred recently, and we Sincerely ask him to accept the assurance of our regret at the terrible loss he has met with, and that as a mark of respect we adjourn this Meeting without transacting any business, except the payment of labour and other bills.

Passed Unanimously

Ordered

That a copy of this resolution be forwared to Mr Finn

Proposed by Mr Murphy South St and
Seconded by The Chairman

That Mr Finn be relieved of his duties for one week and that Mr Brennan be appointed Clerk & C. S. Officer during his absence.

Passed Unanimously

It was decided to adjourn the Meeting for one week.

The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 18th November, 1913

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Tuesday 18th November 1913

An adjourned Meeting of the Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Acts 1854.

Present Mess^rs Patrick J. Dunne J.P. Presiding.
John Murphy South St
M. J. O'Connor
Joseph Brewer

The minutes of previous Meetings were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman & Mess^rs Brewer & Murphy South St and the following Paying Orders were directed to be issued viz:-

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| No 170 | Jeremiah Fitzpatrick | (No 4 Loans) | £200:0:0 |
| " 171 | James J. Shortall | (No 4 Loans) | 12:0:0 |
| " 172 | Dr J. C. Hickey | | 7:10:0 |
| " 173 | John J. Browne | | 1:2:0 |
| " 174 | Same | | 27:13:0 |
| " 175 | Same | | 18:1:0 |
| " 176 | John Comick | | 3:0:0 |
| " 177 | Michl Bailey | | 1:10:3 |
| " 178 | James Connolly | | 45:0:0 |
| " 179 | Richard Malone | | 12:10:0 |
| " 180 | Patrick Brennan | | 1:0:0 |
| " 181 | Andrew Cullen | (No 3 Loans) | 100:0:0 |

## Correspondence

A Paying Order was received from the Land Commission for £51:0:6 being three half years Interest in Lieu of rent from Reps of Richard Thorpe.

Letter from the Lord Lieutenant, dated 31st Ult, enclosing copy of a circular letter issued by the Home Office pointing out that in many cases persons who obtain a License from Local Authorities to Store Motor Spirit, think that no further License

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is necessary, and suggesting that a slip be attached to every Licence intimating that it is also necessary to obtain a Licence from the Local Collector of Customs and Excise where the quantity sold at one time exceeds one pint.

A discussion took place respecting the necessity of requiring all persons who deal in Motor Spirit to be registered with, and obtain a licence from the Council and it was

Ordered

That the Clerk Notify all those persons who deal in Motor Spirit that they must be registered with the Council as Local Authority under the Act, and that the Members of the Council be summoned to attend Next Meeting to consider the advisability of appointing an Officer or Inspector under The Petroleum Act.

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The tender of 12/- for heap of manure at Town Wall, received from Mr William Gannon at last Meeting was now accepted, as the heap consisted of road scrapings only.

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An application was received from B J Hammond, Irishtown for one of the New houses, and it was Ordered to be filed with all the other applications.

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Letter from The Sectional Engineer, Post Office, Waterford, dated 9th Inst enclosing form of consent, to be signed by the Chairman to the Maintenance of attachments to the Town Hall (Tholsel) on the understanding that the Postmaster General is to make good any damage, and remove same within three months of the receipt of a Notice to that effect. He also forwarded an undertaking signed on behalf of the Postmaster General, to repair any damage, and remove attachments when required.

Ordered

That the Chairman Sign the Form of Consent on behalf of the Council

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A tender was received from Mr. J. Fitzpatrick for the Construction of four Surface traps at £3:15:0 each and 2/6 per lineal foot of piping additional.

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According to the Specification, the Council will supply Kerbs, grates, sealing and covering slabs, and will lend the Contractor the casings, or moulds, required for the construction of the traps. The Meeting considered the amount far too high, and it was:-

Proposed by Mr John Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Brewer

That the tenders be not accepted, the Surveyor to ascertain if blasting will be necessary in the construction of them, and if so, the Clerk to take Steps to have the employees insured whilst engaged at this work.

Passed Unanimously.

An application was received from Mr Patrick Brennan for acting as Clerk for one week, during the absence on leave of Mr Finn.

Proposed by The Chairman and
Seconded by Mr O'Connor

That Mr Brennan be allowed one pound for acting as Clerk to the Council for one week.

Passed Unanimously

The Imperial Accident Insurance Co Ltd wrote under date 3rd Inst, intimating that the Insurance of the Councils horses under their Policy would expire on the 16th Inst, and if the Insurance is to be renewed a new proposal will be necessary.

Ordered

That the Insurance of the horses be renewed, and the Clerk take the necessary Steps to have same carried out.

The Collector wrote under date 10th Inst, in reference to Poor Rate and Town Rate to be carried forward giving details of the action taken by him, respecting both, and after a short discussion it was Ordered

That the Collector be directed

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to collect all the amounts of Town Rate and Poor Rate, which has been brought forward from last half year to current half year by the close of the Collection for the latter period

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The Collector also submitted a list of tenants Sureties, to whom he had written for rents due, with the replies received, and it was Ordered that the Clerk require James Cahill and Ewd Whitty to provide Sureties in place of Mr James Gannon and Mr Williams, deceased, and that he apply to Mrs Carr, Francis Ashe and Matthew Cooney, for payment of arrears or rent due by tenants for whom they are Surety.

With respect to the arrears of 3/8 due by the late Mrs Norris, whose late husband and herself were tenants for over thirty years having gone into possession of the house when it was built, it was agreed to cancel the amount and it was accordingly

Proposed by Mr John Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Brewer

That the arrears of rent amounting to 3/8 due by the late Anne Norris, Folly Ho Lane, be Cancelled.

Passed Unanimously

It was also Ordered

That the Collector be informed that in future in all cases in which any of the Councils tenants owe two weeks rent or over, he is at once to apply to the Sureties of the particular tenant for payment of it and report the result to the Council. He is also to bear in mind that no tenant will, in future, be permitted to owe more than two weeks rent.

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In reference to the Circular letter received from the National Health Insurance Commission respecting the Insurance of their Officials under "The National Insurance Act 1913" and the letter respecting same, received from the Councils Solicitors, Neither of which were finally considered at last Meeting, it was Ordered that the Clerk furnish the particulars respecting terms of em-ployment to asked for, to the Solicitors, and ask them to advise the Council as soon as possible.

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Mr O'Connor drew attention to the necessity of having some of the Tree guards at the Irishtown repaired and also the roadway at the Doheen Corner, and it was

Ordered

That the Foreman get the guards repaired and have Metalling put out on the Surface of the roadway near the Doheen Corner.

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The Clerk Submitted the Water Rent Book for Signature, and in reference to it the following resolution was

Proposed by Mr O'Connor

Seconded by Mr Brewer and Resolved

That the Water rent or Traders Rate Book for year ending 31st March 1914, be signed by the Presiding Chairman and two Members of the Council, and Sealed with the Common Seal of the Council and Countersigned by the Clerk.

Passed Unanimously

In pursuance of the foregoing resolution the Book was duly signed and Sealed.

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The Clerk reported that a Vacancy existed on the Council owing to the death of Mr David Murphy, and it was decided to declare a Vacancy. Accordingly the following resolution was:-

Proposed by Mr Brewer and

Seconded by The Chairman

That we hereby declare a Vacancy exists on the Council owing to the death of Mr David Murphy.

Passed Unanimously

The declaration was signed by Messrs John Murphy & O'Connor.

Ordered

That the Members be Summoned to attend Next Meeting to Co-opt a Member in the room of Mr Murphy.

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In reference to the resolution passed sometime ago by the Council

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asking the County Council to asphalte the footpath of the New Ross Bridge it was Ordered that the Clerk ascertain from the Secretary of the County Council if any definite decision has yet been arrived at in the matter.

The following report of the Town Surveyor was read :-

17th November, 1913.

I beg to report that the Cross Lane footpath is now completed. A new surface trap is required at the west end of the new water table. There is a dangerous wall abutting on the public thoroughfare in Cock Pit Lane, and there is a dangerous house, presently occupied by Thos Martin, abutting on the public roadway in Folly Ho Lane. I submit herewith the correspondence which has passed between the D. & L Em Rly Co and myself concerning the proposal to resurface and roll portion of the waterford Road. Mr Moore C.E. (Of the D&LER Railway Co) stated to me that his Company doubted if it would be possible for them to obtain any subsidy or facilities from the Roads Board, they not being a Public Body. I replied that as this question appeared to be a legal one that I would recommend any Council to obtain the opinion of their Law advisers in this matter and communicate the result to him.

Ordered

That Notice be served by the Surveyor on the owners of the dangerous wall, and dangerous house, requiring them to have them repaired, so as to render them safe to the public, or else taken down.

Proposed by Mr Murphy and
Seconded by The Chairman

That the Council's Solicitors be asked to advise the Council whether under the circumstances the Roads Board can legally give a Grant to the D & L Em Railway Co.

Passed Unanimously

The Clerk reported that the Contract for keeping the Town Clock in repair would expire early next Month and it was,

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Ordered

That advertisements be issued, inviting Tenders for minding and keeping it in repair for a period of three years from the acceptance of the tender.

The Meeting next considered the question of providing an Office for the Town Surveyor and after a short discussion the following resolution was :-

Proposed by Mr. O'Connor and
Seconded by Mr Murphy

That the Surveyor be given the room inside adjoining the Chamber of Commerce for an Office and that the Necessary Steps be taken to acquire the room.

Passed.

In Connection with this the following Notice of Motion was handed in by Mr O'Connor viz :-

I beg to propose that a resolution giving the two rooms opposite the Urban Council Offices to the Chamber of Commerce be rescinded, and that the Chamber of Commerce be asked to give up the smaller one to this Council for the purpose of an Office for the Town Surveyor and that we enter into a new agreement with the Officials of the Chamber of Commerce for the tenancy of the Larger Room, and to then take Steps to legally Secure said small room.

It was Ordered that a Meeting of the Housing Committee be held upon an early date to transact business of the Committee.

The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 25th November 1913.

Patrick J. Murphy

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Tuesday 25th November 1913.

A Meeting of the New Ross Urban Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, co-opt a Member in room of Mr David Murphy deceased, and consider the advisability of appointing an Inspector under the Petroleum Acts.

Present Messrs Patrick J. Dunne J.P. Presiding
Joseph Brewer
John Fanning
Michael Sheehan
James. B. Keane
John Murphy South St
John O'Sullivan
Peter. M. Gorman

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read & signed.

The Treasurers Authority for Making payments was signed by The Chairman and Messrs Brewer and Murphy South St and the following Paying Order was directed to be issued viz:- No 82 £21:5:1.
Petty Cash.

## Correspondence

Letter from Messrs Colfer & Son, dated 21st Inst, in reference to queries addressed to them in reference to Insurance of Officers of the Council, stating that before replying to them they would like to know the terms of employment of each Officer as to whose liability to be insured the Council desired to be advised.

The Clerk stated he had furnished the information asked for by the Solicitors, and this was approved of.

Letter from Messrs M Keam & Son, South St. dated 24th Inst, acknowledging receipt of the Council's letter of 22nd in reference to Petroleum Act and asking for particulars of the Section of the Act referred to.
Ordered, That Messrs M Keam & Son be furnished with

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a copy of the Section of the Act as requested.

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Letter from Secretary, Wexford County Council, dated 21st Inst. in reply to one addressed to him in reference to resolution passed by the Urban Council asking the County Council to have the footpath of the New Ross Bridge asphalted, and stating that at the Meeting of the 6th Oct. the County Surveyor stated that the Cost of carrying out the work would be £220. In view of this figure the Finance & Roads Committee recommended the County Council not to proceed with the work, and the Council adopted the recommendation.

After some discussion the following resolution was

Proposed by the Chairman and
Seconded by Mr Gorman

That we earnestly request the County Council to reconsider their decision refusing to have the footpaths of the New Ross Bridge asphalted and to take the necessary steps to have the work carried out as it is very much needed.

Passed Unanimously

Ordered

That a copy of this resolution be sent to the County Council.

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Letter from the Rent Collector enclosing weekly sheets showing amounts due by each weekly tenant, and asking for instructions. Michael Hendrick who is Surety for John O'Neill requested him to inform the Council, that if the tenant does not pay his rent punctually they are to take up possession of the house as the tenant and his son are both working.

After some discussion it was

Ordered

That whenever a tenant owes four weeks rent the Collector is to notify the Sureties of same and make application to them in writing for payment of the amount due, and report result to next Meeting of the Council.

That he also enter in a book, which he is to submit to each Meeting of the Council, a list of repairs, if any, needed to the houses, and the probable cause of same being necessary, as also any damage being

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done to them by the occupier.

The Members having been summoned to co-opt a Member in the room of Mr David Murphy, deceased, and due Notice having been published of the existance of the vacancy on the Council, it was:-
Proposed by The Chairman
Seconded by Mr Gorman and Resolved
That Mr Aidan. P. Bolger be co-opted a Member of the Council in the room of Mr David Murphy deceased.

Passed Unanimously.

The Meeting proceeded to consider the advisability of appointing an Inspector under The Petroleum Acts, and on the Suggestion of Mr J.D. Deane, it was decided not to appoint one.

The Street Inspector reported that the daily Scavenging was carried out as usual. Some persons were placing boxes on the Streets outside their premises.

A Short discussion took place on the reading of the reports but there was No definite Order made.

The Chairman drew attention to the buttress which was built against wall of Mrs Galavin's house, but which had fallen, and inquired if any report had been furnished by the Surveyor in reference to it. On being informed that there was no report received it was,
Ordered
That the Surveyor report to Next Meeting in reference to buttresses erected at Mrs Galavin's house at Irishtown, the cost of each, and cause of Collapse of first one built.

The Meeting Adjourned to Sunday 9th December, 1913.

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Monday 1st December, 1913.

A Monthly Meeting of the Council was to be held this day at 12 O'clock Noon, to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

No Member of the Council attended

A Quorum not having assembled

The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 9th December 1913.

Patrick J Devine

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Tuesday 9th December, 1913.

A Meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this evening at ½ 30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, consider tenders for the supply of one dozen of fine and one dozen of coarse brushes also the following Notice of Motion by Mr O'Connor.

"That a resolution giving the two rooms opposite the Urban Council Offices to the Chamber of Commerce be rescinded, and that the Chamber of Commerce be asked to give up the smaller one to this Council for the purpose of an Office for the Town Surveyor and that we enter into an New Agreement with the Officials of the Chamber of Commerce for the tenancy of the larger room, and to then take steps to legally secure said small room.

Present Meps P. J. Dunne J.P. Presiding
John Fanning
M. J. O'Connor
John Murphy South St
John Murphy John St
Aidan P. Bolger
Peter A. Gorman
Joseph Brewer
John O'Sullivan

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Meps O'Connor & J. Murphy South St and the following Paying Orders were directed to be issued viz :-

Jeremiah Fitzpatrick No 183 £100 Nat Loans, No 184 J. J. Shortall £12 Nat Loans, No 185 A O'n Lovell £35 No 3 Loans, No 186 H. R. Hamilton J.P. £4:19:9, No 187 John M. Walsh 8/9, No 188 Borough Treasurer Kilkenny 10/8, No 189 Cashiers Bank of Ireland 12/11, No 190 John J. Browne £5:0:8, No 191 Imperial Accident Insurance Co £2:19:0, No 192 Richard Murphy £8:15:0, No 193 Rev Fr Hearey O.S.A. £5:2:6, No 194 M. J. Finn £11:5:0 No 195 Secretary County Council £305:16:7, No 196 Talk Flynn £1:0:7, No 197 J Hennessy £1:16:6, No 198 John Connick £5, No 199 M Flynn £22, No 200 M Flynn £1:16:4,

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No 201 James Kelly £2:10:0, No 202 James J. Shortall £4:6:8.

Immediately upon the assembling of the Council, and before the transaction of any business under the Public Health Acts, a deputation from the Gaelic League consisting of Messrs French, Lennon, and Dean, attended for the purpose of obtaining the permission of the Council to utilize the Large Room, Tholsel of the Gaelic League are tenants, for the purpose of a Reading Room for working men, who are not members of the Working Mens Club. After some discussion the following resolution was:-

Proposed by Mr Murphy South St and
Seconded by Mr Murphy John St

That the Gaelic League be permitted to turn the Large Room Tholsel into a Reading Room, the terms of letting to remain unaltered.

Passed Mr Fanning dissenting on the ground that the Room should be retained for the use of the Public, and not let at all.

A short discussion took place respecting the use of the Gas by persons other than the Gaelic League, and it was decided not to interfere with the existing arrangements respecting its use.

The deputation having thanked the Council for acceding to their request withdrew, and the transaction of Sanitary business, as entered on the Sanitary Minute Book was taken up.

A Paying Order for £6:15:0 was received from the County Council for Maintenence of the Newtoss Bridge and it was Ordered to be lodged to the Credit of the Council.

## Correspondence

A circular letter dated 4th December 1913, was received from the Local Government Board, calling attention to the time within which the payment of every debt, claim or demand which is directly or indirectly payable out of the Poor Rate, must be made, and stating that the Board will not authorize extensions of time for payment in future, unless it can be

satisfactorily paid Shown that the delay which has occurred has been unavoidable.

Ordered

That the Clerk attend to the directions contained in the letter.

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The following copy of a resolution, received from The Irish Journalists Association, was, upon the proposal of Mr John Murphy South St, seconded by Mr O'Gorman unanimously adopted viz:-

That we request the Local Government Board in all cases of Inquiry in this District to appoint as Official Note-taker, a local working Journalist.

Ordered

That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Local Government Board.

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Letter from Secretary Co Council, dated 4th Inst, stating that the resolution of the Urban Council in reference to asphalting of New Ross Bridge footpaths was before the Meeting held on 3rd Inst, and the consideration of the matter adjourned to next Meeting.

No Order Made.

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A letter dated 29th Nov was received from the Secretary County Council acknowledging receipt of the Council's resolution in reference to the matter.

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Letter from George McGrath, McMurrough, dated 8th Inst, pointing out that when repairing the water main there, the Councils men ripped up the laneway outside his premises and left a hole outside his gate, which it will take a couple of cart loads of Stones to fill up. He asked that it be repaired so that he or his family may not be injured by it.

Ordered

That the Town Surveyor have the necessary repairs carried out there.

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The following letter received from the County Surveyor was

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read :-

Re :- New Ross Bridge Maintenence

Dear Sir

Mr Frizelle informs me you are asking for copy of the Specification for maintenence of New Ross Bridge and in reply I beg to refer you to my letter to you of the 4th June last and your reply of the 11th June. I brought forward the work at the Proposals Committee to cover the maintenence, and as there might be difficulty in paying you I have arranged to have a sum put in my hands equivalent to one years maintenence on the former rate of your Contract and after the meeting of the County Council on the 3rd Prox., I can make an Agreement with you accordingly. This agreement will cover the entire period from 30th June last to the 30th June next, and the terms of the work will be the same as in your last contract.

No Order Made

A Post Card dated 28th Inst was also received from the County Surveyor informing the Clerk that it will not be necessary to Tender to the Meeting of the Councils to be held on the 3rd Decr for the maintenence of the Bridge, as he will make an Agreement with Clerk after 3rd Prox.

No Order Made.

The Tender of Patk Kelly, Camblin dated 9th Inst for one heap of manure in yard on Quay was accepted on the Proposal of Mr O'Connor Seconded by Mr Murphy John Sh.

A letter was received from the Secretary of the Gaelic League, intimating that a deputation would wait on the Council respecting the use of the Large Room, Tholsel for the purpose of a Reading Room, but as this matter was dealt with at an earlier ~~date~~ stage of the Meeting there was,

No Order made upon it.

The following Notice of Motion, respecting the Tenancy of the Chamber of Commerce was :-

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Proposed by Mr O'Connor and
Seconded by Mr Murphy South St

That a resolution giving the two rooms opposite the Urban Council Offices to the Chamber of Commerce, be rescinded, and that the Chamber of Commerce be asked to give up the smaller one to this Council for the purpose of an Office for the Town Surveyor, and that we enter into a new Agreement with the Officials of the Chamber of Commerce for the tenancy of the larger Room and to then take steps to legally secure said small room.

On a Poll being taken there voted:-

For:- Meps Brewer, Murphy South St, O'Connor & Fanning 4

Against:- Murphy John St, Gorman & The Chairman 3

Meps O'Sullivan & Dolger were not present at this stage of the Meeting.

The resolution was declared "Carried".

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Mr Fanning asked to have it recorded that Meps Gorman and Murphy John St were Members of the Chamber of Commerce.

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A circular letter respecting Land Values was received from the Valuation Office, as well as, a Number of Valuations showing alterations in Site Values but there was
No Order Made upon them.

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The following Tenders were received for winding and keeping the Town Clock in repair for three years from the date of acceptance of Tender viz:-

From Marcus Roche, who tendered at £4:4:0 per annum, and offered as his Sureties Mrs Hunt Quay and Mr Lalor Roberson, and from Meps B. Schelby & Son who tendered at £4 per annum, and offered as his Sureties Meps James Fleming North St and Wm Ahern Mary St.

Proposed by Mr Murphy John St and
Seconded by Mr Brewer

That the Tender of Meps Schelby & Son to wind & keep the Town Clock in repair for

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three years from this date for the sum of Four pounds sterling per annum be accepted.

Passed Unanimously

Tenders for the supply of two dozen of Brushes, one of fine, and one of Coarse - were received from Mrs Hennessy and John Doyle.

The samples were examined and on the proposal of Mr Murphy John St, seconded by Mr O'Connor

One dozen of fine brushes at 17/- per doz was accepted from Mrs Hennessy and one dozen of Coarse ones at 22/- per doz from Mr Doyle.

A number of Bills were submitted for payment (See list at Commencement of Minutes) and examined, after which, payment of same was Ordered on the Proposal of Mr Murphy John St, seconded by The Chairman.

An application was received from Mr Beardwell Upper Mary St, for one of the Bewhouses and it was Ordered to be filed with all the others for future reference.

An application was received from Joseph Furlong, for the house at William St, occupied by James Costelloe, which is about to be vacated by him, and he offered Mrs Byrne 3 South St, but as the Council had not received Notice of the house being about to be vacated by Mr Costelloe, there was no action taken in the matter.

The following Report of the Surveyor was read :-

Dec 9th

I beg to report that I served Notice on the owner Mrs Reilly with reference to the dangerous House in Bullaun and on Mrs Carr with reference to the dangerous wall in Cockpit Lane. Nothing has yet been done with either. Mrs Carr's Agent, Mr Tehan, informs me that the tenant Mrs Williams is responsible for repairs to those premises by virtue of a lease. There is a quantity of Building material, piled on the footpath in College Road. On December 3rd

I noticed there were four panes of glass broken in bedroom window of Mrs Canterbury William St. This is injurious to the window Sashes, and I would suggest that the tenant be requested to have them repaired. Herewith particulars of cost of erection of buttress in Irishtown. Labour-(Mason & Assistant) Stone buttress £1:14:4, Labour (Concrete Do) 3/-, Material 10/-, Carpenter 12/-. Total £3:2:4, Estimated Cost £2:10:0. The Injury to Stone buttress was caused by the unskilful manner in which the centering was removed. The Buttress did not collapse but was taken down in consequence of Injury done. I Notice that the 3" water Main now being laid to the Brewery has only about 11 inches of cover on Berry Road. This is not sufficient. The usual depth is about 3 feet. I recommend that Gateway to the High Hill Quarry on South side be built up. I estimate the cost of carrying out my proposal to abate the flooding of Mrs Berry's place to be £2:3.

James J Shortall
Town Surveyor.

Ordered

That the Council's Solicitors be instructed to take legal proceedings against Mrs Carr and Mrs Reilly to compel them to put the house and wall, referred to in the Surveyors Report, in a proper State of repair so as to render them safe to the public.

That Mrs Canterbury be directed to have new panes of glass fixed in the windows of the house occupied by her, if all those broken panes have been recently fixed there by the Council.

That the Contractor be directed to lay the water Main at a proper depth.

A Committee consisting of the The Chairman and Mr O'Connor was appointed to Inspect the laneway at rere of Mrs Berry's premises and ascertain if the alleged flooding complained of can be remedied cheaper than in the manner recommend by the Surveyor.

The Consideration of the Other Matters referred to in the report was adjourned to next Meeting of the Council.

The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 23rd December 1913.

Patrick [illegible]

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Tuesday 23rd December, 1913.

A Meeting of the Newtoss Urban Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock, to transact business pursuant to The Town's Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Present Mess^rs D. J. Dunne J.P. Presiding
M. J. O'Connor
John Fanning
John Murphy South St.
John Murphy John St.
James B. Deane
Joseph Brewer

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurer's Authority for making payments was signed by The Chairman and Mess^rs Brewer & O'Connor and The following Paying Order was directed to be issued viz:- No 203 £28:8:2 Petty Cash.

Immediately after the Minutes were signed a long discussion took place as to the cost of the Buttress recently erected by the Surveyor against the wall of Mrs Galavin's house and it was decided to refer the matter to the ~~Surveyor~~ Housing Committee to report upon it, the Surveyor to attend the Meeting of the Committee.

## Correspondence

A circular letter was received from The Lord Lieutenant, dated 13th Inst, drawing attention to the highly inflamable nature of celluloid and recommending the Local Authorities to bring to the notice of Shopkeepers the necessity of adopting precautions; also that the quantity of those goods should be limited as far as possible.

As the County Council had published a copy of the Circular and of the precautions recommended, it was not considered necessary to take any action upon it and there was No Order Made

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A Circular letter, dated 15th Inst, was received from the Local Government Board enclosing copy of an Order which the Board have made amending The Public Bodies Order 1906 with re-gard to the qualifications for appointment as Poor Rate Collector in Ireland.

No Order Made.

An application, dated 22nd Inst, was received from Mrs M. Wall on behalf of the Ladies Branch of the A.O.H. for the use of the two rooms in the Sholsel on the night of the 31st Inst.

Proposed by Mr Brewer and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy South St

That the application for the use of the room be granted on condition that the Ladies of the A.O.H. arrange to recoup the Gaelic League for any Gas that may be consumed on the occasion.

Passed

The following letter received from Messrs Colfer & Son in reference to rating of Railway premises at Kilmeaden was considered in Committee, viz:-

23rd December, 1913.

Dear Sir,

We are very sorry that pressure of other matters prevented us from going into this subject sooner. The question has apparently arisen on a letter written to the Company by another Solicitor demanding payment of some rates, and in advising your Council we are rather awkwardly placed as we dont know what that letter contained. Mr Fry in his letter refers to a recent case decided by the Lord Chief Baron, but we are under the impression that that decision has been overruled by the Court of Appeal. However we are not quite certain as to this, and would prefer to postpone giving a definite opinion until we inquire further about the appeal. The law on these rating questions is very technical, and the decisions are very confusing, so it is probable we may have to ask the Council's permission to obtain the opinion of Counsel on the matter.

Colfer & Son

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Ordered

That Messrs Cole and Son be asked to advise the Council on this matter as soon as possible, as it is urgent, in view of the fact that the rate for the current half year is in course of collection, also that they be authorized to obtain Counsel's Opinion upon it, should they deem it necessary or advisable to do so.

An application was received from Joseph Furlong Michael St. for the tenancy of the house at William Street, recently occupied by James Costelloe, and he named Michael Byrne and John Sullivan as Sureties.

Proposed by John Murphy South St and
Seconded by Mr O'Connor

That the application be granted,
Mr Byrne to sign the Bond as Surety

Passed Unanimously

Proposed by Mr O'Connor and
Seconded by Mr Brewer

That the employees of the Council, permanent and temporary, be required to work on the town on Christmas Eve as late as may be necessary so as to thoroughly cleanse it, and that they be allowed 5/- each for the extra work, the caretaker to be also directed to cleanse the Offices and Stairs and she be also allowed 5/-.

Passed Unanimously

It was agreed not to pay the two temporary men for Christmas Day and St Stephens Day.

The Street Inspector reported that the daily Scavenging was carried out as usual.

No Order Made.

The Collector reported that the houses occupied by Bryan Ryan Jas Murphy, Maj Ryan and Jas Blanche require some repairs particulars of which appear in his report Book, but as all the

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houses of the Council are at present undergoing repairs there was
No Order made.

In the case of the house about to be occupied by Joseph Furlong it was ordered that the floor of the kitchen be repaired, and the Scullery and Kitchen limewashed.

The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 6th January 1914

Patrick Jones

Monday 5th January, 1914.

A Monthly Meeting of the Newross Urban Council was to be held this ~~evening~~ day at twelve o'clock noon to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

No Member of the Council Attended

A Quorum not having assembled

The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 6th January, 1914.

P. J. Furlong

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Tuesday 6th January, 1914,

A Quarterly Meeting of the Council was to be held this evening at 7 O'clock to transact business pursuant to The Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898, and other Acts connected therewith and conader Surveyors Estimate for financial year ending 31st March, 1915.

Meprs P.J. Dunne JP and M. J. O'Connor were the only members that attended.

A Quorum not having assembled

The Meeting Adjourned to Wednesday 7th January, 1914.

Patrick J Dunne

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Tuesday 6th January 1914

An adjourned Meeting of the Council was to be held this evening at 7.30 O'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and consider applications for the tenancy of the new houses.

Messrs T. J. Dunne J.P. & M. J. O'Connor were the only members that attended.

A Quorum not having assembled

The Meeting Adjourned to Wednesday 7th January 1914

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Wednesday 4th January, 1914.

An adjourned Quarterly Meeting of the Council was held this evening at 7 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898, and other Acts connected therewith, and consider Surveyors Estimate for financial year ending 31st March, 1915.

Present Messrs P. J. Dunne JP Presiding
Joseph Brewer
M. O'Connor
Aidan Colger
and
John Murphy South Ward

The Minutes of last Quarterly Meeting were read and Signed.

The following Quarterly Report of the Town Surveyor was read:-

4th Jany, 1914.

Mr Chairman & Gentlemen

I beg to submit herewith my Estimate for the repairs and maintenance of your streets &c for the ensuing year.

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| 600 Tons | Parnell Quarry material | | £262 : 10 : 0 |
| 250 tons | Glendinstan Do | | 68 : 15 : 0 |
| | Fine Gravel and Sand | | 4 : 0 : 0 |
| | Maintenance, Wages &c | | 200 : 0 : 0 |
| | Special Works | | 150 : 0 : 0 |
| | | £ | 688 5 : 0 |

See 426 for alteration

Your Streets generally have been maintained in fair condition during the past year and in some localities they have been improved. This is due to the increased quantity and improved quality of the Metalling now being used, as well as the construction of a number of Surface traps. As many of the streets still require a good deal of repairs I am increasing the estimated quantity of road material as compared with last year. The Sum of £200 estimated for wages and maintenance is practically the same as last year. Under the head of Public works I am estimating the Sum of £150, as I believe it is the desire of the Council that the work of footpath

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construction should be continued, particularly in Cross Lane district, where the need for the continuation of the new footpath recently constructed there is much felt. I may say that the sum of £100 includes any estimate for the construction of new surface traps also.

Jas J Shortall
Town Surveyor.

After considerable ~~consd~~ discussion it was
Proposed by Mr Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Brewer
That the Town Surveyor's Estimate for financial year ending 31st March, 1915, be adopted.
Passed Unanimously

Attention was drawn to the dangerous condition of the open concrete channel in Monks Lane for persons crossing it, and it was:-
Proposed by The Chairman and
Seconded by Mr Brewer
That the Surveyor have two flags fixed across it for the use of persons crossing over
Passed Unanimously

It was Ordered that he get the traps, passed at last Quarterly Meeting constructed.

The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 1th April 1914

J Mc Dudeon

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Wednesday
Tuesday 4th January 1914

An adjourned Meeting of the Council was held this evening at 1/4 15 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, & to consider applications for the tenancy of the New houses.

Present Meprs P. J. Dunne Jr. Presiding
Joseph Brewer
M. J. O'Connor
Aidan Bolger
John Murphy South Sr

The Minutes of previous Meetings were read and Signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by The Chairman & Meprs O'Connor & Bolger and the following Paying Order was directed to be issued Viz:- No 204 £24:17:3 Petty Cash.

A discussion took place respecting the registration of persons storing Petroleum or Motor Spirit, and in reply to the Chairman the Clerk stated that No persons were registered except the British Petroleum Co, and it was,

Ordered

That the Council's Solicitors be asked to advise whether the Council would be liable for any damage that might be caused by fire in premises not licensed for the storage of Petroleum, in case the Council did not insist on the premises being duly licensed.

Correspondence

Letter from Local Government Board dated 23rd December 1913, intimating that the selection of a Shorthand writer rests with the Inspector authorized to hold a Local Inquiry.
No Order Made.

Same dated 5th Jany 1914 referring to the small progress made with the Collection of Poor Rate during the Month of December
Ordered That the attention of the Poor Rate Collector be

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drawn to the matter, and he be asked to proceed with the collection as expeditiously as possible.

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Letter from Messrs Colfer & Son, dated 3/1st Ult, asking for further particulars regarding the dangerous dwellings in respect of which he was asked to advise the Council.

The Clerk stated that on receipt of this letter he furnished the particulars asked for and this was approved of.

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Messrs R Harvey & Co tendered, under date Jany 3rd 1914, to supply three Rate Books, same as those supplied last year at 20/. each, and, on the proposal of Mr Bolger, seconded by the Chairman, the tender was unanimously accepted.

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A covering Note for £3000, was received from the Hibernian Fire Insurance Co, securing the New houses at Runneen Lane and Lockrih Lane, against Fire, at a premium of £2:5:0 and it was Ordered to be paid at the next Finance Meeting of the Council.

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A Tender dated 1/11 Inst was received from John Ryan Red House for two heaps of manure at Town Wall @ 23/6 and from Mrs Whelan Garrenbeg for two heaps in yard on Quay @ 12/. and 10/. and on the Proposal of Mr Brewer seconded by Mr Bolger both Tenders were unanimously accepted.

A Tender was received from James Lalor of 5/. for heap of road scrapings at Schove House Road, and it was Ordered to be accepted.

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## Report of Committee - re - Merry's premises

5th Jany 1914.

Your Special Committee appointed to visit Messrs Merry's premises Met this afternoon and in company with the Town Surveyor viewed the Locus in quo.

We recommend that a concrete water table be placed at the base of the rock and passing in front of Messrs Merrys

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gate as advised by the Town Surveyor in a late Estimate presented to this Urban Council to prevent surface water entering Messrs Merry's premises and a small intercepting trap be also placed there.

P.J. Dunne + H.J. O'Connor.

Proposed by Mr Bolger and
Seconded by Mr Brewer

That the Report be adopted.

Passed Unanimously

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The following applications were received for the tenancy of the New houses viz:- No1 Bunneen Lane from Mary Street. from Wm Oneill, who offered Mr Gerge Moran as his Surety. On the Proposal of Mr Bolger, Seconded by Mr Hannon his application was granted.

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Andrew Cullen Junr. for No 2 Bunneen Lane from Fair Gate. He offered Messrs A Ronan and W Ronan as his Sureties and on the Proposal of Mr Bolger Seconded by Mr Brewer he was accepted as tenant.

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P. Hammond Irishtown was accepted for No 3 Cock Pit Lane from Bullaun on the Proposal of Mr Murphy, Seconded by Mr Brewer, James Fleming North St and Wm Reddy being his Sureties.

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Michael Culleton Quay applied for one and offered Andrew Ronan and Wm. Doyle Pondfields as his Sureties and on the Proposal of John Murphy Seconded by Mr Bolger he was accepted as tenant of No 14 Cock Pit Lane from Bullaun.

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John Smith Priory St was accepted as tenant for No 2 House Cock Pit Lane from Bullaun Estate. On the Proposal of Mr Bolger, Seconded by The Chairman. Messrs Wm McCabe & Peter Doran being his Sureties.

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On the proposal of Mr Murphy Seconded by The Chairman it was agreed to number the houses consecutively, No one to

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begin at Bullawn end of Cock Pk Lane.

It was also agreed that the Chairman and Mr Bolger, wait on the Rev Mr Gibson and ask him to have the branches of the trees on St Marys Church Yard which overhang Burneen Lane cut.

The Street Inspector reported that the daily Scavenging was carried out as usual.

Attention was drawn to the fact that all the Public Lamps are not Lighting regularly and the Street Inspector was asked to report upon them.

The Meeting Adjourned to 13th (Tuesday) January 1914.

Patrick Murphy

Tuesday 13th January, 1914.

A Meeting of the Finance Committee was held this evening at 6.45 o'clock to transact business for the Finance Meeting of the Council.

Present Members P.J. Dunne Esq. Presiding
John Murphy South Pk.

The Committee examined a Number of Bills, submitted by the Clerk, and recommended payment of them. The list of same appears at the commencement of the Minutes of the Council of this date.

The Committee Adjourned

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A Meeting of the Council was held this evening at 7/30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Present Mespr Patrick J. Dunne J.P. Presiding
John Murphy South St
Adam P. Bolger
Joseph Brewer
M. J. O'Connor
Dr. M. Walsh

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by The Chairman and Mespr Walsh & Bolger and the following Paying Orders were directed to be issued viz:- No 205 M/Trin £10:16:6, 206 Mespr Clere & Mills £-:15:6, 207 St Stephens Cemetery Committee £7:10:0, 208 Richard Malone £5, 209 Henry Lew £1:0:10, 210 A.K. French £:11:4, 211 Parnell Quarries Ltd £31:4:6, 212 Joseph Lynch B.S. £5, 213 Barlock Typewriter Co 4/-, 214 Royal Exchange Assurance £2, 215 Patrick Bolger A/c 15/2, 216 James Barron £5:4:11, 217 Hibernian Fire Insurance Co £2:5:0, 218 P.J. Dunne £2:10:0, James J. Shortall (219) £4:6:8, 220 Jeremiah Fitzpatrick £20, 221 M/Trin £11:5:0, 222 M/Trin £6:5:0, 223 M/Trin £1:17:6, 224 John J. Browne £1:8:6, 225 Dr Wm O'Connor £11:6:8, 226 Patrick Leacy £3:10:0, 227 John Murphy £2:10:0, 228 Francis Bergin Nott Loans £50, 229 Jeremiah Fitzpatrick Nott Loans £300, 230 James J. Shortall Nott Loans £15.

## Correspondence

A copy of the National Health Insurance (Employment under Local and Public Authorities) (Ireland) Order 1913, was received from The National Insurance Commissioners dated 30th December 1913, but its consideration was adjourned to next Meeting.

Letter from Mespr Orpen & Son, Solicitors, dated 13th January 1914, in reference to repairs to College Road boundary wall. In it they stated that they had considered the point raised, with much care, and

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had personally seen the place. The question is by no means free from doubt but on the whole, they are of opinion that the Council, and not the owner of the field adjoining, are responsible for keeping the wall in repair.

Ordered

That the matter be referred to the Housing Committee to inspect the place and arrange to have the wall repaired as cheaply as possible.

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Letter from the Hon Secretaries of the Waterford City and County Home Rule Demonstration, dated 8th Inst, inviting the Council to be officially present at the Great Demonstration to be held in Waterford on the 25th Inst when Mr John Redmond the Leader of the Irish Party will deliver an address.

Proposed by Mr John O'Sullivan and

Seconded by Mr O'Connor

That the Council Attend the Home Rule Meeting in Waterford on 25th January and that an address from the Council be presented to Mr John Redmond. That the members attending this meeting form a Committee to draft address and make necessary arrangements & that the Clerk Notify every member of the Council.

Passed Unanimously

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Letter from Timothy McCarthy, (one of the Councils tenants) dated 13th Inst, stating that two panes of glass got broken in the front window of a room of his house, owing to there being no window cords fixed in it.

Ordered

That Mr McCarthy be informed the glass will have to be replaced by him, as, if proper precaution had been exercised on the occasion the glass would not have been broken.

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Letter from the Street Inspector, dated 13th Inst stating that he inspected the Public Lamps as requested on the night of the 11th Inst, and found that five of them which should have been lighting on that night viz:-, one at entrance to Brewery, Cherry's Road, one at College

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Road, Sugar House Lane (centre), one at Newtown and one at Mary Street (Corner Chapel Lane) were not Lighting. He also asked to be informed if he was to inspect them regularly and report in reference to them.

Ordered

That the Manager of the Gas Co be asked to explain why these lamps were not lighted on the night referred to.

That the Street Inspector be directed to inspect the lamps regularly and report whether those that should be lighting are kept lighting each night.

The following letter received from Messrs Colfer & Son in reference to the Insurance of the Councils Officers was read:-

13th January 1914

Re:- National Insurance Acts.

Dear Sir

In answer to your queries on this subject, we are of opinion that on the statement of facts submitted by you, the Executive Sanitary Officer and Clerk, the Sanitary Sub Officer and the Rate Collector are exempt from liability to insure as they are all "Pensionable Officers" as defined by the Statute. As to the Town Surveyor however a serious doubt arises. The Act in describing a Pensionable Officer says one "Whose whole time has been devoted to the Service of the Council," and the question is does the Town Surveyor come within this definition. We fear that on a strict construction of the Statute he would not and consequently it may be more prudent to insure him.

It must always be borne in mind that many points under the Insurance Act still remain doubtful, and must remain so, until the doubt is removed by judicial decision, and we think this is one of those points.

Colfer & Son
Solicitors

Ordered

That the Town Surveyor be insured by the Council.

The following applications were received for the new houses

viz:- For those in Bunneen Lane from Patrick Kehoe Main St. and Wm Culliton Bewley St. For those in Cock Pit Lane from James Keighry Irishtown Matthew Keely Irishtown and James Frizille Cock Pit Lane.
Proposed by Mr O'Connor and
Seconded by Mr Berger

That the foregoing persons be elected tenants of the respective houses of the Council applied for by them.

Passed Unanimously

Mr John Murphy South St drew attention to the necessity of having all the new houses numbered, and it was
Ordered

That enamel plate numbers be purchased from Messrs Wm Hutchinson & Son or John Doyle.

The following proposition was moved by Mr Brewer, and seconded by Mr Murphy South St, but it was decided to defer its consideration to Next Meeting, the members to receive Notice of it in the Meantime viz:-

That we name the new houses in Cock Pit Lane and Bunneen Lane respectfully "Houghton Terrace" and "Abbey Inis Terrace", and that enamel or wooden name boards be placed on Suitable places on these buildings and that the Notice "Post No Bills" be printed on each of the two sheet iron hoardings.

Mr John Murphy South St, drew attention to the Necessity of having some rubbish which was deposited on the footpath at College Road, removed at once, and suggested that it be Spread on the Surface of the road there. The Surveyor however did not consider it Suitable for Metalling and after some discussion it was
Proposed by Mr Berger and
Seconded by Mr Brewer

That it be put on the Surface of

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Joar Bell

Passed Unanimously

Mr Murphy South St also drew attention to the Necessity of having an additional Lamp fixed in Windmill Lane, as that locality was at present very badly lighted, and Suggested that a Committee be appointed to inspect the place and report upon the matter.

Proposed by The Chairman and
Seconded by Mr Hannon

That Messrs Murphy and Brewer, be appointed a Committee to Inspect Windmill Lane and report as to the Necessity of an additional Lamp there.

Passed Unanimously

A discussion took place as to the Necessity of having a Lamps erected at Bunneen Lane on the site of the old one, but there was no definite Order made upon it.

A Committee consisting of Messrs Bolger and The Chairman was appointed to wait on the Rev Mr Gibson and ask him to have the branches of the trees in St Mary's Cemetery, which over hang Bunneen Lane, lopped off, as they are at present an injury to the houses of the Councie.

The Clerk submitted a Number of Bills for payment (See list at Commencement of Minutes) and on the Proposal of Mr Hannon, Seconded by Mr Bolger they were Ordered to be paid.

The following application was received from the Town Surveyor Viz:-

13 January, 1914.

Mr Chairman & Gentlemen

I would feel obliged if you will kindly give me a testimonial regarding the manner in which you consider I have discharged my duties as Town Surveyor.

Jas J Shortall
Town Surveyor.

The following resolution was :-

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Proposed by Mr John Murphy South St and
Seconded by Mr Joseph Brewer

The Town Surveyor, Mr James J. Shortall having asked us for a testimonial, we desire to say that in his capacity as Engineer to this Council he has prepared plans and specifications and estimates for many structural works and has carried them out to our complete satisfaction. He has designed and prepared the necessary plans &c for a new Scheme of Artizans Dwellings of various types for a large Scheme presently in contemplation. We can confidently recommend him for his efficiency.

Passed Unanimously.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 27th January, 1914.

John Sullivan

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Thursday 15th January, 1914.

The Polling for the election of Four Members of the Council for the Newross Ward of the Urban District of New Ross, to fill vacancies, caused by the retirement, by rotation, of Messrs Dr Walsh, Michael Sheehan, Patrick J. Delaney, and Michael O'Connor, took place to-day.

The following candidates were duly nominated viz:-
Messrs Patrick Fanning Bewley Street, John Hand William Street, Laurence Harney Michael Street, Peter Murphy South Street, William Murphy North Street, Michael Sheehan Bridge Street, and Michael Walsh John Street.

The Voting resulted as follows viz:-

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|---|---|
| Michael Walsh | 409 |
| Peter Murphy | 360 |
| William Murphy | 333 |
| Michael Sheehan | 302 |
| John Hand | 285 |
| Laurence Harney | 68 |
| Patrick Fanning | 33 |

Total Number of Electors who Voted 600.
Total Number of Voters on Register 842.

Messrs Michael Walsh, Peter Murphy, William Murphy and Michael Sheehan were declared duly elected Councillors.

Mr John J. Hearn was the only candidate nominated for the Rosbercon Ward, and he was also declared duly elected Councillor for that Ward.

Matthew J. Grimm
Returning Officer

16th January 1914

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Friday 22nd January 1914

The Annual Meeting of the Newross Urban District Council was held this day at twelve o'clock noon, to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other acts connected therewith, elect a Chairman for the ensuing year and if deemed advisable a Vice-Chairman.

Present Mess^rs Patrick J. Dunne J.P. Presiding
John Sullivan
John Murphy South St
John Murphy John St
William Murphy
Peter Murphy
James B. Hearne
Joseph Brewer
James J. Dooley
Peter P. Gorman
Michael Sheehan
Aidan F. Bolger

The Chairman having read the notice convening the Meeting pointed out that it was held for the purpose of electing a Chairman and if deemed advisable a Vice-Chairman for the ensuing year, and stated that he was prepared to receive propositions, whereupon it was,

Proposed by Mr Sheehan

"That the outgoing Chairman be re-"
-"elected for the ensuing year," but he declined to be nomin-
-ated stating that he would be unable to give the time and attention, which the position required.

It was then

Proposed by Mr Dooley and
Seconded by Mr Gorman

That Mr John O'Sullivan be elected Chairman for the ensuing year.

The proposition was supported by Mr Murphy John St, and on on being put to the Meeting was

Passed Unanimously

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Mr O'Sullivan returned thanks and referred at length to the admirable manner which the retiring Chairman had discharged the duties of the position for the past year.

Mr Dunne acknowledged the reference made to him by Mr O'Sullivan, and dwelt at some length on the work done by the Council during the past year. He also expressed a hope that during the coming year the members would unite in their endeavour to further the best interests of the town.

Having decided not to elect a Vice-Chairman for the ensuing year,

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The Members Separated

John J. Sullivan

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Tuesday 21th January, 1914.

A Meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 4.30 o'clock P.M, to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and elect the various Committees for the ensuing year.

Present Mesprs John O'Sullivan Presiding
John Murphy John Street
John Murphy South St.
Peter Murphy
William Murphy
Patrick J. Dunne
Joseph Brewer

The Minutes of previous Meetings were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Mesprs Brewer & John Murphy South St. and the following Paying Order was directed to be issued viz:- No 231 £28:3:5 Petty Cash.

Mr Dunne referred to the position in which one of the Street traps at Bullawn is being constructed, and suggested that the site of it be altered a little more to west, and it was,

Ordered

That the attention of the Surveyor be drawn to the matter, and he be directed to alter the site in accordance with the suggestion of Mr Dunne.

Mr Dunne also drew attention to the advisability of disposing of the wheels and frame, of the old sweeping machine, at present stored in Henry St yard, and, after a short discussion it was Ordered that the Foreman furnish a report to next Meeting as to the Condition of the Machine.

## Correspondence

Letter from Rev C. Hartley C.C, Clongeen, dated 17th Inst,

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acknowledging the Vote of sympathy passed by the Council with him, on the death of his Brother, Rev James Hartley P.P, Cushinstown, and thanking the Members for their Kindness on the occasion.
No Order Made.

A Copy of the Report of the Directors of the Bank of Ireland, dated 14th Inst, was received from the Secretary from which it appeared that it was proposed to pay a dividend at the rate of 10% per annum.
No Order Made.

An application was received from the Secretary of the Agricultural Society, dated 21st Inst, asking for the use of the Small room, Thurles, in which to hold the annual Meeting of the Society on the 28th Inst.
Ordered
That the use of the room be given to the Agricultural Society for the purpose of their annual Meeting.

Rev Fr Furlong applied for permission to connect one of his houses in Chapel Lane, with the water supply of another, that at present occupied by James Cattelve, and on the Proposal of Mr Peter Murphy Seconded by Mr Dunne, the permission was unanimously granted.

A Cheque for £1:11:6 was received from the Hibernian Fire and General Insurance Co Ltd, in settlement of the Councils claim for damage by Fire, to their property on the 31st Dec last, this being the total amount claimed, and it was Ordered that the discharge for same be signed by the Chairman and Clerk on behalf of the Council.

A Cheque for £1:10:8 being dividend on Great Southern & Western Railway Stock was received from the Secretary of the Company and Ordered to be lodged to the credit of the Council.

A Tender was received from Messrs Hely's Ltd. Dame St. Dublin, for the supply of a Book of Receipts & Expenditure, similar to those already in use, which they proposed to supply at £4:16:6 for both.

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Proposed by Mr Dunne and
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy

That the Tender of Messrs Hely's Ltd for the supply of a book of Receipts and Expenditure at £4:16:6 for book be accepted.

Passed Unanimously.

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Letter from the Collector, dated 24th Inst, stating that he submitted a list of the weekly tenants, showing arrears due by them.

The Members examined the list of outstanding rents from which it appeared that a number of them owed up to three, and four weeks rent, and in one or two cases over that amount.

A long discussion ensued which resulted in the following resolution being :-

Proposed by The Chairman and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy South Sh viz :-

That in future when any tenant owes eight weeks rent, the Clerk is hereby directed to instruct the Councils Solicitors to take proceedings against the Sureties for payment of the rent due by the tenant, it being understood that the Sureties have been previously notified when four weeks rent is due, in accordance with resolution of Council already passed.

Passed Unanimously

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The following Report of the Clerk was read :-

26th January 1914.

Dear Sir,

I beg to report that the amount of Rates Uncollected at date is as follows :-

| | | | | | |
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| Poor Rate Collected | £225 : 8 : 3 | Uncollected | £469 : 2 : 3. |
| Town Rate | Do | 281 : 0 : 9 | Do | 604 : 0 : 4 |
| Domestic Water Rate | Do | 31 : 17 : 10 | Do | 51 : 13 : 8 |

I also desire to point out that the Bank Account is more than £400, overdrawn, whilst the large amount of £1124 : 16 : 3 is outstanding.

During the past week the Collector did not collect any rates.

M. J. Finn
Clerk of Council.

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After considerable discussion it was :-

Ordered

That a Meeting of the Finance Committee be held on an early date to consider the manner in which the Collector is collecting the rates, and that he be notified to attend same, also that the Clerk submit the Collectors Bond to the Finance Committee at that Meeting.

## Surveyor's Report

21th January, 1914.

Mr Chairman & Gentlemen

I beg to report that the water supply has been laid on to the Grey well Brewery premises. No Sluice valve or stop cock has been placed on the New main at its junction with the town main, as is usually done with all water services.

This means that there is about three hundred yards of water main uncontrolled, and if for any reason it becomes necessary to turn off the water from this section of pipe, it must be turned off from all the Consumers in John St. also. I would therefore recommend that a Sluice valve be placed on the water main at its junction with the town main.

James J. Shortall
Town Surveyor.

Proposed by John Murphy John St and
Seconded by John Murphy South St

That Messrs Cherry Bros be directed to have a valve fixed on the pipe in the position indicated by the Surveyor.

Passed Unanimously

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The following applications were received for the tenancy of the New houses. viz :- Dunneen Lane Houses, from John Spencer Wm St and Wm Carty Cross Lane, Cock Pit Lane Houses from John Ryan Conduit Lane, Nicholas Furlong Bewley St and John Fleming New Ross.

All the applicants named sureties which were satisfactory.

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Propsed by Mr Dunne and
Seconded by Mr Brewer

That the above applicants be accepted as tenants of the houses applied for by them.

Passed Unanimously

An application was received from James Rochford Wm St for the tenancy of the House at William St, in which he now resides and of which Mrs Allen was formerly tenant, but the tenancy of which was not surrendered by her before she left Ireland, now about two years ago, nor since.

Proposed by Mr John Murphy South St, and
Seconded by Mr Dunne

That James Rochford be accepted tenant of the house in which Mrs Allen formerly resided

Passed Unanimously.

## Report of Lamp Committee

24th January, 1914.

Your Special Committee appointed to inspect Windmill Lane and report as to the necessity of a Lamp there, met on yesterday evening, and recommend that a Standard Lamp be erected at the top of Windmill Lane near the gate entering the late Mr Hogan's field.

John Murphy (South St)
Joseph Brewer.

Ordered

That the Manager of the Gas Co be asked to furnish to next Meeting an Estimate of the Cost of erecting the Lamp at Windmill Lane, recommended by the Committee.

Mr Dunne drew attention to the fact that the Lamps at Barrack Lane was not lighted for the past few nights and it was,

Ordered

That the attention of the Gas Co be directed to the matter, and the Manager be requested to see that it is lighted regularly in future.

The Clerk reported that Mr Kirkham called to the Office and do

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Stated that he could not explain why the lamps, referred to in the report of the Street Inspector at a previous Meeting were not lighting on the particular nights. They were either not lighted by his men, in the belief that they should not be lighted during the Moon light nights, Specified in the Contract, or they were extinguished by boys after been lighted. In future if the Inspector discovers any not lighting he would be obliged if he would report to him on following day, as this would enable him to trace the cause, in all probability, as he would know the man, whose duty it was to light the lamps.

Ordered

That the Inspector report to Mr. Kirkham as request-ed by them.

The Clerk reported that Edward Whitty, Fair Gate, has been frequently requested to provide Surety for the payment of his rent, in lieu of Mrs Williams deceased, but he has complete-ly ignored the request of the Council in this Subject.

Ordered

That he be informed if he does not provide a Surety, which will be approved of by the Council, against next Meeting proceedings will be taken to Obtain possession of the house occupied by him without further Notice.

## Appointment of Committees

Proposed by Mr Wm Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Brewer

That the following constitute the Technical Instruction Committee of the Urban District of New Ross for the ensuing year viz:-

### Members of the Council

John O'Sullivan, Peter Murphy, John Murphy South St, Aidan P. Bolger, Patrick J. Dunne and Peter M. Gorman.

### Non-Members of the Council

Very Rev Dean Kavanagh P.P. D.D. Rev Thomas Quigley C.C. Rev Brother Sheehy, Hugh K. Hamilton P and Daniel Hanley.

Carried Unanimously.

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Proposed by Mr Brewer and
Seconded by Mr Wm Murphy

That the Finance Committee for the ensuing year consist of the following viz :- Patrick J. Dunne, John S. Heam Jr Peter Murphy, John Murphy South St and John Murphy John St. Two Members to form a Quorum.

Passed Unanimously

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The Clerk reported that Mr Hartrick did not yet send in his Bill although he promised long since to send it.

The Meeting was of opinion that it was useless to make further application for it, and decided not to take any action in reference to it.

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The Clerk also asked that a small press, or case, be made for the Polling Booths, so that they might not be injured but the Meeting was of opinion that it was not necessary.

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Ordered

That P. Leacy be directed to have a latch fitted on the small room downstairs, and that the Surveyor prepare an Estimate of the cost of a Press to hold Letter Books &c, by next Meeting.

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The Clerk reported that Wm Shea, one of the Councils workmen was sick since Saturday and that Michael Evans was also sick for one day, and inquired whether he would pay them.

Ordered

That both these men be paid for the days they were sick.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 10th February, 1914.

J. Sullivan

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Friday 30th January, 1914.

A Meeting of the Housing Committee was held this day at 3 o'clock P.M, to make arrangements for repairing the boundary Wall of College Road, the Councils Solicitors having advised that in their Opinion, the Council was liable for same.

Present Messrs Patrick J. Dunne
John Murphy John Sh
Joseph Brewer

The Committee having considered the letter received from Messrs Wolfe & Son, and discussed the matter at considerable length, during which it was pointed out that the owners of land adjoining College Road, and not far from that portion of the wall under consideration viz:- the boundary wall of field in the occupation of Mr Thos Kelly, Palace, of which Messrs Cherry Bros are owners, had carried out the necessary repairs themselves, were of opinion that the Council ought not to undertake the repairs for the present at least, but instead, request the owners of the field, Messrs Cherry Bros, to repair the wall, accordingly the Committee,

Ordered

That the Clerk direct the attention of Messrs Cherry Bros to the dilapidated State of the boundary wall of their field at College Road, and request them to have it put in a proper state of repair.

That their attention be also directed to a dangerous aperture in the boundary Wall of their premises, near their malt store on Cherry Road, and they be requested to have a door fixed on the aperture or have it built up.

The Committee Adjourned

John Dullea

Wednesday 4th February, 1914.

A Meeting of the Finance Committee was held this evening at 5 o'clock P.M to transact business and consider State of Rate Collection.

Present Mesrs John O'Sullivan Presiding
Patrick J. Dunne
Peter Murphy
John Murphy John St
John Murphy South St

The Clerk Stated that the Collector attended in the Office a short time before five o'clock but as soon as the Office clock, (which was four Minutes faster than the Town clock) Struck five he left.

The Committee examined the account Showing the State of the Rate Collection, and also of Manure and House Water Connections and decided to adjourn the Meeting to Monday the 9th Inst at 1/30 o'clock, for the purpose of dealing fully with the State of the Rate Collection, the Collector to be directed to attend Same.

The Meeting Adjourned to Monday 9th February 1914.

John O'Sullivan.

Monday 2nd February 1914.

A Monthly Meeting of the Council was to be held this day at twelve o'clock Noon to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

No Member of the Council Attended.

A Quorum not having assembled

The Meeting Adjourned to Monday 2nd March, 1914.

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Monday 9th February, 1914

An adjourned Meeting of the Finance Committee was held this evening at 4.30 o'clock to transact business of the Committee for the Finance Meeting of the Council, and consider state of Rate Collection.

Present Messrs John O'Sullivan Presiding
John Murphy John Sh
and
Patrick J. Dunne

The Rate Collector was also present

The Clerk Submitted Statement Showing State of Collection, from which it appeared that since last Meeting of the Council £188:12:8 of rates had been collected. This the Committee considered Showed a marked improvement on the part of the Collector, who promised to use all possible diligence in the collection of them in the future. ~~He~~ They examined the arrears Sheet of the weekly tenants and recommended that a Sum of 1/9 which appears against Michael Joyce be cancelled as they believed he was not actually in possession of the premises during the week for which this amount was charged against him. There also appeared two items of £1:13:0 and £- due by Mrs Maher, Mary St, for which application has been made to her by the Councils Solicitors, but without avail, they are of opinion that it would be useless to incur further legal expenses in endeavouring to recover these amounts and accordingly recommended that they be cancelled. A bill was received for £6.6.9 being half the expense incurred in re-building portion of the protecting wall at College Road from the owner of property adjoining the road at the particular place where the breach occured. As the Councils Solicitors where advising the Council as to their liability for such damage, expressed considerable doubt as to whether the Council were legally liable, they recommended that the Solicitors be again asked to consider the matter, and say if the Council are liable before paying this bill. They also re-examined the list of arrears of rates carried forward from last half years collection, and gave directions to the Collector as to the particular ones he should insist on collecting, and those which in their opinion may be cancelled at the proper time.

They examined a Number of Bills the total of which amounted to £158:19:10 and recommended payment of them out of the

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General account, as also two sums of £150 to the Contractor and £12 to the Clerk of Works, out of the Hospital Loans account.

The Committee Adjourned

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A Meeting of the Newross Urban District Council was held this evening at 4.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Present Mespr's John O'Sullivan Presiding
John Murphy John St
John Murphy South St
William Murphy
Peter Murphy
Joseph Brewer
Aidan Bolger
Michael Sheehan

The Minutes of previous Meetings were signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Mespr's Bolger and John Murphy South St and the following Paying Orders were directed to be issued viz :-

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| No. 232 | Parnell Quarries Ltd | | £51:13:2 |
| " 233 | John Roche | | 8:4:9 |
| " 234 | Mespr's M Hutchinson & Son | | 14:4:4 |
| " 235 | M J Finn | | 19:19:1 |
| " 236 | Same | | 11:5:0 |
| " 237 | Secretary School Attendance Committee | | 4:13:0 |
| " 238 | John Connick | | 1:13:11 |
| " 239 | James J. Shortall | | 4:6:8 |
| " 240 | Patrick Leacy | | 3:14:0 |
| " 241 | Samuel Hill | | 9:10 |
| " 242 | John Stephenson | | 19:11 |
| " 243 | Maj M. Redmond | | 1:6:8 |
| " 244 | John J. Browne | | 1:6:8 |
| " 245 | Mrs M Corcoran | | 6:9 |
| " 246 | M J Finn | | 24:0:3 |
| " 247 | Joseph Freeman | | 1:12:4 |
| " 248 | Jeremiah Fitzpatrick | (No 4 Loans A/c) | 150:0:0 |
| " 249 | James J. Shortall | | 12:0:0 |

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A Paying Order for £14:0:2 being Interest in Lieu of Rent was received from The Irish Land Commission, and a Dividend Warrant for 18/5 from the Bank of Ireland, and both were Ordered to be lodged to the Credit of the Council.

## Correspondence

Letter from Local Government Board, dated 4th Inst No 6062, asking to be furnished with a return showing the condition of the Poor Rate Collection to the midde of the present Month.

**Ordered**

That the Clerk furnish the return asked for by the Local Government Board when the proper time arrives.

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Letter from Thomas Lungley, Secretary of the Technical Committee, dated 3rd Inst, forwarding copy of one received by him from the Very Rev. Dean Kavanagh P.P, declining to act as a member of the Technical Committee for the Urban District of New Ross.

**Ordered**

That the members of the Council be summoned to attend Next Meeting to elect a member in the room of Dean Kavanagh.

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Tenders were received for manure at Town Wall from John Whitty Camblin who tendered 25/- for heaps at North Gate from John Walsh, Rylleen who tendered at 24/- Edwd Rowe @ 20/- and W. Napper Neville at 22/6.

As there were only two heaps ready for sale the Tenders of Messrs Whitty and Walsh were unanimously accepted on the proposal of Mr Peter Murphy, Seconded by Mr Bolger.

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Letter from the Street Inspector, dated 10th Inst, reporting that he inspected the public Lamps occasionally and found them lighting as required, except the one in Maiden Lane near upper entrance to christian Bros, which was not lighted on the 24th and 31st Ult. He informed Mr Kirkham who stated that it must have been extinguished either by the force of the wind or by boys as he believed the lamp had been lighted by his men.

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A short discussion took place on the matter but there was no Order made upon it.

The Foreman reported that the trees on the North Side of Inishtown are being damaged by the Branches of Some of them being broken off. No Order Made.

## Report of Finance Committee

9th February 1914.

Your Finance Committee met this evening to transact business of the Committee for the Finance Meeting of the Council and consider State of Rate Collection.

The Clerk submitted statement showing State of Collection, from which it appeared that since last Meeting of the Council £188:12:8 of Rates had been collected. This the Committee considered showed a marked improvement on the part of the Collector, who promised to use all possible diligence in the collection of them in the future.

We examined the Arrears Sheet of the Weekly tenants, and recommend that a Sum of 1/9, which appears against Michael Grace be cancelled, as we believe he was not actually in possession of the premises during the week for which this amount was charged against him. There also appears two items of £1:13:0 and 0. due by Miss Maher, Mary Street, for which, application has been made to her by the Councils Solicitors but without avail, we are of Opinion that it would be useless to incur further legal expenses in endeavouring to recover these amounts, and accordingly recommended that they be cancelled. A bill was received for £6:6:9 being half the expense incurred in re-building portion of the protecting wall at College Road, from the Owner of Property adjoining the road at the particular place where the breach occured. As the Councils Solicitors when advising the Council as to their liability for such damage, expressed considerable doubt as to whether the Council were legally liable, we recommend that the Solicitors be again asked to consider the Matter, and say if the Council are liable before paying this bill.

We also re-examined the list of arrears of rates carried forward from last half-years collection and gave directions to the Collector as to the particular ones he should insist on collecting and those which,

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in our opinion may be cancelled at the proper time.

We examined a number of Bills the total of which amount to £158:19:10, and recommend payment of them out of the general account and two sums of £150 to the Contractor, and £12 to the Clerk of Works, out of the Roads Loans account.

(Signed) John Sullivan, J. Murphy John St.

Proposed by Mr. Bolger and
Seconded by Mr. Peter Murphy

That the Report of the Finance Committee be adopted and the payments recommended by them, (list of which appears at commencement of minutes), be made also that the sums of 1/9 due by Michael Grace, and £1:13:0, and 6/- due by Mrs Maher, as weekly rent of house on Bullawn and Scales at Irishtown and Quay be cancelled, as recommended by the Finance Committee

Passed Unanimously

## Report of Street & Sanitary Committee.

2nd February 1914.

Your Street and Sanitary Committee met to-day to consider the re-employment of temporary men. We direct that James Boyle and James Foley be employed as the Foreman thinks well from now to 1st March and that Marshall be kept on during the time of the drawing of Stones from the Railway. Some serious complaints were to us regarding Freeman and we think he should get a severe caution and we recommend that when any of the men leave their work without permission the Foreman get power to suspend him pending the decision of the Council.

(Signed) J. Sullivan P. Dunne. J. Murphy John St & J. Murphy South St.

Proposed by Mr. Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr. Aidan Bolger

That the report of the Street and Sanitary Committee be adopted and the recommendations made by them carried out.

Passed Unanimously.

The Town Surveyor reported that he estimates the cost of the proposed new press for the town Clerks Office to be £1:1:0.

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He would thank the Council to provide him with an Office (temporary) as there will probably be considerable delay, before the Chamber of Commerce premises may be acquired. From enquiries made I learn that the Office recently occupied by the late Mr. Walshe, Rate Collector may be had for £5 per annum.

Proposed by The Chairman and
Seconded by Mr. Peter Murphy

That a Press be procured for the Clerks Office at about the price estimated by the Town Surveyor. viz: 21/.

Passed Unanimously

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A long discussion took place respecting the provision of an Office for the Surveyor and on the suggestion of Mr. John Murphy South St who stated that the small room downstairs, at present let to the Gaelic League, was rarely occupied during the day, it was decided that the Surveyor, see the Secretary of the Gaelic League, and arrange with him to let Mr. Shortall have the use of the room for an Office during the day, the Council to provide a "Lock Up Press" in which his papers can be secured.

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Mr. Murphy John St drew attention to the condition of the Light in the roof of Fish House, and suggested an alteration in it. After a short discussion, the matter was referred to the Housing Committee, who are to inspect the place with the Town Surveyor and report to next Meeting of the Council.

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An application for the tenancy of the new Houses was received from Harry Spencer William St, who offered John Walsh South St, as surety, from Martin Kehoe, Irishtown, who offered James Fleming as surety, and John Keppel of Quay who offered T. J. Delaney as Surety.

Proposed by Mr. Boleger and
Seconded by Mr. Peter Murphy

That Harry Spencer, Martin Kehoe, and John Keppel be accepted tenants of three of the new houses in Cock St & Bunneen Lane at the weekly rent of 2/6.

Passed Unanimously.

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An application was also received from Laurence Harney, who required the use of the yard or waste ground at rere at a small rent, but the application was not entertained.

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The Clerk stated that Mr Edwd Whitty, Fair Gate, had not yet tendered the name of any surety, although he had been frequently written to, in fact he had completely ignored the request of the Council to provide security for the payment of his rent same as any other tenant.

After a short discussion it was decided to serve Notice to Quit upon him and it was,

Proposed by Mr John Murphy John St and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy South St

That Notice to Quit be served on Edward Whitty, Fair Gate, New Ross, one of the Council's tenants, and that same be signed by two members on behalf of the Council and sealed with their seal, and countersigned by the Clerk.

Passed Unanimously.

In pursuance of the foregoing resolution the "Notice to Quit" was duly signed and sealed, after which,

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 24th February, 1914.

John Delaney

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Monday 23rd February, 1914.

A Meeting of the Finance Committee was held this day at 11 O'clock A. M, to transact business and consider advisability of constructing an additional Reservoir at Inchtown.

Present Messrs John Sullivan Presiding
John Murphy John Sh
Peter Murphy

The Committee considered the letter received from Mr. Bergin B.E. respecting the provision of an additional reservoir at Inchtown and decided to recommend the Council not to incur the great expense involved in the provision of one. They however considered it advisable to provide a patent pipe cutter so as to expedite the repair of the pipes in case of a burst, and also to cancel the existing engagement or Contract with Messrs Hartrick, and invite tenders for carrying out all work, the Contractor to have the use of the patent cutter. Having prepared and signed a report, embodying these recommendations the Committee adjourned.

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Monday, February 23rd. 1914

A meeting of the Street and Sanitary Committee was held this day at 11.20 O'clock to transact business, and consider best means of repairing "Lantern Light" on roof of "Fish House."

Present Messrs John O'Sullivan J.P.
Aidan Bolger
and
John ~~M~~Murphy, John St.

The Town Surveyor was also present, and prepared a small sketch showing the position, and condition of the present Lantern Light.

After considerable discussion the Committee decided to recommend that the Lantern Light on the roof be closed, and an aperture made in the West gable wall, and fix two sections of large pipe in each aperture.

They also directed the Surveyor to furnish, to next meeting of the Council, an Estimate of the probable cost of making the alteration recommended by them, after which

The Committee Adjourned.

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Tuesday 24th February, 1914.

A Meeting of the Newbss Urban District Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock, to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, Mr. a Member on the Technical Committee in the room of Very Rev Dean Kavanagh P.P. D.D, resigned, and take steps to inaguraie a Fund for the relief of the gallant crew of the Fethard Lifeboat, who lost their lives in the heroic discharge of their duty on the night of Friday last.

Present Mssrs John O'Sullivan Presiding
John Murphy John Street
John Murphy South St
Peter Murphy
John Fanning
Patrick J. Dunne
Joseph Brewer
Adam P. Bolger

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read and Signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Mssrs Bolger and J. Murphy South St, and the following Paying Order was directed to be issued viz:- No. 250, Mr Flinn £28:13:9, Petty Cash.

Immediately after the Chairman taking the Chair, and before any Sanitary, or other business was transacted, Mr Fanning rose and after referring to the terrible disaster to the Fethard Lifeboat, proposed the following resolution which was seconded by Mr Dunne, and declared passed Unanimously viz:-

That we the Members of the Newbss Urban District Council, desire to express our deepest sympathy with the families and relatives of the nine brave and gallant Wexford men who met their death in the heroic and courageous attempt to rescue the ship-wrecked crew of the Norwegian barque "Mexico" on the Keeragh

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Island.

That this resolution be inserted on the Minutes.

That our Clerk be directed to send a copy of the Resolution to the families and relatives of the deceased Men.

Mr Dunne in seconding the resolution suggested that the Council should form themselves into a Committee for the purpose of raising funds for the relief of the Sufferers.

The Chairman also suggested that the name of Capt Busher, of the Wexford Tug Boat, and his gallant crew, be embodied in the resolution and it was decided that the Clerk convey to Captain Busher, and also Captain Kendrick of the Wexford Life boat, the congratulation of the Council on their work of rescue.

After a short discussion it was :-

Proposed by Mr John Murphy South St and
Seconded by Mr P. J. Dunne

That the Members of the Council present, form themselves into a Committee for the purpose of opening up a subscription list for the widows and children of those who lost their lives on the occasion, and that the Chairman of the Council preside at a public Meeting to be held in the Town Hall as soon as possible.

Passed Unanimously

On the suggestion of Mr Dunne it was agreed that the public Meeting be held in the Town Hall on to-morrow, (Wednesday) evening at eight O'clock.

Proposed by Mr Fanning and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy John St

That Mr. John Murphy South St be appointed Hon Treasurer to the Loss Fund.

Passed Unanimously

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Proposed by Mr Dunne and
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy

That Mr A. P. Dolger be appointed Hon Secretary to the Fund.

Passed Unanimously

Proposed by The Chairman and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy John St

That we tender to Mr P. O. Gorman, a respected, and valued member of the Council, our sincere sympathy and condolence on the death of Mr C. J. Vickers, and ask him to accept the assurance of our sincere regret at his early demise.

Passed

Ordered

That a copy of this resolution be sent to Mr Gorman, and also to Mrs Vickers.

The transaction of the ordinary Municipal business of the Council having been reached, the following correspondence was read and disposed of viz:-

Letter from Messrs Colfer & Son, dated 23rd Inst, stating that they did not think the Council would incur liability to a civic action for damages in the event of fire &c, by reason of their not insisting on premises in which Petroleum is stored, being licensed.
No Order Made.

Letter from James Hogan, South St, dated 16th Inst, giving Notice that he will not be surety for Joshua Allen's rent from that date. He had paid a considerable amount of rent for this man but he cannot do so any longer.

The Clerk stated that on receipt of this letter he wrote Mr Allen, informing him that he should provide another surety in place of Mr Hogan, otherwise the Council would have to take up possession of the house, but there was no reply from him. He however learned since that the man was in the Infirmary.

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After some discussion it was

Ordered

That Joshua Allen be informed he must provide another Surety in place of Mr Hogan, by next meeting of the Council.

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The Street Inspector reported that he inspected the public Lamps regularey and found them lighting as required. The glass has been repleaced in the one at Burnneen Lane.

No Order Made

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Letter from the Manager of the Gas Works, dated 23rd Inst, stating that the cost of erecting a lamp at Mendmill Lane would be £10:15:0, as the nearest supply pipe is in Kevrle Street, a good deal of piping will be required.

Ordered

That Mr Kirkham be asked to state what the cost would be in the event of the Council supplying the necessary to open and close the ground where the pipe may be laid.

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A Tender was received from P. Kelly Camolin, of 10/-, for one heap of manure, and it was unanimously accepted.

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John Keppel, who was accepted as tenant for one of the new houses at last Meeting, wrote informing the Council that one pane of glass was broken in front window and should be put in. As it was broken before the house was set to him it was decided to have the pane put in by Mr Freeman.

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Letter from Edward Whitty drawing attention to a balance of 10/- in his rent book which has been running on for a great number of years, and which was previously ordered by the Council to be Cancelled.

There are also some repairs to windows and fire peace which were partly done, and he would be glad if the Council would attend to them.

Ordered

That the attention of the Surveyor be directed to the repairs.

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There was no Order made at this stage of the Meeting respecting Arrears, as it was dealt with on the report of the Finance Committee

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A letter was received from the Hon Secretaries of the Meeting to be held in Dublin on 24th Inst, to protest against the action of the Ex Postmaster General, in allowing the Cunard Co to withdraw their Steamers from calling at Queenstown on the outward journey for the purpose of embarking the American Mails. In it the Secretaries invited the attendance of the Chairman at the Meeting.

As the Meeting was held on this date it was, of course, impossible for the Chairman to attend, a resolution of which the following is a copy was

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Berger

That we protest in the Strongest possible manner, against the ~~manner~~ action of the Postmaster General in allowing the Cunard Company to cancel the provisions of the American Mails contract with the Government, and we call upon the latter to take such action as will ensure the embarkation of the Mails at Queenstown as heretofore.

Passed Unanimously

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The following letter received from the Councils Solicitors was read:-

24th February, 1914.

Re:- College Road Wall.

Dear Sir

Referring to our letter of 13th Ult, and yours of 13th Inst, when we wrote you that the question was by no means free from doubt we thought our meaning was obvious, but as it appears to have been misunderstood, we desire to repeat what we already said, namely, that the question of the Councils liability to repair this wall is in our opinion a very doubtful one. It must be borne in mind that law is not an exact Science like mathematics, and that it is these doubtful questions

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which give rise to any ligitation at all. If every case were free from doubt, there would be no cases left to fight about.

In the present case there is absolutely no documentary evidence as to the origin of the wall that is, as to who built it, or when it was built and the evidence as to who has repaired it hitherto, is of a very meagre character. The usual elements, therefore, for forming an opinion are absent altogether.

We are however inclined to think that the wall was originally erected as a Public work, and consequently in the absence of substantial evidence of ownership in an individual, we are of opinion that the necessary repairs to the wall should be carried out by the Council.

Yours very truly
Colfer Son

A long discussion took place on this letter, and in particular, as to the whether a bill for repairs to wall on College Road carried out by Dr Walsh, and half the amount of which he claimed would be paid to him. It was pointed out that the Council at a previous meeting, that in the event of the Solicitors advising that the Council were liable for keeping this wall in repair, they would refund Dr Walsh cost of repairing same, or at least, the portion of it claimed by him.

As some members were now of opinion that it was establishing a precedent to pay for the portion repaired by Dr Walsh, especially as the Solicitors had considerable doubt as to whether the Council was liable at all, there was,

No Order Made.

A letter, dated 23rd February, and signed by a number of residents of Ardcavan was received, bringing under the notice of the Council the serious inconvenience and cost they are put to by the flooding of their premises during the winter months, and asking to have the tide wall at end of Messrs Doyle's store built up.

After a short discussion it was :-

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Proposed by The Chairman and
Seconded by Mr Berger

That the portion of the wall referred to, be raised and a style fixed on it.

Passed Unanimously

Ordered

That the Surveyor have this work carried out as soon as possible.

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The Draft estimate of Poor Rate was received from the Secretary of the County Council, from which it appeared that the sum of £1214: 15: 5 would be demanded from the Council for the Service of the year ending 31st March 1915. A copy of Form 44, 45, & 46 was also received.

It was printed during a discussion which followed, that the Urban District do not receive any return for the money contributed as County charges to the County Council.

Mr Dunne drew attention to the refusal of the County Council to construct an asphalte footpath, on the New Ross Bridge, and the following resolution was proposed by him, seconded by Mr John Murphy South St, and passed unanimously:-

"That the County Council be again asked to construct an" "asphalte footpath on the New Ross Bridge."

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The Surveyor complained of the condition of the Surface of Lock Pit Lane, which had been recently opened by the Gas Co, and submitted a sample of the Metalling which was exceedingly large.

Ordered

That the Manager of the Gas Works be asked to restore the surface of Lock Pit Lane to the same condition of repair as it was in before it was opened by his men and also to see that in future, in all cases, in which the Streets shall be open-ed, the surface of same will be restored to its original con-dition.

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The Clerk submitted a number of Agreements between the Urban Council, and their tenants, in respect of the New

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houses, so that same might be sealed, and it was:-
Proposed by Mr John Murphy John St and
Seconded by Mr Berger

That the seal of the Council be affixed to the following Agreements with weekly tenants, viz:- Council with Spencer (senr), Do with Spencer (junr), Do with Ryan, Do with Carty, Do with Fleming, Do with Kehoe, Do with Rochford, Do with Keppel, Do with Kielthy, Do with Furlong.

Passed Unanimously

In pursuance of the foregoing resolution, the foregoing Agreements were duly sealed and witnessed by the Chairman.

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The finance Committee recommended the Council to Strike Off an old balance of 10/- arrears carried forward against Edward Whitty for over twenty years and which he disputes. This tenant has paid his rent regularey and has promised to provide a security for the rent in future.

They also recommended striking off a charge of 14/= against John Grace for a heap of manure. From investigation the Committee are satisfied that this lot of manure was drawn by Mr Edward Keville and paid for by him.
Proposed by Mr John Murphy South St and
Seconded by Mr Berger

That the Report of the Finance Committee be adopted, and the sums recommended by them, cancelled.

Passed Unanimously

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The Town Surveyor reported that he interviewed the Secretary of the Gaelic League as ordered with a view to arranging for the use of the small room of the Theatre as a temporary Office and having considered the matter fully he believes that any arrangement would be impracticable for both parties. Furthermore this room is also used as a store for fuel by the Workmens Club, as a Meeting room for Teachers, a meeting room for the Gaelic Athletic Association and as a public auction room. Neither would it be

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safe to have any levelling instruments or drawing Boards in this room where so many people have recourse to.

I consider houses Nos 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16, South side Michael Street, to be in a dangerous condition. The owner is Mrs Craddock Michael Street. Houses Nos 2, 3 and 4, North side Michael Street are also dangerous. The owner is Mrs Ashford. Some of these houses are unoccupied. The water tap at the Fish House was broken off. He had it repaired immediately. He estimated the cost of closing up the lantern light on Fish House W. C's and constructing two vent openings in the West gable wall as recommended by your Committee to be £1:19:0. A fracture which occurred to the water main in Michael Street on Sunday 22nd Inst, owing to a slide of portion of side of open trench was promptly repaired by the Sewerage Contractors workmen.

James J. Shortall

Ordered

That the Surveyor serve the usual statutory Notice on the owner of the dangerous houses, requiring them to be put in proper repair.

It was decided not to provide a temporary Office for the Surveyor as requested by him at last Meeting, but instead that he use the Town Clerk's Office for transacting his business in.

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Six applications were received for the tenancy of two of the New houses of the Council, being the only ones unoccupied, and it was,

Proposed by Mr Brewer and
Seconded by Mr Fanning

That Michael Hanlon be accepted tenant of the Vacant house in Bunneen Lane.

Passed Unanimously

Proposed by Mr John Murphy South St and
Seconded by Mr Breger

That James Cusack be accepted tenant of the vacant house in Cock Pit Lane.

Passed Unanimously.

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It was decided to give the other applicants preference when any of the houses become vacant.

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## Election of Member of Technical Committee

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy South Street

That Mr A. C. French, North Street, be elected a Member of the Technical Committee in succession to Very Rev Dean Kavanagh P.P. resigned.

The following amendment was
Proposed by Mr Fanning and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy John St

"That Mr Henry Ellis be elected".

The amendment was put to a vote when the following voted viz:-
For:- Messrs Fanning and Murphy John St 2
Against:- Messrs John Murphy South St, Peter Murphy, Dunne, Bolger, and the Chairman 5
Mr Brewer did not vote.

The Chairman declared the Amendment lost, and put the original resolution which he declared carried by the same voting, and Mr French elected.

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Mr Dunne drew attention to the condition of the Surface of the Streets, which were opened by the Contractor for the Sewerage Scheme, and pointed out that he does not put such enough of Metalling on the pipe track,

After a short discussion it was

Ordered

That the Contractor be asked to see that the surface of the Streets, opened by his men for the purpose of laying the Sewer pipes be restored to their original condition, and kept properly Metalled.

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The Clerk reported that a portion of the floor of the inner office required to be repaired very badly, as the boards were very much worn away, and it was:-

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Ordered

That the Surveyor have it repaired.

A number of copies of Form four were received from the Valuation Office to be filled up, but there was, No Order Made upon them.

The meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 10th march, 1914.

Monday, 2nd March 1914

A monthly meeting of the Council was to be held this day at 12 O'Clock - noon to transact business pursuant to "The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act. 1854.

No member of the Council attended.

The Meeting adjourned to Tuesday, 3rd March 1914.

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Tuesday 3rd. March 1914

A meeting of the Street and Sanitary Committee was held this evening at 5 Oclock to Conaider the advisability re-employing temporarily the extra men, and transact other business.

Present Messrs John O'Sullivan Jr. Presiding
Patrick J Dunne
Aidan Dolger.
John Dempsey, John St.

The Foreman was also in attendance.

Mr Dunne drew attention to the Choking of a Fountain Grating at Dewley Street on Sunday and Monday last, which caused the water to flow over the Surface of the street, and the Chairman complained of the quanity of liquid mud which was allowed to remain in Quay St on the previous Saturday.

The Foreman was directed to pay special attention to those matters and have them remedied.

The question of continuing the extra men and horse was Considered and it was:-

Proposed by The Chairman and
Seconded by Mr Dolger

"That the two extra men, and the extra man and horse be dis-emploged on following day, it being understood that a man be engaged in the place of Thos. Freeman, who is ill, if such is urgently needed before Freeman returns to work."

Passed Unanimously

A long discussion took place respecting the expense incurred in the cleansing of ashpits, and the Committee examined the wages books but did not take any definite action in the matter beyond directing the Surveyor to get the work done by the Council's men, as economically, and as expeditiously as possible.

The Committee Adjourned.

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Tuesday 3rd March 1914.

A meeting of the Finance Committee was held this evening at 5.15 P.M. to transact business of the Committee, consider Clerk's Estimate of Poor Rate for financial year ending 31st March 1915, and if approved of, adopt same.

Present Messrs John O'Sullivan J.P.
Peter Dromgoole
John Dromgoole John A
and
Patrick J Dunne.

The Clerk submitted his Estimate of Poor Rate for financial year ending 31st March 1915, from which it appeared that it would be necessary to strike a Poor Rate of 3/- in the £ for that year. It was accordingly:-

Proposed by Mr Dunne and
Seconded by Mr Dromgoole "That the Clerk's Estimate"
"of Poor Rate for financial year ending on the"
"31st March 1915 be adopted by the Finance"
"Committee."

Passed Unanimously

The Meeting Adjourned.

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Monday 9th March 1914.

A meeting of the Finance Committee was held this evening at 8 O'clock to transact business of the Committee, and consider Clerk's Estimate of Town Rate and Sanitary Rate for Financial year ending 31st March 1915.

Present Messrs John O'Sullivan J.P. Presiding.
John Murphy John st
John Murphy South st
Peter Murphy
Patrick and Dunne.

The Clerk submitted his Estimate of Town Rate and Sanitary Rate for financial year ending 31st March 1915, from which it appeared that it would be necessary to strike a rate of 5/- in the £. The Committee carefully considered every item in detail, and were satisfied that this rate will be required to meet the expenditure for that year. Accordingly it was:-

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Dunne

That the Clerk's Estimate of Town Rate, Sanitary Rate, and Domestic Water Rate, the two first amounting to 5/- in the £, and the latter to 1/3 in the £, on the valuation of premises supplied with water, for the year ending 31st March 1915, be adopted

Passed Unanimously

Mr J. Hartrick attended the meeting in reference to his account as furnished, the accuracy of which was disputed by the Town Surveyor. Mr Hartrick claimed to be paid for two nights spent at repairing water drain at Ballinabanogue recently, as well as for eleven hours delay. The Surveyor declined to certify for more than one night, the second one, in his opinion, being due to Mr Hartrick's incapacity to carry out the work properly, also that there were only five hours delay caused to Mr Hartrick. The Surveyor also deducted from the account the cost of a length of pipe, which, he alleged, was broken by Mr Hartrick through incompetency. Having heard both at considerable length, the decided to allow Mr Hartrick for one night only, and five hours delay, but they also agreed not to claim for the length of pipe, as they believed they could not legally do so.

The Meeting Adjourned.

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Tuesday 10th March 1914.

New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 Clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith, also to consider, and if approved of, adopt Clerk's Estimates of Poor Rate; also of Town and Domestic Water Rate for financial year ending 31st March 1915.

Present Messrs John O'Sullivan J.P. Chairman. Presiding
Patrick J Dunne
Peter F. O'Gorman
William Murphy
John Murphy, South St.
and
Aidan P. Dolger

It having been decided at the Sanitary Meeting of the Council, not to transact any business, except the payment of accounts (this being the stated Finance Meeting of the Council) and the consideration, and adoption of the Clerk's Estimate of Poor Rate, and Town Rate for financial year ending 31st March 1915, the Treasurer's Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman, and Messrs John Murphy, and Aidan P Dolger, and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued Viz:

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| No 251. | John J Browne | £ | 3. 7. 0. | No 252. | Richard Murphy | £ | 8-13-11 |
| " 253. | Do J Flinn | £ | 11-5-0. | " 254. | County Council | £ | 305-16-11. |
| " 255. | Collector of Customs | £ | - "10-6 | " 256. | John Doyle | £ | 1-4-9. |
| " 257. | Hibernian Fire Co | £ | 1-13-11 | " 258. | Graves Bro | £ | 2-14-7. |
| " 259. | Mrs Feerney | £ | 10-1-6 | " 260. | Sarah Hogan | £ | 4-0-0. |
| " 261. | Doyle Bros | £ | 7-14-10 | " 262. | Gas Co. | £ | 17-17-6 |
| " 263. | Gas Co | £ | 85-17-4 | " 264. | Geo W Taylor | £ | 7-12-7 |
| " 265. | M Murphy | £ | 3-3-0 | " 266. | Timber Bros | £ | 3-15-0 |
| " 267. | J.J. Shortall | £ | 4-6-8 | " 268. | John J Browne | £ | 24-19-2. |
| " 269. | W & F Hardrick | £ | 5-16-0 | " 270. | Doran Bros | £ | 5-9-0 |
| " 271. | M. J Flinn | £ | 26-4-9 | " 272. | Patrick Leacy | £ | |
| " 273. | Patrick Flynn | £ | 1-2-6 | " 274. | James Connolly | £ | 7-18-8 |
| " 275. | Jeremiah Fitzpatrick | £ | 250-0-0 | " 276. | James J Shortall | £ | 12-0-0. |

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The Clerk submitted his Estimate of Poor Rate, and the following was:-
Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy South St. and Resolved:

That the Clerk's Estimate of
Poor Rate for financial year ending 31st March,
1915, amounting to Three Shillings in the Pound,
be adopted by the Council, and that he publish
the necessary Notices, and take the necessary steps
to have said Rate made.

Passed Unanimously

The Estimate of Town Rate, which, with that of the Poor Rate, had been previously adopted by the Finance Committee, was Submitted by the Clerk, and the following resolution was:-
Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy,
Seconded by Mr John Murphy, South St. and Resolved:-

"That the Clerks Estimate of Town Rate, and"
"Domestic Water Rate for year ending 31st March, 1915,"
" now before us, be adopted, and that he publish the"
" necessary Notice of our intention to make a Town Rate"
" of Five Shillings in the Pound, and a Domestic "
"Water Rate of One Shilling and Threepence"
"in the Pound on the valuation of the premises"
"Supplied with water, said last-mentioned rate to be"
"in relief of the portion of the Town Rate raised"
"as Sanitary expenses, the rateable value of the
property assessable being £8,311-14-0."

Passed Unanimously

Proposed by Mr Dunne, and
Seconded by Mr O'Gorman

That we, the members of the New Ross"
Urban Council wish to record our deep sorrow on the death of the
Revd John Furlong O.S.A. We also wish to mark our appreciation of his
long life-work in our town for our Church and our people.

That this meeting be adjourned in respect to his memory, and that
copies of this resolution be conveyed to his relatives, to the Revd Fr Heavey, Prior,
and to the very Revd Fr Mc Grath, Provincial of the Augustinian Order.

Passed in Silence

The Meeting adjourned to Tuesday, 24th March 1914.

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# Thursday, March 19th. 1914

A meeting of the Members of the Council was held in their office on this day at 10.30 O'Clock a.m, to meet a deputation from Wexford, the Members of which propose to confer with the traders and Cattle Dealers of Newross with a view to acquiring their support for a new cattle and Cargo Steamer to trade between Wexford and Liverpool.

Present Messrs John O'Sullivan J.P. Chairman. Presiding
Peter Murphy
John Murphy, South St.
John Murphy John St.
and
Aidan P Bolger.

On referring to the original communication, received from Wexford by the Chairman, it was found that the deputation will only leave Wexford at ten O'Clock, instead of arriving here at that hour, so that their train will not be due here until 11.30. It was accordingly arranged that one Members of the Council should meet the deputation on the arrival of the train.

None of the Cattle dealers attended, although all of them had been invited, and the Chairman stated that some of them informed him they could not promise to support such a steamer, as it is more convenient for them to ship their cattle via Waterford.

Mr Peter Murphy drew attention to the restrictions on the movement of cattle imposed in relation to Newross, and District, although there had not been any trace of the disease and urged that the M.P. for South Wexford should be asked to do all in his power to have the restrictions removed, and also that the Secretary of the Department of Agriculture should be asked to have the restrictions removed. It was accordingly ordered that telegrams be despatched to both these gentlemen, in the name of the Chairman of the Comcil, asking to have the restrictions removed.

An informal discussion took place respecting the Closing of the Newross Fund, of the Fethard Lifeboat Disaster Collection, and it was decided to have a Meeting of the Committee convened for the following evening, after which:-

The Meeting Adjourned

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Tuesday 24th March 1914.

A Meeting of the Newbliss Urban Council was held this day at 7.30 o'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Present Mssrs John O'Sullivan JP presiding
Peter Murphy
John Murphy South St
John Murphy John St
Michael Sheehan
Patrick J. Dunne
John Fanning
James J. Dooley
Aidan P. Bleger
Joseph Brewer

The Minutes of previous meeting were signed

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Mssrs Fanning & John Murphy South St and the following Paying Order was directed to be issued viz:- No 244 £21:4:6, Petty Cash.

## Correspondence

The following letters were read:-

St. John's Priory,
St John's Street. W.,
Dublin. 13th March, 1914.

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of your letter of the 11th Inst, conveying the resolution of sympathy and appreciation passed by your Council on the death of Rev John Furlong D.D. It consoles us very much in our great loss to know that his long, laborious and edifying life has been so much appreciated by the people amongst whom he lived and towards whom, as I have reason to know, his heart was always full of kindness and good will.

Please express my sincere thanks to the Members of the Council and accept the same for your own touching words of sympathy

M. A. McGrath O.S.A.
Prior.

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The Priory
Newtbs.
15th March, 1914.

My Dear Mr Finn,

Please convey to the Chairman and Members of the Urban District Council of Newtbs the sincere thanks of the Community and myself for their very touching resolution of sympathy & regret on the death of Fr Furlong, for the expression of their appreciation of his worth and for marking their respect for his memory by adjourning the meeting on Tuesday last.

Please accept our thanks for the sympathetic manner in which you have associated yourself with the action of the Council and for your earnest prayers for the venerable departed.

Yours Sincerely
John A. Heavey
Prior O.S.A.

Cullinstown
Bannow
17:3:14

Dear Mr Finn,

Convey to your Council, Sincere thanks, for the resolution of condolence passed by them, on the death of my brother Father Furlong.

Thanking you for your kindness.

Sincerely Yours
Annie Furlong

Mr ~~D~~ J Finn
Clerk of Council

Ordered

That the foregoing letters be inserted in full on the Minutes.

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Letters were also received from Mrs E. Dickers and Mr P. H. O'Gorman, acknowledging the vote of sympathy passed by the Council with them on the death of Mr Reginald Dickers.

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A circular letter was received from the Local Government Board, dated 14th inst, requesting to be informed what action was taken by the Council to

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advertise the advantages of the District under the powers conferred on them by the Health Resorts and Watering Places (Ireland) Act 1909.

The Clerk stated that he informed the Board that there was no action taken by the Council under the Act and this was approved of.

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Letter from Same, dated 13th March, requesting to be furnished with a return showing the condition of the Poor Rate Collection to the middle of the Month.

The Clerk stated that he furnished this Return as requested and this was approved of.

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Letter from Same dated 12th Inst, enclosing an Order for payment of £36:8:11, being the second instalment of Estate Duty for the year ending 31st March 1914.

Ordered

That it be lodged to the credit of the Council.

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Letter from the Commissioner of Valuation dated 28th Ult, advising the despatch of the revised Valuation Lists for 1914, relating to the Urban District, dated the 28th Febry 1914.

The Clerk reported that the Commissioner had not divided the Valuation of the Barracks at Michael Street, although it had been put on the list for revision two, or three, successive years. It was now

Ordered

That an appeal be lodged against the decision of the Commissioner, and that the Councils Solicitors take the necessary Steps in Connection with Same.

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Letter from the Lord Lieutenant, dated 18th March, enclosing two copies of the Fabrics (Misdescription) Act of 1913, but there was

No Order Made.

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At this Stage the Chairman received a telegram from Mr Peter French M.P, conveying the hope of Mr Russell, Vice President of the Department, that the Cattle restrictions would be removed in about seven or ten days more.

The Chairman also mentioned that he called on the Chief Veterinary Inspector of the Department when in Dublin a few days ago, and he expressed himself most anxious to have the restrictions removed as soon as possible.

Mr Peter Kourphy drew attention to the action taken by the Chairman

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in endeavouring to have the restrictions removed and proposed

That a hearty vote of thanks be tendered by the Council to their Chairman for his action in endeavouring to have the restrictions against the moving of cattle removed. This was seconded by Mr John Murphy and passed with acclamation. The Chairman briefly acknowledged the vote.

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Mr Dunne referred to the kind action of a young lady named Miss Murphy formerly of Roberton, but who is now residing in Wales, in undertaking a collection amongst her acquaintances there, for the relief of the sufferers by the Telhard Lifeboat Disaster, and collecting a sum of £10.16.11, which she forwarded to Mr Patrick Bolger J.P. to be handed over by him to the Treasurer of the Fund.

Mr Dunne proposed and Mr John Murphy John St. seconded

"That the thanks of the Council be conveyed to Miss Murphy, for her thoughtful kindness in undertaking the collection".

The proposition was passed unanimously and the Clerk was directed to send a copy of it to Miss Murphy.

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Mr Bolger referred to the condition of the wall on College Road, and it was

Ordered

That the Surveyor report on same to next meeting of the Council.

He also pointed out that the lamp on the corner of house opposite Wm St. is not kept lighting regularly every night, and it was decided to draw the attention of the Manager of the Gas Co to it.

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A Tender dated 24th Inst. was received from John Doyle, North St. for the supply of one cwt of Lead Piping @ 33/6 per cwt.

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and

Seconded by Mr John Murphy South St

That Mr Doyle's tender for the supply of one cwt of Lead piping alloyed with 5% of tin @ 33/6 per cwt be accepted.

Passed Unanimously

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A letter was received from the Hon Secretary of the Association of Municipal Authorities, dated 2nd Inst, enclosing copy of a resolution passed by the Executive Committee of the Association, by which the Committee pledged

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itself to support the Civic Exhibition proposed to be held in Dublin during the coming year, and expressing a hope that all Municipal Authorities will send exhibits, and support it in every possible way.
No Order Made.

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Letter from the Manager of the Gas Co dated 10th Inst, stating that if the Council will supply the labour to open and close the ground at Windmill Lane the cost of erecting the lamp there would be reduced by 25/-. After a short discussion it was decided not to erect the lamp there at present, the cost being considered too much.

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Mr Dunne referred to the large quantity of broken glass which is deposited on the vacant plot at Windmill Lane, and in connection with this, the Clerk reported that Mr Edward Browne, Creacon, called to the Office and stated that one of his cattle got injured with the broken glass there on the last fair day, and that if the injury became serious, he would hold the Council responsible for any loss he might sustain.

A discussion took place as to whether the Council could prevent the deposit of broken bottles there at all, and if not can they compel them to be kept at a certain distance from the Street or Road, and also whether in the event of injury being caused to cattle by broken glass on the road the Council would be liable.
Ordered

That the Councils Solicitors be asked to advise on the three foregoing points.

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Letter from the Gas Co, dated 19th Inst, stating that owing to a bad leak they have to open the street outside Mrs Kearns John St.
No Order Made.

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An application was received from Ernst Cahillane dated 9th Inst, for a range for his house at Wm St, as the present one is broken and worthless. If the Council agree to give him a closed range he will pay the difference between it and an open one. He also desired to point out that he carried out, at his own expense all necessary improvements since he went to reside in it.
Ordered

That the Surveyor report to next Meeting as to the necessity for a new range in this house.

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An acknowledgment was received from the Secretary of the County Council of the resolution passed by the Urban Council asking to have an asphalte footpath constructed on Newtoss Bridge and stating that it will be brought before next meeting of the County Council.

No Order Made.

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Letter from James Horgan, dated 10th inst, stating that as Joshua Allen has failed to find another surety in place of him. He is satisfied to go bail for him for a while until he writes to the Council again.

No Order Made, beyond deciding not to have Notice to Quit served on Joshua Allen

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Messrs Glenfield & Kennedy Ltd wrote under date 4th inst offering to supply a Patent pipe cutter for cast iron pipes two to seven inch diameter at £3:8:6, and spare cutters at 1/4 each.

It was decided to defer the consideration of purchasing one for the present, until it was definitely ascertained whether it would be necessary.

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It was Ordered that advertisements be issued inviting Tenders for repairs to water mains, and tapping of same for the purpose of making house connections, it to be stated in same that the Contractor will be responsible for any damage he may do to the mains, and also that the Council may supply a Patent Pipe Cutter for the use of the person who may be appointed Contractor, persons tendering are to state prices they to supply the cutter, and also their prices if the cutter is supplied by the Council.

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Mr Patrick Kelly offered 12/- for heap of manure at Town Wall, and Mr Ryan Reed House, offered 14/6 for same, but both were considered too low and neither was accepted.

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Mr Peter Murphy drew attention to the advisability of having the piece of ground, the property of the Council at the rere of their houses at Wm Street fenced in as at present it was a regular common.

After a short discussion it was Ordered that the Surveyor furnish to next Meeting, an estimate of the cost of having it fenced in with paling wire, with both wooden and iron uprights.

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## Surveyor's Report.

10th March 1914.

I beg to report that Notice has been served on the owners of the dangerous houses reported to Council by me on the 24th Febry 1914. Nothing has yet been done to comply with these Notices. The work in connection with the repairs to your houses has been re-started as directed and is making good progress. Some of the repairs have also been carried out to the Fish House lavatory, as Ordered. The painter is also completing his portion of the work in connection with your houses. I estimate the cost of constructing three concrete footpaths and water tables to your houses as follows viz:- No I Cockpit Lane £34, No II Bunneen Lane £34 No III William Street £32.

Jas Shortall

Ordered

That the Surveyor write again to the persons upon whom he served Notice respecting the dangerous houses and request them to attend to them at once, also that he inspect the house at Roberson opposite the pump, as it appears to be also in a dangerous condition.

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A letter dated 24th Inst was also received from Michael Saunders, drawing the Councils special attention to his house at Irishtown, formerly occupied by Mrs Falaven, which he stated was in a wretched state of repair.

After a long discussion it was decided to adjourn the consideration of it to next meeting so that it might be ascertained, in the meantime, whether the repairs Ordered to be carried out on this house sometime ago by the Surveyor were yet completed.

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An application was received from James Martin, Wm Street, for the tenancy of a house there recently vacated by James Roche.

Proposed by Mr John Murphy John Street and
Seconded by Mr Berger

That James Martin be accepted as tenant of this house.

Passed Unanimously

Proposed by Mr John Murphy South St and
Seconded by Mr Brewer

That Patrick Nolan, Irishtown be accepted tenant of house at Bunneen Lane recently occupied by Patrick Kehoe.

Passed Unanimously

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The Clerk submitted weekly tenants Agreements & Bonds for the purpose of having them sealed, and on the Proposal of Mr John Murphy South St, Seconded by Mr John Murphy John St, the Seal of the Council was affixed to them.

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A copy of the Newtross Rural District Labourers Order 1914 was received from H. M.C. Murphy Esq, Local Government Board Inspector, Showing Sites to be taken compulsorily for the purpose of The Labourers (Ireland) Acts.
No Order Made.

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The Chairman read a letter he had received from the Town Surveyor of Enniscorthy, informing him that his Council had just completed a Scheme of 24 houses @ £125 per house, including footpaths, drainage, &c, with dry closet and ashpit. The houses were eagerly taken at 2/- per week. He will be very pleased to meet Mr Sullivan, if he decides on going to Enniscorthy, and let him see the houses.

A long discussion took place on the reading of this letter and it was eventually agreed that the Members present form a Committee to inspect the houses at Enniscorthy on some Convenient date.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 7th April 1914

John Sullivan

Monday 6th April 1914

A Monthly Meeting of the Council was to be held this day at twelve o'clock Noon to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

No Member of the Council attended.

No Quorum not having assembled

The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 7th April 1914.

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Tuesday 7th April 1914

A Quarterly Meeting of the Council was held this evening at 7 o'clock to transact business pursuant to the Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898, and other Acts connected therewith, and consider the following Notice of Motion by Mr John Murphy South St viz :-

That a new concrete footpath be constructed in Cross Lane on the South side from the Catholic Church entrance gate to the entrance gate to the Session House, an approximate distance of 75 yards, and also a distance of five yards on the North side, West of the Catholic Church entrance., cost not to exceed £47.

Present Messrs John O'Sullivan JP Presiding
John Murphy South St
Peter Murphy
Aidan P Bolger
Patrick J. Dunne

The Minutes of last Quarterly Meeting were read and signed.

The following Quarterly report of the Town Surveyor was read :-

7-4-14

During the past Quarter, your Streets have been maintained in fair condition and, in some instances improved. But the extensive excavations for the new Sewerage Scheme increased the difficulties of maintainance. In wet weather it is generally difficult to maintain the Streets effecently with the ordinary cleansing Staff and matters would be considerably expedited by the use of a cleansing machine. I do not recommend the purchase of a machine on the present occasion as there is another proposal to be laid before you for an urgent public work, involving considerable expenditure, but I hope to bring forward a proposal on another occasion in reference to this matter. I consider the amount estimated for the construction of portion of Cross Lane footpath to be sufficient and I beg to recommend that it be carried out.

Jas J. Shortall.

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and Seconded by Mr Bolger
That the Surveyors Report be adopted
Passed Unanimously

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The following notice of Motion was
Proposed by Mr John Murphy South St and
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy

That a new concrete footpath be constructed in Cross Lane on the South side from the Catholic Church entrance gate to the entrance gate to the Session house, an approximate distance of 45 yards, and also a distance of 5 yards on the North side, west of the Cathlic Church entrance; cost not to exceed £47. (Forty-Seven pounds).

Passed Unanimously

Proposed by Mr John Murphy and
Seconded by Mr P. J. Dunne

That this Meeting be adjourned to Tuesday 21st april @ 7.30 o'clock for the purpose of receiving Tenders for the carrying out of this work, the Clerk to issue the Necessary advertisements for Contractors.

Passed Unanimously.

A brief discussion took place respecting the entrance to house occupied by Mr Hughes, which would interfere with the construction of the path, and Mr Murphy South St, stated that he believed the necessary permission would be given by the owner of the property, to the Council, to remove those steps into the hall of house later on. There was no definite Order made respecting the inclusion of the cost of carrying out this work in the Tender for the construction of the footpath.

The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 21st April 1914

John Pullenon,

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Tuesday 7th April 1914

A meeting of the Finance Committee was held this day at 6 o'clock P.M to transact business, examine list of uncollected rates, and recommend cancellation of such as, in the opinion of the Committee, are irrecoverable.

Present Mayor P.M. Sullivan J.P. Presiding
P.J. Dunne

The Collector was also in attendance, and submitted his abstracts of Uncollected Poor Rate & Town Rate.

Having examined same minutely the Committee recommend that sums of Poor Rate amounting to £20:13:0 be cancelled and sums amounting to 16/3 be disallowed; also that sums of Town & Domestic Water Rate amounting to £29:7:1 be cancelled, £19:11:10 refunded to Collector and carried forward to next collection, and 8/2½ cancelled,

after which

The Committee Adjourned

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Tuesday 7th April, 1914.

An adjourned Meeting of the Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Present Meps John Sullivan JP Presiding
John Murphy South St
Peter Murphy
Aidan Bolger
P. J. Dunne
John Fanning
John Murphy John St.

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read & Signed.

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The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Meps Peter Murphy and A. P. Bolger and the following Paying Order was directed to be issued:- No 1 £21:11:10 Petty Cash.

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## Correspondence

Letter from Local Government Board dated 2nd Inst, asking to be furnished with a Return of the names &c of the Officers employed by the Urban District Council.

The Clerk stated that he furnished the information on receipt of the application and this was approved of.

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A Circular Letter dated 25th Ult was also received from the Local Government Board drawing attention to the provisions of the Trade Boards Act 1909, governing the action of Local Authorities in giving Contracts which involve employment in certain trades.

No Order Made.

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Letter from the Commissioner of Valuation dated 30th March calling attention to the fact that the time for receiving appeals against the revised Valuation Lists had expired, and asking to have any that were received forwarded.

The Clerk reported that he had forwarded all the appeals

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received, and there was consequently,
No Order Made.

Same, dated 1st April acknowledging receipt of appeal Notice of Moses Hanrahan, and also of the Council against the Valuation of Colonel Pottenham's premises at Michael St (Late Military Barracks) and calling attention to the fact that it will be necessary to obtain the sanction of the Local Government Board to the Appeal.

The Clerk stated that application had been made to the Local Government for their sanction to the Appeal and, as soon as it was received it would be forwarded to the Commissioner of Valuation. No Order Made.

The Catholic and General Insurance Association Ltd wrote soliciting some of the Insurance of the Council, but as the Council had already all its Fire business with an Irish Co, there was
No Order Made.

A Circular letter dated 25th March was received from the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland stating that they have now made arrangements for permitting the movement of Animals in certain areas.
No Order Made

A Notification was received from the New Ross Gas Co that they intend to open the Street outside Mrs Lawlors premises in South St, in order to lay a new supply pipe.
No Order Made.

A tender was received from John Ryan of £1:1:6 each for two heaps of manure at Town Wall, and it was Ordered to be accepted.

A letter was received from Mr T. Doran dated 27th Ult, in which he stated that the Weighbridge is not in weighing Order at present and that it wants to be overhauled. After some discussion it was Ordered

That Mr Jonas Hartrick be employed to repair it, and put it in

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proper working order.

A tender was received from Messrs. Moran Bros. for the supply of twenty Order Cheque Books at 1/3 each, and on the proposal of Mr Dunne, Seconded by Mr J. Murphy South Sh it was accepted.

An acknowledgment of the vote of thanks passed to Miss Murphy by the Council for her kindness in collecting in aid of the Fethard Sufferers was received, and ordered to be Noted on the Minutes.

A letter was received from Mr Andrew Cullen, dated 7th Inst, asking the Council to see at once to the gable of the house on Bullawn, which was unroofed sometime ago, as the water from it is pouring down into his house, which adjoins, and has caused considerable damage to it.

Ordered

That the Surveyor have the matter complained of by Mr Cullen, put right immediately.

The following letter was received from Dr Walsh Viz :-

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4th April. 1914.

Dear Sir

Relative to the repair of the Greywell road wall, I shall be obliged if you will kindly let me know the final decision in the matter. I may mention Mr Andrew Cullen, Builder was paid by Grand Jury for repair of the wall higher up and I believe the Urban Council are now endowed with the same power. It would indeed seem strange if people living along side the road should repair a County wall which is now in charge of the Council. I may also mention seeing that I promised to go halves I consider I went further than I need, having regard to Grand Jury paying the entire cost previously. I shall thank you for a reply, for if I am not allowed half the expense of bill, I withdraw my promise, and will test the case.

Yours faithfully

M Walsh.

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A long discussion took place on this letter, in the course of which the letter of the Councils Solicitors advising as to the liability of the Council to keep the walls of this road in repair was read, after which it was,

Proposed by Mr John Murphy South St and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy John St

That Dr Walsh be paid, at the next Finance Meeting of the Council £6:6:4 half the cost of repairing this wall, as from the letter of our Solicitors, we believe the Council are legally liable to keep this wall in repair, and having promised Dr Walsh that if he repaired the breach he would be recouped if the Councils solicitors were of opinion the Council was liable.

On a Poll being taken there voted

For:- Messrs Peter Murphy, A. P. Berger, J Murphy South St, J Murphy John St & The Chairman 5.

Against:- Messrs Fanning & Dunne. 2.

The Chairman declared the resolution "Passed"

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Thomas Hughes applied for the tenancy of one of the Council's houses at Bunneen Lane, and on the Proposal of Mr Dunne, Seconded by Mr John Murphy South St, he was accepted.

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The Abstracts of Uncollectable Poor Rate and Town Rate, which had been considered by the Finance Committee and acted upon, were submitted, and the recommendations made by the Committee as entered on the Minutes of their Meeting, considered after which it was

Proposed by Mr Berger and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy South St

That the recommendations of the Finance Committee be adopted and that sums of Poor Rate amounting to £20:13:0 be cancelled and sums of Town Rate amounting to £29:7:1½ be cancelled, and sums amounting to £19:11:10 be carried forward to next collection.

Passed Unanimously

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## Foremans Report.

The Foreman reported that on Friday evening last he found four fruit crates across the footpath which he had removed. He is of opinion the old sweeping brush in Henry St yard is only fit for scrap as the woodwork is practically rotten and the iron work is considerably damaged with rust. The Town Surveyor suspended Walter Duggan on Friday evening. It would be well to employ a substitute for Thomas Freeman for a few days until he is able to resume duty.

Ordered

That Messrs Marshall & Jas Kelly Upper Mary St, be asked to tender for the old brush.

The Clerk pointed out that James Boyle was engaged by the Street Committee temporary during the illness of Thomas Freeman, and it was decided not to employ an additional man.

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A discussion took place after this report was read, as to what portion of the Quay was owned by the Council, and what portion by the Harbour Commissioners. The Surveyor explained that he was unable to ascertain this, as there was no map in this Office or the Office of the Harbour Commissioners, but he caused Metalling to be put on that portion of it which was always maintained by the Council, and their predecessors in title.

It was agreed that the Surveyor prepare a map of the Quay, and define that portion of it which is claimed by the Council.

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## Surveyors Report

The Surveyor reported that the Stile on the Rosbercon foreshore has been rebuilt as Ordered. The North portion of the roof of Mrs Galavin's house Irishtown requires to be tarred and sanded. There is a dangerous chimney on the house in occupation of Mr O'Connor Mary St, and portion of the wall abutting on the roadway in Rosbercon outside "Hunts Paddock" is also dangerous.

Ordered

That the Surveyor have the roof of house occupied by the Reprs of the late Mrs Galavin tarred and sanded.

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Mr Fanning stated that Mr O'Connor informed him the danger-ous chimney referred to in the report of the Surveyor did not belong to him, and it was Ordered that the Surveyor ascertain who the owner of it is, and serve Notice on him to have it put in repair. Notice to be also served by him on owner of wall at Rosercon, referred to in his report.

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Attention was drawn to the condition of some of the footpaths, where portion of the flags are broken, and it was Ordered that the Surveyor attend to this matter and have such portions of them as need badly to be repaired attended to at once & re-set.

## Street Inspector's Report

The Street Inspector reported that the daily scavenging was carried out as usual. Since last Meeting a number of persons had empty boxes &c on the streets. He inspected the public lamps regularly, and found that some were not lighted. He reported this to Mr Kirkham. He showed like to know if he is to report to the Council as well as to Mr Kirkham.

Ordered

That Mr Butler be informed he need not report to the Council any case which he has reported to Mr Kirkham, unless the lamp is left unlighted after Mr Kirkham has been notified of it.

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Immediately after the Sanitary business was disposed of, the following resolution was

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and

Seconded by Mr John Murphy South St

That we desire to express our unbounded confidence in the Statesmanship and judgment of the leader of the Irish Party, Mr J.E. Redmond M.P, and we heartily congratulate him, and his devoted Party on their untiring efforts in the cause of Home Rule.

Passed Unanimously.

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Mr Dunne also referred in suitable language to the death of Mr P.D. Sullivan, and proposed the following resolution which was Seconded by Mr John Murphy John St, and passed in respectful silence viz:-

That we desire to record our deep regret at the death of that pure souled Irish Patriot, Timothy Daniel Sullivan, who has laboured and suffered so much in the cause of Ireland and we tender to his immediate relatives and friends our sincere sympathy and condolence in their sad bereavement.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 14th April 1914.

Thos Dalton

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Tuesday 14th April 1914.

A Meeting of the Council was held this evening at 7.30 O'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, make a Town Rate, Domestic Water Rate, and Poor Rate, for financial year ending 31st March 1915.

Present Mesprs John Sullivan J.P. Presiding
John Murphy John St
John Murphy South St
Peter Murphy
John Fanning
Joseph Breuer
Patrick Dunne
Aidan Boger
Michael Sheehan

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Mesprs Peter Murphy & J. Murphy South St, and the following Paying Orders were directed to be issued viz:-
No 2 Parnell Quarries Ltd £38:7:9, No 3 John J. Browne £32:5:8, No 4 John J. Browne £5:14:6, No 5 John J. Browne £23:3:0, No 6 John J. Browne £1:5:5, No 7 Waterford & Newtown Port Sanitary Authority £6, No 8 M. J. Finn £1:17:6 No 9 M. J. Finn £6:5:0, No 10 M. J. Finn £11:5:0, No 11 John Harrington £1:11:6, No 12 James Barron £5:14:11, No 13 Dr. M. Walsh £6:6:9, No 14 Mesprs Coger & Son £49:9:4, No 15 John Connick £2:7:6, No 16 Cashiers Bank of Ireland £29:18:11, No 17 Same £138:19:5, No 18 Same £36:14:4 No 19 Same £399:16:2, No 20 Michael Bailey £1:18:2, No 21 James J. Shortall £14:6:8, No 22 Richard Malone £13:16:4 No 23 D. J. Hanley £-:14:6, No 24 M. J. Finn £9:6:2, No 25 Jeremiah Fitzpatrick £200 (Loans A/c No 4), No 26 James J. Shortall £15 (Loans A/c No 4).

## Correspondence

Letter from Local Government Board, No 17,802:1914, dated 7th April 1914, stating that they have assented to an appeal by the Council against the Valuation of Colonel Lottenhams premises in Michael Street, provided the appeal is within the prescribed

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time. No Order made.

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Letter from Secretary to Council, dated 3rd April stating that he had called the attention of the Co Surveyor to the fact that it is a long time since the Council were paid anything on foot of the Dawros Bridge Contract. Tenders were invited for a new Contractor after 15th April last.

A very short discussion took place upon this matter but there was No Order Made

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A tender was received from James Kelly Upper Mary St, dated 14th inst. Offering £2/6 per ton for old sweeping brush Or 14/- as it stands.

It was decided to re-advertise it for sale.

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A discussion took place respecting the storing of Watering Cart in shed in Henry St yard, and it was

Ordered

That in future it be stored in the Council's yard at Wm St.

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## Surveyor's Report

14/4/'14

I beg to report that the roof of the Parochial requires to be repaired. Some of the rafters, the wall plate, portion of the tie beam, the valley boards on the west side, require to be spliced, the flashings generally require to be printed and some of the hips to be repaired and slates to be re-fixed and printed. The plaster of the gable wall of house adjoining (Messrs Doyle Bros) is continually falling into the lead gutter and silting it up, which causes the water in same to overflow and leak through the flashings. He begs to report that the workman, Duggan, is not giving satisfaction. He was obliged to suspend him some days ago, and I now ask that he be dismissed. The range of your house in occupation of Mrs Cahillane requires an amount of repairs. I believe it would be more economical to replace it by a suitable, closed cooking range, portion of the cost of which would be borne by the tenant. The orders made on the 7th inst. are being attended to.

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Ordered

That the Surveyor furnish to next Meeting an estimate of the cost of repairing the roof of Shrael.

A short discussion took place respecting the suspension and suggested dismissal of the workman Duggan during which it was pointed out that power to suspend a man who leaves his work was given to the Foreman, pending a Meeting of the Council, on the recommendation of the Street Committee at their Meeting held on the 2nd February last. On the Proposal of Mr Peter Murphy, seconded by Mr John Murphy South St it was decided to continue Duggan in the employment of the Council.

On the suggestion of Mr Peter Murphy it was Ordered that a Meeting of the Street Committee be held on an early date to make regulations for the better management of the Men.

It was also Ordered that a new Coining range similar to those supplied to Messrs Higgins & Fardy be fixed in house occupied by Const Cahillane, provided he is willing to pay the difference in price and give an undertaking in writing that he will not have any claim upon it when giving up tenancy of house. On the proposal of the Chairman Seconded by Mr J Murphy South St

That an extra man & horse be employed for a period of three days.

Passed Unanimously

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An application was received from Mr Wm Roche, Cross Lane, for the tenancy of the house in Burneen Lane, let to Thos Hughes at last Meeting, but which he is not going to occupy.

Proposed by Mr J Murphy South St and Seconded by Mr Dunne

That Mr Wm Roche be accepted as tenant of this house

Passed Unanimously

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The Council proceeded to make the Poor Rate, and Town Rate and Domestic Water Rate for year ending 31st March 1915, and the following resolutions were duly passed viz :-

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Proposed by Mr John Murphy
Seconded by Mr A.P. Bolger And Resolved
That we raise the sum of
One thousand three hundred and nine pounds,
as and for Poor Rate, and for the purpose aforesaid,
make a Rate of three shillings in the Pound for the fin-
-ancial year ending on the 31st day of March 1915 on
the property situate within the Urban District of Newbliss
pursuant to the Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898,
and other Acts incorporated therewith and that
same be collected in two Moieties, the first on, or before,
the 30th September 1914, and the second on, or before,
the 31st March 1915.

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That Public Notice be given
of said rates having been made, by printed placards
duly posted.

Passed Unanimously

Proposed by Mr John Murphy
Seconded by Mr A.P. Bolger And Resolved
That the presiding Chairman
and two Members of the Council sign the Poor Rate Books,
and the resolution making the Poor Rate endorsed thereon,
and the Collectors Warrants and affix the Common
Seal of the Council to said Poor Rate Books & Documents.
Passed Unanimously

Proposed by Mr A.P. Bolger
Seconded by Mr John Murphy And Resolved
That we raise the sum of
Two thousand and seventy eight pounds, four shillings
and three pence, as and for Town Rate and for that
purpose we make a Town Rate of Five shillings in the
pound for the financial year commencing on the
first day of April 1914 and ending on the 31st day of
March 1915 on the property situate in the Urban District of
Newbliss, rateable under the undermentioned acts, for

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the purposes therein mentioned, Of which Town Rate of five shillings in the pound, the sum of one shilling is for general purposes under the provisions of the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and the sum of one shilling and nine pence is for special purposes under the Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898, and the sum of two shillings and three pence in the pound is for Sanitary purposes under the provisions of the Public Health (Ireland) Acts, which Sanitary rate includes one penny in the pound under the Technical Instruction Act 1889, and one penny in the £ under the provisions of the Agriculture and Technical Instruction (Ireland) Act 1899, for the purpose of Technical Instruction, and we hereby make a Domestic Water Rate, under the provisions of the Public Health (Ireland) acts of one shilling and three pence in the pound on the valuation of premises supplied with water for the financial year commencing on the first day of April 1914, and ending on the thirty-first day of March 1915, and we hereby fix that said rates shall be payable on the seventeenth day of May 1914, and shall be collected in two moieties, the first on, or before the 30th day of September 1914, and the second on or before the 31st day of March 1915.

Passed Unanimously

Proposed by Mr John Murphy
Seconded by Mr A. Boger And Resolved

That the Presiding Chair-man and five other Members of the Council sign the Books in which the Town Rate and Domestic Water Rate are made out, also the resolution making the Town Rate and Domestic Water, and the adoption of the Town Rate endorsed on said Books and affix the common seal of the Council to said Rate Books and endorsements, and the Collectors Warrant affixed to said Rate Books be signed by the Presiding Chair-man and five other Members of the Council present

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and countersigned by the Clerk, and sealed with the common seal of the Council.

Passed Unanimously

In pursuance of the foregoing resolutions the Rate Books were duly signed and sealed.

The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 21st April 1914

John Pinkerton

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Tuesday 21st April 1914

An adjourned Quarterly Meeting of the Council was held this evening at 7.30 O'clock to transact business pursuant to The Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898, consider tenders for construction of footpath on portion of South side of Cross Lane as passed at last Quarterly Meeting.

Present Messrs John Sullivan JP Presiding
John Fanning
Peter K Ogorman
Peter Murphy
Patrick Dunne
John Murphy John St
John Murphy South St
Aidan P. Boger

The Town Surveyor was also present

The Minutes of last Quarterly Meeting were read & signed.

A tender for the construction of the footpath on the south side of Cross Lane and portion of the North side, was received from Mr Patrick Lynch, Priory Street, who proposed to carry out the work for the sum of £46:15:0, and offered Wm Carty South St and John Walsh South St as his sureties.
Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Ogorman
That the tender of Mr Patrick Lynch, Priory St, for the construction of the footpath on the South side of Cross Lane according to specification for the sum of £46:15:0 be accepted.
Passed Unanimously

With reference to the removal of the entrance steps to house occupied by Mr Hughes, Cross Lane, it was stated that the Agent of the property was quite willing to allow the alteration or removal of same to be made at the expense of the Council.

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and it was
Ordered

That the Surveyor furnish to next ordinary Meeting of the Council an estimate of the cost of having the necessary alterations carried out.

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The Clerk inquired what proportion of the Two hundred & fifty tons of stones from Glensmaw Quarry, specified by the Surveyor, and adopted by the Council, he would advertise for to be delivered broken and unbroken.

A long discussion took place as to the advisability of getting a much larger quantity of stones from this Quarry, and reducing the quantity from the Arklow Quarries, and the following resolution was eventually

Proposed by Mr John Murphy South Ck and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy John Ck

That 200 tons of unbroken stones from Glensmaw Quarry be obtained, 160 of these to be delivered at Henry St yard, and forty tons in the depots at Roberton and that the amount originally decided to be obtained from The Parnell Quarries Ltd. be correspondingly reduced.

Passed Unanimously

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Proposed by Mr Dunne and
Seconded by Mr Dolger

That the Quarterly Meetings of the Council for year ending 31st March 1915, be held on the second Monday of July and October 1914, and January and April 1915 at 4.30 o'clock P.M.

Passed Unanimously

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The Meeting Adjourned

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Tuesday 21st April, 1914

A Meeting of the Street and Sanitary Committee was held this evening at 8.15 o'clock, to transact business and arrange for management of workmen.

Present Messrs Aidan. P. Bolger Presiding
John Murphy John Street
John Murphy South Street
Patrick J. Dunne

A discussion took place as to the manner in which the work of cleansing, etc, is being done by the men, and it was suggested that the Foreman be directed to have an understanding with the Surveyor on each evening, if the latter should have any special work to be carried out on following day, and if so to arrange the work of the men, so as to economise their as much as possible. It seemed to be the feeling of the Committee that the power of dismissing workmen should be reserved exclusively by the Council; and as the question of the temporary suspension of a workman, was already settled by the Council, on the recommendation of Street Committee, dated 2nd Febry last, there was now no further action in this matter.

Having prepared and signed a report, of which the following is a copy :-

We recommend that the attention of Foreman be drawn to requelation of Committee, dated 12th September 1912, re carrying out of Street Cleansing. That Street Inspector report to Council names of persons who deposit refuse on Street.

The Committee Adjourned.

M. Dullea

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Tuesday 28th April 1914.

A Meeting of the Newbliss Urban Council washeld this evening at 7.30 O'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Present Mesrs John Sullivan JP Presiding
John Murphy John St
John Murphy South St
William Murphy
James Geo Dooley
Joseph Brewer
Peter. D. Gorman

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Mesrs Gorman and John Murphy and the following Paying Orders were directed to be issued viz:-
McKinn £24:2:10, John J. Browne £67:5:4, Bankers Bank of Ireland £9:2:0.

Mr J. Saunders attended the Meeting of the Council and asked to have some effectual repairs carried out on house occupied by him at Lisntown the one formerly in possession of the late Mrs Galavin. He stated it would cost about £4 to put it in a fairly habitable condition of repair

After considerable discussion the following resolution was:-
Proposed by Mr John Murphy South St and
Seconded by Mr Wm Murphy

That a Committee consisting of Mesrs John Murphy John St and Joseph Brewer, be appointed to meet Mr Saunders on following evening, inspect the house, discuss with him the suggested repairs, and report to next Meeting of the Council.

Passed Unanimously

The Clerk submitted the Contract and Bond of Mr Patrick Lynch for the construction of the footpath at Cross Lane, which

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had been perfected since last adjourned Quarterly Meeting, when the following resolution was,
Proposed by Mr John Murphy South St
Seconded by Mr P. Gorman

That the seal of the Council be affixed to the Contract entered into between Mr Patrick Lynch Drury St Newbliss and the Council, for the con-struction of a footpath on the South side of Cross Lane and portion of the North side, said contract being dated 20th April 1914

Passed Unanimously.

In pursuance of the foregoing resolution the Contract was duly sealed.

## Correspondence

Letter from Local Government Board No 20,132, dated 24th April stating that the Board will raise no objection to the issue of a Paying Order to the Rate Collector at the Councils Meeting on the 28th Inst, for the amount of Irrecoverable rates lodged by him.
Ordered,

That a Paying Order be issued to Collector at this Meeting for amount of these rates.

A circular letter was also received from the Board dated 24th Inst in reference to the minimum rates of wages recently fixed by the Tailoring Trade Board (Ireland), but there was No Order made upon it.

Letter from the Commissioner of Valuation acknowledging receipt of consent of Local Government Board to appeal in connection with the Military Barracks at Michael St.
No Order Made.

Letters from the Manager of the Newbliss Gas Works dated 15th and 23rd April, notifying his intention of opening the ground outside Mr Peter Reans, South St and Mr Moretons

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Newtown

No Order Made

Letter from Secretary to Council, dated 16th Inst forwarding following copy of resolution in reference to asphalting of Newtown footpath viz:-

That owing to the cost the County Council cannot see their way to carry out this work

After some discussion it was

Ordered

That the Town Surveyor prepare a specification and estimate for concreting of the footpath, copy of same to be sent to the County Councils of Wexford & Kilkenny.

Letter from Messrs Cooper Son, dated 24th Inst, approving of the Plan for alteration to the entrance to house at Criss Lane occupied by John Hughes, so that the steps may be removed in order that the footpath on that side may be constructed free of obstruction.

The plan was submitted and examined and the Surveyors Estimate of £5, for carrying out the work considered by the Council, after which, the following resolution was:-

Proposed by Mr John Murphy South St and

Seconded by Mr Brewer

That the portion of the Surveyor's report dealing with the alteration of the entrance to house occupied by John Hughes Criss Lane as also the plan of same be adopted and the work carried out, also that Tenders be invited for same.

Passed Unanimously.

Letter from the Town Clerk of Dublin, dated 21st April, intimating that a Meeting would be held in the Mansion House, on the 26th prox to take steps to celebrate the June hundredth anniversary of the historic battle of Clontarf, and asking to have Delegates appointed to attend it.

No Order Made

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Letter from Mrs Campbell, Irishtown, dated 27th April 1914, complaining of the position of the new Trap at Irishtown, which she stated would be an obstruction at the entrance to her premises. On the proposition of Mr John Murphy South St, seconded by Mr Ogorman, it was unanimously agreed that Same Committee who are to inspect house of Mr Saunders, fix the site of the trap and decide upon any other matter relating to channel &c.

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A proposal of twelve shillings for two heaps of manure in yard on Quay was received from Mr Patrick Kelly, and it was Ordered that he be informed he can have them at 12/. each.

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An application was received from Nathaniel Hammond of Houghton Place for the tenancy of house at William St recently occupied by Mrs Quigley and he offered Wm Reddy and James Fleming as his sureties.
Proposed by Mr John Murphy South St and
Seconded by Mr Ogorman
That Mr Hammond be accepted tenant of this house.
Passed Unanimously

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On the proposal of Mr John Murphy South St, seconded by Mr Ogorman, Mr John Dreham was accepted tenant of house at William St, about to be vacated by Mrs Merrigan.

The Town Surveyor reported that he had the repairs to house on Bullawn, referred to by Mr Cullen on the 7th Inst, repaired and the road surface at Church Lane, adjoining hydrant and M. H. covers, levelled and repaired as directed. He estimates the cost of the alterations proposed to be carried out to house in occupation of Mrs Hughes Cross Lane, in connection with proposed new footpath, in accordance with his plan (submitted), and approved of by Messrs Colfer & Son to be £5.

He estimates the cost of the necessary repairs to the Thrasher to be £21:10:0. He also estimates the cost of laying a

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New 1½" cast iron water main up to Mrs Cullitons premises Wexford St to cost £9.

Jas J Shortall
Town Surveyor

Ordered

That the consideration of estimate for repairs to roof of Shed be adjourned to next Meeting.

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The following report of Street & Sanitary Committee was read:-
We recommend that the attention of Foreman be drawn to regulation of Committee dated 12th Sept 1912 re carrying out of Street Cleansing. That Street Inspector report to Council names of persons who deposit refuse on Street.
Proposed by Mr Wm Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Ogorman

That the report of the Street and Sanitary Committee be adopted

Passed Unanimously

The Foreman's Reports

21st April, 1914.

I beg to report that the repairs to the Councils weighbridge were completed yesterday by Mr J Hartrick. I think it will be necessary to notify the inspector of weights and measures. Some small repairs are necessary to windows of weighbridge where damaged as I am informed by weighmaster with timber carters. Since last meeting I had the ground levelled up to Hydrant & man hole covers on High Hill. I also wish to point out that Wm Shea is absent for the past three days or since Saturday. In this case I would like to know if I could have some substitute. It will now be necessary for the Council to make arrangements for grass for horses. Some small repairs are required to stall of stable Wm St also wrack for harness. The manure yard gate on Quay has been repaired temporary by Councils workmen. I would suggest that manhole cover be placed at weighbridge on the Quay in order that the bearings of same could be oiled

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28th April 1914.

I beg to report that on the 24th Inst. I received in stock at Fish house from Mrs Hunt The 2nay twenty dust bins for Councils new houses at Houghton Terrace and Abbey View. Since last meeting twenty-four ashpits were cleaned. There are now two heaps of manure ready for sale at Town Wall Depot. I would ask your Council in future when the Council receives macadam from Arklow quarries to ask the Railway Officials to place the waggons at the North loading Bank as the one at the South is very inconvenient and great delay is caused to the Council men in unloading and removing same. Four waggons of macadam arrived from Arklow since last Meeting also one boat of sand

James Kelly
Foreman.

Ordered

That R. R. 16. 6 be painted in black letters on the dust bins before they are delivered to the tenants.

That the Railway Co be written to and asked to land the waggons of macadam at the North loading bank.

As Wm O'Shea had resumed work since the report was written there was No Order made respecting him.

That the Foreman ascertain where grass can be obtained and the cost of same; also that he furnish some particulars respecting the repairs to property referred to in his report.

It was decided not to have a manhole constructed at weighbridge as suggested.

The following report of the Shops Act Inspector was read :-
I wish to report on the Shops Act as follows,

The present system of some shops closing and others in the same business remaining open is not satisfactory. The Drapers, Jewellers, retailers of boots and shoes, three coal yards, one licensed grocer all close on Wednesday. The timber yards close on Saturday. These are the only busines that close for the halfholiday. The above list should include retailers

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in Delph of which there are two, also furniture dealers. As regards shop assistants they get the half holiday but at different times in some few cases to suit the convenience of the shop keepers. I am continually calling on them about this but they will not mind me and I think the Council ought to direct law proceedings against some of them, the next time I catch them and this will make them be more careful. There are some few traders who had cards placed in their shops but now have them taken down. The offenders are Mr Hutchinson & Son North St, Mrs Hunt the Quay, Mrs McEvoney South St and Mrs Dunne South St. In cases like these I cannot see what day the assistants get off. I cant check them whether they are off or not, but I believe they do. I would be glad to know what I will do about these cases.

James Kelly
Shops Act Inspector.

Ordered

That the Inspector furnish in future, specific particulars giving dates &c of breaches of the Act, when steps will be taken to have proceedings instituted.

The Meeting was of opinion that it was not necessary to display the cards giving particulars of the time on which assistants are getting their holidays but that it is sufficient to have it available for production to the Inspector if asked for by him.

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The following report was read:-

In compliance with the wishes of the Council, we visited Enniscorthy on the 20th inst, and inspected a number of houses recently erected by the Enniscorthy Urban District Council on different sites in the Urban District. The type of house erected in the "Shannon" district at the cost of £125. per house, is a spacious four roomed cottage, with large concrete yard attached having pair closets and covered ashpits and concrete ground floors and dividing walls. Each of the four rooms has a separate fire place and flue and an ordinary hob grate to kitchen. A loan of £3370 was negotiated,

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for the erection of twenty-four houses of this type, and of this amount £335 was required for the acquisition of the site, making a total average cost per house of £140:8:4. The first instal-ment of this sum borrowed for sixty years @ 3½% (repayable in 58 annual instalments) amounts to £176, and the income from the houses rented at 1/9 per week per house, plus three pence per week, rates, amounts to about £124. making the total nett loss on this scheme for the first year £52. an equivalent of about 1¼ pence in the pound on the rateable valuation of the district. But this loss, will of course, gradually disappear, as the premium becomes reduced and the property will be a valuable source of revenue to the Council in the course of some years hence. This loss will also be materially mitigated by the grant from the Irish Housing Fund, which the Town Clerk, Mr Shaw informed us recently amounted to £44:7:9 on a loan of £979.

The Enniscorthy citizens, we believe, consider their money is well invested, as the Urban Council have now practically abolished all the slums and congested areas and provided the workers with good healthy houses at an economic rent.

We believe your Council would be well advised in adopting the good example of Enniscorthy in this direction. We are much indebted to Mr W. Casey Town Surveyor and Mr P. Shaw, Town Clerk, for the valuable information and assistance they gave us on the occasion of our visit to Enniscorthy.

John O'Sullivan Chairman
Jas Shortall Town Surveyor.

Ordered

That the Surveyor furnish to next meeting an idea of the number of houses that can be built on the Barrack Lane site.

Proposed by Mr John Murphy South St and
Seconded by Mr Wm Murphy

That the best thanks of the Council be tendered to the members of the Deputation who visited Enniscorthy, for the information given,

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and also to the Town Surveyor and Town Clerk of Ennis-
-corthy for the courtesy with which they received the
Deputation.

Passed with acclamation.

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A long resolution dealing with domiciliary treatment under the Insurance Act and the constitution of the Newtpss Sub Committee was received from the Secretary of the Trade & Labour Benefit Society, but its consideration was adjourned to next Meeting on the suggestion of Mr John Murphy John St, the Members of the Council to receive notice of its intended con-
-sideration.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 12th May 1914.

Thos Pulleine

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Monday 4th May 1914.

A meeting of the street Committee was held this day at 11 O'Clock. a. m. to make arrangements for the employment of a man in room of Michael Cousens deceased, and consider desirability of appointing a temporary workman

Present Messrs John O'Sullivan J.P. Presiding.
John Murphy, South St.
John and Murphy, John St.

The Clerk formally reported that since last meeting of the Council, Michael Cousins, one of the Councils workmen, died Suddenly, and wished to have authority to issue advertisements for a man, the appointment to be made at next meeting.

After some discussion it was decided to fix the wages at 16/- per week, same as that paid last man, and to issue advertisements, inviting applications, the appointment to be made at meeting of Council to be held on 12th inst, after which,

The Committee Adjourned

John Sullivan

Monday 4th May, 1914.

The Monthly Meeting of the Newtons Urban Council was to be held this day at twelve O'Clock Noon to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

No Member of the Council attended

A Quorum not having assembled

The Meeting Adjourned

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Thursday 7th May 1914.

A meeting of the Street and Sanitary Committee was held this day at 11 O'clock A.M. to make arrangements for clearing drain Sewer which passes down through Mr J.D. Kearn's yard, and consider an application from the Surveyor for the employment of temporary workmen for the purpose.

Present Messrs John O'Sullivan J.P. Presiding
Aidan Bolger
John Brophy John St
John Brophy Church St
and
Patrick J Dunne.

The Foreman was also in attendance.

The Chairman questioned the Foreman as to the work at which the Council's men were engaged, and he stated that some of them were working at the cleansing of the Ashpits, and others would be engaged at Construction of Trap at Irishtown, and also at street Cleansing.

After a short discussion it was decided to discontinue the construction of the Trap at Irishtown until after next meeting of the Council when a report respecting it, would be received from the Special Committee appointed at last meeting to deal with it. The Committee also directed the Foreman to discontinue the cleansing of Ashpits for a few days, and have the men put at the clearing of the drain Sewer which passes through Mr Kearns's yard at John Street.

The Committee declined to allow men to be engaged temporarily, for this work as they did not consider same necessary. This concluded the business of the meeting, and;

The Committee Adjourned.

John Sullivan

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Tuesday 12th May 1914.

A Meeting of the Newtoss Urban Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, consider Tenders for supply of Stones from Gelenumaw Quarry, tenders for the removal of entrance to house of Mr Hughes, Cross Lane, copy of a resolution passed by The Trade and Labour Benefit Society, relative to the constitution of the Sub-Committee for Newtoss under the National Insurance Act, the town Surveyors Estimate for repairs to 107 of Pothole amounting to £21, and appoint a workman in room of Michael Cousins deceased.

Present Mesrs John Sullivan J.P. Presiding
Peter Murphy
John Fanning
Patrick J. Deane
John Murphy South St
Adam Bolger
William Murphy
Joseph Brewer
John Murphy John St
Peter A. Ogorman

The Minutes of previous Meetings were read and signed.

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The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Mesrs Ogorman and Bolger and the following Paying Orders were directed to be issued viz:-
McInnis No 31 £17.6.6, Patrick Dooley 32, £36.0, Patrick Leacy 33 £1.10.6, John J. Browne 34 £1.1.0, McInnis 35 £11.5.0, Secretary School attendance Committee 36 £8.0.1, Messrs Hely's Ltd 37 £5.8.6, Daniel Evoy 38 7/6, John Stevenson 39, 10/6, Technical Instruction Committee 40, £16.6.10, Jas. J. Shortall 41 £4.6.8, Jeremiah Fitzpatrick 42 £15.

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A tender amounting to £5.15.0 was received from Mr Patrick Lynch, Building Contractor, for altering entrance to house occupied by Mr Hughes at Cross Lane, and thus remove the steps from footpath, so that the new concrete footpath might be constructed.

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Proposed by Mr Berger and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy South St

That the tender of Mr Lynch for alteration to entrance to house at Cross Lane, occupied by Mr Hughes be accepted.

Passed Unanimously

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The following tenders were received for the supply of stones from Glenmoran Quarry, five hundred tons of which had been advertised for four hundred and sixty tons to be delivered in the Council's yard at Henry St and the remainder at Rosbercon.

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Thomas Oneill proposed to supply the five hundred tons from this Quarry in accordance with advertisement at 5/- per ton, and offered John Murphy Quay and Mrs Sheehan Bridge St as his sureties

Richard Malone Hoagrove proposed to supply forty tons from Glenmoran Quarry or 250 if the Council wish at the same Depot at Rosbercon as he delivered them last year, and at the same price 3/10 per ton and he offered James Power Limerany, and John Shannon Ballyveg farmer as his sureties.

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The Surveyor stated that the cost of carting the stones from Rosbercon to Henry St yard would be about eight pence per ton and this added to the cost of delivery at Rosbercon would leave the tender of Malone about eight pence per ton cheaper than that of Oneill. It was accordingly

Proposed by Mr John Murphy John St and
Seconded by Mr Berger

That the tender of Richard Malone for the supply of 250 tons of stones from Glenmoran Quarry to be delivered in the Councils depots at Rosbercon @ 3/10 per ton be accepted

Passed Unanimously

Ordered

That the Contractor be required to complete delivery of same within four months from the first of June next and in the mean-

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-tune to deliver proportionate quantities each month.

That the Councies Solicitors be directed to prepare the deceasary contract and Bond for the carrying out of this contract.

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At this stage Mr Fanning referred to the sad death of the late Michael Cousins, one of the Councils workmen and proposed that a Vote of sympathy with his wife be passed by the Meeting

Before the proposition was seconded, Mr Peter Murphy proposed that the Council show their sympathy in a practical manner by opening a subscription list in aid of the wife and children of the deceased man. This was seconded by the Chairman and passed Unanimously and the Clerk was appointed Treasurer and Secretary, and the following amounts were promised :- 10/ each Messrs P. & O. Gorman, Peter Murphy and the Chairman, 5/ each Messrs Wm Murphy. J Murphy South St. C & R Berger and John Murphy John St. 2/6 each Messrs Joseph Brewer & John Fanning.

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The Meeting next proceeded to elect a workman in the place of Mr Cousins deceased at a weekly wage of 16/. the man appointed to take charge of one of the horses as advertised. Applications were received from the following viz :- Thomas Freeman Mary St, Edwd Murphy Lushtown Richd Meaney Maryst Wm Somers Rathgarvogue Michael Flynn Nunnery Lane, Patrick Maddock Sugar Ho Lane and Thomas Caul Heathpark.

Testimonials were submitted by Flynn & Caul

Proposed by Mr Wm Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Brewer

That Edwd Murphy be appointed

Proposed by Mr Berger and
Seconded by P. & O. Gorman

That Michael Flynn be appointed

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Thomas Caul was proposed by John Murphy of John St but was not Seconded; and none of the remaining applicants were nominated

A Poll was then taken between Murphy & Flynn, when there voted

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For Murphy :- Messrs Brewer Wm Murphy, Fanning, Peter Murphy and the Chairman 5

For Flynn :- Messrs Gorman, Murphy South St, Dunne, Bolger and Murphy John St 5

The voting being equal the Chairman gave his casting vote in favour of Murphy and declared him elected.

Subsequently Mr Peter Murphy asked the Clerk which of the applicants he recorded him as voting for, and the Clerk informed him that he put him down for Murphy he having distinctly voted for him. Mr Murphy contended that he voted for Flynn, but the Chairman & Clerk as well as another Member of the Council stated that Mr Murphy distinctly voted for Edwd Murphy.

The Chairman having declared Murphy duly elected, declined to re-open the matter and suggested to Mr Peter Murphy to serve a Notice of Motion to have the election rescinded and another held but the matter dropped.

## Correspondence

The following letter was read viz :-

5th May, 1914..

Fanning - V- The Council

Dear Sir

We now send you the particulars of our costs in this case. The Bill amounts to £41:19:9 but we will be prepared to accept £40 in full discharge of it. As the case has been given considerable publicity we think it well to recall to the recollection of the Council some of the facts connected with it and which are as follows :-

We were informed for the first time of the trouble between Mrs Fanning and the Council about 31st December 1912. Having been requested to advise the Council on the matter we visited Mrs Fanning yard in January and on the 29th of that Month we wrote you a letter of which we give you a copy here :-

29th Jany. 1913.

Dear Sir Re :- Mrs Fanning

As to this matter, we had a look at the place, and it

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appears to be that the effect of making the present entrance to the Chapel ground was to prevent the surface water, which came down from the upper part of Robert St, discharging itself as it previously did, and this resulted in turning some water into Mrs Fanning's premises which formerly found its way elsewhere. The Council who know the locality better than we do, will be able to tell how far our view of the matter is correct, but if our view is correct, we think that an injury has been done to Mrs Fanning by causing some water to enter her premises which previously did not enter them, and that the Council are responsible for this injury.

We think however the injury is very trifling and privately the matter could be arranged by negociation with Mrs Fanning or her Solicitor but we would suggest that any such negociations should be in writing because, otherwise, the Council or ourselves cannot be certain of what has actually taken place.

Yours very truly
Dwyer Hon

Having regard to subsequent events we think it will be admitted that our view of the legal position of the matter was correct, and that our suggestion as to negociation for a settlement was a wise one.

We understand that some attempts at a settlement were afterwards made but without success, a result which perhaps may be accounted for by the Plaintiff's attitude as described by her Solicitor in his letter to you of the 17th April in which he writes as follows:- "As regards the last paragraph in your letter it is immaterial to my client when your Council proceeds to do the work specified in yours of 5th March last, and although your Council may consider that that work will remedy the complaint, my client is not and will not be satisfied with that, and the proceedings will go on, irrespective of any work that may be done by your Council now.

The Writ was served on 26th April 1912 and on 30th April a Committee consisting of your Chairman, Mr Dunne Mr John Murphy South St. and yourself called upon us with reference to the matter. At this interview we dwelt strongly

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on the enormous costs which proceedings in the High Court would entail, we again urged upon the Council the desirability of settling the case without further litigation an effort should be made to have the case remitted to the County Court.

We must say the Committee were very reasonable and very anxious to stop litigation, and either at this interview or at another which took place shortly afterwards they authorized us to offer the Plaintiff's Solicitor £10 for damages and £5:5:0 for costs. This offer we made by letter dated 13th May 1913 and on the 20th May, Mr Hearn wrote us declining to accept our offer, but proposing to accept £20 for damages and £10:10:0 for costs provided the work which was then being carried out would prevent a recurrence of the flooding.

Personally we considered these figures much too large, but knowing that the expense of a Chancery suit would be very great we Offered Mr Hearn the full £20, for damages and £10:10:0 for costs on 24th May on the understanding that same would be taken in full settlement. This offer was refused by Mr Hearn in his letter of 25th May and therefore the proceedings to have the case remitted were commenced. These proceedings were vigorously opposed, but on 17th June the Master of the Rolls made an order remitting the case to the County Court. Mrs Fanning appealed ~~against~~ from this order but her appeal was dismissed with costs against her which amounted to £19:19:0 and which she afterwards paid. Finally the case came before the County Court Judge on 10th October who gave a decree for £5 damages with costs and £2:17:0, for witnesses expenses the whole amounting to £45:13:1.

The result is one which the Council can scarcely contemplate with satisfaction, as they have been put to very heavy expense in order to compensate for a very trifling injury. On the other hand Mrs Fanning has still less grounds for congratulating herself. She has been awarded £5 damages but in her struggle to obtain this £5 she has to pay £19:19:0 for the costs of an unsuccessful appeal, besides of course, her own costs of the appeal, and to refuse an Offer of compensation amounting to exactly four times the sum awarded to her by His Honor Judge Barry.

Cotter Hon.

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On the suggestion of Mr Fanning it was
Ordered

That the representatives of the Press be asked to peruse the letter in detail.

The Clerk submitted a statement from which it appeared that the entire cost of this case was as follows:-
Wm F. Hearn - Taxed Bill of costs £45:13:1, Colfer & Son costs furnished and reduced as per letter to £40, F. W. Bergin B.E. Bill furnished at £10:12:4 Off which Councils Solicitors suggests that £1:1:0 should be taken off item for preparing maps and £1:1:0 off item for attending Court &c, making the Net total of £8:10:4. The Clerk had a letter from Mr Bergin in which he stated that he was willing to leave the matter in the hands of the Council, which means that the Net amount of his bill will be £8:10:4 making total cost £94:3:5.

The cost of drain which it was intended should drain this yard and houses on corner of Robert St and Michael St is £8:15:4. Preceding the Clerk contended that he never stated the cost of the case of Fanning V. Council was only £40, but what he did state was that he was purveying a sum of £40 in his Estimate towards the cost and that he was certain it would cost this amount if not more. He could not possibly have given the total amount as he had not got Mr Bergins bill, or that of Messrs Colfer & Son at the time. Some members who were present at that meeting agreed with this statement of the Clerk and the matter ended.

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A letter was received from Messrs Colfer & Son, dated 12th inst, suggesting that a Paying Order be sent to Mr Hearn for amount of Mrs Fannings costs in this case, fearing any additional cost might be incurred. If the Council wish they will send their cheque and the Council can afterwards forward them a Paying Order in recoupment.

Ordered

That Messrs Colfer & Son be asked to send their cheque to Mr Hearn for amount of costs, and a Paying Order will be sent them at next Finance Meeting.

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Letter from the Manager of the Gas Works notifying his intention of opening the road in Quay Street, outside the Foresters Hall for the purpose of putting in supply.
No Order Made.

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The Clerk stated that it would be necessary to fix the annual rent for a supply of water to this Institution (The Irish. N. Foresters) and on the proposal of Mr John Murphy, seconded by Mr Ogorman the annual rent was unanimously fixed at 2/-, this being the amount charged to other similar institutions.

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A Tender of 22/-, was received from Mr Patrick Kelly, Camross, for two heaps of manure, and it was unanimously accepted.

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An application was received from Mr Patrick F Joyce, Hon Sec of the Feis Committee, dated 5th inst for permission to decorate the town on the days of the Feis and on the Proposal of Mr John Murphy South Street, seconded by Mr Peter Murphy it was unanimously granted

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Letter from L. J. Kama Esq, Private secretary to J. E. Redmond Esq MP dated 29th Ult acknowledging receipt of resolution of confidence in the Irish Party, which was recently passed by the Council.
No Order Made.

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Letter from Const Cahillane dated 30th Ult stating that he was willing to pay a sum of 22/6 towards the cost of the range fixed in his house and also that he would not retain any claim upon the range in the event of him giving up possession of the house at any future date.
No Order Made this being considered satisfactory.

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The following letter addressed to the Chairman of the Council soliciting the support of the latter in favour of the local branch of the Irish National Volunteers was read :-

(over)

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5th May, 1914.

Dear Sir

We beg to solicit the favour of the support of your Council to the Branch of the Irish National Volunteers, which has been started here. It is hardly necessary for us to point out to you that the Volunteer Organisation has become a Force and a Power in this Country and that in view of the im-
-portant political situation which has arisen, it has become a matter of necessity to all who have Irish National interests at heart to prove to the world that Ireland means to have self Government at any cost. Current events go to prove that Newbliss is not alone in her belief in the Power and strength of the Volunteers Movement, as the only reliable safe-
-guard of the National interests; but she is only one of the many Irish town, that bowed in homage to the new spirit, the new power that is to release for us all the cherished ideals of our forefathers. In asking your support we beg to call your attention to all the prominent Public men and Public Bodies throughout the Country that have expressed their be-
-lief in and lent their support to the Volunteer Movement, and we feel confident that you who have ever been in the very forefront of Political and National circles in Newbliss, will use your in-
-fluence with your Council, to give their whole-hearted support to this Movement, which showed appeal to every man who is worthy to be called Gael.

Philip Lennon.

After a long discussion the following resolution was:-
Proposed by The Chairman and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy South St

That a Committee of the Council consisting of the Members present be appointed to confer with a Committee of the Members of the local Branch of the Volunteers with a view to the holding of a Public Meeting in furtherance of the Movement.

Passed Unanimously

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The following report of the rent Collector was read:-

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11th May 1914.

Gentlemen

I beg to report tenants owing four weeks to this date :-
Ellen Grace 10m St 8/9, Elzabeth Cotton 10/3, Mary Ryan 8/3 Nicholas Cahhen 11/6, Bridget Ryan 10/6, James Carroll 4/3, Patrick Kehoe 8/9 John Oneill 18/6.

I beg to call special attention to the account of Mr John Oneill as I find that I cannot keep his rent within the bounds all the other tenants are reducing their arrears by instalments.

John J. Browne
Collector.

The Clerk stated that Mrs Oneill called to the Office immediately before the Meeting and asked him to inform the Councie that a substantial payment would be made upon the rent due on Saturday Next.

Ordered

That John Oneill be informed if a substantial payment is not made on his rent by Saturday evening, the necessary steps will be taken by the Council to insure payment of it.

There was no Order made respecting the rents due by the other tenants.

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Thomas Connolly Ballywilliam, applied for the tenancy of a house at Cock Pit Lane, recently occupied by Nathaniel Hammond and on the Proposal of Mr Wm Murphy, Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy he was unanimously accepted as tenant.

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The foreman reported that he made inquiries in reference to the provision of grass for the horses, and found that the Steward at Oaklands will give grass at 4/- per horse per week or £1:12:0 per months for both.

This offer being considered very reasonable it was Ordered to be accepted, and the horses put on grass as soon as the weather is suitable.

He also reported that half-a-dozen brick required to be re-fixed in jamb of window of weighouse on Quay, as well as two dozen small panes of glass put in. No Order Made.

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The Shops Act Inspector submitted a report dealing with the working of the Act from 4th to 9th Inst both dates inclusive, and asking for a weekly report book but there was No Order Made respecting the working of the Act. The Chairman authorized the obtaining of the weekly Report Book asked for.

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The Surveyor estimated the cost of concreting the gravelled portions of the Budge footpaths to be £135. for both sides and the Clerk was directed to forward same to the County Council with a request that they have the footpath concreted.

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The resolution dealing with the constitution of the Newross Sub Committee and others connected with it, which was received from the Secretary of the Newross Branch of the Irish National Trade & Labour Benefit Society and which had been adjourned from last meeting was considered and discussed at considerable length after which the following resolution was :-

Proposed by Mr John Murphy John St and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy South St

That the County Insurance Committee of the County Wexford be directed to increase the number of Members of the Newross Sub Committee by adding the gentlemen to it whose names have been already submitted to the Committee and proposed as Members of the Sub Committee.

Passed Unanimously

Ordered

That the Clerk ascertain by whom the County Insurance Committee is appointed.

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The Committee appointed at last Meeting to inspect house occupied by the late Mrs Galavan, reported verbally, that they could not recommend the carrying out of any repairs on this house, as they considered it would be impossible to effectually repair it. They recommend that steps be taken to ascertain if the Council would have power to apply money for rebuilding it, and also if same can be

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borrowed.

It was acided to defer further consideration of the matter pending the obtaining of this information

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The same Committee recommended that the surface trap at Lisheen be constructed in the exact position it is at present proposed to construct it and where the ground has been excavated for the purpose. They cannot approve of the proposal of the Surveyor to construct a covered piped drain for about fifty-feet in the water channel but that instead the channel be repaired. They also recommended that Mrs Campbell be permitted to construct a level crossing opposite the entrance to her premises, exactly similar to that constructed by Mr Delaney opposite the entrance to his premises if she so desires and that the Council bring the channel up to its former level.

Proposed by the Chairman and
Seconded by Mr Bolger

That the surface trap be constructed where the ground is at present excavated for it, and that the water table be repaired as it was before.

Passed Unanimously.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 26th May 1914.

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Tuesday 26th May, 1914.

A Meeting of the Newtoss Urban Council was to be held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Owing to the celebrations in connection with the passing of the third reading of the Home Rule Bill, no members attended.

The Meeting Adjourned to Friday 29th May, 1914.

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Fuday 29th May, 1914.

An adjourned Meeting of the Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Present Mepss John Sullivan J.P. Presiding
John Murphy John St
John Murphy South St
Peter Murphy

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Mepss John Murphy South St & Peter Murphy and the following paying order was directed to be issued viz:- No 43. £19:0:0 Petty Cash.

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The following correspondence was read:-

26th May, 1914.

Re:- sale of commons or Newtown.

Dear Sir

In this matter there is a Tithe rent charge of £1:2:6 payable to the Corporation of Kilkenny, and this Tithe rent charge has to be redeemed out of the purchase money. for £25:6:3, this being the standard rate of redemption. We inclose form of Consent to redeem to be sealed by the Council and witnessed by the Chairman, two members and yourself. Please get this done at your Meeting this evening.

Colfer & Son
Solicitors

The following is a copy of the Form of Consent referred to in the letter viz:-

Irish Land Commission
Estates Commissioners

Estate of the Newtowns Urban District Council.
County of Wexford
Record No. E. C. 4150.

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Whereas the lands of Commons or Newtown situate in the Barony of Bantry and County of Wexford, which have been sold in this matter, were prior to such sale, subject to the annual Impropriate Tithe Rent Charge of one pound ten shillings and ten pence payable to the Mayor and Citizens of Kilkenny.

And Whereas the said Tithe Rent Charge of One pound ten shillings and ten pence has been reduced and adjusted to the sum of One Pound two shillings and six pence under the provisions of the Tithe Rent Charge (Ireland) 1900.

And Whereas for the purpose of such sale it is necessary to have said Tithe Rent Charge redeemed and the said Mayor and Citizens of Kilkenny have agreed with the said Newtoss Urban District Council to have the said Impropriate Tithe Rent Charge redeemed.

Now It is hereby Consented to and agreed upon by and between the said Newtoss Urban District Council and the said Mayor and Citizens of Kilkenny :-

1. That the said Annual Impropriate Rent charge of one pound ten shillings and ten pence so reduced and adjusted as aforesaid, be redeemed at the price of Twenty-five pounds six shillings and three pence.

2. That the said Mayor and Citizens of Kilkenny be entitled to their costs when taxed and ascertained of and incidental to this Consent and the Negotiations relative thereto and of and incidental to the making of Title to the said redemption money and of drawing the same out of Court and the costs of obtaining the Consent of the Local Government Board to such payment and that such costs be paid out of the Funds to credit of this matter.

3. That this consent be made a rule of Court.

Dated this 13th day of May 1914

over.

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Sealed by the said Newtess Urban
District Council in presence of,
John Sullivan Chairman
Peter Murphy } Two Councillors
John Murphy }
M. J. Ami Town Clerk

Sealed by the said Mayor and
Citizens of Kilkenny in presence of
Richd. Dunne
Law Clerk
Kilkenny

(seal)

(seal)

John McGenis
Mayor
Edward O'Connell
Town Clerk.

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by John Murphy John St

That the Form of Consent to
the redemption of the Tithe Rent Charge of £1:2:6, payable to the
Kilkenny Corporation out of the lands of Commons or Newtown
be sealed and signed by the Chairman & two Members of the Council
and Countersigned by the Clerk.

Passed Unanimously

In pursuance of the foregoing resolution the Form of Consent was
duly sealed and signed.

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Letter from Messrs Cowper & Son, dated 25th Inst, enclosing Notice to
Quit for the necessary parties in order to put an end to the
tenancy in the Chamber of Commerce premises. They are of
opinion that the Notice to Quit should be served on Surgeon
General Cherry and Mr McConkey, the two surviving tenants,
now deceased. They asked that a resolution be passed auth-
-orizing the fixing of the seal to the Notice to Quit.

In a second letter, dated 27th Inst, they pointed out
that as there was no Meeting of the Council held on the pre-

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-vous evening at which the Notice to Quit would be sealed it will now be practically impossible to have the Notice served before 1st June on Surgeon Gen Cherry and Mr McConkey.

After a short discussion it was decided in view of the Solicitors letter of the 21st Inst to sign the Notice to Quit. It was also pointed out that the Surveyor had now pro-vided himself with an Office; and it was not therefore necessary to take up possession of the Chamber of Commerce premises for the purpose of getting the small room.

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Mr Peter Murphy drew attention to the very serious inconvenience caused to persons attending the Newross Fairs, by the opening of the Newross Bridge on Fair mornings and it was Ordered that the attention of the County Councils of Kilkenny and Waterford be drawn to the Matter and they be asked to take the necessary steps to prevent the opening of the Bridge on Fair mornings and that Mr John J. Hearn and Mr Dooley, the Newross representatives of the respective County Councils be also asked to urge upon the Councils the importance of having the matter complained of remedied.

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The Clerk submitted for sealing the following Bonds and Agreements with three of their tenants viz:- R. Hammond, J. Martin, and Thomas Connolly, and, in pursuance of a resolution duly passed on the proposition of Mr Peter Murphy, Seconded by Mr John Murphy the seal of the Council was affixed to the documents.

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For the reason stated on the Minutes of the Sanitary Meeting there was no further business transacted and.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 9th June, 1914.

Patrick J. Dunne

Monday 1st June, 1914.

A Monthly Meeting of the Council was to be held this day at at 12. o'clock noon to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

No Member attended.

A Quorum not having assembled

The Meeting Adjourned.

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Thursday 4th June, 1914

The Polling for the Election of six Guardians for the District Electoral Division of Newtoss Urban, to fill vacancies caused by retirement of Messrs William Carty South Street, John Hand William Street, Charles Kavanagh Cross Lane, Michael J. O'Connor Cock Pit Lane, Andrew Ronan Pondfields and Michael Sheehan Bridge Street, took place to-day.

The following candidates were duly nominated viz:- Messrs William Carty South St, Michael Culleton. Cock Pit Lane, John Fanning Wm St, John Hand Wm St, Laurence Harney Michael St, Charles Kavanagh, Cross Lane, John O'Kennedy Quay St, Michael Rice Ipishtown, Andrew Ronan Pondfields and Michael Sheehan Bridge Street.

The voting resulted as follows:-

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| John Hand | 251 |
| John O'Kennedy | 333 |
| Charles J. Kavanagh | 275 |
| Andrew Ronan | 266 |
| Michael Sheehan | 231 |
| Michael Rice | 222 |
| Michael Culleton | 46 |
| Laurence Harney | 43 |
| William Carty | 174 |
| John Fanning | 196 |

Total Number of Electors who voted 578
Total Number of Voters on Register 872

Messrs John Hand, John O'Kennedy, Charles Kavanagh, Andrew Ronan, Michael Sheehan and Michael Rice, were declared duly elected Guardians.

Mr John Walsh, Millbanks, was the only Candidate Nominated for Rosbercon Ward and he was duly elected, whilst the other retiring candidate Thomas Leigh was deemed to be re-elected Guardian for the said Ward.

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Tuesday 9th June 1914.

A Meeting of the Finance Committee was held this evening at 4 o'clock to transact business of the Committee.

Present Messrs Patrick. J. Dunne
Peter Murphy
John Murphy South St

The Clerk submitted a number of Bills for payment which were examined by the Committee who prepared and signed a report Copy of which is entered on the Minutes of the Council Meeting of this date, after which.

The Meeting Adjourned

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Tuesday 9th June 1914.

A Meeting of the Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and consider an application from Mrs Boyd for renewal of Lease of plot of ground at William Street.

Present Messrs Patrick J. Dunne Presiding
John Fanning
John Murphy South St
John S. Hearn JP
Peter Murphy

The Minutes of previous meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by The Chairman and Messrs Peter Murphy and John Fanning and the following Paying Orders were directed to be issued viz :- No 44 M. J. Finn £18:3:11, 45 Jonas Hartnick £11:12:10, 46 Messrs P. Harvey & Co £4:1:6, 47 D. J. Hanley 12/-, 48 Richard Murphy £8:15:0, John J. Browne £1:5:0, 50 M. J. Finn £11:5:0 M. J. Finn £1:9:9, 52 Wexford County Council £303:13:10 53 Patrick Flynn 10/-, 54 Garrett Hickey £7:10:0 55 Michael Bailey 6/-, 56 Jas J. Shortall £4:6:8, 57 Edmund W. Eyre £2.2.0, 58 Jeremiah Fitzpatrick £140 (Loans A/c) Same £100 (Loans A/c) 60 James J. Shortall £12 Loans A/c, 61 James J. Shortall £12, Loans A/c.

## Correspondence

Letter from Local Government Board, dated 25th May 1914, No 27,823:1914, requesting that the Board may be furnished with full particulars respecting the house at Lisbtown occupied by the representatives of the late Mrs Galavan for the rebuilding of which it is suggested to obtain a loan of £200.

Ordered

That the Clerk furnish the required particulars.

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Letter from the Secretary, County Council, dated 6th Inst, acknowledging receipt of resolution of Council relative to opening of Hewetts Bridge on Fair Mornings, stating that it will be brought before next Meeting of the Council and that in the meantime he has furnished a copy to the County Surveyor.

In connection with this matter, a letter was also received from Wm John S. Hearn Esq, dated 8th Inst stating that it will receive his attention at next Meeting of the County Council, and that in the meantime he has arranged not to have the Bridge opened on to-morrow fair day.

No Order Made, these letters being Considered very satisfactory.

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Letter from Registrar of Petty Sessions, dated 26th May, Notifying that the proportion of Surplus Money arising from the sale of dog Licenses is £21:2:3 and that same has been lodged to the credit of the Council.

No Order Made.

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Letter from Local Government Board dated 20th May 1914, enclosing copy of an Order which they have made amending the rules in the existing Election Orders regarding the appointment of Polling Agents by Candidates for election as Guardians in the Urban Districts.

No Order Made.

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J. Moore O'Farrell Esq Notified his intention of auditing the Accounts of the Council for the year ending 31st March 1914, on the 23rd June at the hour of 10 o'clock A.M.

Ordered

That the Clerk attend to this matter.

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Letter from the Hibernian Fire & General Insurance Co, pointing out that it was at the suggestion of the Council of County Councils was promoted to remove a reproach which then existed that Irishmen were unable to manage their own Fire Insurance business. As strong efforts are now being

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made by Companies recently registered in Ireland to acquire the business given to the Hibernian on the ground that it was purely an Irish Company, they hope they can rely on a Continuance of the business with the Co.

Letters were also read from the Catholic & General Insurance Association, and the Patriotic Assurance Co Ltd, soliciting some of the business of the Council, but the Meeting unanimously decided, not to make any alteration but to give all their Fire Insurance business to The Hibernian Fire & General Insurance Co Ltd.

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Letter from Michael Saunders Irishtown, dated 28th May 1914, asking to have his house at Irishtown limewashed when the Council would not do anything else with it. It having been stated by a Member that this work was already carried out by Mr Saunders, there was,

No Order Made.

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Letter from Messrs Cowper & Son, dated 9th Inst, reporting that Richard Malone and his Sureties have perfected the Contract and Bond for the supply of Stones. They enclosed same so that it may be sealed by the Council.

Proposed by Mr John Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Fanning

That the seal of the Council be affixed to the Contract and Bond between Richard Malone and the Council for the supply of Stones from the Glenisnaw Quarry.

Passed Unanimously

In accordance with the foregoing resolution the seal of the Council was affixed.

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Proposed by The Chairman and
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy

That four copies of the annual report of the Association of Municipal authorities be purchased at 10/6 each.

Passed Unanimously

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A letter was received from the Hon Secretary of the Association dated 11th May, drawing attention to the Civic Exhibition and stating that the Association had determined to give it every possible support.

Mr Peter Murphy proposed ~~that~~ that the Chairman and Mr Fanning be appointed delegates, but the latter declined and proposed the Chairman and Mr John Murphy South St, and this was unanimously agreed to, but Mr Murphy stated he could not attend during the month of July.

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A Notification was also received from the Hon Secretary that a General Conference of the Delegates of the Association would be held on the 17th & 18th June, and a second one Notifying alteration of date from 17th and 18th June to 14th & 15th July and it was proposed that the same Gentlemen act as delegates but the Clerk pointed out that Notice should be given the Members of the Council to appoint these delegates and it was Ordered that the Members be summons to attend Next Meeting for the purpose of electing them.

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Letter from the Secretary of the County Council dated 22nd May acknowledging receipt of the Councils letter in reference to Newtons Bridge footpaths, and stating that same will be brought before Next Meeting of the County Council.

He also wrote under date 3rd Inst, Notifying that instalment was due on 1st Inst and asking to have it lodged.

As this was dealt with by the Finance Committee there was No Order Made here.

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The Secretary of the Limerick County Council forwarded the following copy of a resolution in reference to the Volunteer Movement viz:-

That owing to recent political events and particularly to the attitude of the army on the Ulster question, we, the Members of the Limerick County Council, consider that the time has come when every

effort should be made to organize the Irish Volunteer Force in every parish in Ireland. We are convinced that such a Force, wisely led by men in whom our indomitable leader Mr J. E. Redmond, would have Confidence, would prove to the world that the Manhood of Ireland are ready to do their part in defence of their homes and their liberties, and if need be, to protect our fellow Nationalists in Ulster from insult and attack.

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Fanning

That the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Passed Unanimously

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Letter from the Dublin & South Eastern Railway Co dated 20th May, stating that instructions had been given to have the Macadam from ~~Palace~~ Arklow placed at the North loading bank at Newrath as requested.

New Order Made.

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A letter was received from Mr Fanning dated 9th inst, applying for a new range, the same as put into the houses of two other tenants, as the range in his house is worn out and defective, and causes a great deal of smoking. He is willing to pay the difference between the special range and an ordinary one.

Proposed by Mr Dunne and
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy

That a new range be fitted in house occupied by Mr Fanning same as those fixed in two other houses of the Council, he to pay the difference between it and an ordinary range viz:- 22/6

Passed Unanimously.

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A Tender of 26/- was received from Edwd Rve, Begerin, and one of 27/6 from W Rapper Reville Bawnmore for heap of manure at Town Wall, and it was

Ordered

That the Tender of Mr Reville be accepted.

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Letter from Messrs Colfer & Son dated 15th May stating that they had paid Mr Hearn Solicitor his Bill of Costs in Fanning -v- Urban Council as requested by the Council.

No Order made.

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In reference to the deposit of broken bottles at the Town Wall, the following letter was read:-

25th May 1914.

Dear Sir,

With reference to your letter of 25th March, in our opinion persons who deposit broken bottles or other rubbish in the place you mention if within thirty feet of the centre of the public road or street can be prosecuted by the Council under 14 & 15 Vic. Cap. 92. In the event of Cattle on the public road or street being injured by broken bottles lying there we think the Council would be held responsible for the injury if it was proved that they were guilty of Negligence. Whether they were or were not guilty of Negligence would depend on the particular circumstances of the case but if broken bottles had been allowed to remain for any substantial period on the public road or street we think this would be considered Negligence.

Colfer & Son.

Proposed by the Chairman and
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy

That a Notice Board be erected on the site cautioning persons against depositing broken bottles at Town Wall and that the Foreman and Street Inspector be directed to report the names of any person found doing so.

Passed Unanimously.

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The following report of the Finance Committee was read :-

9th June, 1914.

Your Finance Committee met this evening and examined a Number of Accounts, we recommend payment of the following (see list at commencement of Minutes).

We recommend that the Paying Order for the County Council be held over until the end of the present Month.

Proposed by Mr John Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Fanning

That the report of the Finance Committee be adopted and the payments recommended by them made.

Passed Unanimously

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In reference to the constitution of the County Insurance Committee the following letter, received from the Secretary was read :-

15th May, 1914.

Dear Sir,

In reply to yours of the 14th Inst, I beg to state that the Insurance Committee is appointed as follows :- the approved societies are to appoint their own representatives; deposit contributors shall do likewise, or the Commission may do so for them; The County Council shall appoint one-fifth the whole number; the Council must also appoint a duly qualified Medical practitioner. The Commission will appoint the remainder.

P. O'Ryan
Clerk

After some discussion it was

Ordered

That the Clerk write and ask the Secretary of the County Council why there was only one person appointed on the Insurance Committee to represent Deerhouses, and that he also address the same Query the Secretary to the Insurance Commission.

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Six applications were received for one of the new houses which is vacant viz :- one from Timothy Coughlan of

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Retirement and the second from Margaret Conroy of Lower Street. On the proposal of Mr Peter Murphy, seconded by Mr Fanning Timothy Coughlan was unanimously accepted as tenant.

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The Street Inspector reported that several persons had con-structions on the Streets on different dates since last Meeting. Messrs Hutchinson & Son, P. O. Gorman, John Doyle and McKearn & Son had machinery on the Streets. These as well as being an obstruction, are a source of danger to persons using the streets and footpaths. The daily Scavenging was carried out as usual each day.

Ordered

That these persons who deposit machinery on the streets be informed the Council cannot permit this practice to be con-tinued, as it is a source of great danger to the public and they be informed the Council will be compelled to take the nece-ssary legal steps to prevent a continuance of it at once.

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The following Notices of Motion were read viz:-

By Mr John Murphy South St viz:-

That the "Standing Orders" or resolution fixing the order of business be rescinded and that in future the Municipal business be taken first, and that the Sanitary business be dealt with when the Municipal business is finished.

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By Mr John Fanning

That I shall move on this day Month or some Member on my behalf that the Urban Council's contribution namely £400, or thereabouts, to the County Council be with-held until the County Council accede to the request of the Urban Council to have new footpaths made on the Newtown Bridge.

Ordered

That the Members of the Council be summoned to con-sider them in due course

The Meeting Adjourned to 23rd June, 1914.

John Sullivan

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Friday 12th June, 1914.

A Meeting of the Street and Sanitary Committee was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock, to consider a letter received from the Foreman relative to the flushing of traps, and cleansing of Streets, and transact other business of the Committee.

Present Messrs Patrick J. Dunne
John Murphy John Ch

The Meeting decided not to transact any business

The Committee Adjourned

Patrick J. Dunne

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Tuesday 23rd. June, 1914.

A Meeting of the Newtoss Urban Council was held this day at 7.30 o'clock P.M, to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and appoint delegates to a conference of Association of Municipal Authorities to be held in Dublin in July.

Present Mssrs John Sullivan J.P. Presiding
Aidan P. Bolger
Patrick J. Dunne
John Murphy South St
John Murphy John St

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read & signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Mssrs Dunne & Bolger and the following Paying Order was directed to be issued viz:- No 62 £18:10:0 Petty Cash.

In pursuance of the resolution passed, when the Chairman took the Chair copy of which is entered on the Sanitary Minutes, the Municipal business was taken up first,

## Correspondence

Letter from the Department of Agriculture & Technical Instruction, dated 24th June requesting to be informed what rate was struck over the Urban District of Newtoss for the purpose of Technical Instruction for the year ended 31st March 1914.
Ordered
That the Clerk furnish the necessary particulars.

Letter from the Commissioner of Valuation dated 9th June 1914, enclosing a schedule giving his decisions in the several cases of appeal in the Urban District
No Order Made

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Letter from the Secretary of the County Council, dated 17th June stating that at yesterdays Meeting of the County Council the application of the Newtowns Urban Council with reference to the construction of a concrete footpath on both sides of the Newtoss Bridge was considered, and it was decided that the application be refused.

After a short discussion it was again

Ordered

That Mr Dooley a member of the Kilkenny County Council which body contributes to the maintenence of the Bridge, be asked to use his influence with the Kilkenny Co Council to have this work carried out and also that Mr John S. Hearn JP the representative of the Urban District of Newtoss on the Council be asked to do his best to have the application of the Urban Council granted.

Letter from the Secretary of the Wexford Co Council, dated 19th June 1914 stating that the County Insurance Committee consists of twenty-four persons, of which ten are appointed by the County Council. These ten were appointed at the Annual Meeting held on the 16th Inst. If he had the Clerks letter before the appointments were made he would have same submitted to the Council.

After some discussion on the reading of this letter it was Ordered that the Clerk ascertain from the Secretary of the County Council when the County Insurance Committee will be next appointed.

The Secretary of the County Council also drew attention to the fact, under date 22nd Inst, that the instalment of Demand due the County Council, for quarter ending 30th June was not yet lodged.

The Clerk stated that at last Meeting of the Council he was directed to hold over the Paying Order until the end of the Month, but he forwarded it on receipt of that letter and this was approved of.

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Letter from the Secretary of the National Health Insurance Commission, dated 18th Inst, acknowledging receipt of the Councils letter, relative to the constitution of Insurance Committees, and stating that the Insurance Committee for the County of Wexford consists of twenty-four Members, ten of whom were appointed by the Wexford County Council and four by the Commission; nine of the Members of the Insurance Committee were appointed or elected by approved Societies to represent insured persons and the remaining Member was appointed as a representative of Deposit Contributors.

As the Committee had been recently appointed it was decided not to take any action for the present.

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The following letter was ordered to be inserted on the Minutes:-

The Presbytery
Newtown
11th June, 1914.

Dear Sir

I beg to acknowledge receipt of copy of resolution passed by your Council condoling with me in my recent bereavement. I shall feel much obliged if you kindly convey to the Council my sincere thanks for their sympathy
Be pleased to accept same yourself, and believe me,

Yours faithfully
Michael Kavanagh P.P

M. J. Finn Esq
Clerk of Council.

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Letter from the Secretary of the Historical and Antiquarian Section of the Civic Exhibition, dated 20th Inst asking for the loan of the two Maces and the Charter of James the Second for Exhibition for which the Committee will feel deeply grateful. Every care will be taken of them, and all Exhibits will be insured.

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Proposed by John Murphy John St and
Seconded by the Chairman

That the Maces & Charter be lent to the Committee of the Civic Exhibition on the same terms as they were lent to the Committee of the Irish Exhibition Viz:- that they be insured as follows Large Mace £300, Small Mace £200, Charter £250 and that they be delivered up by the Clerk to the Secretary, and his expenses to be paid by the Committee of the Exhibition.

Passed Unanimously

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An invitation was received from Her Excellency, the Countess of Aberdeen to have delegates appointed to attend the opening of the Civic Exhibition and, on the proposal of Mr Boger Seconded by Mr Dunne, the Chairman and Mr John Murphy South St. were appointed delegates to the Conference of Municipal Authorities and also to represent the Council at the opening of the Civic Exhibition.

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Letter from the Omagh Town Clerk, dated 13th Inst, drawing attention to the length of time since Railway premises were put forward for revision in a large number of Urban Districts and suggesting that they should be put on the list for the present year, as undoubtedly the value of same has largely increased during recent years.

It was decided not to take any action respecting it for the present year.

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The Clerk submitted the list of Valuations received for revision and same was examined but the Meeting decided not to take any action respecting it but leave it entirely to the Commissioner of Valuation.

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Copy of a resolution passed by the Limerick County Council asking to have the arms proclamation withdrawn, was

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unanimously adopted on the Proposal of the Chairman seconded by Mr John Murphy South St.

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The Clerk reported that Mr Doyle's lease of premises at Mary St had expired on the 25th March last and he had informed Mr Doyles Manager on 3rd March last.
Ordered

That Mr Doyle be asked to state what he proposes to do in connection with the matter.

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Acting Sergeant Moynihan furnished a report in detail of a test made by him of the weighing machine on the Quay from which it appeared that it was very inaccurate. The Meeting was of opinion that it should be repaired and adjusted immediately and decided to have the necessary work carried out by the Manufacturers.
Proposed by Mr Dunne and
Seconded by Mr Bolger

That the Manufacturers,
Messrs W. & T. Avery, be asked to send down a Mechanic to repair the machine at once.

Passed Unanimously.

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The Irish Land Commission gave notice that the final schedule of Incumbrances affecting the proceeds of the sale of the Estate of Wm Kavanagh has been lodged and any person having any claim may lodge an Objection. The only interest the Council had in it, is that the main water pipe passed through portion of the lands.
No Order Made.

The Street Inspector reported the daily Scavenging was carried out, also that a number of Traders deposited boxes, &c, on the Streets thereby causing an Obstruction.
Ordered

That all persons who deposit Machinery on

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the Streets be informed they will be prosecuted if they do not discontinue the practice, as the Council cannot allow it to be stored on the Street, as it is in many cases a source of danger to the Public.

The Meeting adjourned to Tuesday 7th July 1914.

Patrick J Dunne

Monday 6th July 1914.

A Monthly Meeting of the Council was to be held this day at twelve o'clock Noon, to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

No Member of the Council attended.

A quorum not having assembled ~~the~~

The Meeting Adjourned

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Tuesday 7th July, 1914.

An Inquiry was held this day at 11 o'clock A.M. by the Local Government Board's Inspector, Mr A. D. Price, into the application of the Council for sanction to the following loans viz:- Building of five additional houses at Cock Pit Lane and Bunneen Lane £900.

Rosbercon Sewerage Scheme 550.

In connection with water supply 170.

The following Members of the Council were present viz:- Messrs P. A. O'Gorman, James Geo Dooley & John Murphy John St, Francis Bergin Esq B. E.,

Messrs O'Gorman Dooley, Dr Walsh M.O.H. pro tem, Dr Hickey Medical Supt Officer of Health and Mr Finn were examined in support of the application. After which,

The Inquiry Terminated

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Tuesday 7th July 1914.

An adjourned Meeting of the Council was held this day at 7.30 oClock P.M, to transact business pursuant to the The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and consider following Notice of Motion by Mr Fanning viz:-,

That the Urban Councils contribution namely £400 or thereabout to the County Council be withheld, until the County Council accede to the request of the Urban Council, to have new footpaths made on the Newtces Bridge.

Present Messrs Patrick J. Dunne Presiding.
Peter Murphy
John Murphy John St
John Murphy South St.

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by The Chairman and Messrs P. Murphy & John Murphy South St and the following Paying Order was directed to be issued viz:- No 63 £19:3:7 Petty Cash.

A Paying Order for £30, was received from The Technical Instruction Committee, being contribution in aid of re-payment of Principal & Interest on Technical School loan, and it was,
Ordered
To be lodged to the credit of the Council.

The Surveyor reported that he had the new kitchen range erected in house No 12 Wm Street as directed.
No Order Made.

## Correspondence

Letter from Local Government Board, dated 29th June 1914, enclosing following copy of report of the Auditor

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on his audit of the Accounts of the Council for year ending 31st March last:-

Kingstown
29th June 1914

Sir,

I have the honour to report that I have audited the Accounts of the Newtoss Urban District Council for the year ended the 31st March last, and to enclose duly certified abstracts thereof. The various Accounting Officers performed their duties in connection with the audit in an accurate and creditable manner.

Your Obedient Servant
J. More O'Ferrall
Auditor.

The Clerk asked if he would have copies printed and sent to each Member of the Council but the Meeting decided that it was not necessary to incur this expense as the original Abstract can be inspected by any Member of the Council who desires to inspect it.

The Chairman and some Members of the Council referred to the satisfactory tone of the report.

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A copy of the Auditors report on his audit of the Accounts of the Technical Instruction Committee was also received, but there was No Order Made upon it.

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The following letter was read:-

National Health Insurance Commission
Dublin 18th June, 1914.

Sir, Re: Insurance Committee

With reference to your letter of the 15th inst. on the subject, I am directed by the National Health Insurance Commission (Ireland) to draw attention to section 81 (8) of the National Insurance Act 1911, as to the constitution of Insurance Committees, and to the provision that in the case of those Members of an Insurance Committee appointed by a County Council at least one shall be a Member of a

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local Sanitary Authority. I am at the same time, to state that the Insurance Committee for the County of Wexford consists of twenty-four Members, ten of whom were appointed by the Wexford County Council, and four by the Commission; nine of the Members of the Insurance Committee were appointed or elected by Approved Societies to represent insured persons and the remaining Member was appointed as a re — presentative of Deposit Contributors.

Your Obedient Servant
John Hulehan.

No Order Made.

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The following letters of acknowledgment of the resolution adopted by the Council protesting against the proclamation prohibiting the importation of arms into Ireland were received from Messrs Peter Ffrench M.P. J.E. Redmond M.P. The Prime Minister & Chief Secretary.
No Order Made.

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The following letter was received from the Secretary of the County Council in reference to the County Insurance Committee viz:-

3rd July, 1914.

Dear Mr Finn,

I have yours asking me the length of term of Office of the Members of the County Insurance Committee appointed by the County Council at their annual Meeting. Unfortunately I am not able to give you a reply because the Insurance Commission in their circular letter of the 30th May last stated that "further regulations will be made in due course prescribing the term of Office of all the Members of Insurance Committees (other than the representatives of Insured persons) appointed to hold office after the 15th July 1914." Up to the present I have not heard anything of "further regulations" promised

R. J. Brigelle
Secretary.

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After a short discussion it was ordered that the Clerk ascertain why it is that New Ross has only one representative on the Committee.

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Letter from the Secretary of the Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland, dated 3rd July forwarding copies of the Agenda of the annual conference of the Association to be held on the 14th & 15th July.

No Order Made.

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Letter from Messrs Avery & Co as follows:-

Dublin 26th June, 1914.

Dear Sirs

We are obliged for your favour of yesterday's date, instructing us to send our mechanic to repair Weighing Machine on the Quay, and we are arranging to send our fitter on Tuesday next the 30th inst. We cannot give definite price for repairing Machine until the work has been carried out, but our usual charges are 1/3 per hour, working time & travelling time, plus fitter's rail fares and lodging expenses. If any new parts are required they are to be charged extra. Unless we hear from you to the Contrary we will arrange to send as above.

Yours faithfully
W. & S. Avery Ltd.

The Clerk reported that, as instructed at last Meeting, he directed Messrs Avery to forward their Mechanic, and he has arrived and is repairing the Machine.

No Order Made.

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Letter from the Commissioner of Valuation, acknowledging receipt of the List of tenements requiring revision in the Urban District.

No Order Made.

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An account was received from the Secretary of the County Council, amounting to £3:18:7, being expenses in

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connection with the election of a County Councillor for the County Electoral Division of Newtown.
No Order Made.

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Letter from the Secretary of the Historical and Antiquarian Section of the Civic Exhibition, dated 26th June, thanking the Council for so kindly consenting to grant the loan of the Maces & Charter for the purpose of the exhibition and stating that they will be insured for the amounts placed on them by the Council.

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Letter from Mr Doyle, Quay St, dated 7th July, stating that it is not his intention to apply for a renewal of the lease of the house and premises occupied by John Connick, Mary St.
Proposed by Mr John Murphy South St and
Seconded by The Chairman

That the Councils Solicitors be instructed to take over legal possession of the premises as from Mr Doyle, since he does not wish to obtain a renewal of the lease.

Passed Unanimously.

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Letter from Walter Duggan, one of the Councils workmen who had been suspended by the Foreman, asking to be reinstated and apologising for disobedience in not attending to his business.
Ordered

That Walter Duggan be re-instated in the employment of the Council and he be informed if there are any complaints against him in future, serious Notice will be taken of the matter.

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A formal Notice was received from The Irish Land Commission, Solicitors Department, dated 3rd Inst, that the costs of Messrs Culpeper Hon Solicitors for the Vendors

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in connection with the Sale of the Estate of the Council to Messrs Delaney & Thorpe, will be taxed there on the 10th Inst, but the Meeting decided not to take any steps in connection with the matter.

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The Foreman reported that he suspended W. Duggan, on the 3rd Inst, but the latter now apologises. He is very suitable for working in the manure yard. One boatload of gravel has been received, he suggested that a quantity of hay be purchased for the horses as early as possible. He also asked to be supplied with a report book.

Ordered

That a report book be obtained

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The consideration of the Notice of Motion handed in at a previous Meeting by Mr Fanning was adjourned to next Meeting that Mr Fanning might be present to move it.

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Mr John Murphy South Dr drew attention to the fact that the Quarterly Meeting of the Council will be held at 7 o'clock on Monday evening the 13th Inst, and he considered it very doubtful if a Meeting could be got again for the following evening, which is the usual Finance Meeting of the Council. In addition to this the Clerk will be absent on that day. After some discussion it was.

Proposed by Mr John Murphy South Dr and

Seconded by ~~Mr Sullivan~~ The Chairman

That the Finance Meeting of the Council for July 1914 be held at 7.30 o'clock P.M on Monday 13th July instead of Tuesday 14th July 1914.

Passed Unanimously.

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The Foreman submitted his Diary showing the work he was engaged at since last Meeting. It appeared from it that he was occupied during portion of the time supervising the Mews, at the extension of the one-and-a half inch water main at Rosbercon. a discussion took place respecting this which resulted in the following resolution being

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Proposed by Mor Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mor John Murphy John St

That the Surveyor be directed to carry out the extension of the water mains in Schore House Road Brennan's Lane and Wexford St, under his own personal supervision, and the Foreman be directed to do his own work

Passed Unanimously.

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There was no report received from the Surveyor as to the work he was engaged at since last Meeting, as Ordered at the previous Meeting. A discussion took place as to why the report was not received during which the Clerk stated that the Surveyor informed him that he would not send in a report but he did not know whether the Surveyor meant him (Clerk) to convey this message to the Council. It was eventually,

Ordered

That the Surveyor be directed to furnish to next Meeting an explanation as to why he did not send in the report of the work he was engaged at each day, as directed.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Monday 13th July 1914

John Sullivan.

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Monday 13th July. 1914.

A Meeting of the Finance Committee was held this evening at 6.30 o'clock to transact business of the Committee for the Finance Meeting of the Council.

Present Mesprs Patrick J. Dunne
John Murphy South Ch.

The Clerk submitted a number of Bills for payment (see list at commencement of Council Minutes) which were examined by the Committee, after which,

The Committee Adjourned.

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Monday 13th July, 1914.

A Quarterly Meeting of the Council was held this evening at 7 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898, and other Acts connected therewith, consider Surveyors Quarterly Report and transact such business as may be brought forward.

Present Messrs John Sullivan J.P. Presiding
Peter Murphy
John Murphy South St
John Murphy John St
Patrick J. Dunne
John Fanning

The Minutes of last Quarterly Meeting were read & signed.

The following Quarterly report of the Town Surveyor was read :-

13th July, 1914.

Mr Chairman & Gentlemen,

The portion of the Cross Lane foot-path which was passed at your last Quarterly Meeting, is now practically completed. The alterations to house in occupation of Mrs Hughes Cross Lane have been carried out to the satisfaction of the Agent. I would suggest that a small surface trap be constructed at the end of the new water table. Estimated cost £2:19:0. I beg to recommend that a new concrete water table be constructed on the East side of John St. Estimated cost £12.

J. J. Shortall
Town Surveyor.

After some discussion the following resolution was
Proposed by The Chairman and
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy

That the consideration of that portion of the report to construct a water table at the East side of John St be adjourned to next quarterly Meeting.

Passed Unanimously

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There was no Order Made in reference to the construction of trap.

Peter Murphy

The Meeting Adjourned to Monday 12th October, 1914

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Monday 13th July 1914

A Meeting of the Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and consider Notice of Motion by Mr Fanning, relative to the payment of the Council Demand, which was adjourned from last Meeting.

Present Messrs John Sullivan J.P. Presiding
John Murphy John St
John Murphy South St
John Fanning
Aidan. F. Breger
Patrick J. Dunne
Peter Murphy

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by The Chairman & Messrs Fanning & Dunne, and the following Paying Orders were directed to be issued viz:- No 64 Jas J. Shortall £4:6:8, 65 Patrick Hunt £3:6:8, 66 Gleeson & Kennedy £1:4:7, 67 P. Roche £11:8:0, 68 Joseph Lynch P.S. 69 M.J. Finn £1:7:6, 70 M.J. Finn £6:5:0, 71 M.J. Finn £11:5:0, 72 A.O. Hamilton £7:19:9, 73 James Kelly £2:10:0, 74 Hibernian Fire & General Insurance Co £1:19:0, Royal Exchange Assurance Co £3:15:3, 76 John J. Browne £1:17:4, No 77 James Barron £5:4:11, 78 Francis Bergin £8:10:4, 79 M.J. Finn £20:3:0, 80 M.J. Finn £11:19:0, 81 Andrew Cullen £208:10:0 (Loans No 3 %), 82 Jeremiah Fitzpatrick £30. (Roll Loans) Jeremiah Fitzpatrick £54 (Roll Loans) 84 James J. Shortall £15 (Roll Loans).

Before proceeding with the ordinary business of the Council, the Chairman drew attention to a Speech recently delivered by Mr Barton, Kilkenny, at a Meeting of Orange Lodges, and quoted it from Newspaper extracts.

After some discussion the following resolution was:-

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Proposed by The Chairman and
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy

That this Council strongly condemns the Speech of Mr Barton at the Meeting of Orange Lodges when he falsely accused Wexford Nationalists of oppressing protestants and Unionists, and of extorting subscriptions from them for the U. I. L under threat of boycotting.

That this resolution be sent for publication to the Freeman Independent and Irish Times

Passed Mr Fanning dissenting until he knew whether Mr Barton made the speeches attributed to him or not.

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The following letter was read :-

Waterford
13th July, 1914.

Dear Sir,

Your Town Surveyor, Mr J. J. Shortall, has handed me a copy of the resolution of the Council dated 27th June 1914 whereby your Council ordered that in future Mr J. J. Shortall furnish to each Meeting of the Council a report as to the work he has been engaged on each day since the previous Meeting of the Council.

The Minute would seem to imply that my ~~Council~~ Client was obliged to attend every day to the work of the Council. This is as you are doubtless aware not so from the terms of my clients appointment, coupled with his Statutory duties. Mr Shortall is not a whole time Officer of your Council and is not by law required to furnish a daily report. I shall therefore thank your Council to kindly reconsider the Minute referred to as presently it would seem to be illegal.

Your Obedient Servant
Patrick K Duggy
Solicitor

The Presiding Chairman
New Ross Urban District Council

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A long discussion took place on the reading of this letter, during which a copy of the duties of the Surveyor, as originally approved of by the Council, and shown to all candidates applying for the position, as well as a copy of the advertisement for a Surveyor were examined.

Eventually the Town Surveyor agreed to conform to the wishes of the Council in the matter, and send in a report as requested by the Council in future.

## Surveyor's Report

6-7-14

I beg to report that the Rathercon water main extension is progressing favourably. The filters and reservoirs at Ballyleigh & Dranagh are again up to normal level. The water main valve at the East side of the Bridge re-quries to be repaired. I am informed that the surface water which finds its way in wet weather down the crossing from Wm Street to Cross Lane, was diverted from its natural course some time ago by one of the occupants of Mrs Gannon's houses. This being so, I consider that the water should be allowed to take its original course

Jas J Shortall
Town Surveyor.

Proposed by Mr Berger and
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy

That the Surveyor furnish to next Meeting a Specification of the work necessary to be done to remedy the complaint caused by the Surface water flowing down the crossing the Meeting being of opinion that it would be unwise to attempt to carry out the recommendation of the Surveyor.

Passed Unanimously

Letter from Sir Thos Grattan Esmonde MP dated 7th Inst. acknowledging receipt of the resolution passed by the Council asking to have the arms Proclamation withdrawn and stating that the Irish Party were doing their best to have it withdrawn and hoped they would succeed.

No Order Made.

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The Ex Officio Inspector of Weights and Measures, Acting Sergt Moynihan, reported that he had tested the weigh-bridge on Quay and certified that it was now correct. The amount of fees for stamping is 5/.

Ordered

That the fees be paid.

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In connection with the repairing of this weighbridge the Surveyor submitted a time sheet of Messrs Avery's man, which he required the instructions of the Council about. It appeared from the Surveyor's statement that a second mechanic had to be sent for by Messrs Avery's man as the first who came was unable to set the machine right and he was idle for some-time awaiting the arrival of the second man.

On the proposal of Mr John Murphy South St, seconded by Mr Peter Murphy it was Ordered that before signing the time sheet he submit a report of the whole matter to Messrs Avery and furnish particulars of the time occupied by the mechanic.

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The following resolution of which due notice had been given, was Proposed by Mr Fanning and
Seconded by Mr Dunne

That the Urban Council's contribution namely £400 or thereabouts to the County Council be withheld until the County Council accede to the request of the Urban Council to have new footpaths made on the New Ross Bridge.

On a Poll being taken all the members voted against the resolution except the proposer and seconder on the ground that the Council could not legally withhold the Demand of the Council.

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Mr Peter Murphy proposed that a deputation wait on the County Council for the purpose of urging on it the desirability of having footpaths of asphalte or concrete constructed on the Bridge, and Mr John Murphy John St seconded the proposition. It was however eventually decided to adjourn

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the matter to next Meeting the clerk to ascertain in the meantime from Mesprs John S. Heavn J.P. and James Geo Dooley whether they have taken any action with their respective County Councils, respecting the matter, and if not whether they intend to do so.

The Foreman submitted a report shewing in detail the work he was engaged at since last Meeting, and also reported that there were three heaps of manure ready for sale. He also applied for oil clothes for Broaders, Shea & Ed Murphy, three of the Councils work-men. Ordered

That the manure be advertised for sale. That three suits of oil clothes be purchased for the workmen as requested by the Foreman.

The Clerk submitted a number of Accounts, as entered at the commencement of Minutes, which had been examined by the Finance Committee, and recommended for payment, and on the proposal of Mr Fanning, Seconded by Mr Berger, they were Ordered to be paid. It was also

Proposed by Mr Dunne and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy South Ch

That the amounts of the certificates received from Mr Bergin and Mr Lovell in favour of Mesprs Fitzpatrick, Shortall and Cullen be paid.

Passed Unanimously

Mr John Murphy John Ch drew attention to the fact that according to the Foreman's time Book, one of the men was engaged as watchman at night, and at his work next day, without allowing any time for rest. The Meeting considered this should not be so, and directed the Surveyor not to permit any of the men who work in the day-time to be engaged as watchman at night.

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The Chairman drew attention to the plucky act of Mr Thomas Colfer, Solicitor who rescued a man from drowning on the day of the Regatta, by diving after him from a punt, when the man who was engaged in a cot race, had sank after the cot upset.

After a short discussion during which other members of the Council who witnessed the occurence, joined with the Chairman in expressing their praise of the action of Mr Colfer, the following resolution was

Proposed by The Chairman, and
Seconded by Mr Berger

That we the Newbridge Urban District Council beg to direct the attention of the Royal Humane Society to the heroic action of Thomas Colfer Esq. Solicitor, Priory St, Newbridge, in plunging into the river Barrow at Newbridge, on the 8th inst, at imminent peril to his life, and rescuing therefrom a man who was engaged in a cot race, and who with another was thrown into the river, owing to the cot having upset, and we respectfully request the Society to award him their medal in recognition of his bravery.

Passed Unanimously

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It was decided to draw the attention of the Gas Co to a very bad leak of gas which existed for some time past at John St and to direct the manager to have the pipe repaired immediately.

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It was agreed to defer for further Consideration the question of repairing the roof of the Tholsel and the Construction of a footpath at Cock Pit Lane.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 28th July, 1914.

John Dillon

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Monday 27th July, 1914.

A Special Meeting of the Council was held this evening at 5 o'clock to protest against the deliberate Murder of our fellow countrymen in Dublin.

Present Mesprs John Sullivan J.P. Presiding
James Geo Dooley
Michael Sheehan
Peter Murphy
John Murphy John St
John Murphy South St
Aidan P. Bolger
Patrick J. Dunne

The Chairman dwelt at considerable length on the action of the Authorities in interfering with the Volunteers who were marching peacefully into Dublin after having landed their rifles at Howth, whilst Sir Edward Carson and the Ulster Volunteers were allowed to parade the streets of Belfast on the previous Saturday, fully armed and having Machine Guns.

Mr Dooley and the other members of the Council followed in a similar strain and characterized the Shooting of defenceless people in Dublin as deliberate Murder. Mr Dooley strongly urged all who are able to bear arms to join the Volunteers and arm so as to be able to protect their Country. After some further discussion the following resolution was

Proposed by Mr Dooley and
Seconded by Mr Sullivan

1. That we call upon Mr Redmond and the Irish Party to insist on the placing of the Home Rule Bill on the Statute Book under the Parliament Act without further concessions or amendments
2. That the Officer of the Kings own Scottish Borderers be brought to trial with delay for wilful Murder.
3. That we commend the action of the humane Policemen who refused to butcher unarmed citizens and that we ask

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our representatives to see that these men will not suffer for their manly & Patriotic attitude.

4. That we ask every man able to bear arms to join the Irish Volunteers immediately and to arm and drill.

5. That copies be sent to Mr Redmond, Peter Frenchs & Mr Asquith.

Passed Unanimously

Ordered

That copies of this resolution be wired to The Prime Minister, Mr Redmond, and Mr Frenchs.

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The Members Separated

Thos Sullivan.

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Tuesday 28th July, 1914.

A Meeting of the Newtown Urban Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Present Mespr John Sullivan JP Presiding
James. B. Hearn
John Murphy John St
John Murphy South St
Peter Murphy
Aidan P. Bolger

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Mespr John Murphy South St and Aidan Bolger and the following Paying Order was directed to be issued viz:- No 85 £33:5:6 Petty Cash.

## Correspondence.

The following letter received from Mespr Colfer Hon was read:-

24th July 1914

Dear Sir,

With reference to your Inquiry as to what the drafts received by the Council represent, the following are the particulars
1. The draft for £159:16:9, represents the bonus payable to the owners of the Estate on the completion of the sale.
2. The draft for £11:8:6 represents the dividend for three months on the £1,762:11:0 consols and the interest on the £104 cash lodged by Mr P. Delaney
3. The £1762:11:0 represents £1332 cash the agreed purchase Money less £104 which Mr Delaney advanced in cash. This £104 was appropriated as follows:-
To Land Commission for redemption of Title of 13/9 per annum. £14:4:8. To Corporation of Kilkenny for redemption of Title of £1:2:6 payable to them. £25:6:3. To Mr Buggy Solicitor for Corporation for his costs of claim of Corporation £3:10:0. Retained in Court to meet

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Messrs Colfer & Son's costs of sale £60. Balance 19/1.

This balance will be increased by £8, being the difference between the above sum of £60, and £52 the taxed costs of sale, so that you will receive a draft for £8:19:1 in the course of a week or so. All the proceeds of sale except the interest must be invested in Consols according to the order of the Local Government Board.

It is possible the above figures may be wrong to the extent of a shilling or two, but the exact guaranteed figures cannot be given until the Accountant General's Account is issued, which will be in about three weeks hence.

Yours very truly
Colfer & Son.

After a short discussion respecting the investment of the Bonus, it was

Ordered

That the drafts for £159-16-9, the amount of the Bonus and eleven pounds, eight shillings and six pence the dividend be lodged to the credit of the Council for the present and that the Finance Committee consider and report to the Council as to the investment of the Bonus.

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The following letter received from Mr Dooley was read:-

20th July, 1914.

Re footpath on Newtoss Bridge

Dear Sir,

I have brought this matter before the Kilkenny County Council as requested, and they are prepared to contribute their share of the cost. Should it be passed by Wexford County Council. I have already explained to your Council that we have no power to interfere with any alteration or repairs of the Newtoss bridge, as Rosbercon is now part of Wexford. However we have considered it but fair to contribute our share to the upkeep of the bridge, Although not legally bound to do so. If the County Council agree to the making of this footpath, we will pay our share.

Yours truly
James J Dooley

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Ordered

That a copy of this letter be sent to Mor J. Hearn and the Secretary of the Wexford County Council.

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Letter from L. G. Board dated 21st Inst, enclosing a Paying Order for £19:8:2, being the final instalment of Death Duty Grant payable to the Council for the year ended 31st March last.

Ordered

That it be lodged to the credit of the Council.

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Letter from the Hon Secretary of the Association of Municipal Authorities in Ireland, dated 17th Inst forwarding copy of a letter addressed to the Commissioners of Inland Revenue asking them to extend the time for lodging appeals in regard to the Provisional Valuation of Corporate property in Urban Districts and of the reply received from the Commissioners.

No Order Made.

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Clerk's Report

I beg to report that the amount of Poor Rate collected to date is £199:12:4, leaving £454-17-7, outstanding., Town Rate collected £313:16:1, outstanding £144:17:9. Domestic Water Rate, collected £29-15-6 outstanding £57:16:8 There is, as you will observe, a very large amount outstanding still, notwithstanding that the Bank account is over-drawn.

M J Furlong
Clerk of Council.

Ordered

That the attention of the Rate Collector be directed to the very large amount of Rates outstanding at date and that he be ordered to proceed forthwith to collect same with all due diligence; also that he be summoned to attend next meeting of the Finance committee to explain the state of his collection.

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Letter from Secretary of County Council, dated 15th Inst. in reply to a query of the Council asking why Newtoss has only one representative on the County Insurance Committee. In it he stated that the Committee consists of twenty-four Members of whom ten only are appointed by the Council. It would therefore be impossible for him to answer the Query.

No Order Made

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An acknowledgment was received from the Royal Humane Society of the resolution passed by the Council drawing attention to the action of Mr Thos Colfer Jnr. in rescuing a man who had fallen out of a cot on the day of the Regatta, and enclosing a form to be filled giving further particulars.

Ordered

That the particulars asked for be furnished as soon as possible.

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Mr Edward Rowe Begerin tendered 25/- for a heap of manure at Town Wall and Mr Mc Phelan Kyleen 22/- for heap at South of yard on Quay, and both were Ordered to be accepted.

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John Ryan of Redhouse offered 21/6 for heap at Town Wall but it was not accepted.

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A Notification dated 18th Inst was received from Mr Rochford Clerk of Newtoss Rural District Council that an arbitration Inquiry under the Labourers Act would be held in the Board Room on the 18th August.

No Order Made.

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Tenders were received from Mrs Hunt Quay and John Doyle North St. for the Supply of water fittings, and after comparing both it was:-

Proposed by The Chairman and

Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy

That the tender of Mrs Hunt

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for the supply of one dozen stop cocks @ 2/11 each, one dozen patent ferrules @ 2/9 each, one dozen stop cock covers for stone 1/5 each, or brass covers for concrete or Gravel 2/- each, Dublin Corporation patterns, and 28 lbs plumbing solder @ 11d per lb, be accepted.

Passed Unanimously

There was no quotation received from either for the supply of lead piping which was badly required and it was Ordered

That tenders be asked for this and that the sanitary committee be empowered to accept a tender at their meeting to be for the purpose of considering the reports of the Sanitary Sur Officer.

## Surveyor's Report.

I have prepared a map showing what I consider to be the boundary line between the portions of the Quay maintained by you and the Harbour Commissioners as directed. The extensions of the water mains to Wexford St and Rosbercon have been carried out and services laid on to Messrs Cullitons & Jacksons premises. The extension to the Hall Scheve premises is being carried out presently. I personally superintended these works each day since your last meeting. I beg to recommend that a small surface trap be constructed at the end of new footpath in Cross Lane. With reference to the flooding arising from the flowing surface water from Upper Wm Street, an alternative remedy to that suggested at your last meeting would be by means of a large surface trap at the end of the footpath. This would considerably mitigate the present trouble.

Jas J Shortall
Town Surveyor.

Proposed by Mr John Murphy John St and
Seconded by Mr Berger

That a small trap be constructed by the Surveyor at the end of the new

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footpath in Cross Lane

Passed Unanimously

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Proposed by The Chairman and
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy

That the report of the Surveyor be adopted and the work recommended by him be carried out.

Passed Unanimously

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The Surveyor submitted the ordnance sheet on which was shown by a red dividing line the portions of the Quay maintained respectively by the Harbour Commissioners and the Council, and after it was inspected by the members the following order was made:-

That this Ordnance Sheet or Maps be submitted to the Harbour Commissioners and they be asked to state whether they are satisfied that the boundary line shown in red upon it accurately represents the portion of the Quay which belongs respectively to the Commissioners and the Council, and if so to kindly Note on the maps their approval of it.

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The Clerk reported that the Annual Contract for the public lighting of the town expired on the 1st September, and it would be necessary to make arrangements for the lighting of it.

Ordered

That advertisements be issued inviting tenders for the public lighting of the town, same to be considered at next Meeting of the Council.

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The Clerk also stated that the doorway of garden the property of the Council, of which he was tenant, had fallen down, and was put up temporary, but was at present in a dangerous condition and required to be repaired at once Ordered that the Surveyor have it repaired as soon as possible.

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The Street Inspector reported that the daily scavenging was carried out each day as usual.

No Order Made

The foremans Diary was examined and found to contain complaints of the manner in which Broaders and Freeman worked occasionally, and also that the men left off work on the Show day without permission.

The Clerk stated that he paid the men for the full day as the Council always allowed the half-day to the men to visit the show, but if the Council wish it can be deducted from them during the present week.

A long discussion took place upon the matter during which many of the members expressed themselves as strongly opposed to the action of the men in leaving their work without permission or without even applying for it, and it was,

Ordered

That a half-days pay, or whatever time each man was absent from work on the show day be deducted from him.

In order to enable the foreman to get the work of the Council carried on properly, the following resolution was :-

Proposed by Mr J.B. Hearn and
Seconded by The Chairman

That the Foreman be authorized to dismiss any of the Councils work-men, in future, who did not give him satisfaction in the discharge of their duties and that he be informed he will be held responsible for getting the work done properly.

Passed Unanimously

Mr. John Murphy drew attention to the action of Patrick Rossiter Cross Lane and his son, both of whom plunged into the River Barrow, and rescued, a few evenings ago, two little girls, who had fallen into

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the River. He suggested that their action be brought under the notice of the Royal Humane Society and also of the Carnegie Hero Trust Society, and an order was made in accordance with his suggestion.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 11th August 1914.

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John Bullen.

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Monday 3rd August 1914

A Special Meeting of the Council was held this day at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of pressing on the Government the urgent necessity of taking up all war insurance shipping risks.

Present Mesprs John O'Sullivan JP Presiding
James. B. Hearne
Peter H. Gorman
John Murphy John St
Adam. P. Bolger

Mr Hearn dwelt at some length on the situation which has been created owing to the outbreak of war, and proposed the following resolution which was seconded by The Chairman.

That the following were be sent to J. E. Redmond, House of Commons, viz:- request Government to assume at once responsibility for war risks and at reasonable rates for the importation of our food supplies."

Passed Unanimously

Mr Hearn also suggested that it would be a very nice and gracious Act on the part of the Irish National Volunteers to offer their services for the home defence of Ireland against a foreign enemy but before proposing a resolution he would wish to discuss the matter in Committee with the other Members of the Council. This was accordingly done and after a lengthened discussion, in which all the Members present took part it was unanimously resolved on the Proposal of Mr Hearn, Seconded by The Chairman

That the volunteers be asked to offer their services for the defence of the Country and the preservation of public order.

Passed Unanimously

Tenders were received for the supply of one car of lead piping from John Doyle North St who quoted at 28/6 per cwt and a from Mrs P. Hunt, Quay. @ 35/6 per cwt.

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Proposed by The Chairman and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy John St

That the tender of Mr Doyle for the supply of one coil of lead piping alloyed with 5% of tin @ 28/6 per cwt be accepted.

Passed Unanimously

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The Members Separated

John Bullen

Friday 7th August 1914

A Special Meeting of the Council was to be held this day at 12.30 O'clock to consider a communication from Mr Laughnane re purchase of the Council's horses for army purposes.

The Chairman and Mr John Murphy, John St were the only Members that attended.

A Quorum Not having assembled

John Bullen

The Meeting Adjourned

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Tuesday 11th August 1914.

A Meeting of the Finance Committee was held this evening at 7 o'clock to transact business of the Committee for the Finance Meeting of the Council.

Present Mcprs Patrick J. Dunne
Peter Murphy

The Committee having examined a Number of bills submitted by the Clerk decided to recommend payment of the following. ( see list at commencement of minutes).
After which.

The Committee Adjourned

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A Meeting of the Newtoss Urban Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Present Mesprs John Sullivan J.P. Presiding
John Murphy John St
John J Murphy South St
Peter Murphy
Patrick J. Dunne
Michael Sheehan
Joseph Brewer

The Minutes of previous Meetings were read and signed.

Treasurers Authority for Making payments was signed by the Chairman and Mesprs Dunne & Peter Murphy, and the following Paying Orders were directed to be issued viz:- No86 M.J.Finn £28:14:11, 87 Patrick Blake £6:16:6, No88 Mrs B. Hennessy £2:15:0, No89 Henry Lew £4, No90 John Mc Walsh £1:1:3, No91 Mrs M.A. Corcoran £1:11:0, No92 Parnell Quarries Ltd £13:8:11, No93 Secretary Schove Attendance Committee £7:15:0, No94 M.J.Finn £11:5:0, No95 John Connick £1:12:6, No96 Borough Treasurer Kilkenny 10/8, No97 James J. Shortall £4:6:8, No98 Richard Malone £15, No99 John Stevenson 13/4.

A Dividend Warrant of 1865 was received from the Bank of Ireland and it was Ordered to the credit of Council.

## Correspondence

Letter from the Local Government Board dated 10th Inst, informing the Council that the Government have consituted a Committee of which the President of the English Local Government Board is Chairman to advise on the measures necessary to deal with any distress that may arise in consequence of the war. It is also proposed that there shall be a Local Committee in each Borough or large Urban District, and the Board suggested that the Chairman of the Council should take immediate steps to establish such a

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committee of which he will be Chairman. The Committee should comprise representatives of Local Authorities, trades Unions, and philanthropic organizations and it is important that some should be women. A National Relief Fund is about to be organized and it is intended should distress arise, that the local distribution of the sums thus made available shall be entrusted to the Committees, over which Mayors and Chairmen of Councils will preside. After some discussion it was

Proposed by Mr John Murphy South St and
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy

That a Committee be appointed in this Urban District and that the names be selected after this Meeting of the Council.

Passed Unanimously

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Letter from the Commissioner of Valuation, dated 1st inst, asking to be informed whether the Urban Council wished to have the plot of land taken by them at the Town Wall for a manure Depot separately valued from the field of which it forms part.

Ordered

That the Commissioner of Valuation be informed the Council do not require a separate valuation of the plot.

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The following tender was received from the Gas Co for the public lighting of the town:-

Winter Lighting

(from 1st September 1914 to 1st May 1915)

52 lamps to be extinguished at 11 p.m. @ £1:18:0 per lamp.
14 " to remain lighting all night. @ £3:6:0 Do
The above lamps not to be lighting for two nights before, two nights after, and the night of full Moon.
32 lamps to be lighted on the moonlight nights, and to be extinguished at 11 p.m @ 7/6 per lamp.
33 of the above will be fitted with incandescent burners, the mantles and chimneys used in maintenence of same to be charged at cost price.

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Summer Lighting

From 1st May to 1st September 1915

16 lamps to remain lighting all night except on Moon-light nights when they will be extinguished at 11 p.M @ 1/- per lamp
The lamps at Tholsel to be lighted as at present @ £5:10:0 per annum.
The lamps at entrance to Town Hall and Protestant Church Rosbercon, to be lighted as required @ 10/ each per annum.
The lamps in the Irishtown and Neighbourhood will be lighted on Fair Mornings free of charge, as in last contract.
Proposed by Mr Dunne and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy John St

That the tender of the Gas Co for the public lighting of the town for year ending 1st Sept 1915 be accepted.

Passed Unanimously.

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Letter from Secretary Co Council, dated 1st Inst, acknowledging receipt of letter of Mr Dooley in reference to the construction of a footpath on Newlos Bridge and stating that he will bring the matter before the next available Meeting of the County Council.
He also expressed surprise at the Statement made by Mr Dooley that the Kilkenny Council are not legally bound to contribute to the upkeep of the Bridge as under the adjustment order of the L.G. Board the Kilkenny County Council bound themselves to pay half the cost of repairs and upkeep for this bridge.
Ordered

That Mr Frizelle be asked to bring the letter of this Council before the next Meeting of his County Council.

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An invitation was received from the Newry Industrial Development Association to delegates to attend the 10th all Ireland Industrial Conference to be held at Newry on the 15th, 16th & 17th September Next, but there were no delegates appointed.

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A resolution was received from the Limerick County Borough Council asking that concerted action be taken by all public

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bodies for the conservation of food supplies for Ireland, and also to call upon the Government to bring in a bill to control the scale and price of all food stuffs but as the Government had already taken action in this matter there was No Order Made.

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Mr Hamilton, Secretary Trinity Hospital Notified under date 18th Inst that there will be a Meeting of the Governing Body of the Hospital held on 2nd September next at 10 o'clock a.m, to elect an annitant to fill a vacancy. If the Council wish to Nominate a candidate they should give particulars of her, giving qualifications, age &c.

An application was received from Mrs Catherine Ryan, Widow, Newtown Commons, and from Kate Keeffe who lived for twelve years with Mrs Cofer as Nurse. The list of applications previously received were examined and it was found that that of Mary Nolan, Irishtown was the longest in. It was accordingly,

Proposed by Mr John Murphy John St and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy South St

That Mary Nolan of Irishtown be recommended to the Governing Body of Trinity Hospital as a fit and proper person to be admitted an inmate of the Hospital.

Passed Unanimously

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An application was received from John Doyle for a renewal of his license for the sale of Mixed Explosives and Gunpowder in his premises at Quay St and North St, from Mrs Hunt Quay for the sale of Explosives and safety catridges, at her premises on the Quay, and Mrs Mary A Hennessy South St for the sale of mixed explosives.

Proposed by Mr Dunne and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy John St

That we hereby grant a renewal of licenses to the foregoing persons for the sale of mixed explosives at their respective premises.

Passed Unanimously

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A letter was received from Mr Langrishe Solicitor, dated 6th August, stating that the Government is in urgent need of horses for army purposes and he would be glad to know whether the Council would dispose of one, or More, horses to meet the emer-gency. After a long discussion it was decided not to dispose of any of the horses at present but that the Foreman be on the look out for a suitable horse for the Council, and if one can be got they will consider Mr Langrishes application again.

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The Chairman submitted a letter he had received from Lord Stopford. H.M.L. intimating that he had been asked by H.R. Highness The Prince of Wales to assist the National relief Fund and to open a Subscription List. He solicited the co-operation of the Chairman in making a ready response to the appeal. He will be very glad to receive any Subscriptions which he will forward to H.R.Highness.

Proposed by Mr John Murphy South St and
Seconded by Mr Dunne

That a public Meeting be held in furtherance of the Object specified in Lord Stopfords letter arrangements for holding it to be made immediately after the Meeting.

Passed Unanimously.

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The Street Inspector reported that the daily Scavenging was carried out as usual.

No Order Made.

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Mr Brewer drew attention to the dangerous condition of the Channel at Brighton which the Surveyor was directed to have repaired a considerable time ago.

Ordered

That the Surveyor be directed to have it put right at once.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 25th August, 1914.

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Thursday 20th August, 1914

A Meeting of the Sanitary Committee was to be held this evening at 5.30 o'clock to consider the employment of a temporary man and horse.

No Member of the Committee attended

A Quorum not having assembled

The Meeting Adjourned

Jno Pierce.

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Tuesday 25th August, 1914.

A Meeting of the Council was held this evening at 7.30 to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Present Messrs John Sullivan J.P. Presiding
Adam P. Bolger
John Murphy John Rd
John Murphy South Rd
Peter H. Ogorman

The Chairman read and signed the Minutes after which he dwelt at some lenghts on the death of His Holiness Pope Pius X. He also spoke in a very touching manner of the deaths of beyther Canon Furlong P.P. Laghmon who was for a considerable number of years a Curate in Newtoss and of Mrs Mary A. Dunne an old and respected inhavitant of the town, and Proposed the following resolution which was Second by Mr Bolger and passed in silence

That owing to the deaths of the above Mentioned that this Meeting be adjourned without transacting any business as a Mark of respect to their Memory.

The Meeting Adjourned to Wednesday 26th August 1914.

John Sullivan

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Wednesday 26th August 1914

An adjourned Meeting of the Council was to be held this evening at 9 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854

Present Mayor John Sullivan JP
Adam P. Bilger
Peter M. O'Gorman

A Quorum not having assembled

The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 1st September 1914.

John Sullivan

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Tuesday 1st. September 1914.

An adjourned Meeting of the Council was held this evening at 7:30 o'clock, to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Present Mess^rs John O'Sullivan Esq P. Presiding
John Murphy John St.
John Murphy South St.
Joseph Brewer
Aidan Doyle
Peter Gorman
Peter Murphy

The Minutes of previous were read and signed

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman & Mess^rs Gorman & Peter Murphy, and the following Paying Order was directed to be issued viz:- No 100, £29:14:6 Petty Cash.

Paying Orders for £8:1:6 and £12:4:1 were received from the Irish Land Commission.

Ordered

That they be lodged to the credit of the Council.

## Correspondence

Circular letters dated 12th 14th and 24th August were received from the L.G. Board, regarding the Steps to be taken by Local Authorities for dealing with any distress which may arise in consequence of the War.

It was decided that they be dealt with by the Relief Fund Committee.

Letter from the Local Government Board for N. 1914, dated 20th August enclosing an Order under their Seal of Office, determining the amount chargeable in respect of the Audit of the Accounts of the Council for year ending 31st March, 1914.

Ordered

That it be paid at next Finance Meeting of the Council.

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Letter from the Under Secretary Dublin Castle dated 22nd ult July last enclosing form of Queries to be filled up in connection with the Shops Act 1912.

Ordered

That the form referred to be filled up.

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Letter from Secretary of the Wexford County Council dated 22nd Augt 1914 stating that the letter of the Council re reference to footpaths on Newtkas Bridge was referred to Mr Barry, County Surveyor for report which would be dealt with at Next Meeting

No Order Made.

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An application dated 22nd August 1914 was received from Mr Andrew Cullen on behalf of Mr Edwd Murphy Quay St for permission to open ground to connect with Drain Sewer and also asking to have water connection made.

It was pointed out that the work was being done and there was No Order Made.

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Letter from James Lalor Rosbercon dated 21st Ult, asking the Council's permission to erect a low wall or railing in front of his new house.

Proposed by Mr. Gorman and

Seconded by Mr Berger

That permission be given to Mr Lalor.

Passed Unanimously.

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The following letter was read and ordered to be inserted on the Minutes Viz:-

Galway
20th August 1914.

My Dear Mr Lynn

I desire to thank you very sincerely for forwarding me the very kind and friendly resolution of congratulation by the Newtkas U. D. Council on the occasion of my

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appointment to the Vicariate of N. Queensland and for uniting yourself so kindly with its sentiments. Please put me under still further obligation to you by conveying to the Chairman and Council My heartfelt thanks and appreciation of their good will. I have to go far away and I dare say many varied experiences await me but I can assure yourself and the Urban Council that I will never forget Newtons and its kind people.

With renewed thanks to Messrs Sullivan, Dunne and the other Members of the Council and yourself.

I remain My Dear Mr Finn
Yours very Sincerely
+ John A. Heavey D.D.

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The following letter was read and ordered to be inserted on the Minutes viz:-

Mary Street
Newtons
August 28th 1914

Dear Mr Brennan

Kindly convey to My Chairman, Mr Sullivan, and to the Members of My Council our Sincere thanks for their kind message of sympathy in our recent bereavement.

We remain,
Yours truly
Patrick J. Dunne & Family.

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Letter from Walter Duggan dated 1st September 1914 stating that Mr Kelly the foreman had suspended him and asking to be re-instated.

Ordered

That the application be refused.

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Letter from James Doyle Nunnery Lane asking for the work of the Council to draw stones and stating that he is prepared to do same for 5/- per day.

The Surveyor recommended Patrick Maddock and it was decided that he get the work.

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An application was received from George Moran for a renewal of his licuse for ammunition store situate at Maiden Lane and also for his premises in North St for the sale of mixed explosives. A similar application was received from Messrs M. Hutchinson Hearn & Son for the sale of Mixed Explosives for Hardware premises in South St.
Proposed by Mr Sullivan and
Seconded by Mr Berger

That we hereby grant a renewal of licenses to the foregoing persons for the sale of gunpowder and mixed explosives at their respective premises.

Passed Unanimously.

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Mr Martin Breen Carvem tendered 15/- for heap of manure in yard on Quay.
Proposed by Mr Ryerman and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy John St.

That Mr Breens tender of 15/- be accepted.

Passed Unanimously.

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An application was received from Mr Butler, Water Inspector for remuneration for attending to shutting off and letting on of water supply to town from the 3rd to 10th July. In this work it was necessary for him to be at Mc Murrough at 9 PM and 6 AM respectively.
Ordered

That the application be refused.

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Letter from Royal Humane Society dated 28th August, transmitting for presentation to Mr T. A. Butler the Honorary Vellum of the Society awarded him by the Committee for his courage and humanity in having saved life. The Society also requested that the Reward be presented in as public a manner as possible.

It was decided to adjourn this Next Meeting when Mr Butler would be back off his holidays.

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An application was received from Thomas Southwell of Tiltown for the tenancy of the house recently vacated by Mrs Cotton William St.

Proposed by The Chairman and
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy
That Mr Southwell be accepted tenant of the house, the tenancy to commence on Monday the 7th September 1914.

Passed Unanimously

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Letter from Mr Scully D.C. dated 15th Augt 1914, complaining of the defective channel outside his house and stating that the water came into his hall doing some damage.

Ordered
That it be referred to the Street Committee

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Letter from Mrs Brazil dated 23rd Augt 1914, drawing the attention of the Council to the serious loss and inconvenience caused her and family by the flooding of her premises during the recent heavy rain fall and stating that if some means are not adopted to prevent this flooding she will be compelled to take proceedings against the Council.

The Surveyor pointed out in his report that the flooding was due to local causes and that the Council were not responsible for the flooding.

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## Surveyor's Report

I beg to report that I have had the repairs to wall and door of garden in occupation of Mr Timmins William St, repaired as directed.

The rainstorm of the 14th inst did some damage to the street surfaces although every possible effort was made to prevent flooding. All the surface traps were cleaned before hand, and I undertook to employ extra workmen to assist the Councils staff all of whom worked all night, on the 14th inst, repairing the damage and removing the silt. I may say that the storm was admittedly the heaviest experienced in the District for a number of years. Little damage was done to private property. The flooding experienced

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by Mrs Brazil, the 2way, was manifestly due to local causes. Some water entered Mr Lynchs premises in Marsh Lane from the roadway. To prevent a repitition, a surface trap should be constructed near the gateway and the approaches to the yard raised about 6 inches. The newly constructed surface trap in the Irishtown and Bullaun districts served their purpose well. Many additional traps are still required and I beg to recommend that two be presently constructed in Upper Maiden Lane and one on the 2way, outside house in occupation of Mr Scully D.I.

Jos J Shortall
Town Surveyor.

Ordered

That the latter portion of the report dealing with the provision of surface traps be referred to the Street Committee.

## Foreman's Reports.

I beg to report that on Friday night a very severe rain storm occured, it was necessary for me to have your workmen out all night. I beg to apply for one extra man and horse to cart Metalling from Railway Station and from breakers on Lovercon Hill. It would be well to have these stones carted to Mount Garrett Lane and Bosheen-na-Slaun during the long days. I dismissed Walter Duggan on the 13th Inst for disobedience. A permanent man is now required. Wm Broaders is at present in his place. Edward Broaders is in Hospital since Monday the 17th Inst. Thomas Freeman is also sick since the 7th Inst. Both men are replaced temporarily by John Broaders and Pat Malone. Sixty two ashpits were cleaned since last Meeting. There are now three heaps of manure in yard on 2way for sale.
James Flynn and James Keeley require oil clothes.

1st September, 1914.

Since last Meeting one boat load of grave arrived. This has not yet been carted away. Thirty six ashpits were cleaned since the 25th Ult, total to date is Ninety-eight. The workmen engaged at the different works are now giving satisfaction.

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Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy South St

That a man and horse be employed to draw stones &c for three days. That two suits of oil clothes be purchased for Keithy & Flynn.

Passed Unanimously

Ordered

That a new man be advertised for, at 15/ per week, the applications to be considered at Next Meeting.

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The following letter received from the Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland was read viz :-

Dublin
August 26th 1914

Sir,

The Housing Committee of above Association desire to direct the attention of Irish Municipal Authorities to the provisions of the Housing (No 2) Act 1914 which has been extended to Ireland.

The Act provides a sum of £4,000,000 a portion of which will be allocated to Ireland to be expended on the provision of housing accomodation for the working Classes. Powers are given to the Local Government Board to acquire lands and buildings for housing purposes in connection with any lands or buildings so acquired, and to make any arrangements for housing purposes with any local authority. There is no express provision in the Act as to grants or loans to local Authorities and it is understood that the terms on which the L.G. Board will make grants in aid of housing will depend upon the circumstances of each case. As the object of the Government in passing the Measure is to deal with distress due to unemployment caused by the war and consequent dislocation of trade No doubt the extent to which any particular locality may suffer in this respect will be taken into consideration.

Special attention is directed to the limitation of the powers conferred by this Act to the period of one year from the date of its passing.

I. F. McGahon
acting Hon Secretary.

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Proposed by Mr Berger and
Seconded Mr Peter Murphy

That application be made immediately to the Local Government Board for a grant from the sum provided by the Housing (No 2) Act, 1914.

Passed Unanimously

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Mr John Murphy John Street drew attention to the bad condition of the Surface of the Waterford Road, and after a long discussion it was

Ordered

That the Surveyor pay more attention towards the maintenence of the waterford Road.

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Proposed by The Chairman and
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy

That a vote of sympathy be passed with Mr Stephen Pope on the death of his brother Mr Peter. A. Pope, who was a very old and respected inhabitant of the town.

Passed Unanimously

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 8th September, 1914.

John Buckley

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Monday 7th September, 1914.

A Monthly Meeting of the Council was to be held to day at 12 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

No Member of the Council attended

A Quorum not having assembled

The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 8th September, 1914.

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Tuesday 8th September 1914.

A Meeting of the Finance Committee was held this evening at 7 o'clock to transact business of the Committee for the Finance Meeting of the Council.

Present Messrs John O'Sullivan J.P.
Peter Murphy
John Murphy South St

The Clerk submitted a number of bills which were examined by the Committee, and payment of same ordered except those of A. Cullen for £5:12:11 sundry repairs to house on Bullaun formerly occupied by late Mrs Cullen and 13/- in connection with case of Fanning-V. Urban Council, also £17:15:4 for enclosing vacant space at Lock P.t and Bunneen Lane. Payment of these was deferred, and the Committee re-commend that in the case of the latter a/c, a Meeting of the Finance Committee should be held on an early date at which Mr Cullen and the Surveyor should attend to consider the matter. A claim by the Water Inspector for remuneration for attending to shutting off water at night during the dry season was referred to the Council. The Committee considered the Bill of Messrs Avery for repairs to weighing machine, too high, and directed that they be asked to reduce it and also to state their price, per annum, for keep-ing the two weighbridges in repair. Two bills received from the Engineer on behalf of the Contractor, one for extras ordered by him amounting to £95:13:0, and a second one for rock-cutting amounting to £304 were considered in conjunction with the letter from the Engineer which accompanied them, and the Committee recommend that both be referred to the Councils Solicitors for advise as to the liability of the latter.

Having prepared a report

The Committee Adjourned

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Tuesday 8th September, 1914.

A Meeting of the Newbess Urban District Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, elect a workman, and consider a letter from the Secretary of Trinity Hospital Notifying election of Mrs Quigley, and declining to elect person recommended by Council on the ground that she is too old.

Present Messrs John O'Sullivan J.P. Presiding
John Murphy South St
John Murphy John St
Peter Murphy
Peter B. Gorman
Joseph Brewer

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Gorman & Murphy, and the following Paying Orders were directed to be issued viz:- No 101 Jeremiah Fitzpatrick £34:10:0 (Nott Loan's 4/c) No 102 Mss Fmn £10:8:8; No 103 St Stephens Cemetery Committee £7:10:0, No 104 John J. Browne £2:18:6, No 105 Newbess Gas Co Ltd £84:18:0, No 106 Patrick Brennan £3, No 107 Richard Murphy £8:15:0, No 108 Mss Fmn £11:5:0, No 109 Jas. J. Shortall £4:6:8, No 110 Treasurer Wexford County Council £303:13:10, No 111 Messrs Colfer & Son £45 13:1, No 112 Joseph Freeman £1, No 113 Royal Exchange Assurance Co £1:16:6, No 114 Major & Nugent £1:4:11, No 115 Patrick Lynch £53:9:0, No 116 James Connolly £16:14:3.

## Correspondence

A bill was received from Mrs Dunne for 11/- being for glass broken, and chocolate destroyed, owing to the bursting of a water pipe at South St on 29th July.

Ordered

That it be referred to the Surveyor for report.

Letter from Michael Saunders Inishtown, dated 8th Inst, asking to have the side wall of his house dashed, and the Chimney repaired,

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There is also some Mastic wanted for the roof as it is leaking
Ordered
That Mr Saunders be informed the Council are not prepared to spend any more Money on this house.

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Letter from Mr S. F. Pope, dated 8th September, acknowledging the vote of sympathy passed with him by the Council on the occasion of the death of his brother.
No Order Made.

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A Notification was received from the Manager of the Gas Co of his intention to open the Grounds in John Street, Charles St and Victoria Place.
No Order Made.

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A tender of 15/- for one heap of Manure in yard on Quay was received from Mrs Whelan Kyleen, and it was Ordered to be accepted.

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Letter from Secretary Harbour Commissioners dated 2nd Inst, returning Ordnance Sheet on which the Surveyor had shown the presumed dividing line between the portion of the Quay maintained respectively by the Commissioners and the Council, and which had been forwarded to the Commissioners for approval, and endorsement of approval. In the letter the Secretary stated that it had been considered by the Harbour Commissioners but there was No Order Made. After a short discussion it was decided Not to take any further action in the Matter.

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An application was received from Messrs P. Kelly South St, dated 8th Sept, asking for permission to remove, at their own expense the lamp outside their premises about Sex inches North of its present position.
Ordered
That the desired permission to remove the lamp be granted.

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The following letter received from Messrs Cooper & Son was read :-

Newtross
24th August 1914.

Estate of Newtross Urban Council. E. C. 4150.

Dear Sir,

We now enclose particulars of the purchase Money of this Estate and payments out of same. We also send you attested copy of the Accountants' Account in the books of the Land Commission.

Yours very truly
Cooper & Son

In the Court of the
Records No E. C. 4150 in the matter of the Estate of The
Attested copy of the Accountants

Dr

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1914 | | | | | | | |
| March | 27 | To Cash invested | | | | 1332:0:0 | |
| July | 14 | " Deposit receipt withdrawn | | | | | 104:0:0 |
| " | 16 | " Vendors | | | | 159:16:9 | |
| " | 20 | " Church Temps a/c | | 1 | | 14:4:8 | |
| " | " | " Mayor Aldermen & Burgesses of City of | | | | | |
| " | " | " Kilkenny | | 2 | | 25:6:3 | |
| " | " | " Pol Buggy | | 2B | | 3:10:0 | |
| " | " | " Deposit a/c Bank of Ireland | | | | 60:0:0 | |
| " | " | " Vendors | | 4 | | 11:4:9 | 1762:11:0 |
| " | " | " Do | Bet Instl | | | 3:9 | |
| " | " | " Income tax a/c | | tax | | 3 | |
| August | 7 | " Deposit receipt withdrawn | | | | | 60:0:0 |
| " | 12 | " Cooper & Son | | | | 52:0:0 | |
| " | " | " Vendors | | | | 8:0:0 | |
| " | " | " Do | | Instl | | 1:6 | |
| | | | | | | 1666:7:11 | 1762:11:0 164:0:0 |

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## Irish Land Commission

New Ross Urban District Council, to Wexford

Account in the Books of the Land Commission

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1914 | | | | | | |
| March | 12th | By Advances | | 1332 : 0 : 0 | | |
| " | 27 | " Consols Bt 25th Mar C 75 7/6 | | | 1762 : 11 : 0 | |
| June | 30 | " Deposit receipt rcptg. cash lodged | | | | 104 : 0 : 0 |
| July | 6 | " Dividends on Consols. | 14/8 | 10 : 5 : 8 | | |
| | 14 | " cash for Deposit receipt | | 104 : 0 : 0 | | |
| " | " | " Interest | | 4 : 0 | | |
| " | 16 | " Percentage | | 159 : 16 : 9 | | |
| " | 20 | " Deposit Receipt | | | | 60 : 0 : 0 |
| August | 7 | " cash for Deposit Receipt & Interest | | 60 : 1 : 6 | | |
| | | | | ~~1666 : 7 : 11~~ | ~~1762 : 11 : 0~~ | ~~164 : 0 : 0~~ |
| | | | | 1666 : 7 : 11 | 1762 : 11 : 0 | 164 : 0 : 0 |

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Irish Land Commission

Estate of the Newtons Urban

Particulars of Purchase Money

| | Payments | Cash | Stock |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1914 | | | |
| March 27 | To Cash paid for purchase of £1,762:11:0 | | |
| | New consols | 1332:0:0 | |
| " | Cash placed on deposit receipt | 104:0:0 | |
| | | £ 1436:0:0 | |
| July 20 | Cash paid to the Irish Land Commission being the redemption price of Tithe rent charge of 13/9 payable out of the lands | 14:4:8 | |
| " " | Cash paid to the Corporation of Kilkenny, being the redemption price of Tithe Rent charge of £1:2:6 payable out of the lands | 25:6:3 | |
| " " | Cash paid to Mr M. Buggy, Solicitor for Kilkenny Corporation for costs of title &c | 3:10:0 | |
| August 13 | Cash paid to Colfer & Son taxed costs of sale | 52:0:0 | |
| | Income tax paid Inland Revenue | 3 | |
| | Cash and Stock paid and transferred to the Council as follows | | |
| July 16 | Cash | 159:16:9 | |
| 20 | Cash | 11:4:9 | |
| " | Stock transfered | | 1762:11:0 |
| " | Cash | 3:9 | |
| August 13 | Cash | 8:1:6 | |
| | | £ 274:7:11 | 1762:11:0 |

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Estates Commissioners
District Council to Wexford E.C 4150
and Payments out of same.

| 1914 | | Receipts | Cash | Stock |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| March 12 | By purchase money advanced on this date as follows :- | | | |
| | Thorp's holding | 1032 : 0 : 0 | | |
| | Delaney's Do | 300 : 0 : 0 | | |
| June 30 | " Cash lodged by Mr Delaney, balance of the purchase money of his holding. | 104 : 0 : 0 | | |
| | | £ 1436 : 0 : 0 | | |
| July 1 | New Consols purchased as per contra | | 1762 : 11 : 0 | |
| " " | Cash lodged by Mr Delaney | 104 : 0 : 0 | | |
| " 6 | Dividends on Consols | 10 : 5 : 8 | | |
| " 14 | Interest on Deposit Receipt | 4 : 0 | | |
| " 16 | Bonus of 12% on £1332, advanced by Land Commission | 159 : 16 : 9 | | |
| Augt 7 | Further interest on deposit receipt | 1 : 6 | | |
| | | £ 274 : 7 : 11 | 1762 : 11 : 0 | |

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An application was received from Michael Flynn, Windmill Lane, dated 7th Inst for appointment as workman in room of W Duggan And in accordance with the advertisement of the Council. At this stage of the Meeting it appeared that this was the only application for the vacant position, and it was

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy South St

That Michl Flynn be appointed workman at 15/- per week

Passed Unanimously

Subsequent an application for the position from Wm Broaders was found by the Chairman amongst the correspondence but it was decided not to re-open the matter as Flynn had been legally appointed

Letter from T. Dunphy Quay St. dated 2nd Sept. stating that he understood John Ryan, late foreman baker with him had given Notice that he is giving up the house he held from the Council at Houghton Place and trusts he has paid his rent regularly as he will not be held responsible for any rent after the expiry of the Notice

The Clerk reported that there were two weeks rent due up to the date of surrender of the tenancy for which Mr Dunphy is liable if not paid by the tenant.

Ordered

That Mr Dunphy be informed of this.

Letter from Mr Hamilton, Secretary to Trinity Hospital, dated 3rd Inst, stating that at a Meeting of the Governing Body of the Hospital held on 2nd Inst, Mrs Quigley at present an inmate was granted the pension. The Council's nominee Mary Nolan, being considered too old, being in the 70th year.

Since the passing of the old age pension Act persons entitled to, or shortly to be entitled to pensions are not elected.

If Mary Nolan would like rooms without annuity the Master would probably grant her them.

A long discussion took place on the reading of this letter

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during which it was contended that the recommendations of the Council do not receive proper treatment by the Governing Body, this being the third person recommended by the Council and rejected by the Governors.

It was however, agreed that Mrs Quigley was very deserving of admission and it was :-

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy And
Seconded by Mr O'Gorman

That the Council assent to the election of Mrs Quigley as an inmate of Trinity Hospital.

Passed Unanimously

It was also Ordered that Mr Hamilton be informed that if the Governors consider the Council's Nominee Not eligible, or if they are not prepared to elect the person recommended by the Council the latter feel that they should be informed of this before the vacancy is filled.

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A certificate was received from Dr O'Regan dated 27th August, certifying that Thos Freeman was suffering from cataract and is unfit to work.

No Order Made.

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The application from the Water Inspector for remuneration for attending to shutting off and turning on water during dry weather which had been referred to the Council by the Finance Committee, was referred back again to the Finance Committee.

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It was also Ordered that a Meeting of the Finance Committee be held on an early convenient date to consider bills received from Mr Cullen and which were before the Finance Committee and that Mr Cullen, Mr Dunne and the Surveyor also attend this Meeting.

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The Traders Rate Book for year ending 31st March 1915, was submitted for sealing, and signing, and it was :-

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Proposed by Mr John Murphy South St and
Seconded by Mr Ogorman

That the traders water rent book be signed by the Chairman and two Mem-bers of the Council and Countersigned by the Clerk.

Passed Unanimously

In pursuance of the foregoing resolution the Book was duly signed and Sealed.

## Surveyor's Report.

8/9/14

Some repairs have been carried out to the surface of the Waterford Road as directed. I attended the Meeting of the Harbour Board on the 3rd Inst for the purpose of ex-plaining the plans of the proposed Sewerage Scheme for Kilbercon District and the outfall sewer at Quay St. These plans were I understand approved of by the Harbour Commissioners. The Map shewing the boundary line be-tween these portions of the Quay maintained by the Commissioners and the Council was also referred to, but I am not aware what order was made regarding the latter.

With reference to the protection of the water supply reser-voirs at the request of the local Police Head Constable, I fur-nished him with information regarding the duties of the caretaker.

The Chairman stated that the Head Constable called upon him with a view to ascertaining if the Council are prepared to take any steps to guard the reservoir at Dranagh at present.

After considerable discussion it was decided not to take any action as the Meeting was of opinion such was not necessary and the Chairman undertook to convey this decision to the Head Constable.

## Foreman's Report

I beg to report that seventeen ashpits were cleaned since last Meeting. It was necessary for me to have contents

of ashpits put directly into cart. I again beg to apply for a man & horse for a few days to cart Metalling from Kilvercon to Boheen-na-Slaun and Mount Garrett Lane, also Town Wall Depots. On the night of the 4th Inst. the Manhole of sewer at the Royal Hotel and gully trap connected with same overflowed. I have now received instructions from the Surveyor to have sewer in Bridge St opened and examined. I omitted this in my last report. There are now two heaps of manure in yard on Quay and one at town wall ready for sale.

With reference to opening of ground in Bridge St, it was

Proposed by John Murphy and
Seconded by the Chairman

That instead of opening the ground in Bridge St for the purpose of ascertaining if the pipe sewer was choked, the Foreman be directed to have the Sewer brush inserted in Manhole in Maiden Lane and ascertain if the pipe is clear to built Sewer.

Passed Unanimously

Ordered that the foreman be informed the Council are not prepared to consent to the employment of an additional horse temporarily to cart the Metalling referred to in his report, but that instead he take the horse which is engaged at cleansing of ashpits from that work for a few days and put him at the work for which the extra horse is required.

That in future when reporting as to the number of heaps of manure ready for sale he is to state approximately the value of each heap, as this will be a guide to the Council when disposing of the manure.

## Clerk's Report

I beg to report that the amount of rates collected and outstanding is as follows:- Poor Rate £340:8:8½ collected

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£314:1:5 outstanding, Town Rate £532:11:0 collected, £526:2:10 outstanding, Domestic Water Rate £33:14:9 collected £33:17:5 outstanding.

Ordered

That the Collector be directed to proceed at once with the collection of the outstanding rates and furnish to next Meeting a list of those outstanding at that date.

Attention was drawn to the report of Surveyor considered at last Meeting in reference to his recommendation to have surface traps constructed on Quay adjacent to house occupied by Mr Scully, and in Marsh Lane, near Mr Lynch's yard, and it was decided Not to have those traps constructed but instead it was Ordered that the ground immediately outside entrance Gate to Mr Lynchs yard at Marsh Lane raised with Metalling so as to prevent the water from the Street from entering his yard, and the drain from Surface trap, adjacent to entrance, cleared if this is not already done.

That the Channel outside premises occupied by Mr Scully Quay repaired so as to carry the water into grating or trap near them. This might be done by having the Stones which are too high in the Channel, rammed, so as to bring them level with the others.

Report of Finance Committee

Your Finance Committee met this evening and recommend payment of the following bills (See list at commencement of Minutes).

Proposed by Murphy John A
Seconded by Mr Brewer

That the report of the Finance Committee be adopted and the payments recommended by them made.

Passed Unanimously

Ordered

That the Paying Order for the County Council be held

over until the end of the Month.

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A short discussion took place respecting the appointment of a Committee to deal with any distress that might arise in connection with the war, as suggested by the Local Board in their Circular letter of the 10th. August and it was:-

Proposed by Mr Murphy South Ward and Seconded by Mr Ogorman

That a Public Meeting be held in the Town Hall on Monday evening next at eight o'clock for the purpose of forming a Committee

Passed Unanimously

Ordered

That an advertisement be published in the Free Press and Standard announcing the holding of the Meeting and that placards & Circulars for the same purpose be also issued.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday the 22nd Sept, 1914.

Peter Murphy

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Tuesday 22nd September, 1914.

A Meeting of the Newbridge Urban Council was held this day at 7.30 o'clock p.m. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Present Messrs Peter Murphy Presiding
Aidan F. Bolger
John Fanning
John Murphy John St
John Murphy South St
Peter H. O'Gorman
Joseph Brewer

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read & signed.

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The Treasurers Authority for Making payments was signed by the Chairman & Messrs O'Gorman & Brewer and the following Paying Orders were directed to be issued viz:- No 117 John J. Browne £26:5:9, No 118 M.J. Finn £19:17:6.

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When the Minutes were read Mr John Murphy John St drew attention to the fact that there was No Order Made at last Meeting on the letter received from the Harbour Commissioners relative to the portion of the Quay owned respectively by them, and the Council, and, after considerable discussion during which the copy of the letter addressed to the Commissioners was read, the following were unanimously appointed a Committee to confer with the Harbour Commissioners and endeavour to arrive Mutually at the correct boundary line viz:- Messrs John Murphy John St, A. F. Bolger and the Presiding Chairman, Mr Peter Murphy.

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## Correspondence

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Letter from L.G. Board No 116/116/1914, dated 16th Sept. asking that they be furnished with a Return Showing the Condition of the Collection to the Middle of the Months.
The Clerk Stated that the Return had been forwarded by him, and there was No Order Made.

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Letter from Same, dated 11th Inst, intimating to the Council the arrangements that have been made for the Convenience of the dependants of Soldiers and Sailors requiring Marriage and birth certificates for the purpose of claiming allowances.
No Order Made

Letter from Same dated 9th Inst enclosing copy of Treasury Regulations for Civil Servants, and stating that the Board wishes it to be understood that not alone in the case of employees who have previously joined His Majestys Forces, but also in the case of those who now wish to do so, they will raise no objection to leave of absence been given to such employees, and to the Local Authorities making a reasonable payment in respect of wages to persons authorized by such employee to receive the wages, and also to the payment of temporary Substitutes.

Letter from Same in reference to Contracts of Local Authorities which involve employment in certain trades, and how they are governed by Orders made by the Board of Trade under the Trade Boards Act 1909.
No Order Made

Letter from Same dated 21st Inst, transmitting copy of Notice issued by the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury fixing the rate of interest payable on Loans to Local Authorities; by which it appeared that the rate was increased by one-half per cent. No Order Made

A tender was received from Mr Browne Creagh, dated 21st Sept offering 12/- per heap for three heaps of manure in yard on Quay, and from Maj Mary Anne Kane Begerin Lofties offering 28/- for one heap at Town Wall, and on the Proposal of Mr Bolger Seconded by Mr Murphy South St, both tenders were accepted.

Letter from Mr Hamilton, Secretary Trinity Hospital, dated 10th Inst, in reply to the Council's letter of previous date relative to the

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Tuesday 22nd September, 1914. (Minutes contd)

filling of vacancies in Trinity Hospital, and pointing out that the Governors cannot give the Council previous Notice as to the Suitability of their Nominees, as they only have the matter before them on the day of election. He suggested that the Council send forward the names of two candidates, so that if the first was not considered Suitable the other case might be considered. A long discussion took place on the matter, during which reference was made to the fact that neither of the last three persons nominated by the Council were elected to fill vacancies in the Hospital, although it was understood that the Council should have the election of every second nimate. Eventually it was:-

Proposed by Mr John Murphy South St and
Seconded by Mr Murphy John St

That the Council insist on the terms of their last letter to the Governing Body viz:- that they have every second Nomination.

Passed Unanimously.

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Letter from the Secretary to the Commissioners of National Education dated 9th Sept stating that the period of service of the School Attendance Committee of the Urban District will terminate on the 31st Dec Next, and asking that the Commissioners be furnished with particulars as to the persons appointed by the Council.

Ordered

That the Members be summoned to attend Next Meeting to elect the Council's portion of the Committee for the ensuing three years.

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A Notification dated 15th Inst was received from the Manager of the Gas Works of his intention to open the road in Quay St, outside Mr Murphy's premises.

No Order Made.

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Letter from Messrs W. & J. Avery Ltd dated 14th Inst, acknowledging receipt of the Councils letter in reference to their bill for repairing machine on Quay, and stating that they have

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looked into their charges for repair and found the amount extremely moderate for the time, expense, and new part of machinery.

They are however, willing to assist some-what in the matter, and will allow 5% cash discount from amount charged provided account is paid by 10th Oct. (This was subsequently extended to 14th October). They also enclosed quotation for keeping the two machines in repair. These include two visits per year at 25/- per visit, to include all travelling expenses and adjustments due to wear & tear. New Works to be extra.
Ordered that the consideration of these be repened to the Finance Committee for report.

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An application was received from Laurence Harney for the tenancy of the vacant house at Cock Pit Lane and he offered Mr Wm Ahern, Mary St, as Surety, and on the proposal of Mr Bolger, Seconded by Mr Gorman; he was accepted tenant.

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A discussion took place as to the Necessity of having all the houses inspected when they become vacant, so as to ascertain if any damage has been done by the late tenant. It was pointed out that the Collector had already instructions to do this but he was not considered the proper Officer to carry out this work, and it was,
Proposed by Mr John Murphy South St and
Seconded by Mr Bolger.

That in future when a house becomes vacant the Surveyor inspect it, and report upon its condition to Next Meeting of the Council, and that he also inspect the house now let to Laurence Harney and if there is any damage done to it by the late tenant, his surety be required to make it good.

Passed Unanimously.

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The following letter received from Mr W. J. Hearn Solr. in reference to the alleged flooding of Mrs Brazils premises on Quay was read :-

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Tuesday 22nd September 1914. (Minutes cont'd)

Offices :- Charles Street,
Newross, 17th Sept, 1914.

Dear Sir,

Mrs Margaret Brazil of Bridge Quay, Newross, has consulted me in reference to the flooding of her shop and premises, particulars of which she informs me, have already been sent you. I am instructed that the flooding in question is due to the trap or grating opposite her premises being insufficient to take away the water after heavy rain falls. She informs me that on the last occasion there was at least two to three feet of water in her premises, and she has suffered considerable damage owing to same. Several applications have been made to your Council with respect to the matter, but without any effect, and I have before me your letter in which you state that the Council is not responsible, and that the flooding is due to causes over which the Council have no control. This being so I am now directed to apply to you for payment of £50; being for damages and inconvenience caused to my client by reason of such flooding and I am to inform you that unless I receive payment of this sum with an undertaking from your Council that they will proceed forthwith to remedy the cause of this flooding I will take proceedings for such damages, and also for an injunction against your Council without further notice.

Please give the matter your earliest attention

Yours faithfully,
Wm F. Hearn

Proposed by Mr John Murphy John St and
Seconded by Mr Fanning

That the letter be referred to the Council's Solicitors, and that a Committee consisting of the Chairman of the Council and the Chairman of the Meeting, Mr Peter Murphy, be appointed to confer with him, the Committee to have full power to instruct the Solicitors to take whatever action they consider advisable in the matter in the interest of the Council, and also that the Surveyor and Clerk accompany the Committee when interviewing the Solicitors for the purpose of affording all the information

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possible to them.

Passed Unanimously

The Surveyor reported that as the grade in the water table outside Mr. Scully's premises to the nearest surface trap is very shallow it would be difficult to repair it in cobble stones the most effective Method would be to repair it in cement concrete. Before raising the ground outside Mr Lynch's premises Marsh Lane, as ordered, it would be necessary to construct a piped culvert for the surface water to pass through, otherwise it would be diverted to Mr Lynch's premises. I called to Mrs Dunne's premises South St. in reference to claim for 11/8. I saw the Glaziers account for same viz :- 4 panes 14" x 10" repaired and also section of shops windows pane. These were repaired by Messrs Dolger & Son. On the 21st Inst I found that the water supply to the lavatory of the town Hall was being used by the Picture Company who have the Hall leased presently, by means of a long hose, to cool the dynamo engines, and a considerable quantity was thereby wasted.

The different paragraphs were considered in detail. In reference to watertable outside Mr Scullys premises the Surveyor, in reply to a Member, estimated the cost of construct-ing the cement channel at £5. and it was proposed by Mr Dolger and seconded by Mr Fanning that the water-table be repaired in cement concrete. An amendment was Proposed by Mr John Murphy South St and seconded by Mr John Murphy John St. That no action be taken in the matter and on it being put to the vote the following voted

For :- Messrs Fanning Dolger & The Chairman

Against :- Messrs Murphy John St, Murphy South St & Brewer

Mr O'Gorman did not vote.

The Chairman gave his casting vote against the amend-ment, which was declared "lost" and the original resolution "carried". It was decided not to construct the culvert out-side Mr Lynchs yard nor raise the grounds it being the opinion of the Meeting that if the trap and grating adjacent

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were kept clean there would be no flooding of the premises.

Proposed by Mr Breger and
Seconded by Mr Fanning

That Mrs Dunne's bill of 11/8 for damage to window and stock caused by an escape of ~~gas~~ water from the Councils Main, be paid at Next Finance Meeting.

Passed Unanimously

The Clerk Stated that Mr Fitzgerald called to the Office and asked to be allowed a reduction on the usual charge for weighing hay on the public Scales as having the Contract for the forage of the army horses in training here, he will be weighing a large quantity. After a short discussion it was ordered that he be charged three pence for each load weighed whatever the Size instead of the fixed price of four pence.

It was also Ordered that Wm Shea be paid his wages for three days he was ill last week, as he could not get any payment under the National Insurance Act for so short a period.

Proposed by ~~Mr John E. Redmond~~ Ó Gorman and
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy

That we the Newross Urban District Council of Newross, desire to tender to Mr John E Redmond M.P. our sincere and hearty congratulations on the placing of the Home Rule Bill on the Statute Book.

Passed Mr Fanning dissenting.

The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 6th October, 1914.

John Dillon

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Monday 5th October 1914

A Monthly Meeting of the Council was to be held to-day at 12 o'clock Noon to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

No Member attended

A Quorum not having assembled

The Meeting Adjourned.

Jno Dalton

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Wednesday 30th September, 1914.

A Special Meeting of the Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock, to consider letter received from the Mayor of Wexford inviting the Council to co-operate in a Demonstration of Welcome to Mr Redmond M.P. on the occasion of his visit to Wexford on Sunday next, and take such action, by appointment of Delegates, or otherwise, as may be approved of.

Present Mayor John Sullivan J.P. Presiding
Wm Murphy
Peter Murphy
Peter H. Gorman
John Murphy Lower St.
Patrick J. Dunne
Aidan P. Bolger
James J. Dowley.

The Chairman read the following letter which had been received from the Mayor of Wexford, viz:-

Town Clerk's Office
Wexford,
September 28th, 1914.

Dear Sir,

As you doubtless observed from the Public Press, it is the intention of the Irish Leader Mr John Redmond, to pay a visit to Wexford on Sunday, 4th October, when in accordance with the promise which he made at the opening of his famous Home Rule Campaign in the Bulleing, Wexford, he will address the Nationalists of this County on the duty of the hour.

It is the intention of the organising Committee to make the occasion worthy of the Man and worthy of the cause which he has brought to such a successful conclusion and with this object in view we are directed to invite the hearty co-operation of your Council at a Demonstration of Welcome. The programme of proceedings is being arranged. We know that we can confidently count upon your assistance in this patriotic work and therefore we shall be obliged if you will kindly appoint delegates to attend the Meeting and also take such other steps

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as you may deem advisable to insure the success of the function.

James Sinnott Alderman, Mayor.
Wm M. Corcoran
T. Godfrey } Hon Secretary's.

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After a short discussion the following resolution was
Proposed by Mr O'Gorman.
Seconded by Mr P. Murphy & supported by Mr Dunne viz:-

That we the Members Urban Council attend the Meeting in Wexford next Sunday and present an address to Mr John Redmond, congratulating him on the glorious consumation of his lifes work in the placing of Home Rule on the English Statute book and approving of his Policy in every particular.

Passed Unanimously

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Mr Boegen proposed that the preparation of the address be left in the hands of the Chairman. This was seconded by Mr Peter Murphy and Unanimously passed.

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The Members Separated

M. Billon.

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Monday 28th September, 1914.

The Special Committee appointed to confer with Mr Colfer, Solicitor, in reference to letter received from Mr W. J. Hearn, Solicitor, on behalf of Mrs Brazil respecting the flooding of her premises consisting of the Chairman of the Council, Mr Sullivan, Mr Peter Murphy, the Surveyor and Clerk waited by appointed on Mr Colfer at his Offices at five o'clock this evening.

Mr Colfer read over the correspondence received from Mrs Brazil in addition to the letter received from Dr Hearn, and having discussed the various aspects of the case with the Committee and examined the Town Surveyor as to the condition of the premises and traps on the night of the alleged flooding, proceeded to inspect the site and traps, adjacent to Mrs Brazils premises. Having done so he proposed to write to Mrs Brazils Solicitor, denying any liability on the part of the Council for the flooding, and suggested that a report should be obtained from Mr. Bergin B.E (after inspecting the place) as to the drainage system, and that he (Mr Colfer) be furnished with certain levels by the Town Surveyor in the Meantime.

The Committee having unanimously agreed to Mr Colfers suggestion, and having authorized the carrying out of it.

The Members Separated.

John Sullivan

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Tuesday 6th October, 1914.

A Meeting of the Council was to be held this evening at 7.30 o'clock, to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854

Mr Sullivan, P., Mr Dunne and Mr Peter Murphy were the only Members that attended.

A Quorum not having assembled

The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 13th October 1914.

Jas Pulleine.

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Monday 12th October, 1914.

A Meeting of the Finance Committee was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock for the purpose of considering the Abstracts of Town & Domestic Water Rate, and Poor Rate, Submitted by the Collector as Uncollectable, as also accounts of Mr Andrew Cullen, and Mr O'Connell referred to them, as well as an application from the Water Inspector for remuneration for Shutting Off water &c for eight days in July during dry period together with the ordinary finance business.

Present Messrs Patrick J. Dunne Presiding
John Murphy South St
John Murphy John St
Peter Murphy

The Town Surveyor and Rate Collector were present, as was also Mr Cullen.

The Committee examined with Mr Cullen, his accounts, but were unable to get him to reduce the one for repairs to house on Bullaun, or to take back and allow for, corrugated iron used in enclosing vacant space adjoining New house at Cock Pit Lane and Bunnean Lane. He agreed however to forego his claim of 15/6 in connection with the case of Fanning -v- Urban Council.

The Committee next examined in detail, with the Collector his abstract of Uncollected Rates, and decided to recommend the Council to cancel Sums of Poor Rate amounting to £30:3:10, and to carry forward £31:2:4 and cancel £34:10:9 of Town Rate, also £1:8:5 of Domestic Water Rate.

The Committee having considered Mr O'Connells application recommended payment of £10 on account, and that the Councils Solicitor be asked to advise whether the Council is liable for the balance.

With regard to Mr Butler's application the Committee were of opinion that the work, for which he claimed extra payment was part of his duty and declined to recommend payment of it.

Having prepared their report copy of which appears on the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council

The Committee Adjourned

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Monday 12th October, 1914.

A Quarterly Meeting of the Council was held this evening at 7. o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898, and other Acts connected therewith.

Present Mesrs Peter Murphy Presiding
Patrick J. Dunne
Peter H. O'gorman
John Murphy John Street
John Murphy South St

The Surveyor was also present.

The Minutes of last Quarterly Meeting were read and signed.

## Surveyor's Quarterly Report

12th October, 1914.

Mr Chairman & Gentlemen,

During the past Quarter, your Streets generally have been maintained in fair condition. Some surface traps have been constructed at various points to prevent flooding. A number of these traps are still required for this purpose. The Contractor (Mr Lynch) has completed his contract for the construction of the concrete footpath on the South side of Cross Lane. Owing to the abnormal expenditure already incurred during the present financial year for various purposes, I do not propose to lay any recommendations for Special Works before you on the present occasion.

Jas Shortall
Town Surveyor

The question of constructing a concrete channel at east side of John St, adjourned from last Meeting, was briefly considered, and further adjourned.

Proposed by Mr Murphy John St and Seconded by Mr O'gorman
"That the Quarterly report of the Surveyor be adopted."

Passed Unanimously

The Meeting Adjourned to Monday 11th January, 1915.

Patrick J. Dunne

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Tuesday 13th October, 1914.

An adjourned Meeting of the Councie was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock, to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, consider a proposal of Messrs W. & T. Avery Ltd to keep the weighbridges in repair for a fixed sum annually, and elect five members of a New Scheme Attendance Committee.

Present Messrs John O'Sullivan J.P. Presiding
Peter O'Gorman
Patrick J. Dunne
Peter Murphy

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by The Chairman and Messrs O'gorman & Dunne, and the following Paying Orders were directed to be issued viz:-
No 119, Dr O'Regan £12, No 120 Dr O'Regan £1:17:0, No 121 Parnell Quarries Ltd £30:8:6, No 122, Messrs Graves & Co £12:12:6, No 123 Treasurer L.G. Board £6:6:0, No 124 Messrs James Power & Co £6:0:4, No 125 Mrs P. Tierney £11:15:0, No 126 John J. Browne £21:16:4, No 127 John J. Browne £35:5:9, No 128 John J. Browne £2:18:6, No 129 John J. Browne £1:16:7 No 130 McGinn £11:5:0, No 131 McGinn £6:5:0, No 132 McGinn £1:17:6, No 133 Mrs Hennessy £2:15:0, No 134 Patrick Blake £39:8:7, No 135 Messrs W. & T. Avery £8:9:7, No 136 H.K. Hamilton £1:5:6, No 137 Stilgenberg Patent File Co 11/1, No 138 John Doyle £9:3:11, No 139 A.C. French 13/6, No 140 Mrs B.J. Dunne £2:11:0, No 141 Hibernian Fire & General Insurance Co £2:10:6, No 142 James J. Shortall £4:6:8, No 143 Technical Instruction Committee £16:10:0, No 144 Cashiers Bank of Ireland £440:17:5, No 145 Same £29:19:8, No 146 Same £139:8:10, No 147 Same £36:5:11, No 148 Andrew Cullen £5:12:11 No 149 Andrew Cullen £17:15:4, No 150 A O'M. Lovell £10 No 3 Loans A/c, No 151 McGinn £31:0:5.

A Dividend Warrant for £10:6:7 Net, being one quarters interest on £1762:11:0 consolidated Stock @ 2½% was received and ordered to be lodged to the credit of the Council, as was also a Paying Order for £18:13:1, Probate Duty, received from Local Government Board.

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## Correspondence

A circular letter, dated 23rd Ultimo, was received from the L.G. Board, enclosing a New Order, dated 11th Sept 1914, altering, as respects the appointment of personating Agents, the Election Order of 1898. Ordered

That it be referred to the Returning Officer.

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Letter from the Chairman of the Wexford County Council, dated 3rd Inst, enclosing circulars received from the L.G. Board, respecting the appointment of a Local Distress Committee for Wexford County, in connection with the National Relief Fund, and stating that he considered there should be a representative of the New Ross Urban Council on the Committee.

As a Local Distress Committee had already been appointed for the Urban District, the Council decided not to appoint a representative on the proposed Committee.

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Tenders were received for heaps of manure at Town Wall from Wm Gannon who offered 2/3, John Ryan Red House who offered 2/-, and Patrick Kearney Maudlin who offered 2/5, and on the proposal of Mr Dunne, Seconded by Mr O'Gorman the tender of John Ryan at 2/3 was accepted.

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Thomas Shea Millbanks tendered to purchase heaps of manure in yards on Quay, the one inside gate on left at 12/-, and it was,

Ordered

That Mr Sheas tender be accepted.

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Letter from Mr W.J. Strickland, Hon Secretary of the Antiquarian Section of the Civic Exhibition, dated 25th Ult, enclosing Postal Order for 3/- being carriage on Maces, and thanking the Council for having lent them, and the Charter of King James, for Exhibition. No Order Made.

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Letter from Thos Southwell, dated 5th Inst, asking to have a New range fitted in the house occupied by him, and he will pay whatever is customary for it. He also wants to have the casings

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of the window cords, and the fastenings of the windows re-paired. Ordered

That this application be referred to the Surveyor for report as to whether a New range is required in it.

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Letter from McHearn Son, dated 5th Inst, drawing attention to a statement made by Mr Fanning at a Meeting of the Council held on the 25th Ult to the effect that many a range was got at John S. Hearn's, and many a pound he got, and calling on the Clerk to contradict it, failing which they will be obliged to take such action as they may be advised.

After some discussion the Clerk stated that Messrs Hearn never received an Order from the Council for ranges or anything else, and there was No Order Made on the letter.

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Letter from the Secretary of the Harbour Board, dated 7th Inst, intimating that the Commissioners will receive the deputation, appointed by the Council to confer with the Board respecting the boundary between that portion of the Quay owned respectively by the Urban Council and the Harbour Commissioners, at their next Meeting on Wednesday 4th November 1914.

Ordered

That the Members of the Deputation be reminded of this in due course.

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A copy of a resolution passed by the Arklow Urban Council asking the D & S Em Railway Co to alter the time of departure of the last train from Harcourt Street to Wexford to 6.5 o'clock P.M, was received for adoption, but the Meeting decided Not to take any action upon it as it did Not effect Newtons in any way.

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John Doyle tendered to supply one dozen of fine brushes @ 22/- and one dozen of coarse brushes at 27/-, and submitted samples, but the Meeting did Not consider the sample submitted, suitable, and Ordered that advertisements be issued again inviting tenders for the supply of One dozen of each, three brushes to be Ordered in the meantime, for the immediate requirements of the workmen.

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At this stage a discussion took place respecting the purchase of hay and oats in small quantities, and it was Ordered that advertisements be issued inviting tenders for the supply of 30 barrels of Oats and 7 tons of hay, same to be considered at next Meeting of the Council.

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John Smith Houghton Place wrote under date 6th inst. Offering a helment, Belt and hatchet for use by the Fire Brigade at 15/-, but the Meeting decided to purchase same.

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The following report of the Finance Committee was read :-

12th October, 1914.

Your finance Committee met this evening at 7.30 o'clock, for the purpose of considering the Abstracts of town and Domestic Water Rate and Poor Rate, submitted by the Collector as Un-collected, as also accounts of Mr Andrew Cullen, and Mr Lovell, referred to us, as well as an application from the Water Inspector for remuneration for shutting off water &c, for eight days in July during dry period, together with the ordinary accounts submitted by the Clerk. The Town Surveyor and Rate Collector were present, as was also Mr Cullen. Your Committee had a long discussion with Mr Cullen respecting his account for erecting hoarding to enclose vacant space adjoining New houses at Cock Pit Lane. It was suggested that he should allow the Council to return corrugated iron, wooden paling, &c, he to give credit for same, but he would not agree to this proposal. He stated however that if the Council could give over the hoarding immediately he would accept return, allowing fair value for it, but this of course, cannot be done, as, if it was, the rere of the yards of the houses, and passage between, would be placed in the exposed position so objectionable before the erection of the hoarding. Mr Cullen undertook to forego his claim of 15/- in connection with the case of Fanning -v- Urban Council. With regards to account of Mr O'Lovell we recommend that he be paid £10 on a/c, and that the Council's Solicitors be asked to advise whether the Council are liable for items of £12:12:0 and £8:8:0, included in the account furnished by him.. In view of the letter received from your

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Solicitors we recommend that Mr Fitzpatrick be paid his bill of £95:13:0, being amount of his account for extras ordered by the Engineer and certified by the latter as due to the Contractor. Your Committee cannot recommend payment of the Water Inspectors claim, as we consider the work performed by him part of his duty as Water Inspector. We examined very minutely the Abstracts of Uncollectable rates submitted by the Collector, and recommend that sums of Poor Rate amounting to £20:3:10 be cancelled, and of Town & Domestic Water Rate, amounting to £31:18:0 be cancelled and £31:2:4 carried forward for collection to next half-year. We also examined a number of Bills and recommend payment of the following. (See list at commencement of Minutes).

(Signed) P. Murphy, Patrick Dunne, J. Murphy, J. Murphy.

A discussion took place respecting the payment of the amount £95:13:0, recommended to be paid to Mr Fitzpatrick by the Committee, particulars of which appear on the Sanitary Minutes.

Proposed by Mr Gorman and
Seconded by the Chairman

That the report of the Finance Committee be adopted and the Sums of Poor Rate amounting to £30:3:10, of Town Rate £37:10:9, and Domestic Water Rate £1:8:5 be cancelled, and £31:2:4 of Town Rate carried forward for collection, also that the payments recommended by the Committee be made.

Passed Unanimously.

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Letter from Mrs McMoran, dated 6th Inst, asking the Council to have the trap in Maiden Lane outside her premises examined, as they find that for some time the wall about opposite the trap is always wet and is smelling badly.

Ordered

That the Surveyor inspect the trap and report upon its condition to Next Meeting.

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The Meeting next proceeded to elect their portion of the Schools Attendance Committee for the Urban District for the three years, commencing on the 1st January 1915, and it was,

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Proposed by The Chairman and
Seconded by Mr O'gorman and Resolved

That the following be appointed Members of the School Attendance Committee of the Urban District for three years from 1st January 1915 viz:- Very Rev Dean Kavanagh P.P. Rev Thos Quigley C.C. Rev Dr Gibson, Messrs George Moran and Patrick J. Dunne.

Passed Unanimously

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The Clerk submitted the Agreement & Bonds of houses let to Laurence Harney and Mr Southwell to be sealed and it was,
Proposed by Mr O'gorman and
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy

That these Bonds and Agreements be sealed.

Passed Unanimously.

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In pursuance of the foregoing resolution they were duly sealed.

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The Meeting proceeded to consider the application of Mrs Boyd, dated 29th May 1914, for a renewal of the lease of Plot of ground at William Street, Hawkins, upon which four houses are built, and after some discussion during which the report of the Surveyor respecting the state of repair of these houses was referred to, the following resolution was,
Proposed by Mr Dunne and
Seconded by The Chairman, and declared Passed by him.

That Mrs Boyd be granted a renewal of the lease of Plot of ground at Wm Street, upon which four houses are built, for a period of thirty-five years on condition that she expends a sum of £30 in improving the houses to the satisfaction of the Council.

Passed Unanimously.

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## Surveyor's Report

6th October 1914.

I visited your vacant house No 8 Houghton Terrace, as directed. I Noticed that a section of the ceiling plaster 4'x0" x 3'x 0", in back

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bedroom had fallen down. Mr Cullen has undertaken to repair this. The wall paper in the front room was torn off and some colouring on the kitchen wall disfigured. No appreciable damage was done to the plaster of walls except that caused by driving in picture rails &c. I Met Mr Cowper with your Special Committee as directed and furnished him with the levels &c. asked for. (vide Committees report). The Surface traps in Ceras Lane and Wm Street, have been constructed as Ordered. A small surface trap is also required at the West end of the New footpath in Ceras Lane, at the Church gate entrance.

The Clerk stated that Mr Cullen had got the key of vacant house in the Office for the purpose of repairing the ceiling of it, and had informed him that he would re-ceil such portion of it as required to be received.

No Order Made this being considered satisfactory

It was decided to defer the construction of the Surface trap at end of footpath at Ceras Lane, recommended in the report.

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The proposal of Messrs Avery for keeping weighing machine on Quay in repair by Contract was considered, and it was decided to furnish particulars respecting machine at Inishtown to them, with a view to having both included in the Contract.

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The foreman applied for a suit of oil clothes for Michael Flynn, the New workmen, and also drew attention to the necessity for the removal of the horses from grass at Oaklands, as the weather is becoming severe.

Proposed by Mr Gorman And
Seconded by Mr Dunne

That Michael Flynn be supplied with a suit of oil clothes.

Passed Unanimously.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 27th October, 1914

Patrick Power

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Tuesday 27th October, 1914.

A Meeting of the Dewkiss Urban Council was held this day at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Present Messrs Patrick J. Dunne Presiding
Peter H. O'Gorman
Peter Murphy
Michael Sheehan

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read and signed.

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The Treasurers Authority for Making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs O'Gorman & Sheehan and the following Paying Order was directed to be issued viz:- No 152 Petty Cash £18:13:0.

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The Clerk stated that the Foreman was ill for portion of the past week, and asked whether he would be paid for the full week, as he could not claim National Health Insurance for the first three days.

After a short discussion it was Ordered that he be paid, and also that Thomas Freeman one of the Councils workmen, be paid for three days he was ill.

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A discussion arose as to who would have charge of the Men during the temporary illness of the Foreman and the Clerk pointed out that about a year ago an order was made directing the Surveyor to take charge of them under such circumstances. It was now,

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Peter O'Gorman

That in the case of the illness of the Foreman at any time, the Surveyor take charge of, and give the necessary directions to the workmen during such illness.

Passed Unanimously.

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It was also Ordered that in future whenever the Foreman is ill he Notify the Clerk of same so that arrangements May be made

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for the direction and supervision of the workmen.

Correspondence

Letter from Messrs Wolfe & Son, Solicitors, dated 24th Inst, stating that before advising definitely as to taking possession of house lately occupied by John Connick, they wish to know whether it is the intention of the Council to take proceedings against Mr Doyle for dilapidation of the premises during the currency of the Lease.

Ordered

That the Surveyor report to the Council at Next Meeting the condition of the house, and that possession be taken up in the Mean-time.

Letter from Messrs Wolfe & Son dated 22nd October, stating that they had been considering the Matter of the Urban rates again and have examined the Rate Books, and think they would be safer to avail them-selves of the permission given by the Council to obtain Counsels opinion, and they have accordingly prepared case for Counsel. They wish to be sure whether any alterations have been made in the Valuation lists since 1911.

The Clerk stated he had given the Solicitors the Necessary information and there was No Order Made upon the letter.

Letter from Secretary County Council, dated 19th Inst acknowledg-ing receipt of the Councils letter relative to representation on the pro-posed County Distress Committee.

No Order Made.

Letter from Mrs Hunt, Quay, dated 20th Inst, stating that the Stop-cocks supplied instead of the ones she tendered to supply, and which were not suitable, would be 1/9 each.

Proposed by Mr Gorman and Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy

That the Stop-cocks at 1/9 each be accepted.

Passed Unanimously.

An application was received from Michael Moyler for a house at Bunneen Lane about to become vacant, but the Meeting decided

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Not to let the house until they obtain possession of it.

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Letter from Timothy Doran dated 27th Inst. informing the Council that the weighbridge on Quay is Not in proper working order, and should be put right before any complaints are made about it.

The Meeting expressed surprise that it should be out of order so soon after being repaired by Messrs Avery, and Ordered that the Latter be written to, and informed that the Council are very much surprised that the Machine should have gone out of order so soon after it was repaired by them, and that they are of opinion it should be put right by Messrs Avery at once.

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Letter from Jas Steacy Fair Gate, drawing attention to the con-dition of the wall at end of his house. He has done his best to build it several times, but he cannot do any more with it. He hopes the Council will have it repaired.

Ordered

That the Surveyor inspect and report upon it to Next Meeting.

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Tenders were received for the supply of two dozen of brushes from Mrs Hunt Quay, Mrs Hennessy South St, & John Doyle North St. The several samples were examined and on the proposal of Mr Peter Murphy, seconded by Mr Ozorman the tender of Mrs Hennessy South St, to supply one dozen similar to sample No 2 @ 28/- per doz, and one doz same as No 3 @ 30/- per dozen was unanimously accepted.

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The tender of John Doyle North St to supply one coil of lead piping ½" alloyed with 5% of tin @ 31/6 was accepted, Mrs Hennessy's quotation for same being 49/6.

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Letter from Messrs Ledger & Son dated 27th Inst, returning original lease dated 12th May 1883, from the Town Commissioners to Mrs Mary Doyle.

No Order Made.

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A tender was received from Mr John Byrne Bawnmeen of 14/- for one heap of manure and it was Ordered to be accepted provided the manure was unsued.

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A communication was received from the Royal Humane Society, enclosing two certificates on vellum for presentation to Patrick Rossiter Senr and Patrick Rossiter Junr, in recognition of their bravery in saving the lives of two girls from drowning in the river Barrow recently. The Society asked to have the presentation made in as public a manner as possible, and decided to invite both to attend the Next Meeting of the Council for the purpose of receiving them.

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There was No tender received for the Supply of Hay & Oats.

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## Surveyor's Report

I beg to report that water supplies have been laid on to house in occupation of Mrs Leary Bridge St and to the Military Barracks Wachael St. A leak in the water main at Ballyanne was repaired on the 12th Inst. The general water supply is now satisfactory. I in-spected the surface trap in Maiden Lane as Ordered. Water appears to be percolating through the surface of the Water table adjoining trap into Mrs M. J. Moran's premises. A remedy would be to concrete this part of the water table. Estimated cost 1/-. Whilst speaking to Mr Murphy M. C. about this subject he suggested that the water table might be piped, and the existing surface trap re constructed nearer to the N. W corner of Maiden Lane. This would also be an effective remedy and would also catch the surface water from the roof of M. J. Moran's premises which presently passes down Bridge Street. Estimated cost £3:19:0. I inspected house in occupation of Thomas Southwell. The existing cooking range is of very little use. Minor repairs are required to the internal plaster and window sashes &c.

Jas J Shortall C. S.

Proposed by The Chairman and
Seconded by Mr Gorman Murphy

That the recommendation of the Surveyor in reference to concreting of water table outside premises of M. J. Moran be adopted, and the work carried out by him.

Passed Unanimously.

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Proposed by The Chairman and
Seconded by Mr Ogorman

That a Special range be fixed in house occupied by Mr Southwell, Wm St. one of the Councils tenants on condition that he pay the difference (22/6) between it and an ordinary range, and give an undertaking that he will have no claim upon it in the event of him ceasing to occupy the house.

Passed Unanimously

It was Ordered that the minor repairs be also carried out.

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The Street Inspector reported that a Number of persons were obstructing the Streets and footpaths by placing boxes and Machinery outside their premises, but the Meeting decided not to take any action respecting same.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 10th November, 1914.

Timothy
10/10/14

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Monday 2nd November, 1914.

A Monthly Meeting of the Council was to be held this day at 12 o'clock Noon to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

No Member attended

A Quorum not having assembled.

The Meeting Adjourned

Monday 9th November, 1914.

A Meeting of the Finance Committee was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business of the Committee and consider letter received from L.G. Board relative to rates cancelled by the Council.

Present Messrs Peter Murphy
Patrick J. Dunne
John Murphy South St

The Committee examined a number of bills submitted by the Clerk and recommended payment of the following. (See list at commencement of Minutes). They also prepared a report of which the following is a copy :-
Your Committee are satisfied that the items respecting vacant houses referred to in the letter of the L.G. Board dated 27th October are uncoverable, the premises being vacant for the half year.

The Committee Adjourned.

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Tuesday 10th November 1914.

A Meeting of the Newross Urban Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and make arrangements for letting of house at Mary Street, lately occupied by Mr Connick, and which has been surrendered to the Council.

Present Messrs John Murphy South St Presiding
Joseph Brewer
Michael Sheehan
Patrick J. Dunne
Peter Murphy
Aidan P. Bolger
Peter H. Gorman
Dr M. Walsh.

The Minutes of previous Meetings were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by The Chairman and Messrs Sheehan and Peter Murphy, and the following Paying Orders were directed to be issued viz:-
No 153 John J. Browne £36:12:6, No 154 John J. Browne £31:2:4, No 155 John J Browne £19:10:5, No 156 John J. Browne £3:0:3, No 157 John J. Browne £1:3:2, No 158 M.J. Finn £11:5:0, No 159 M.J. Finn £2:3:2, No 160 Dr J. A. Hickey £7:10:0, No 161 Messrs Hartnett Ltd £29:19:11, No 162 John Murphy £2:10:0, No 163 Messrs Moran Bros £9:6:2, No 164 Secretary School Attendance committee £8:10:10, No 165 Richard Malone £10:0:0, No 166 James J. Shortall £4:6:8, No 167 M.J. Finn £20:8:0, No 168 Jeremiah Fitzpatrick £95:13:0 (No 4 Loans A/c).

Immediatly after the Chairman had taken the Chair, the honorary certificates of the Royal Humane Society were presented by him on behalf of the Society to Messrs Patrick Rossiter Senr and Patrick Rossiter Junr of Ross Lane Newross, in recognition of their gallantry in saving the lives of two children who fell into the river sometime ago, and were in imminent danger of being lost when both plunged into the river and rescued them.

The Messrs Rossiter suitably thanked the Council for their effort in obtaining the certificates from the Society for them.

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## Correspondence

Letter from L.G. Board, dated 24th October, No 55,889/1914, returning the list of Arrears of rate in the Urban District of Newtoss for the period ended 30th Sept last, and stating that the rulings of the Board are stamped thereon, but they have been given on the assumption that the information contained in the several lists is in all respects accurate.

The Board also pointed out that items respecting vacant houses appearing in the Arrear lists for the half year ended the 30th September, should not be struck off as irrecoverable, except where the houses in question were vacant at the time the rate was made and remained unoccupied throughout the whole of the period claimed for.

In conjunction with this letter the following extract from the report of the Finance Committee was read:- "Your Committee are satisfied that the items respecting vacant houses refered to in the Letter of the L.G. Board, dated 24th October are irrecoverable the premises being vacant for the half year."

The payments recommended by the Finance Committee were also read, after which it was,

Proposed by Mr Bolger and
Seconded by Mr Sheehan

That the report of the Finance Committee be adopted.

Passed Unanimously.

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Tenders were received from Messrs Wm Gannon Arnestown and Wm Byrne Leamlara, the former offered 26/- and the latter 28/- for one heap of manure at Town Wall, but as there was not a heap ready for sale at present, neither was accepted.

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Tenders were received from Messrs Avery Ltd for the upkeep of the weighbridges at Irishtown and the one on the Quay, as well as a letter dated 5th Inst, stating (in reply to one addressed to them pointing out that the Council are very much surprised that the one on the Quay should have gone out of repair so soon after being repaired by their Mechanic) that they will have a fitter in Wexford in the course of about a fortnight and they will instruct him to call, and if the machine is gone wrong through any fault of theirs, they will put it right free, but if it is out of order through bad usage they will have to charge it up to the Council.

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Letter from the Secretary of the Harbour Board, dated 5th Inst, stating that at a Meeting of the Board held on previous day, a deputation of the Council, consisting of Mr A. P. Bolger and the Surveyor, attended, and submitted an Ordnance Sheet, showing a boundary line dividing that portion of the Quay owned by the Harbour Commissioners from that owned by the Council, when the following resolution was adopted by the Commissioners viz:-

"That the boundaries as defined on ordnance Survey Map be adopted without prejudice, Council to lodge duplicate with Harbour Commissioners."

Proposed by Mr Bolger And
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy

That one or two ordnance sheets be purchased, the latter if necessary, and the boundary be marked on same by the Town Surveyor, the sheets to be then lodged with the Secretary of the Harbour Board.

Passed Unanimously.

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A Notification was received from the Imperial Accident Insurance Co Ltd, dated 5th Inst, Notifying the expiration of the Policy covering the Councils horses on the 16th Inst, and if a renewal is desired a new proposal should be forwarded immediately. Ordered

That the policy be renewed at once.

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A resolution, for adoption, was received from the Town Clerk of Carlow, asking the Members of both Irish parties, and the Government, to forthwith introduce an Amending Bill to the Local Government Act, making the landlords liable for rates on all premises valued at £4 and under, and it was decided by a majority, to defer the consideration of it to next Meeting, the Members to receive Notice of its intended consideration in the Meantime.

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Mr Dunne drew attention to the present practice of purchasing hay and Oats, for the horses in small quantities, and suggested that some means should be taken, to store a quantity of these, but it was pointed out. that when the Council advertised for a Supply of both, the

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tender was received.

The Clerk stated that before ordering Oats he now ascertains the price from those in the trade, and gives the order to the lowest, and this was approved of, and the Meeting was unanemously of opinion the Council could not do better.

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Letter from Thos Southwell, dated 3rd November, agreeing to pay 22/6, being portion of cost of New range, and stating that he would have no claim upon it in the event of him leaving the house.
No Order Made it having been dealt with at previous Meeting.

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The Clerk reported that the weighmaster called to the Office and stated that the weighing Machine on the Quay was weighing very inaccurately, and in some instances the lever would not act at all. He directed him to discontinue using it until it would be put right, and this was approved of.

A long discussion took place respecting the advisability of having it repaired again, many Members being of opinion that it was Merely a waste of Money to do so, as the Machine was worn out. Eventually it was:-
Proposed by Mr Dunne And
Seconded by Dr Walsh

That the Council consider at their Next Meeting, the advisability of replacing the weighing Machine on the Quay by a New one, the Members to be Notified of this, and quotations for the Supply of one obtained in the Mean-time.

Passed Unanimously.

Ordered

That the consideration of entering into a contract for keeping Machine at Irishtown in repair be deferred.

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Letter from M. J. Moran, John St, dated 30th Ult, asking the Clerk to draw the attention of the Council to her previous letter, complaining of the trap in Maiden Lane, as the matter is of some importance.

The Surveyor in reply to the Chairman stated that he was unable since last Meeting to have the Channel cemented as then Ordered, as he could not get a Mason, but he expected to be able to get one in a day or two, when he will have the matter attended to.

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Ordered

That Mrs Moran be informed the matter will be promptly attended to by the Surveyor.

Applications were received for the vacant house at Abbey Weir Terrace lately occupied by Patrick Nolan, from Laurence McGuinness 6 Pit Lane, Daniel Rochotham Quay St, and John Walsh Bewley St.

Walsh was proposed by Mr Bolger and seconded by Mr Dunne
McGuinness was proposed by Mr Brewer & seconded by Mr Murphy
On a Poll being taken the following voted'
For Walsh :- Messrs Dunne, Sheehan, Bolger & the Chairman
For McGuinness :- Messrs Brewer, Gorman, Murphy & Walsh .

The voting being equal the Chairman gave his casting vote in favour of John Walsh and declared him elected tenant.

The Town Surveyor reported that he visited the Councils house and property in Drary St. (recently occupied by John Connick). There appeared to be no wanton damage done to any of the property. The property, generally, is in a fair state of repair, but portion of the roof of dwelling house at the West side, requires to be repaired immediately.
Proposed by Mr Bolger and
Seconded by Mr Sheehan

That possession of the house be taken over from Mr Doyle and that the Surveyor have the necessary repairs carried out to the roof of it.

Passed Unanimously.

The Clerk pointed out that the Members had been summoned to make arrangements for the letting of this house, and field adjoining, and suggested that the rent of same be fixed. Some Members however thought that tenders should be invited for it, and it was eventually
Proposed by Mr Bolger and
Seconded by Mr Dunne

That proposals be invited for the tenancy of the house and field adjoining on a yearly.

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tenancy same to be considered at next Meeting, security to be given for the due payment of the rent.

Passed Unanimously.

Mr Dunne inquired the cost of all the repairs recently carried out on the councils houses, and it was Ordered that the Clerk furnish same to next Meeting if possible.

## Town Surveyor's Report.

I estimate the cost of repairs to wall of premises in occupation of Mrs Stacey Fair Gate to be 15/. I Notice that some glass of front windows of houses in occupation of T. Leahy & Mrs Broaders Wm Street, and houses Nos 3 & 6 Bunnacurr Lane is broken. The Council recently decided that such repairs should be carried out by the occupants. Neglect of this matter will have the effect of damaging the window sashes. I Notice also in some of your houses that the occupants damage the internal plaster by making numerous nail holes therein. This matter should be attended to.

I am preparing copy of Plans & Estimates &c for proposed new houses in Back Rt Lane, for L. J. Board.

James J Shortall
Town Surveyor.

Proposed by Mr Dunne And
Seconded by Dr Walsh

That the repairs to Staceys house be carried out by the Surveyor and that the tenants be directed to have the glass re-fixed in the windows in which it was broken

Passed Unanimously.

The Collector reported under date the 10th inst that all the weekly tenants are doing fairly well with the exception of John O'Neill, Wm Street whom he cannot get to reduce his rent which now amounts to £1:1:3. Elizabeth Lotton for whom Mrs Lear is surety, owes 13/. and is out of possession for over three months.

He also in his Report Book, reported about the broken glass

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referred to by the Surveyor in his report. After a short discussion it was
Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy And
Seconded by Mr Dunne

That the Councils Solicitor be instructed to take up possession of the house occupied by John Oneill Wm Street.

Passed Unanimously

In pursuance of this resolution the Clerk prepared the form of Notice to Quit and in reference to it the following resolution was :-
Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy And
Seconded by Mr Brewer

That the Notice to Quit in the case of John Oneill be signed by the Chairman and two Members of the Council and sealed and countersigned by the Clerk.

Passed Unanimously

The Notice to Quit was duly signed & sealed.

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The Clerk drew attention to the very dilapidated condition of the walls of the inner Office and asked to have them repaired, and also to have the New press and the New portion of the floor stained and varnished.

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The following application was received from the Surveyor :-

New Ross

10th November 1914

Mr Chairman & Gentlemen,

I beg to apply for an increase of salary. I am now six years Town Surveyor and during that time I have not asked for any increase. During my tenure of Office a good deal of necessary local improvements have been economically carried out and I have given my time to the interests of the Council, irrespective of re-muneration, and have never made any claims for ex-penses or overtime. I feel confident that my application will meet with your kind and generous consideration.

Your Obedient Servant
James J. Shortall.

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Proposed by Mr Dunne and
Seconded by Dr Walsh

That the Town Surveyors application for an in-
-crease of Salary be considered at next Meeting, the Members of the
Council to receive Notice of Same in the Meantime.

Passed Unanimously.

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The Street Inspector reported that several persons had Obstructions on the Streets outside their premises. The Daily Scavenging was carried out as usual.

No Order Made.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 24th November, 1914.

Thos Foley

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Tuesday 24th November, 1914.

A Meeting of the New Ross Urban Council was held this evening at 7.30 O'clock, to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, consider proposals for tenancy of house and field at top of Mary Street, lately in occupation of John Connick; copy of resolution received from Clarecw Urban District Council calling on the Government to introduce an amending Bill to Local Government Act of 1898, making the landlords liable for all rates on premises valued at £4, and under, also an application from the Town Surveyor for an increase in his salary, as well as the advisability of purchasing a new weighing machine to replace one on Quay, which has become unfit for use.

Present Mess^rs John Murphy (South St) Presiding
Peter Murphy
Adam P. Bolger
Joseph Brewer
Peter H. Gorman

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read and signed.

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The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by The Chairman and Mess^rs Bolger & P. Murphy and the following Paying Order was directed to be issued viz:- No 169 Mr J Finn £23:14:8, Petty Cash.

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## Correspondence

Letter from Mess^rs Wolfer & Son, Solicitors, dated 12th Inst, acknowledging receipt of the Councils letter of the 11th instructing them to take proceedings to obtain possession of the house occupied by John O'neill at Wm Street, and stating that it would have attention

No Order Made.

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Letter from John O'neill, baker, dated 24th Inst, enclosing one pound on a/c of rent due by him, expressing regret for the trouble given the Council, which was due to his being laid up in Hospital, and to two of his boys having gone away. He

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Offered Mr James Power South St as his Surety instead of Michl Hendrick.
Proposed by Mr Bolger and
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy

That the proceedings instituted in this case for obtaining possession of the house occupied by John Oneill be discontinued provided Mr Power becomes Surety for John Oneill.

Passed Unanimously

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A tender dated 24th inst was received from Laurence Nolan, Leamlein, for one heap of manure in yard on Quay, and one dated 23rd inst of £1:13:0 from Wm Byrne, Leamlein for heap of manure at Council's Depot at Town Wall, and on the proposal of Mr Peter Murphy Seconded by Mr Brewer, both were accepted as was also a proposal of Mrs Aselford of Castlehyde dated 12th November 1914. to pay 20/- for manure collected on the Upper and Lower Road from Ravercon to Castlehyde Cross, for one year from 1st December last.

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The Clerk Submitted the Agreement & Bond of John Walsh of Bewley St, relative to the tenancy of the house at Bunneen Lane which had been duly signed and sealed by him And on the proposal of the Chairman, Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy the Seal of the Council was affixed to it.

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The resolution received from the Caslow Urban Council for adoption by this Council respecting the payment of rates by all Landlords, on property valued at £4, and under, the consideration of which was adjourned from last Meeting, was now considered, and after a short discussion it was decided Not to take any action upon it.

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The Foreman reported, under date 24th inst, that there are now two heaps of manure at Town Wall Depot, and one in yard on Quay ready for sale. Eleven ashpits were cleaned since last Meeting. He also applied for a suit of oil clothes for Thos Freeman.
Ordered
That a suit of oil clothes be purchased for Thos Freeman.

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The Street Inspector reported that a Number of traders had Obstructions on the Streets, outside their premises each day Since last Meeting, and also that the daily Scavenging was carried out as usual.

Ordered

That in future the Street Inspector Specify in his report the Nature of the Obstruction or the class of articles placed on the Streets by traders.

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The Shops Act Inspector reported that he visited the different Traders Shops which remain open, on the particular days Specified for their Assistants half holiday and found the latter having their holidays. Mr Kavanagh has Not yet exhibited Form B, in his licensed premises, as prescribed by the Act, but he has promised to do so. On the 10th Inst he visited the Shop of Mrs Doyle, North St. (which was closed at one P.M.) at 5.30 p.m. and found her Assistant Mrs Brennan working in the Shop. When asked for an explanation Mrs Doyle stated that she was too busy and could Not possibly give the half holiday this week. The above statement was also given him on the 12th, 13th & 14th Inst.

After a short discussion it was

Ordered

That Mrs Doyles attention be directed to the matter, and She be informed the Council must insist on her Assistants having their half holiday as prescribed by the Shops Act, 1912.

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## Surveyor's Report

24th November, 1914.

I beg to report that the new kitchen range has been erected in your house in occupation of Wm Southwell, as ordered. The wall of premises in occupation of Mrs Stacey, Fair Gate, has been repaired and portions of water channels in Maiden Lane and on Quay have been repaired as directed. I recently purchased a quantity of deals at a local auction for 8/6 which are presently required. I notice that some glass is broken in front window of your house No1. Tolly House Lane. The plaster of front wall of house in occupation of Mr O'Dea, South St, is dangerous to the public. The boundary wall of the Sisters of Mercy grounds, little Michael St, is also in a dangerous condition. Some of the occupants of houses in Upper John St, complain of the ill effects of coal gas finding its way into

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their premises through the drains from the gas main. I am aware that a section of the gas main in this locality is very defective and also very near the road surface and the Gas Co's workmen are frequently excavating for leakage there. The only effect remedy is that this section of the gas main should be renewed and relaid at sufficient depth. I understand that the Gas Co are contemplating carrying out this work. The Wexford County Council are presently steam rolling portion of the roadway in Ballyanne under which the water main is laid.

Ordered

That the purchase of the deals by the Surveyor on behalf of the Council be approved of and that the persons from whom they were purchased (Mr Fitzpatrick) be paid the amount when he furnishes the account for same.

That the occupier of the house at Folly Ho Lane, be directed to have the glass put in, in the front windows of the house.

That the Surveyor serve the usual Statutory Notice on the owners of the dangerous walls referred to in his report.

No Orders Made on the other matters referred to in his report.

## Letting of House and Field at Runnery Lane.

The following proposals were received for the tenancy of the house and field at Runnery Lane lately occupied by John Connick which have been duly advertised as follows:-

House & Field to Let.

The New Ross Urban District Council will, at their meeting to be held on Tuesday, 24th November 1914 receive proposals for the letting, on a yearly tenancy, of the House and Field, situate at Runnery Lane (top of Mary St) New Ross, lately in the occupation of Mr John Connick. Each proposal should state the annual rent which the proposer is willing to pay for same. Security for the due payment of the rent will be required, and the names of the Sureties should be mentioned in the proposal.

M. J. Finn
Clerk to the Council.

Urban Council Office, New Ross
14th November, 1914.

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Irishtown
21st November, 1914.

Dear Sir,

I hereby offer you the sum of £10 per year for house and field at Nunnery Lane, Newtross, (lately occupied by John Connick, and same as my security, Wm. Gantley, Quay, or if you consider letting the field seperately. I hereby offer you for it the sum of £4 per year.

Yours truly
Michael Corcoran

Wexford County Council
Court House, Wexford.
21st November, 1914.

Dear Mr Finn,

My County Council offer your Urban Council for premises at Nunnery Lane Newtross £16 pr house without field and £18 for house and field. It is intended to utilise the premises as a Tuberculosis Dispensary. If you require sureties on behalf of the County Council I offer you the name of the Chairman (Mr John Bolger J.P.) and my own. I may add that the Tuberculosis Scheme of my County Council so far as Newtross Urban District has been practically a "dead" letter owing to the difficulty of securing suitable premises for a Dispensary.

Yours faithfully
N J Brizelle
Secretary.

P.S. It is assumed that the premises will be in good condition and repair before being taken over by my Council. N.J.B.

After a short discussion the following resolution was:-
Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy
Seconded by Mr P. A. O'Gorman, And Resolved.

That the Wexford County Council be accepted as yearly tenants of the house and field at Nunnery Lane at an Annual rent of Eighteen pounds, the tenancy to commence on 1st December, 1914.

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## Town Surveyor's Salary Increased.

The consideration of the Town Surveyors application for an increase in his salary, which had been adjourned from last Meeting that the Members might ~~receive~~ receive Notice of its intended consideration, was taken up, and after a short discussion, the following resolution was :-

Proposed by Mr Breger and
Seconded by Mr O'Gorman

That the salary of the Town Surveyor be from Now increased to the sum of eighty pounds with an Annual increment of five pounds per year until a maximum of One hundred pounds be reached.

Passed Unanimously.

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The advisability of purchasing a New cart weighbridge for erection on the Quay instead of the old one at present in use there, which has become worn out, and cannot be used owing to its unreliability, was considered very fully, and in reference to the matter the following resolution was

Proposed by The Chairman and
Seconded by Mr Brewer viz:-

That a New cart weighbridge be purchased by the Council and erected on the Quay instead of the old one at present there.

Passed Unanimously

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Proposed by Mr Breger and
Seconded by Mr Brewer

That advertisements for same be inserted in "Freemans Journal" and "Irish Times", tenders to be considered at next Meeting of the Council.

Passed Unanimously.

The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 8th December 1914.

M. O'Sullivan.

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Monday 7th December, 1914.

A Monthly Meeting of the Council was to be held this day at 12 oclock Noon to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

No Member of the Council attended.

A Quorum not having assembled

The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 8th December 1914.

Tuesday 8th December, 1914.

A Meeting of the Finance Committee was held this evening at 6.45 oclock to transact business of the Committee for the Finance Meeting of the Council.

Present Messrs Peter O'Murphy
Patrick J. Dunne

Letter from Mr Blake stating that Mr Bergin had informed him he had certified the balance of his account on waterworks Scheme and he now asked for paying Order for same.

The Committee recommended that it paid out of the Loans A/c.

The Committee drafted the following report viz:-

Your Finance Committee met this evening and having examined a Number of Bills submitted for payment recommend the following to be paid. (See list at commencement of minutes of meeting of Council held this day.) After which

The Meeting Adjourned.

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Tuesday 8th December 1914

A Meeting of the Newtons Urban Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and consider tenders for weighbridge.

Present Messrs John O'Sullivan JP Presiding
Peter Murphy
Patrick J. Dunne
John Murphy South St
Peter H. O'Gorman

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by The Chairman and Messrs Dunne & Murphy South St and the following Paying Orders were directed to be issued viz:- No170 John Harrington £4:0:6, No171 Leyden & O'Leary O.A. £6, No172 John J Browne £4:9:6, No173 Mrs. P. Hunt £5:15:7, No174 Henry Lews £4:4:0, No175 M.J. Finn £11:5:0, No176 Hugh R. Hamilton JP £7:19:9 No177 Messrs Doyle Bros £11:3:1, No178 Albert Tyndall £5:10:0, No179 Barlock Typewriter Co 8/6, No180 Messrs R. Harvey & Co 9/, No181 "The Irish Times" £3:2:8, No182 The Freemans Journal £1:17:6, No183 John Connick £1:0:6, No184 Richard Murphy £8:13:4, No185 James J. Shortall £4:6:8, No186 James Kelly £2:10:0, No187 Leaders Bank of Ireland £3:3:0 No188 M.J. Finn £21:15:10, No189 Hibernian Fire & General Insurance Co £2:5:0, No190 Imperial Accident Insurance Co £2:18:0, No191 Wexford County Council £303:13:10, No192 Patrick Blake £33:11:8 Loans a/c.

## Correspondence

Letter from the County Surveyor dated 25th Ult stating that the County Council are at present relaying the road from Mongarrett Bridge to Ballyanne where the water mains supplying Newtons pass along the road, and asking to have some person acquainted with the line of pipes to meet Mr Jones, Assistant Surveyor on the ground, and point out exactly how the pipes run. He will also be glad to know if at the time the pipes were laid there was any legalising presentment passed for the work, and if the line taken by the pipes was approved of by the then County Surveyor.

The Clerk stated that on receipt of this letter he asked the Town Surveyor to meet Mr Jones, and he informed him that he had already pointed out the pipe line to Mr Jones.

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He (Clerk) was not at present able to reply to the Query contained in the letter. No Order Made.

Letter from the Secretary, Inland Revenue, dated 28th Ult, enclosing copy of a memorandum as to deduction of Income Tax for the year 1914-15 from payments made after the 5th Dec 1914.

No Order Made the Meeting being of opinion it did not affect the Council.

Letter from John O'Neill Wm Street, dated 8th Inst, asking for a new range in the house occupied by him, as the one he has at present is very bad in fact it is almost useless it is considerably old and somewhat broken, when he took over possession of the house. Ordered

That the Surveyor inspect the range and report upon its condition to next Meeting.

In reply to Mr Peter Murphy, the Clerk stated that Mr O'Neill had not yet signed his new Bond, and it was Ordered that he be directed to have it completed without further delay.

Letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Carnegie Hero Trust Fund, dated 26th Ult, stating that the trustees did not see their way to recognize the action of Patrick Rossiter Snr and Patrick Rossiter Junr, (who saved two girls from drowning in the River Barrow,) as coming within the scope of the Hero Fund. They desired to thank the Clerk for his assistance in the matter.

No Order Made.

The following letter, notifying the appointment of the School Attendance Committee for the Urban District, for the ensuing three years from 1st January 1915 was received from the Commissioners of Valuation & National Education viz:-

30th November, 1914.

Sir,

The Local Authority of the Urban District of Newbridge having appointed one half of the School Attendance Committee for the place for the period of three year from 1st January 1915, the Commissioners of National Education have, under the powers conferred upon them by

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the Act 1892, decided that the remaining half shall consist of the following persons viz:- very Revd Canon Holohan P.P. Revd Aidan McCormick C.C, Peter Murphy Aidan P. Bilger and very Revd Edwd O'Leary D.D.

The entire committee will consist accordingly of the following Members:-

Appointed by Local Authority

very Rev Dean Kavanagh P.P. D.D, Rev Wm Gibson B.A, Rev Thos Quigley C.C. George Moran and Pat Dunne.

Appointed by Commissioners

very Rev Canon Holohan P.P, Rev Aidan McCormick C.C, Peter Murphy, Aidan P. Bilger and very Revd Edwd O'Leary D.D.

Your Obedient Servant

W.E. Lemass

Secretary.

No Order Made

An application signed by five of the Workmen viz:- Broaders, Leethy, Freeman, Murphy and Shea was received for an increase in their wages and it was Ordered to be referred to Next Meeting of the Finance committee for report.

A tender was received from Mr Wm Gannon, Arnestown of 3/- for load of manure at Town Wall and one of 2/6 from Edwd Roe for the same load.

Ordered

That the tender of Mr Gannon at 3/- be accepted.

Letter from the Commissioners of Inland revenue enclosing copies of their provisional valuation of property of the Council in town which has been made under the provisions of the Finance (1909-10) Act 1910.

A Notification was received from the Gas Co of their intention to open the ground outside Mr Cooneys Charles St, to repair a sudden leak.

No Order Made

Surveyors Reports

The following Special report of the Surveyor was read viz:-

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26th November, 1914.

Mr John Murphy (John St. called my attention to-day to moisture appearing on the internal surface of the wall of Messrs M. J. Moran's premises adjoining Maiden Lane, and remarked that some goods were being damaged in consequence thereof. I have reason to believe that this damage is presently being caused by water percolating from the built drain (which is defectively constructed), leading from the existing surface trap at the N.W end of Maiden Lane, through the adjoining wall of these premises, and if this trap were removed about ten feet towards the West end of Maiden Lane and a section of this defective drain cut off the present cause of the trouble would be removed. Estimated cost £2:19:0

Mr Murphy expressed his desire to have this matter amicably disposed of soon as possible.

8th December, 1914.

Fortnightly report

I beg to report that Notices have been served on the Owners of the dangerous premises reported by me on the 24th Ult. Nothing has yet been done with Mr Hartnett's premises. I received paying Order from the Kilkenny Woodworkers Co for use of Council's ladder for St. and have handed same to Mr Finn. The broken glass of your house in occupation of Mrs Broaders Wm Street, has not yet been repaired. The plaster of front wall of Messrs Furlong's Store, The Quay, is dangerous to the public. The most urgent repairs and improvements that could be carried out to the four houses in Wm Street, recently leased by Miss Boyd are:- 1. The erection of four dry closets and covered ashpits. 2. Replacing the existing ground floors in concrete. 3. The erection of eave shoots and down pipes to front and rear of premises. Portion of the Surface of the Waterford Road has subsided owing to the defective condition of the retaining wall at the river or East side. Its present condition is dangerous. This wall requires to be underpinned and repaired. Estimated cost 30/.

James Shortall
Town Surveyor

over.

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After some discussion it was
Proposed by Mr Gorman and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy South St

That the recommendation of the Surveyor respecting the removal of the trap refered to in his report and the cutting off of a section of the drain be carried out by the Surveyor at once

To this the following Amendment was
Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy And
Seconded by Mr Dunne

That the report be refered back until the Surveyor is present.

During the discussion which ensued it was pointed out that it was very unfair that a ratepayer should be allowed to continue to suffer injury to his property simply because the Councils Officer did not attend the Meeting to give them any additional information that might be necessary and that it was highly provable steps might be taken by the person aggrieved before next Meeting which would involve the Council in additional expense.

The proposer and seconder of the Amendment withdrew it on the understanding that no More Money than that estimated in the report will be Spent on this Channel.

The resolution was put and passed Unanimously.

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In reference to his ordinary weekly report it was decided Not to take any action respecting the Notice served on Mr Hartnick for the present as the time which had since elapsed was considered too short.

It was Ordered that the Surveyor draw the attention of Mr Jeffares, Messrs Furlongs Agent, to the dangerous condition of the plaster on the front wall of their Store and he be requested to have it put right.

On the Suggestion of Mr Gorman it was decided to defer repairs to the Waterford road until More particulars is ascertained from the Surveyor respecting it. (At a later Stage that Officer attended and this Matter was further dealt with.)

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The Collector reported under date the 8th Inst the names of some tenants who are out of possession and who owe some rent, but

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as the Sureties had already been Notified there was No Order Made.

The Street Inspector reported that a number of Traders had various articles of Machinery which he Specified on the Streets and footpaths, each day since the last Meeting, also that the the daily Scavenging was carried out as usual.
No Order Made.

At this Stage the Surveyor attended and he was questioned as to the condition of that portion of the Waterford Road referred to in his report, and he explained that it was very dangerous so much so, that he had to have some planks fixed on it this evening. It was accordingly,
Proposed by Mr John Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Dunne
That the repairs recommended by the Surveyor to be carried out on the Waterford road be carried out by him at once.
Passed Unanimously

The following report of the Finance Committee was read :-
Your Finance Committee met this evening and examined a number of bills submitted for payment and recommended the following for payment (. See list at commencement of Minutes)
Peter Murphy
Patrick J. Dunne.
Proposed by Mr O'gorman and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy
That the report of the Finance Committee be adopted And the payments recommended by them Made.
Passed Unanimously

The Clerk drew attention again to the fact that a Sum of £159:16:9, being the Bonus received on the Sale of the Council's Estate of which Messrs Thorpe & Delaney were tenants, and which was lodged last September to the credit of the Council in their ~~in their~~ ordinary account, should, according to the Order Made by the

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Local Government Board when the sale was sanctioned, be invested in Government Securities. At the time it was received, it was decided not to invest it then owing to the unsettled state of securities consequent upon the war, and to the fact that the Stock Exchange was particularly closed. A long discussion now took place upon the matter, and it was decided to defer for sometime longer the investment of the money owing to the war.

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The following Tenders were received for supplying and fixing up a new cart weighbridge on the Quay viz:-

From:- Messrs Pooley & Sons Ltd. 24 Lower Abbey St. Dublin.

One self-contained cart weighbridge, capacity 3 tons, size of plat-form 6'-0" x 3'-6" with 4 cwt loose weight steel yard at £26-0-0.

Messrs W. & T. Avery Ltd. 33 Capel Street, Dublin

One cart weighbridge, capacity 3 tons with plat form 6'-0" x 4'-3" complete with steelyard dispensing entirely with loose weights at £30.

Messrs Samuel Denison & Son Ltd, Hunslet Foundry, Leeds

One three tons self-contained cart weighbridge, patent steelyard, without any loose weights. Platform 6'-6" x 3'-6" at £25:10:0

Messrs Wm Hodgson & Sons Ltd, Salford, Manchester.

one three tons improved self contained cart weighbridge, steelyard entirely without loose weights. Platform 6'-0" x 3'-6". at £30.

The prices in all cases including delivery at the Quay, Hawkes and the services of a skilled fitter to superintend and help in its erection, the Council to provide unskilled labour and foundations to plan, which would be supplied, and pay charges for stamping.

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Dunne

That the tender of Messrs Henry Pooley Sons to supply a self contained cart weighbridge of a capacity of three tons and size 6'-0" x 3'-6" for the sum of £26 delivered at Hawkes, be accepted, this price to include the services of a skilled mechanic to assist at its erection, and subject to delivery within a reasonable time, say twenty one days at the outside.

Passed Unanimously

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The foreman reported that since last Meeting four waggons of Metalling have been carted from Railway and spread on the different Streets direct also some Metalling from the breakers at Rosbercon.
No Order Made.

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The Surveyor stated that the upper Streets Michael St, Revelle St and Bewley St are much worn and he proposed to have them rassed with large filling covered over with fine Material, and this was approved of.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 22nd December 1914.

John Burke

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Tuesday 22nd December, 1914.

A Meeting of the Newtkas Urban Council was held this evening at 7.30 O'clock to transact business pursuant to The Town's Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Present Mssrs John O'Sullivan J.P. Presiding
John S. Hearn J.P.
John Murphy South St
John Fanning
Aidan P. Bolger

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Mssrs Bolger & J Murphy South St and the following Paying Order was directed to be issued viz:- Borgs £21:3:10 Petty Cash.

## Correspondence

A Circular letter dated 7th December 1914, was received from Her Excellency the Countess of of Aberdeen intimating that a Scheme had been arranged whereby the State Apartments at Dublin Castle are to be converted into a Red Cross Hospital for the accomodation of wounded soldiers, and it is calculated that 480 beds can be fitted up in them, each bed costing, including equipment £10.

If Counties or towns desire to have some beds in the Castle Red Cross Hospital, the Committee will be glad to name such beds after the County, Town, or individual donor subscribing for them.

After a short discussion it was decided to make No Order upon the letter beyond recommending the Scheme to the kind attention of the Public.

Letter from the L.G. Board, dated 18th Inst forwarding, for the information of the Council, a copy of the Courts (Emergency Powers) Act 1914, passed in connection with the present war.

No Order Made.

Letter from Secretary of County Council, dated 10th Inst, acknowledging receipt of the Clerk's letter in reference to the bridge footpath, and stating

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that he had not yet received the report of the County Surveyor in the matter but he is writing him again
No Order Made.

A Tender of 28/- was received from Mr Edwd Roe, for one heap of manure at Town Wall, but as there was not one ready for sale it was not accepted.

Letter from the Clerk of New Ross Rural District Council, dated 17th Inst, intimating that the Arbitrator appointed under the New Ross Rural District Labourers (Unopposed) Order 1914, had made his award and that a copy of same was deposited at the Office of the L.G. Board and of the Clerk of the Council.
No Order Made.

A Notification was received from the Gas Co of their intention to open the street outside Mr Quinn's premises in South St in order to renew the supply pipe.
No Order Made

A letter was received from Martin Hanlon Irishtown, dated 22nd Inst, drawing attention to the Water table at the entrance to his premises at the South side of Irishtown which he stated has a drop of two feet from the level of the Surface and is very dangerous in crossing over. He asked to have a covered crossing over the Water table

A long discussion took place on the reading of this letter during which it was pointed out that a similar application by Mr Farrell was refused on the ground that the Council could not legally construct a covered gullet at the entrance to his premises. It was formally decided to make No Order on this letter.

Letter from Messrs Henry Pooley & Son, dated 10th Inst, acknowledging receipt of Notification of acceptance of their tender for New weigh-bridge, with the Manufacture of which they are proceeding, also a second letter, dated 15th Inst forwarding foundation plan of weighbridge. Ordered

That the Surveyor have the necessary

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foundation prepared for the weighbridge in accordance with the plans.

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Letter from the Clerk of the Newross Union, dated 15th Inst, informing the Council that he was directed by the Board of Guardians to draw the attention of the Council to the neglected state of the road and footpath leading to the Workhouse.

The Surveyor who was present stated that the road had been repaired during the past week and that the footpath was not in a bad condition, as it was only last Spring that a boat load of gravel was spread on it.

Ordered

That a reply, in accordance with the statement of the Surveyor, be forwarded to the Clerk of the Union.

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The Clerk submitted the Agreement & Bond of John Oneill, which had been duly signed and sealed by him and his Surety and asked that it be sealed by the Council and on the Proposal of Mr Fanning, Seconded by Mr ~~Bowing~~ Bolger the Seal of the Council was affixed to it.

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The Surveyor stated that his attention had been drawn by persons to the dangerous condition of the Surface of the draw Arch during frosty weather and it was.

Ordered

That the County Council who are responsible for this portion of the Bridge be asked to arrange to have Sand or ashes spread on it during heavy frost so as to prevent accidents.

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The Clerk reported that it was usual on Christmas Eve and the day preceding to have extra cleansing carried out so that the town and Office &c might be in a thoroughly clean condition on Christmas Day.

After a short discussion it was
Proposed by Mr J Murphy South St and
Seconded by Mr Bolger

That the usual extra cleansing be

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carried out on Christmas Eve and the day preceding, and that all the employees be allowed 5/- each for this work

Passed Unanimously

The Street Inspector reported in detail each day the names of traders who place articles on the Streets, as also the particular class of articles, and also that the daily Scavenging was carried out as usual.

No Order Made.

The Foreman reported that there are now two heaps of manure for sale the value of each being about 15/-. On the 21st inst he could not commence the cleaning of the town early, as the horses had to be fitted. Four waggons of Metalling has arrived from Arklow, and will be Spread on the Streets direct from the railway Station as soon as possible.

Ordered

That the two heaps of Manure be advertised for sale.

Town Surveyor's report.

I beg to report that water supplies have been laid on to premises in occupation of Mr Morris South St and Mr Ronan Mt Garrett Lane. Repairs were carried out to the water main in Mc Murrough on the 15th inst. The defective portion of the retaining wall on the foreshore (Waterford Road) has been re-built as ordered. The dangerous portion of the Wall on the North side of Little Michael St, recently condemned as dangerous is now being rebuilt. I estimate the cost of erecting a water closet in your house in Upper Mary St to be £11:5:0

Jas Shortall
Town Surveyor.

No Order Made.

The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 5th January, 1915.

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Monday 4th January, 1915.

A Monthly Meeting of the Newtons Urban Council was to be held this day at 12 o'clock noon to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

No Member of the Council attended

A Quorum not having assembled

The Meeting Adjourned

Tuesday 5th ~~December~~ January, 1915.

An adjourned Meeting of the Council was to be held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Mr Fanning was the only Member that attended.

A Quorum not having assembled

The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 18th January, 1915.

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Monday 11th January 1915.

A Quarterly Meeting of the Council was held this day at 7.30 o'clock p.m. to transact business pursuant to The Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898, and consider Surveyors Annual estimate &c.

Present Mesprs Patrick J. Dunne Presiding
John Murphy South St
Peter Murphy
Aidan Bolger
John Fanning

The Minutes of last Quarterly Meeting were read & signed.

The following Quarterly Report of the Town Surveyor was read viz:-

11th January, 1915.

Mr Chairman & Gentlemen,

I beg to submit herewith my Estimate for the maintainance and repairs of your streets for the ensuing year :-

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| 600 tons | Macadam (Parnell Quarries) | £262 : 10 : 0 |
| 250 | Do (Glensinsaw Quarry) | 68 : 15 : 0 |
| | Fine Gravel and Sand | 7 : 0 : 0 |
| | Cost of Maintainance, wages, &c. | 200 : 0 : 0 |
| | Special Works | 120 : 0 : 0 |
| | | 658 : 5 : 0 |

These figures are practically the same as those of last year's Estimate, with the exception of the £120, for Special Works, which is £30 less than that of last year's figure. (or an equivalent of about one penny in the pound to the rates).

During the past year, a section of the Cross Lane footpath was completed. Alterations to the Fishouse Sanitary convenience were carried out and also many minor improvements.

The general condition of the Streets was also improved. This is principally due to the improved surface drainage and also to the improved quality of the material now being used.

On a former occasion I suggested that a machine brush

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showed be purchased for street cleansing, but the Council were not then, in a financial position to entertain the proposal.

I now beg to recommend that this proposal be adopted. Estimated cost £23.

James J. Shortall
Town Surveyor

A long discussion took place respecting the purchase of a machine brush, as recommended by the Surveyor, which resulted in the following resolution being,

Proposed by Mr Bolger and
Seconded by Mr Dunne

That the Surveyor Submit further particulars re cost, etc, of brush to Meeting of the Council to be held on 26th Inst, the Members to be noticed to consider at that Meeting the advisability of purchasing it.

Passed Unanimously

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Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy And
Seconded by Mr John Murphy

That the report of the Town Surveyor, except that portion of it in which he recommends the purchase of a Machine brush, and also his estimate for the supply of Metalling, Maintenence, wages, &c, be adopted by the Council.

Passed Unanimously

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On the suggestion of Mr Fanning it was Ordered that the Street Inspector report upon the condition of Windmill Lane and ground adjoining.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Monday 12th April, 1915

John Sullivan

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Monday 11th January 1915.

A Meeting of the Finance Committee was held this evening at 8 O'clock to transact business of the Committee, and consider an application from the work-men for an increase in their wages.

Present Messrs Patrick J. Dunne
Peter Murphy
John Murphy

The Clerk submitted some bills, which were examined by the Committee, and payment of same recommended.

The application of the workmen Broaders, Keathly, Freeman, Murphy and Shea, which had been referred to the Committee by the Council for report was considered, and after some discussion it was decided by the majority of the Members of the Committee to send the application back to the Council without comment, after which,

The Meeting Adjourned.

John Dunne.

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Tuesday 12th January. 1915.

A Meeting of the Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 and consider an application from the workmen for an in-crease in their wages.

Present Mess^rs John O'Sullivan J.P. Presiding
John Fanning
Peter Murphy
Patrick J. Dunne

The Minutes of previous Meetings were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Mess^rs Dunne & Murphy And the following Paying Orders were directed to be issued viz:- No 194 Mc Timm £33:14:9, No 195 Reid & Malone £12, No 196 James J. Shortall £4:6:8, No 197 Royal Exchange Assurance £2, No 198 Patk. Lynch £1:0:3, No 199 Maj^r K. Eugent 9/2, No 200 Tho^s Fitzgerald £6:1:0, No 201 Mc Timm £1:17:6, No 202 Mc Timm £6:5:0, No 203 Mc Timm £11:5:0, No 204 Mess^rs B. Schelley & Son £4, No 205 Joseph Lynch £6:5:0, No 206 Mess^rs M. Hutchinson & Son £8:1:10, No 207 Andrew French £-:17:8, No 208 Mess^rs Kelly's Ltd 5/3, No 209 Joseph Freeman £1:12:10, No 210 John J. Browne £2:0:8.

A Dividend Warrant amounting to £11:0:4, less £1:2:11 income tax, Nett Amount £9:17:5 on £1762-11-0, consolidated Stock was received, and Ordered to be lodged to the credit of the Council.

The consideration of the application of the following workmen viz:- Edward Broaders, James Keithy, Wm Shea, Edwd Murphy & Tho^s Freeman, for an increase in their wages, which had been referred by the Council at their Meeting held on the 8th Inst, to the Finance Committee for report, and which was refered back to the Council by the Finance Committee at Meeting held on 11th Inst, was taken up.

The Clerk Submitted the wages paid to the workmen at present, and also the total Amount paid in extra wages for the past year.

After considerable discussion it was

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Proposed by Mr Dunne and
Seconded by Mr Fanning

That the wages of the workmen be increased to 17/- per week, this not to include in Broaders case 1/6 per week extra which is allowed for cleaning of public lavatory on Quay and that in the Tholsel, it being understood this work is carried out by them during meal hours.

Passed Mr Peter Murphy dissenting.

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The Clerk asked whether he would pay a man who would be sick for one, two or three days, and then resume work, as he would get no sick benefit under The National Insurance Act for that period, but there was no definite order made upon the matter, beyond directing the Clerk to mention the matter specially when the occasion would arise.

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## Correspondence

Letter from L.G. Board, dated 1st January 1915, No 42486:1915, drawing attention to the small amount of Poor Rate collected during the past months.

In connection with the foregoing letter the following report of the Clerk was considered viz:-

I beg to report that the amount of Poor Rate collected to 2nd inst, for half year ending 31st March last is £178:1:3, outstanding £476:8:9; of Town Rate £285:10:0 outstanding £353:12:2; of Domestic Water Rate £26:16:1, outstanding £60:14:11, making a total outstanding of £1290:15:10; whilst at the same time the Bank account is practically £500 overdrawn. If the collection of the outstanding rate is not proceeded with energetically it will be impossible to discharge the liabilities of the Council with any degree of promptitude.

I may say that at this Finance Meeting I had to hold over accounts which are due owing to the Bank account being so much overdrawn.

M. J. Finn
Clerk of Council.

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Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy And
Seconded by The Chairman

That a copy of the letter received from the L.G. Board, be sent to the Collector and that he be also directed to proceed promptly and energetically with the collection of the rates.

Passed Unanimously

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A letter dated 8th Inst was received from Messrs W. & T. Avery Ltd asking to be advised whether they are likely to be favoured with the Councils order for the up-keep of their weighing machines, and it was

Ordered

That Messrs Avery be informed they will not.

A letter dated 30th Ult, was received from Mrs Tyne Sullivan, complaining of the bad condition of the house occupied by her, and asking to have it repaired.

Ordered

That the Surveyor report upon its condition to Next Meeting of the Council.

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A requisition on behalf of Miss Eliza Scott of Bewley St was received asking to have her recommended for admission to Trinity Hospital, and it was Ordered that her application be considered, with others, when a vacancy arises.

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A tender of £1:1:0 was received from Mr Maurice Whelan, for heap of manure inside door of yard on Quay, and of 13/6 each, for two heaps in same yard on Quay, from Mr P. Kelly, and on the proposal of Mr Dunne seconded by Mr Fanning both tenders were accepted.

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A letter dated 11th Inst, was received from Mr Murray, drawing attention to a flow of water which comes down Brennan's Lane from the playground, endangering his dwelling house which has been flooded several times. He has been living under this

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unhealthy state of things for a considerable time but has not brought it under the notice of the Council until it became unbearable. After some discussion it was

Ordered

That a Committee consisting of the Chairman and Surveyor, call upon Mr Murray, and endeavour to ascertain the cause of the alleged flooding and arrange the matter with him if possible, the Clerk to find out whether the place upon which the flooding arises is the property of the Council.

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Letter from Mr D. Kenny, Georges St, Enniscorthy, suggesting to the Council the advisability of putting their weighbridges in contract, and the advantage of doing So will well repay the out-lay. He also stated that he was in a position to take them on Contract. Ordered

That Mr Kenny be informed the Council will consider his application if they decide on having the up-keep of them contracted for.

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Letter from the Acting Secretary of the Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland, dated 1st Inst, advising the dispatch of four copies of the Annual report of the Association and asking that the Amount of the Council's Annual Subscription £2:2:0 be lodged with the Treasurer.

After some discussion it was

Proposed by Mr Fanning and

Seconded by Mr Murphy

That we refuse to pay this Subscription.

Passed Mr Dunne dissenting.

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Letter from the Secretary of the County Council, dated 2nd Dec 1914, in reference to wooden portion of bridge and stating that he was sending same to the Surveyor to deal with it.

No Order Made.

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A Notification, dated 12th Inst, was received from D. Mullan of his

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intention to give a Cinematograph Entertainment in the Town Hall on, or about the 18th inst, but there was no order made upon it.

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Letter from the Collector of rates, and rents, dated 12th inst, informing the Council that one of his Sureties, Mr John A Browne North St had died, and naming, in his place, Mr W. F. Hearn L.L.D, Solicitor.

Proposed by Mr Dunne And
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy

That Mr W.F. Hearn L.L.D. Solicitor be accepted as Surety for the rate Collector instead of Mr John A Browne deceased.

Passed Unanimously

Ordered

That Mr Browne be directed to furnish a New Bond at once.

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The following letter was read:-

30th Dec, 1914.

Urban Council V Dr S & Railway Co

Dear Sir,

In this case we understand that the question in dispute between the Council and the Railway Co relates to a balance on first of the three Moieties of rate ending respectively 30th Sept 1913, 31st March 1914, and 30th September 1914. The amount in dispute in respect of each Moiety being £9:16:0½ or £29·8·4½ altogether. On this assumption we submitted a case to Counsel for his advice and he has now advised that the Railway Company are legally liable for the Amount in question but he requires to be assured that the rate has been properly made, that is, with the proper formalities, and also that the demand Notes and receipts issued in respect of the Moieties in question are in proper Form. In order that we may be in a position to satisfy Counsel on these points we must trouble you to let us see the Rate Book covering the above periods, the form of demand Note in respect of same and the form of receipt issued by the Rate Collector. To-morrow (Thursday) or Saturday would be convenient days for us to go into these matters

Yours faithfully

The Clerk stated that he had furnished the Rate Book and other documents refered to in the letter, to the Councils Directors and there was No Order Made in reference to the matter.

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The Clerk reported that Mr C. J. Doyle called to the Office and stated that a drain, or sewer, leading from his yard was choked. He had it cleared out to the Street and he asked that the Council have the remainder of it cleared.

A long discussion took place upon the matter during which the Surveyor expressed the Opinion that it was a private drain leading from Mr Doyle's yard only, and it was Ordered that the Clerk call upon Mr Doyle and inform him verbally that the Council are convinced this is a private drain, and they are not responsible for it.

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The following report of the Foreman was read :-

I beg to report as the General work of the Council is now considerably in arrears. The ashpits having to be cleaned, Streets and footpaths maintained and Stones to be drawn, I beg to apply for the use of An extra horse for about a week. Since last Meeting two waggons Metalling have arrived and have been carted and Spread on the different Streets, also the four waggons reported to last Meeting, Im having the Metalling Spread from the various depots also twenty-one ashpits were cleaned Since last Meeting. There is one heap Stones in yard on Quay ready for Sale including two already reported. ( Total 3 heaps)

James Kelly F.M.

Proposed by Mr Dunne and
Seconded by The Chairman

That a man and horse be employed temporarily for one week.

Passed Unanimously.

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The Shops Act Inspector reported that Since the week ~~ending~~ ending 19 Dec, a Catholic Holiday occurred in each week and all Assistants were getting their half holiday.

No Order Made.

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The Street Inspector reported that some traders had obstructions on the Streets and footpaths each day since last Meeting, also that the daily Scavenging was carried out as usual.
No Order Made.

## Town Surveyors Report.

I beg to report that a water supply has been laid on to premises in occupation of Mrs M. Hannon (Purcell) South St. A water supply has also been laid on to the Waterford Tuberculosis Dispensary Mary St. The Sub Structure for the New weighbridge on Quay is in course of erection. The fencing of the cattle pen of the Ballytown weighbridge require to be repaired also, the roof of the machine hut.

James Shortall
Town Surveyor.

In reply to the Chairman the Surveyor stated that the cost of repairing fencing of cattle pen and roof of machine hut, (the latter he recommended to have covered with corrugated iron instead of felt) would be about £5. and it was,

Ordered

That the Surveyor have these repairs carried out as soon as possible.

A Number of Bills (see list at commencement of Minutes) of which the Finance Committee had already recommended payment was submitted and examined, when it was,
Proposed by Mr Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Dunne

That the Accounts which have been recommended by the Finance Committee for payment, be paid.

Passed Unanimously.

The Clerk stated that he might possibly require four or five days leave next week, and asked that, if necessary, he should have permission to take same, his Assistant to perform his

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duties in the meantime, and it was unanimously ordered that he be granted permission.

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This being the last meeting of the old Council, a hearty vote of thanks to the outgoing Chairman, Mr O'Sullivan J.P. was proposed by Mr Peter Murphy who paid a high tribute to that gentleman for the admirable manner in which he had discharged the duties of the position during his year of Office, as well as for his close attention to public matters outside the sphere of his duty as Chairman of the Council. The resolution was ably seconded by Mr Fanning, who dwelt at some length on the freedom of debate at meetings of the Council, allowed by Mr Sullivan.

The resolution was warmly supported by Mr Dunne and passed with acclamation.

The Chairman having returned thanks for the vote, and complimented the Members of the Council for the admirable manner in which they had assisted him in discharging the duties of the position during his year of Office.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 26th January 1915.

John Sullivan

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Friday 15th January, 1915.

An election of five Urban District Councillors was held to fill vacancies caused by retirement by rotation of the following Councillors:-

Hawkins Ward

John Sullivan, Aidan P. Bolger, Peter A. Gorman, John Murphy (South St).

Kavercon Ward.

John Murphy (John Street).

The following candidates were duly nominated.

Hawkins Ward.

Messrs A. P. Bolger Victoria Place, John Hand Wm Street, John Murphy South Street, John Sullivan Quay Street.

Kavercon Ward

Peter A. Gorman, Kavercon.

As the Number of candidates Nominated were only equal to the Number of vacancies to be filled, a Poll was not taken and the above were declared duly elected Members of the Council.

Matthew J. Finn
Returning Officer

15th January 1915.

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Saturday 23rd January, 1915.

The Annual Meeting of the Newross Urban District Council was held this day at twelve o'clock Noon, to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith, elect a Chairman for the ensuing year, and if deemed advisable a Vice-Chairman.

Present Messrs John O'Sullivan J.P. Presiding.
John Fanning
John Hand
Peter Murphy
Peter H. O'Gorman

Mr John Murphy attended just as the business of the Meeting had concluded.

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy
Seconded by Mr Fanning And Resolved
That the outgoing Chairman,
Mr O'Sullivan, be re-elected Chairman for the ensuing year.

The proposer and Seconder refered in very complimentary terms to the admirable manner in which Mr O'Sullivan had discharged the duties of Chairman for the past year, and to the freedom of debate allowed by him.

Mr Hand in supporting the proposition, dwelt at some length on the business capacity brought to bear by Mr O'Sullivan on the discharge of the duties of the position, and also refered to the qualifications which a proper Chairman should possess, all of which were embodied in the outgoing Chairman.

Mr O'Gorman having associated himself with the complimentary references to the Chairman made by the previous speakers, the resolution was put and passed Unanimously.

The Chairman suitably acknowledged the kind references made to him, and thanked the Members for re-electing him, after which

The Meeting Adjourned

John O'Sullivan

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Tuesday 26th January, 1915.

A Meeting of the Newross Urban District Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock, to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854; elect the various Committees for the ensuing year, and consider the advisability of purchasing a sweeping machine brush, recommended by the Surveyor, estimated cost £23.

Present Mesrs John O'Sullivan J.P. Presiding
John Fanning
John Hand
James B. Hearne
Peter Murphy
Peter H. O'Gorman
John Murphy
Adam P. Bolger

The Minutes of previous Meetings were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for Making payments was signed by the Chairman and Mesrs Hand & Fanning, and the following Paying Order was directed to be issued viz:- No 211, M.J. Synn (Petty Cash) £20:19:8.

Immediately after the Minutes were signed the Council took up the consideration of the advisability of purchasing a sweeping machine, as recommended by the Town Surveyor in his Quarterly Report and after a long discussion, during which the opinion was expressed that the purchase of it would not effect a saving it was decided, on the proposition of Mr Hand, seconded by Mr Fanning to adjourn the consideration of the matter until after the next rate will be made.

## Election of Committees

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr O'Gorman

That the Technical Instruction Committee of the Newross Urban District consist of the following for the ensuing year viz:-

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Members of the Council.

Messrs John Sullivan, Peter Murphy, John Murphy, Aidan Berger Patrick J. Dunne and Peter H. O'Gorman

Non-Members of the Council

Revd Thos Quigley C.C, Revd Bro Sheehy, Messrs Hugh K. Hamilton Daniel Hanley and Andrew K. French.

Passed Unanimously

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy And
Seconded by Mr O'Gorman

That the Finance Committee for the ensuing year consist of the following Members of the Council viz:- Patrick J. Dunne, Peter Murphy, John Murphy and John Fanning, two members to form a quorum.

Passed Unanimously.

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A Dividend Warrant for £8, less income 14/8, was received from the Great Southern & Western Railway Co, and the Clerk stated it had been lodged to the credit of the Council and this was approved of.

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Correspondence

A circular letter dated 15th January 1915, was received from the L. G. Board drawing attention to the provisions of the Local Authorities (Disqualification Relief) Act 1914, but there was No Order Made upon it.

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Letter from Martin Hanlon Irishtown, dated 26th inst, applying again to the Council for the construction of a covered crossing over the water table leading to his premises at the South side of Irishtown as the water table, in its present state, is most dangerous to cross with loaded cars.

After a long discussion it was,

Ordered

That the Street Committee and Surveyor, inspect the portion of the channel referred to by Mr Hanlon, and report to next Meeting as to its condition.

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A letter dated 25th inst was received from Messrs Gibson, Loyd & Co, soliciting Insurance against war risks, but there was No Order Made upon it.

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A copy of the Report of the Directors of the Bank of Ireland for the half year to 31st Dec last, was received, and noted.

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A tender dated 26th inst, of 25/-, was received from Edward Rowe Bigerin, for one heap of manure at the gate next to Mr Kevilles, and it was Ordered to be accepted.

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A circular letter, dated Jany 1915, was received from Messrs M. H. Gill & Son Ltd, forwarding copy of an editorial announcement made in the January Number of the Catholic Bulletin, respecting the publication in that Journal, of the opening chapters of a treatise on the history of Banking in Ireland.
No Order Made.

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Messrs Harvey & Co, Waterford, tendered under date 19th inst, to supply three Rate Books as last at 20/- each, and on the proposal of the Chairman, Seconded by Mr O'gorman it was accepted.

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An application, dated 26th inst, was received from James Leahill, Wm. Street, for a new range, and it was,
Proposed by Mr Fanning And
Seconded by Mr Hands
That a Special cooking range be fixed in the house occupied by James Leahill on condition that he pays the difference 22/6, between it, and an ordinary one, and give an undertaking in writing that he will not make any claim upon it, in the event of him ceasing to occupy the house.

Passed Unanimously.

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A proposal the amount of which was not disclosed by the Chairman, was received from Messrs Henry Pobjoy & Son for the purchase of the old weighing machine on Quay recently taken up, but it was

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pointed out by the Clerk that other persons had called to the Office inquiring as to when it would be sold, and he informed them it would be advertised for sale. It was now Ordered that advertisements be issued inviting tenders for the purchase of it, same to be considered at next Meeting, Messrs Powley to be informed of this in the meantime.

## Foreman's Report.

I beg to report that thirty-two ashpits were cleaned since last-Meeting. I have to ask for the use of an extra man and horse to cart Metalling from Roberson Hill to upper portion of Town viz:- Michael St, Bewley St, Neville St and Irishtown for about ten days. Four waggons of Metalling may arrive at Railway Station at any moment.

James Kelly Fmn.

Ordered

That a temporary man & horse be employed for a week.

## Surveyor's Report.

I beg to report that the erection of the Sanitary convenience in your house in Upper Mary Street is now being completed. The new weighbridge on Quay has been erected but has not yet been officially tested by the Weights Inspector. I have made arrangements to have the necessary repairs carried out to the Irishtown Weighbridge as Ordered. I estimate the cost of connecting the existing drain of houses on East side of Three Bullet Gate to be £2.5.0. With reference to the flooding complained of by Mr Murray South Street, your Chairman and I, inspected those premises and the surroundings thereof, and to abate the flooding, we consider that the cheapest means would be to construct a large surface trap so as to intercept the flood water in this area. I inspected the cooking range in your house in occupation of Mrs O'neill, William Street, and find that it is practically useless.

James J. Shortall
Town Surveyor.

Proposed by Mr Hand and
Seconded by Mr Fanning

That the Surveyor have the existing

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drain of houses on East side of Three Bullet Gate connected with New Main Sewer.

Passed Unanimously.

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Proposed by Mr John Murphy And
Seconded by Mr Fanning

That the recommendation of the Chairman and Surveyor for the abatement of the flooding of the premises occupied by Mr Murray, South St. be carried out, and the large surface trap constructed by the Surveyor.

Passed Unanimously.

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Proposed by Mr Fanning and
Seconded by Mr Hand

That a New range be fixed in the house occupied by John O'neill, and that a special cooking range be fitted in it instead if he is willing to pay the difference 22/6, and give the usual undertaking that he will not have any claim upon it in the event of him ceasing to occupy the house at any time.

Passed Unanimously.

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Mr Fanning drew attention to the condition of the gable end* wall of last house of row of New houses at William Street, occupied by Mrs Curran, and pointed out that some of the bricks had fallen out, and that the wall ought to be plastered, or concreted to prevent damage, by moisture, to wall, or house.

Ordered

That the Surveyor have it repaired by building up the aperture in it.

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Mr Fanning also inquired as to the ownership of the entire plot of ground at Town Wall, and after some discussion it was decided that the Surveyor endeavour to ascertain by means of any maps which may be available, what portion of it belongs to the Council.

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The Clerk stated that the Revd Mother, Carmelite Convent, asked for three or four loads of paving Stones, for which she is willing to pay and it was Ordered that they be supplied to her at 2/6 per ton.

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The Clerk also reported that the Collector had not yet furnished the new Bond which he was Ordered, at last Meeting, to have prepared. After a short discussion the following resolution was :-

Proposed by The Chairman and
Seconded by Mr Ó'gorman

That the Collector be directed to furnish to next Meeting of the Council, the new Bond, entirely completed which he was directed at last Meeting to have prepared.

Passed Unanimously.

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It was also Ordered that in future whenever any of the tenants of the Council die or leave the house occupied by such tenant, or when any other circumstances arise, which would alter the tenancy of the house, the Collector shall immediately report same in writing to the Council. Likewise when any alteration, through death, or otherwise takes place respecting the Sureties of any tenant, he is also to report same in writing to the Council.

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In reference to the new weighing machine it was decided not to allow the four-wheel car load of timber to be weighed upon it, as it would be likely to injure the Mechanism of the Machine, and in addition to this, as the fore part of the float, or car, was weighed separately from the after portion and the total of both totted, the weight was likely to be inaccurate, and the Council would not wish to be re-sponsible for the weighing of such loads.

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The Clerk reported that Broaders had been sick for three days since last Meeting and asked if he would pay him, as he under-stood he should be three days ill before he would get sick

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benefits under The National Insurance Act.

A long discussion took place upon this matter during which it was pointed out by Mr John Murphy that if he had been ill previously within twelve months the three days would now be deducted from him, as his second illness would be regarded as a continuation of the first.

It was decided to adjourn the further consideration of this matter, to next Meeting, the Clerk to ascertain further particulars in the meantime

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The Street Inspector reported that a number of Traders placed articles on the Streets and footpaths, thereby causing an Obstruction to persons using same. He also reported that the daily Scavenging was carried out as usual.

No Order Made

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The Clerk submitted the Ordnance Sheets marked by the Surveyor, showing the respective portions of the Quay which belonged to the Harbour Commissioners and the Council, as agreed to without prejudice, at a previous Meeting of the Harbour Board, and it was,

Ordered

That same be lodged with the Harbour Commissioners.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 9th February, 1915.

Monday 1st February, 1915.

A Monthly Meeting of the Council was to be held this day at 12 o'clock Noon, to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

No Member of the Council attended.

A Quorum not having assembled.

The Meeting Adjourned.

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Thursday 4th February 1915

A Meeting of the Street and Sanitary Committee was to be held this evening at 4 O clock, to inspect water table outside Mr Martin Hanlon's premises at Irishtown.

Mr Hand was the only Member that attended.

The Surveyor also attended.

A Quorum not having assembled.

The Meeting Adjourned.

John Buckley.

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A Meeting of the Newross Urban Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, consider tenders for old weighbridge on Quay.

Present Messrs John Sullivan J.P. Presiding
John Hand
John Fanning
John Murphy
Patrick J. Dunne

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read and signed.

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The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Murphy & Hand and the following Paying Orders were directed to be issued viz:- No 212 Jonas Hartnett £5:16:10, No 213 John Stevenson £6:10:2, No 214 Jas. J. Shortall £4:6:8, No 215 John J. Browne £1:18:7, No 216 Thomas Hennessy 18/6, No 217 M'Ginn £21:17:1, No 218 M'Ginn £6:7:4, No 219 Parnell Quarries £38:8:9, No 220 John M. Walsh £1:5:9, No 221 Mrs M.A. Corcoran 19/6, No 222 Messrs Doyle Bros 10/6, No 223 Mr John Barron £6:9:1, No 224 M'Ginn £11:5:0, No 225 Dan Hanley £1. No 226 George W. Taylor £11:10:2, No 227 School Attendance Committee £7:12:2, No 228 Collector of Customs & Excise £1:16:8.

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Immediately after the Minutes were signed, the following resolution was Proposed by Mr Hand and
Seconded by Mr Murphy

That we the Newross Urban Council request the L.G. Board to send to Newross its full quota of Canadian flour for distribution amongst the poorer classes who are suffering great distress and want through Non-employment and high cost of living in consequence of the War.

Passed Mr Fanning dissenting on the ground that the resolution had a semblance of pauperism about it.

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A Dividend warrant for 17/9 was received from the Bank of Ireland and it was Ordered to be lodged to the credit of the Council.

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## Correspondence

Letter from the L. G. Board, dated 3rd February 1915, drawing attention to the large amount of Poor Rate outstanding having regard to the fact that four Months of the Lacy year had already elapsed.

Ordered

That a copy of this letter be furnished to the Collector.

## Tenders for Old Weighing Machine

The following were read viz:-

Messrs Henry Dooley & Son who Offered £5 for it, carriage paid to their address, Samuel Hill Priory St £3, James Kelly Mary Street £2:2:6 per ton and Patrick Dooley £5:6:0.

Proposed by Mr Dunne and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy

That the tender of Mr Dooley in which he offers £5:6:0 for the old weighing Machine, be accepted.

Passed Unanimously

A Tender, dated 8th Inst, was received from Michl Breen Camblin offering 1/- for heap of Manure in yard on Quay, and it was unanimously accepted.

Mr A. J. Marshall wrote under date 9th Inst thanking the Council for the employment for his horse, given him for the past two years, and pointing out that the price of forage had considerably increased, in consequence of which he hoped they would increase the daily hire of his horse by 1/-, viz 6/- per day.

Proposed by Mr Dunne and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy

That Mr Marshall be paid 6/- per day in future for his horse and man.

Passed Unanimously.

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An application was received from Michl Flynn, for an increase in his wages. He explained that the reason he did not apply with the other men was that he was going to volunteer, but the Captain told him he was beyond the age.

Ordered

That this application be refered to the Finance Committee for report.

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Letter from the Parnell Quarries Ltd dated 7th February, stating that the Macadam Ordered would be forwarded at once.

No Order Made.

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Letter from James Cahill Wm Street, dated 1st Inst, stating that he was willing to pay the 22/6 difference in price between an ordinary range and a Special cooking one and relinquishing any claim he might have upon it in the event of him ceasing to occupy the house.

As it was decided at last Meeting to have the Special Cooking range fitted in the house upon these conditions, there was No Order Made upon it.

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Letter from Wm F. Hearn, Solicitor, dated 16th Inst, asking the Council to instruct their Solicitor to prepare the New Bond of Mr J.J. Browne Late Collector, and him (Mr Hearn) have same for execution.

After a short discussion it was

Ordered

That Messrs Colfer & Son be instructed to prepare the Late Collectors New Bond in the Form prescribed by the L.G. Board.

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The following, received from Mr Hearn Solr, was also considered :-

New Ross

30th January, 1915.

Dear Sir

Mr John J. Browne, Late Collector, has consulted me in reference to Poor Rate and Town Rate amounting to £8:17:3, lodged by him in accordance with the terms of his Warrant for the year ending 31st March 1914, and assessed on the premises at South St, in the name of the "reps M. J. Meehan deceased". He instructs me to apply to your Council, for a refund of this amount, as the rate is bad, it

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being struck in the Name of the "reps M. J. Meehan" deceased and Not in accordance with the law dealing with striking or levying of such rates.

Please bring the Matter before your Council, and obtain Pay Order for the amount.

Yours faithfully
Wm F. Hearn.

After a short discussion it was

Ordered

That this letter be referred to the Councils Solicitors and they be asked to advise (1) Whether they are legally bound to refund the Amount of Poor Rates and Town Rates Mentioned in Mr Hearn's letter and (2) whether the rate is bad by reason of its being assessed in the Name of the Reps of M. J. Meehan.

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A letter was received from the Lord Mayor of Dublin, dated 21st Jany inviting the Chairman, and his friends to attend a Meeting to be held in the Mansion House on the 12th Prox in connection with the departure of Their Excellencies, the Lord Lieutenant and the Marchioness of Aberdeen, but there was No definite Order Made upon it.

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## Clerk's Report

I beg to report that the Amount of Poor Rate collected to 6th Inst is £256:0:4, outstanding £398:9:8, Town Rate collected £390:2:2, outstanding £649:0:0, Dog Rate collected £36:7:2 outstanding £51:3:10

M. J. Finn

No Order Made the Matter having been dealt with on the reading of the letter from the L. G. Board at an earlier Stage of the Meeting.

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Three resolutions were received from the County Committee of the Gaelic League calling on the people of Cowexford to give the Industrial Movement their generous support, recommending More extensive sowing of grain during the Spring and asking the County Council to appoint a fishery instructor who would by a practical course of lectures bring under the notice of those

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engaged in the industry Sea fishery appliances as well as facilities of transport and Markets.

On the proposal of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. Dunne, the resolutions were unanimously adopted.

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An application dated 27th Jany was received from the British Petroleum Co for license to store Motor Spirit in New Store to be erected at Mr James Lawlers haggard at Rosevcon. The proposed store will comply with the regulations contained in the Defence of the Realm Act.

The Surveyor reported that he inspected the proposed site and found that it is thirty-seven yards from the nearest building. This would be sufficiently isolated, but it is desirable that the proposed store should be erected in accordance with the usual regulations.

Proposed by Mr John Murphy And
Seconded by Mr Fanning

That the licence be granted subject to the Company complying with the requirements of the Defence of the Realm Act.

Passed Unanimously.

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The Surveyor also reported that with reference to the Irish-town Water Table refered to by Mr Hanlon in his letter, Mr Hand and he inspected the place and consider it would be advisable to construct an earthenware piped culvert in the water table. Estimated cost 20/-.

A long discussion took place on the reading of this report, which resulted in the following order being made viz:-

That the Surveyor have portion of the Water Channel, refered to by Mr Hanlon, repaired.

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The Foreman reported that there are now two heaps of Manure ready for sale in yard on the Quay. Fifteen ashpits were cleaned since last Meeting. The Metalling Ordered from Parnell Quarries Arklow have not yet arrived. This Metalling is badly

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wanked presently.

James Kelly Jr. M.

No Order Made.

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A Number of provisional Valuations under The Finance Act (1909-10) Act 1910 of the property of the Council situate in the Urban District were received, but there was No Order Made upon them.

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Omission
Proposed by Mr Hand and seconded by Mr John Murphy
That Wm. Shea and Edwd. Broaders be paid for three days in last month during which they were ill, as neither got any sick benefit under the Insurance Act, and that all the men be informed they will not be paid in future for any time during illness for which they could obtain benefit under the Act, and they are therefore to notify the Secretary of their Society at the commencement of illness.
Passed Unanimously
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The Street Inspector reported that, since last Meeting, a number of Traders had obstructions on the Streets and footpaths outside their premises each day. The daily Scavenging was carried out as usual. Since last Meeting No fresh case of dumping rubbish or broken glass near roadway at Town Wall came under his Notice. He is keeping this place under observation.

Mr John Murphy drew attention to the danger to cattle when being driven along by the Town Wall from broken bottles which are strewn on the side of the Street, and adjoining it, and pointed out that the position of the Notice Board, cautioning people against depositing those bottles there, was too obscure.

After some discussion it was

Ordered

That the Foreman be directed to have all those old broken bottles removed in from the edge of the roadway, and that the Surveyor have the Notice board removed from its present position and re-erected in the Open Space, the permission of the owner of this ground to erect the Notice board on it, to be first obtained.

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Mr Fanning inquired again if any definite information as to the ownership of this plot of ground was forthcoming, or what portion if any, of it was belonging to the Council.

The Surveyor stated that he had not been able to obtain the desired information, but on the suggestion of the Chairman he promised to call on Mr Hamilton and ascertain if he had a map of the place showing what portion of it belonged to Colonel Tottenham, and also to the Council.

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The Clerk stated that Mr Arthur Doyle called on him again in reference to the choked drain leading from his premises on the Quay, and contended that the drain was the property of the Council, and asked that they have it cleared. He is aware that two other drains discharge into it.

Ordered

That the Surveyor call on Mr Doyle, inspect the drain with him and report to Next Meeting of the Council respecting it.

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The Clerk submitted a Number of bills (see list at commencement of Minutes) which had been passed for payment, and on the proposal of Mr Hands Seconded by Mr Murphy they were ordered to be paid.

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He also stated that the L.G. Board had not yet intimated their sanction to the increase of Salary granted Nearly three Months ago, to the Town Surveyor by the Council, and it was Ordered that the attention of the Board be drawn to the matter.

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The Clerk also reported that Oats was Now costing 20/- per barrell, and hay £5 per ton, which made the weekly average upkeep of the horses 15/6 each, but there was No Order Made in reference to the Matter.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 23rd February, 1915.

Jim Foley

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Tuesday 23rd February, 1915.

A Meeting of the Newross Urban District Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854; consider a Malicious injury claim by Mr John Hearn South St, amounting to £9:3:0, for breaking of his plate glass windows.

Present Messrs John Murphy Presiding
John Hand
John Fanning
Michael Sheehan
Joseph Brewer

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Sheehan & Hand and the following Paying Order was directed to be issued viz:- No 229 M.J. Finn £21:3:9, Petty Cash.

The Minute entered in the Margin of Folio 615 of the Minutes of last Meeting was also read and confirmed.

## Correspondence

Letter from L.G. Board dated 19th Inst No 8419:1915, relative to the proposal of the Council to increase the salary of the Town Surveyor to £80 with an Annual increment of £5 until a Maximum of £100 is reached, and requesting to be informed whether it is proposed that this Salary shall cover all the duties discharged by the Surveyor, or whether there is any remuneration by commission or otherwise for work connected with the Housing of the Working Classes or other New Works undertaken by the Council, also whether the Surveyor's duties include Supervision of the Water-works. After some discussion it was,

Ordered

That the consideration of this letter be adjourned to next Meeting, the Members to be Summoned to consider it; also that

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a copy be given to the Town Surveyor and he be directed to furnish in writing, to next Meeting his observations upon the Queries of the Board as set out in the letter.

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Letter from L. G. Board No 8310: 1915, dated 13th. Inst acknowledging receipt of a copy of the resolution passed by the Council on the 9th. Inst requesting the Board to send to Newross its full quota of the Canadian flour, and stating that the flour is being distributed through the Local Relief Committees appointed for dealing with distress caused by the War and not through Urban District Councils.

No Order Made.

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Letter from the Secretary of the County Council, dated 12th. Inst, acknowledging receipt of the resolution passed in reference to appointment of Fishery Instructor which he will bring before next Meeting.

No Order Made.

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The following tender dated 23rd. Inst for the supply of water fittings was received from Mrs Hunt Quay viz:-

One dozen stop cocks (D. C. pattern) @ 36/- per dozen.
one " patent ferrules Do @ 33/- " "
one " stop cock covers @ 21/- " "
2 cwt lead piping alloyed with 5% of tin 36/6 per cwt.

Proposed by Mr Hand and
Seconded by Mr Sheehan

That the tender of Mrs Hunt for the supply of those water fittings and lead piping be accepted.

Passed Unanimously.

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Letter from Mr T. A. Ashe, Glove Hotel, Quay, dated 23rd. Feby. 1915, stating that he had taken out an Auctioneers license and would be glad to have permission to use the large room, Thotsel, on the same terms as are at present existing, for any sales he might have.

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Proposed by Mr Hand and
Seconded by Mr Fanning

That the use of the Large Room, Thrisel, be granted to Mr Ashe for the purpose of holding auctions in, at a charge of 2/6 for each auction.

Passed Unanimously

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Letter from Messrs Culpen & Son, dated 17th inst, enclosing attornment, dated 8th inst, duly signed by the former tenants of Mrs Boyd at Wm Street and stamped.

The Clerk stated that he had received the attornment repened to.

No Order Made.

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A tender of 21/. was received from John Ryan, Red House, for heap of manure at Town Wall, but, as it was considered too low, it was not accepted.

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Letter from The British Petroleum Co Ltd dated 11th Febry thanking the Council for store licence, on premises of Mr Lawler at Rosbercon, granted at last Meeting.

No Order Made

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A Notice in duplicate dated 18th inst, was received on behalf of Mr John Hearn South St, intimating his intention to apply at next Quarter Sessions for compensation amounting to £9:3:0, for the malicious breaking of his shop window.

A report was received from the Constabulary to the effect that they inspected the window and found that the glass was broken in it.

After a long discussion it was decided not to oppose this claim as it would be expensive to do so, and inadvisable in view of the difficulty of proving that the drainage was not wantonly or maliciously done.

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A Statement of the Annual Demand for year ending 31st March 1916, to be made by the County Council on the Urban District Council, dated 11th Febry 1915 amounting to £1400:8:8,

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was received.

A long discussion took place respecting it, as it is £185:6:3 More than last year, but there was No Order Made upon it.

Arising out of the consideration of this Statement the following resolution was
Proposed by Mr Hand and
Seconded by Mr Fanning

That in future the Audited Abstracts of Accounts of the Council for each year be printed and a copy sent to each Member of the Council.

Passed Unanimously.

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It having been stated that the proposal to construct an asphalte or concrete footpath on the Newtoss bridge was again rejected by the County Council, the following resolution was
Proposed by Mr Hand and
Seconded by Mr Sheehan

That the attention of the County Council be directed to the great necessity which exists for a footpath on the Newtoss Bridge and that they be again requested to have a concrete, or asphalte, one constructed on it.

Passed Unanimously

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## Town Surveyor's Report

23rd Feby 1915.

I beg to report that the repairs to the Irishtown Weighbridge Hut and Cattle Pen have been carried out as Ordered. I interviewed Mr S. R. Hamilton, Estate Agent, as requested re-garding the boundary line between the public roadway and the Tottenham property in Windmill Lane and Town Wall vicinity. Mr Hamilton very kindly gave me all the information possible. He informed me that a plot of land defined as "From Pound to Three Bullet Gate, three lives, renewable for ever," was held in lease from the Urban

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Council, at £11:1:2 per annum. This lease was renewed in 1827 to Charles Tattenham. Mr Hamilton is of opinion that this definition includes the entire block bounded by Upper Mary St, Nunnery Lane, Town Wall, Neville St & Bewley St. The boundary line on map shows the public roadway at Town Wall to have had a mean width of about 45 feet. The present width averages about 35 feet. The old Tower is apparently on public property. I inspected the shore in Mr M. Doyles yard, the Quay, as Ordered and there appears to be two drains from some unknown source entering this shore.

Jas Shortall
Town Surveyor.

Ordered

That the Surveyor get the shore from Mr Doyles yard cleared as soon as possible.

The Surveyor reported verbally that the house on Gullaun occupied by Thomas Pyne had been repaired as ordered at last Meeting.

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The following Notice of Motion was handed in by the Chairman:-

"I will propose at next Meeting of Council that the resolu-
"-tion refusing to Subscribe to Municipal Authorities
"Association be rescinded, and that the usual Number of
"copies of Report be purchased".

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 9th March, 1915.

Patrick J. Dunne

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Monday 1st March 1915.

A Monthly Meeting of the Council was to be held this day at twelve o'clock Noon, to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

No Member of the Council attended.

A Quorum not having assembled

The Meeting Adjourned

Thursday 4th March 1915

A Meeting of the Finance Committee was held this evening at 8 O'clock, to consider and if approved of, adopt Clerks Estimate of Poor Rate for financial year ending 31st March, 1916.

Present Messrs Patrick J. Dunne Presiding
John Murphy

The Clerk submitted the statement of the amount to be demanded by the County Council for the ensuing financial year as also his Estimate of Poor Rate Amounting to 3/5 in the pound. Both were examined in detail, after which the Committee decided unanimously to adopt the Clerk's Estimate, and to recommend its adoption by the Council.

This concluded the business of the Committee and

The Members Separated

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Monday 8th March 1915.

A Meeting of the Finance Committee was held this evening at 7.30 O'clock to transact business of the Committee for the Finance Meeting of the Council, consider Clerk's Estimate of Town Rate for financial year ending 31st March 1916, and an application of Michael Flynn, one of the Council's workmen, for an increase in his wages.

Present Mesprs Patrick J. Dunne Presiding
John Murphy
John Fanning

The Committee examined a number of Bills submitted by the Clerk, and recommended payment of them, after which they considered the Estimate of Town & Sanitary Rate, prepared by him, which amounted to 5/2 in the £. That Officer stated that the original estimate prepared by him amounted to 5/1 in the £, but in view of the increase of Poor Rate by five pence, he decided to curtail some expenditure, and thus reduce his Estimate to 5/2, which he considered absolutely necessary, to cover the expenditure for the coming year.

The Committee however in view of the increase in the Poor Rate, over which the Council had no control, and of the high prices prevailing for all classes of materials decided to provide for only £50 for special works, in this years Estimate, instead of £120 agreed to previously by the Council and thus reduce the Estimate by two pence in the £ bringing the rate down to 5/. in the £, the same as it is the present year.

Accordingly the following resolution was
Proposed by The Chairman and
Seconded by Mr Fanning

That the Clerk's Estimate of Town & Sanitary rate for financial year ending 31st March 1916, as amended, amounting to 5/. in the £ be adopted by the Finance Committee who also recommends its adoption by the Council.

Passed Unanimously

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The application of Michl Flynn, one of the Councils workmen, for an increase in his present wages of 15/- per week, was considered, and the Committee decided to recommend the Council to increase his wages to 17/-, same as that paid to all the other men, he to assist at the cleansing of the town on Saturday nights and on the eve of holidays with the other men.

The Committee adjourned.

Patrick J. Sinnott

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Tuesday 9th March, 1915. (~~Minutes Book~~)

A Meeting of the Newross Urban Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, consider a letter received from the L.G. Board relative to the proposal of the Council to increase the salary of the Town Surveyor, an application from Michael Flynn, one of the Councils workmen, for an increase in his wages, and the following Notice of Motion by Mr John Murphy viz:-

"That the resolution refusing"
"to subscribe to Municipal Authorities Association be rescinded,"
"and that the usual number of Copies of Report be purchased."

Present Mesrs Patrick J. Dunne Presiding
John Murphy
Wm Murphy
Peter Murphy
John Land

The Minutes of previous Meetings were read and Signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by The Chairman and Mesrs Peter Murphy & John Murphy, and the following Paying Orders were directed to be issued viz:- No 230 Mesrs Smith £19:18:0, No 231 Thos Fitzgerald £2:6:10 No 232 Richard Murphy £8:15:0, No 233 John J. Browne £2:0:2, No 234 Mrs Hennessy £5:13:0, No 235 Majr Hogan £4, No 236 Henry Pooley & Son £26:3:9, No 237 Treasurer Wexford County Council £303:13:11, No 238 James Shortall £4:6:8, No 239 Hibernian Fire & General Insurance Co £1:13:11, No 240 Messrs Smith £11:5:0, No 241 Newross Gas Co Ltd £103:1:3, No 242 Richd Malone £5, No 243 Mesrs Bell Morris & Sons 9/6, No 244 John J. Browne £26:5:3, No 245 Patrick Leacy £3:5:6.

## Correspondence

Letter from L.G. Board No 12225:1915, dated 3rd Inst, referring to the Returns showing the condition of the collection of the Poor Rate for the Current half year, drawing attention to the large amount still out-standing, and stating that the Collector can expect no leniency in the event of his failure to close his collection on the 31st Inst.

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Ordered

That a copy of this letter be furnished to the Collector.

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The following report of the Clerk as to the State of the Collection was read :-

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I beg to report that the Amount Of Poor Rate collected to 27th Ultimo is £309:3:1, outstanding £345:6:11; Town Rate collected £476:14:2 outstanding £562:8:0, Domestic Water Rate collected £48:5:2, outstanding £39:5:10.

No Order Made.

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Letter from the Commissioner of Valuation dated 27th Ult forwarding the revised Valuation Lists for 1915, relating to the Urban District, dated 1st March. The Clerk reported that the lists referred to had been duly received, and there was No Order Made.

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Letter from the Secretary of the County Council dated 27th Ult, acknowledging receipt of the Councils resolution relative to the Construction of a foot-path on the Newross Bridge, and stating that same would be brought before the next Meeting of the County Council.

No Order Made

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A tender dated 9th Inst was received from John Ryan, Red House, Offering 3/6 and 2/- for two heaps of Manure at Town Wall, and, on the proposal of the Chairman, seconded by Mr Murphy, South Ward, the tender for both heaps was accepted.

A tender dated 8th Inst was received from Mr Love Begerin of 2/- for heap of manure near gate at Town Wall, and considered with Mr Ryans tender, but it was not accepted as it was believed that the heaps Mr Love Offered for was that for which Mr Ryan Offered 3/6.

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Letter from Messrs Wolfer & Son Solicitors dated 9th Inst enclosing Bond of Collector Browne, and warrant to confess judgment thereon for execution by Mr Browne and his Sureties. As they understood Mr Hearn, Solr represents the Collector he will presumably see that the execution of the Bond and Warrant is carried out in due legal course, and they therefore give no instructions on the point.

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They also asked to have the Bond and Warrant returned to them, without delay, for registration.

They are inclined to think that the costs of Collectors Bonds, and of having them registered, are properly payable by the Collector and not by the Council and they would suggest that an undertaking to indemnify the Council in respect of these costs, if they should be disallowed by the Taxing Master, or Auditor, be obtained from the Collector.

After some discussion the following resolution was :-

Proposed by Mr John Murphy And

Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy

That the Bond be sent to the Collector for execution by him, and his Sureties at once and he be directed to have it returned when executed so that it may be sent to the Council's Solicitors for registration

Passed Unanimously

Ordered

That he be also informed the Council require an undertaking from him that he will indemnify them the costs of the preparation and registration of this Bond, in the event of same being disallowed.

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Letter from the Collector, dated 9th Inst, asking to be exempted from lodging a Sum of £42:13:0 of Town Rate which the Railway Co have refused to pay, and which is included in his warrant.

After a short discussion it was agreed, Subject to the approval of the Local Government Board, not to require the Collector to lodge this Amount.

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The Clerk Submitted his Estimate of Poor Rate for financial year ending 31st March 1916 Amounting to 3/5 in the £, which had been adopted by the Finance Committee, and of which each Member had received a copy. After a short discussion respecting it the following resolution was p

Proposed by The Chairman

Seconded by Mr John Murphy And Resolved

That the Clerk's Estimate of

Poor Rate for financial year ending 31st March 1916,

amounting to three shillings and five pence in the pound,

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be adopted by the Council, and that he publish the necessary Notices, and take the necessary Steps to have said rate made.

Passed Unanimously

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The Estimate of Town Rate for financial year ending 31st March 1916 amounting to 5/- in the £ was also submitted and examined after which the following resolution was:-

Proposed by Dr John Murphy

Seconded by The Chairman And Resolved

That the Clerks Estimate of Town Rate and Domestic Water Rate for year ending 31st March 1916, now before us, be adopted, and that he publish the necessary notice of our intention to make a Town Rate of Five Shillings in the £, and a Domestic Water Rate of one Shilling and three pence in the Pound on the Valuation of premises supplied with water, said last mentioned rate to be in relief of the portion of the Town Rate raised as Sanitary expenses, the rateable value of the property assessable being £8282:3:9.

Passed Unanimously.

The following report of the Town Surveyor was read viz:-

10th March, 1915.

I beg to report that the Shore leading from Mr A Doyle's premises, the Quay, has been cleared as Ordered. The East gable of your range of houses in Upper Wm St has also been repaired as ordered. Some months ago I reported that glass was broken in your house in occupation of C Broaders Wm St, and that damage was consequently been done to the window sashes. It was then Ordered that the tenant put in the glass. This has not yet been done. In the following houses glass is also broken. Mrs Murphy Wm Street two panes, John Dunbar Wm St one pane, Patk. Dunbar Wm St two panes, Mrs O'Neill Wm St one pane.

After a short discussion it was

Proposed by Dr John Murphy and

Seconded by the Chairman

That the tenants of the houses in

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which the panes of glass are broken be asked to have it replaced immediately, and that Edwd Broaders be informed if he does not have it put in at once, the Council will have it put in at his expense.

Passed Mr Hand dissenting to compelling tenants to replace glass which might have been broken through no fault of theirs.

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The Foreman reported that there are now two heaps of manure in Depot at Town Wall value for about £1:10:0 and one in yard on Quay worth about 15/-. The water cart requires some repairs to shafts, and the leather hose also requires to be repaired. Two pairs of hinges are required for Stable at William Street. The Surveyor also stated that the left door of Stable required to be repaired. Ordered

That the necessary repairs to Water cart, leather hose, and Stable be carried out by the Surveyor.

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The application of Michl Flynn, one of the Councils Workmen, for an increase in his wages was next considered in conjunction with a recommendation of the Finance Committee that he be granted an increase. After a short discussion it was:-

Proposed by Mr Hand and

Seconded by Mr Wm Murphy

That Michael Flynn's wages be increased from 15/ to 17/- per week, this being the amount paid to the other men, he to assist in cleansing of town on Saturday evenings and the eve of holidays.

Passed Unanimously

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The letter received from the L.G. Board dated 19th Febry No 8419:1915, relative to the proposal of the Council to increase the salary of the Town Surveyor which was adjourned from last meeting was considered, in conjunction with the following received from the Surveyor viz:-

10th March, 1915.

Dear Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 24th ult enclosing copy of letter received from Local Government Board relative to the proposed increase of my salary as Town Surveyor, I beg to say that I have

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always regarded the Supervision of the Waterworks, repairs, extensions &c, as being included in my duties and for which I have not received any extra remuneration. As to whether I shall be entitled to any extra remuneration or commissions in connection with the Housing of the Working Classes &c is a matter I beg to leave to the discretion of the Council.

Jas J Shortall
Town Surveyor.

After a long discussion the following resolution was

Proposed by Mr John Murphy And
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy

That the Local Government Board be informed the Council decide that the proposed increase of salary shall cover all duties to be carried out by the Surveyor in connection with the Housing of the Working Classes, but that the Council reserve to themselves the right to allow him remuneration for other new works undertaken by the Council, and that his duties include Supervision of the water works.

Mr Hand proposed the following amendment which was not seconded viz:-

That Mr Shortall get no increase of salary as he is not a whole time Officer, and also as the Council has another water Inspector.

The resolution was put to a vote and the following voted in favour of it viz:- Messrs Wm Murphy, Peter Murphy & J Murphy 3
Against:- Mr Hand 1

The Chairman declined to vote, and declared the resolution Passed by a Majority of two.

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The Collector reported in detail, small repairs which required to be carried out on the houses of the Council, and it was

Ordered

That the Surveyor get them carried out as soon as possible.

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The accounts already recommended for payment by the Finance Committee were, upon the proposal of Mr Hand seconded by Mr Hand

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John Murphy, ordered to be paid.

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The following resolution of which Mr John Murphy had given Notice was proposed by him, seconded by Mr Hand and passed unanimously viz:-

That the resolution refusing to subscribe to Municipal Authorities Association be rescinded, and that the usual number of copies of report be purchased.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 23rd March 1915

Patrick J Devine

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Tuesday 23rd March, 1915.

A Meeting of the Newross Urban Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854; consider applications for tenancy of a house at Abbey View Terrace.

Present Mespr Patrick J. Dunne Presiding
John Fanning
John Hand
Peter Murphy
James J. Dooley
Peter H. O'Gorman
Joseph Brewer

The Minutes of previous were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman & Mespr Fanning & Hand and the following Paying Order was directed to be issued viz:- No 246 Mf Fmin £19:8:11 Petty Cash.

Immediately after the minutes were signed the following resolution was Proposed by The Chairman,
Seconded by Mr O'Gorman, supported by Mr Hand, and passed in silence viz:-

That we tender to Father Quigley C.C. one of our revered priests, and his immediate relatives and friends, our sincere sympathy, and condolence in their bereavement, caused by the death of Fr Quigley's Mother, and beg to assure them that we deeply regret that the necessity for this expression of sympathy should have arisen.

Correspondence

An application was received from Mary Ann Whelan for the tenancy of the house at Church Lane, at present occupied by her, and of which her late husband, Edwd Whelan, was the tenant, and offered Martin Hand as Surety.

On the proposal of the Chairman, Seconded by Mr Hand, she was

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unanimously accepted as tenant.

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The following applications were received for the tenancy of ~~one~~ of the new houses at Abbey View Terrace, or Bunneen Lane, lately occupied by Wm O'neill, viz:- Patrick Kehoe Rochestown, Patrick O'Brien Neville St, and Laurence McGuinness Cock Pit Lane.

In support of Patrick Kehoe, a letter was read from the Rev Mother, Convent of the Good Shepherd, in which she stated that he was employed permanently at the Convent; and is a thoroughly reliable man. She would feel most grateful for the cottage for him.

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Fanning

That Patrick Kehoe be accepted tenant of the vacant house at Bunneen Lane.

Proposed by Mr Brewer and
Seconded by The Chairman

That Laurence McGuiness be accepted as tenant.

Patrick O'Brien was not proposed

On a Poll being taken there voted

For Kehoe Messrs Gorman, Hand, Fanning & Peter Murphy 4
For McGuinness Messrs Brewer & the Chairman 2

Mr Dooley declined to vote.

Patrick Kehoe was declared duly elected tenant of the house.

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Letter from the L. G. Board, dated 16th Inst, No H4214:1915, stating that under the Special circumstances the Collector might leave unlodged on this occasion a sum of £42:13:0, alleged to be due by the Railway Co on foot of Town Rates.

Ordered

That the Collector be informed of this.

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Letter from L. G. Board, dated 15th Inst, enclosing Paying Order for £38:19:5. being the second instalment of Death Duty Grant payable for year ending 31st March next.

Ordered that it be lodged to the credit of the Council

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Letter from H. H. Langrishe, Solicitor, dated 23rd. inst, stating that Collector Browne had executed his Bond before him on to-day, and same will be executed by his Sureties and completed without delay.
No Order Made.

The Clerk reported that Mr. Browne had not yet given the indemnity to the Council in respect of the cost of preparing his Bond, as directed at last Meeting, but there was No Order Made on the matter.

Letter from the Secretary of the County Council, enclosing copy of a letter received by his Council from the L.G. Board, relative to the liability of the Urban Council to contribute to the law expenses of the County Council. From the letter it appeared that except where an Urban District has been exempted by Statute, or Order, from contributing to County-at-Large Expenditure for Law costs, such District is liable for its proportionate Amount of such law costs.
No Order Made.

Letter from Same Stating that the resolution of the Urban Council relative to the construction of a new footpath on the bridge was brought before the Meeting of the Finance & Roads Committee on the 16th. inst, and adjourned for the attendance of Mr. John. S. Hearn, County Councillor.
No Order Made.

Letter from the Secretary of the Association of Municipal Authorities, dated 18th. March, asking for cheque for £2:2:0, amount of Councils Subscription for four copies of the Annual Report of the Association, and it was Ordered to be paid at next Finance Meeting of the Council.

There was also a letter from him stating that he would be glad to know if any member or Officer of the Council, would be so good as to contribute a paper at this years Conference of the Association which will probably be held in July or August, and if so the Nature of the Subject.
Ordered that this letter be brought forward again at next Meeting of the Council.

Letter from James Moynihan, on behalf of Messrs M. E Shanahan & Son,

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butter merchants, Cork, dated 19th inst, applying for the use of portion of the butter market for the purchase of unsalted butter, on one day each week during the butter season.

After some discussion it was Ordered on the proposal of Mr Peter Murphy seconded by The Chairman that this application be referred to the Finance Committee for consideration and report, the Committee also to suggest a rent for it in the event of the Council acceding to the application.

## Town Surveyor's Report

23rd March 1915.

I beg to report that I am having the Watering Cart repaired as ordered. A water supply has been laid on to premisis in occupation of Mrs Doyle, North Street. It would be advisable to have the water meter, which has recently been repaired, fixed in to water main at Ballyleigh. I inspected the Thrisel roof and estimate cost of repairs to same to be £26.

James J Thorpe,
Town Surveyor.

Proposed by The Chairman and
Seconded by Mr Brewer

That the Surveyor prepare a specification of the work necessary to be done on the roof of the Thrisel, and submit same to next meeting of the Council.

Passed Unanimously.

Ordered

That the water meter be fitted in the main at Ballyleigh.

The Foreman reported that there is one heap of manure ready for sale at Town Wall, also that he is having the coarse metalling carted to the upper portion of the town, and some of the fine Spread in ruts in the street. He is having the public traps and upper portion of the town cleansed twice weekly. Thomas Freeman is sick since the 21st inst. He would require a substitute.

Ordered

That a temporary man be got instead of Thos Freeman, and that whenever any of the men fall sick another man be got temporarily to take his place during his illness.

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The Street Inspector reported a number of persons had articles placed on the Streets since last Meeting, also that a quantity of furniture was deposited on the roadway and footpath at South Street, outside the premises lately occupied by Mrs Meehan.

Mr Hand proposed that Mrs Meehan be given permission to store the furniture in the Councils yard in Henry Street at her risk.

The proposition was seconded by Mr Fanning and passed Unanimously.

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Letter from Edwd Broaders dated 23rd inst asking to have the glass put in in the window of his house, and he will repay the cost at 6d per week.

Ordered

That the Council have the glass put in, and charge cost of same to Broaders to be paid as suggested by him.

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The following resolution proposed by Mr Hand, and seconded by Mr Brewer was passed unanimously viz:-

That the Local Government Board be asked to send to the Newross Distress Committee, a quantity of cheap coals for distribution amongst the poor, on the same terms as it is distributed in Dublin, as there is great distress at present in town.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 6th April, 1915.

John Baldwin

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Monday 5th April 1915

A Monthly Meeting of the Council was to be held this day at 12 o'clock Noon to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

No Member of the Council attended

A Quorum not having assembled

The Meeting Adjourned.

John Buckley

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Tuesday 6th April 1915.

An adjourned fortnightly and an adjourned monthly meeting of the Council was held this evening at 7.30 O'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 and consider an application from Messrs M. E. Shanahan & Son, Cork, to rent portion of the Fish House on Quay for a butter market.

Present Messrs John Sullivan J.P. Presiding
Peter Murphy
John Hand
Joseph Brewer
John Murphy
Patrick J. Dunne
James B. Keane.

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs John Murphy & Patrick J. Dunne, and the following Paying Order was directed to be issued viz:- Rel Mg Trmn £18:6:8 Petty Cash.

## Correspondence

The following letters were read viz:-

The Presbytery
Newross 29th March, 1915.

Dear Mr Town,

Please convey to the members of your Council the expression of my very deep gratitude for their resolution of sympathy with me and relatives in our recent sad bereavement, and assure them of our due appreciation of the kindly sentiments prompting such action on the part of your Council. For your own message of condolence accompanying the resolution, I beg leave to offer also our very sincere thanks.

Yours faithfully,
Thos Quigley C.C.

Bg Farm, Foulkomiles,
27th March, 1915.

Dear Mr Town,

For your kind vote of sympathy and condolence passed by

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your Council on the occasion of the death of my mother, I wish most heartily to thank the Council and also yourself for your kindness on that occasion.

Yours most Sincerely,

P. Dunphy.

Ordered

That they be entered in full on the minutes.

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The following letter was read viz:-

John Street
New Ross. 6/4/15.

Dear Sir,

With reference to the leakage of surface water through our end wall from Maiden Lane and my letter of complaint dated 30th October last:- I find that owing to your neglect to deal effectively with this matter it is now necessary to take out the flooring of the shop window on that side. The cost of this in addition to the damage to our goods will be considerable.

Faithfully Yours
M. J. Moran.

After some discussion it was

Ordered

That the Surveyor attend to the matter at once.

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A Dividend Warrant for £9:17:5 was received and Ordered to be lodged to the credit of the Council.

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Letter from L. G. Board, No 14,211:1915, dated 23rd March 1915, sanctioning, on the terms of the Councils resolution of the 9th inst, the increase in the salary of the Town Surveyor from £52 to £80 a year, and thence by annual increments of £5 to a maximum of £100.

No Order Made.

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Same No 16,995:1915, dated 27th March, acknowledging receipt of the Council's resolution requesting the Board to send to the Local Relief Committee a supply of Coal for distribution to the poor at reduced rates, and stating that the Board only received permission from the Committee controlling the National Relief Fund to expend a limited amount for the

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purpose of supplying coal to the poor of Dublin owing to the Mansion House Fund being depleted this year owing to the War, but it could not be extended to New Ross.

No Order Made.

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A third letter was received from the Board pointing out that measures should be taken to safequard the prospects of promotion of any of the Employees who joined his Majestys Forces.

No Order Made as none of the Officials of the Council had joined.

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Letter from Mr Wm Lovell dated 23rd Ult asking to have his claim for fees etc, amounting to £21:8:0 brought before the Council.

The Clerk Stated that the Councils Solicitors had been asked to advise as to the liability of the Council to pay the Amount claimed, but same had not yet been obtained. He expected, however, to have it by next Meeting of the Council and suggested that the letter be deferred to that Meeting which will be the Finance Meeting of the Council, and this was agreed to.

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A letter dated 27th Ult was received from the Hon Secretary of the National Union of Railwaymen, enclosing for adoption a number of resolutions asking the Labour Party and the Irish Parliamentary Party to impress upon the Government to guarantee to the Railway Cos of Ireland a proportion to that guaranteed to the English, Scotch and Welsh Railway Companies, of any allowance they might make that will enable them to do justice to the men.

Proposed by Mr Farrell and
Seconded by Mr Dunne

That the resolutions be adopted by the Council.

Passed Unanimously.

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Letter from George Moran, dated 31st Ult notifying the Council that the Supply of Water to his land at Castlemoyle (Danatts Park) is shut off from this date until the 30th September as the land is under meadow

After some discussion it was Ordered that the present agreement be terminated and a new one begin from 30th Sept next.

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The following in reference to the removal of furniture deposited on the street outside the premises lately occupied by Mrs Meehan was read :-

27th March 1915.

Dear Sir,

With reference to the question you asked us this evening as to the powers of the Urban Council to deal with Mrs Meehan's furniture, we are of opinion that it would not be safe for the Council to remove the furniture without first calling on Mrs Meehan to do so. We think she is liable to a fine of 20/. under the Towns Improvement Act for leaving the furniture where it now is, but this would be an inadequate remedy, as the fine would probably be paid and the furniture allowed to remain.

Our advice is to serve her at once with the enclosed notice, and if the furniture is not removed within the time specified in the notice the Council should themselves have it removed to a place of safety taking care to protect it as well as is reasonably possible.

Yours very truly
Colfer & Son.

The Clerk reported that the notice had been duly served on Mrs Meehan and the furniture removed by the Council's men on the expiration of the time named in it, and this was approved of.

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The following report of the Finance Committee was, on the proposal of Mr Brewer, seconded by Mr Hand, adopted after having been altered by the Chairman during a discussion which took place on the original viz :-

6th April 1915

Your Committee met this evening at 5.30 o'clock to consider application for portion of Fish House for butter market.

We recommend that the portion known as the butter house of the Market House, be opened for the use of the public free of charge, that a suitable Scales be provided, and that the weighmaster be in attendance to weigh butter at following charges viz :- 3 lbs of butter or under 0½d, over three and up to 7 lbs 1d, 7 lbs to 14 lbs 2d, and 1d for each additional 7 lbs or under. We also recommend that Messrs E. Shanahan be informed that the Council cannot rent the market house to him but that he can have the use of it in the ordinary way on terms mentioned above. Seller to pay weighing fees.

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Ordered

That local Traders be asked to tender to next meeting for the supply of a scales of 28 lbs capacity and a set of weights for use in weighing butter.

## Town Surveyor's Report.

The Glazing which was recently ordered to be done in your house in occupation of E Broaders Wm Street, is now being done. There appears to be a slight leak in the water main at McMurroghs which I intend to have repaired immediately. There are three houses in Mount Garrett Lane in occupation of Wm Corbett, Jas Farrell, and Pats Stafford, which are in my opinion dangerous, the front wall being 13" out of Vertical in a height of 8'-0". Specification for repairs to Tholsel Roof is herewith submitted as Ordered.

Jas Shortall, Town Surveyor.

Ordered

That the Surveyor serve notice on the Owner of the three houses in Mount Garrett Lane, requiring him to have them put in a proper state of repair.

Proposed by Mr Dunne and

Seconded by Mr Land

That tenders be invited for repairs to roof of Tholsel in accordance with the Specification prepared by the Surveyor, same to be considered at next Meeting.

Passed Unanimously.

The Street Inspector reported that a number of Traders placed Obstructions on the Streets since last Meeting, also that the daily Scavenging was carried out as usual.

No Order Made

Mr Dunne drew attention to an Order passed by the Council, some-time ago, requiring that any man who was acting as night watch-man should not be employed at any other work during the day, and stated that at the excavations in Brennan's Lane, one of the Councils men was acting in that Capacity and working during the day, but the Surveyor pointed out that the man only attended to light the lamps at night,

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and in the morning to extinguish them, as he did not consider it necessary to have a Watchman only all night. A discussion took place respecting the desirability of having a watchman during which it seemed to be the opinion of all the members present that one was necessary, and on the proposal of Mr Hand, seconded by Mr Brewer the Surveyor was directed to have one of the Councils men act as watchman at Brennan's Lane during the excavations there, he to be replaced during the day by a temporary man.

Passed Unanimously.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 13th April 1915.

Patrick J Dunne

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Monday 12th April, 1915.

A Meeting of the Finance Committee was held this evening at 8 o'clock to deal with lists of uncollectable Poor Rate & Town Rate submitted by the Collector, consider a claim of Mr O'Dowell amounting to £21:8:0 for extra Plans &c, and transact business of the Committee for the Finance meeting of the Council.

Present Messrs John O'Sullivan J.P. Presiding
John Murphy
John Fanning

The Rate Collector was also in attendance.

The Committee examined the list of rates which the Collector claimed a refund of, and, in connection with the claim for a refund of rates due on the premises lately occupied by Mary Meehan South Street, on the ground that the rate was bad. A letter from the Councils Solicitors was read in which they expressed the opinion that the rate must be taken as a valid one, and the Committee accordingly recommend that the claim be disallowed.

They recommend that sums of Town Rate amounting to £42:5:10 be cancelled, £2:17:6, claimed to be bad dis-allowed and £42:13:0 due by the Railway Co. be carried forward to next collection, also that sums of Poor Rate amounting to £22:12:10 be cancelled, and £1:14:6 be disallowed.

The Committee also examined Mr O'Dowell's bill, and in accordance with the advice of the Council's Solicitors recommended he be Offered £8:16:0 in full discharge of his claim.

Having examined a number of bills, passed same for payment, and prepared their report.

The Committee Adjourned.

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Monday 12th April, 1915.

A Quarterly Meeting of the Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898, and consider following Notice of Motion by Councillor Peter Murphy viz:-

That a new concrete footpath be constructed on the North side of Cross Lane from the entrance to the Presbytery, to the entrance gate to field in occupation of Mr. A. Cullen, an approximate distance of 110 yards. Cost not to exceed £50.

Present Mssrs John O'Sullivan J.P. Presiding
John Hand
John Fanning
John Murphy
Peter H. O'Gorman

Mr Peter Murphy attended at a later stage of the Meeting.

The Minutes of last Quarterly Meeting were read and signed.

The following report of the Town Surveyor was read:-

12 April 1915.

Mr Chairman & Gentlemen,

Although the weather during the past was unusally severe, your streets generally, were main-tained in fair Order but all the Material Specified has not yet been delivered from the Parnell Quarries.

With reference to Councillor Peter Murphy's proposal to construct a new footpath in Cross Lane. I consider the amount estimated for same to be sufficient.

James J. Shortall
Town Surveyor.

A discussion took place respecting the Stones which were deposited at the end of Windmill Lane, close up against the end wall of a house and it was,

Proposed by Mr Hand and Seconded by Mr John Murphy

That they be removed up to their proper Depot.

Passed Unanimously.

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The consideration of the Notice of Motion by Mr Peter Murphy to have a concrete footpath constructed in the portion of Cross Lane specified in the Notice was taken up, and, in his absence, it was Proposed by Mr Fanning, who also drew attention to the necessity for a footpath in Revelle Street.

Mr Hand suggested that instead of a concrete footpath a gravel one be constructed, in that portion of Cross Lane specified.

A long discussion took place during which Mr Peter Murphy attended, and the Chairman having explained what took place before his arrival the following resolution of which he had given Notice was,

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy And
Seconded by Mr Fanning

That a new concrete footpath be constructed on the North side of Cross Lane from the entrance gate to the Presbytery, to the entrance gate to field in occupation of Mr A. Cullen, an approximate distance of 110 yards. Cost not to exceed £50.

On the resolution being put to the Meeting there voted

For - Messrs John Murphy, Peter Murphy & John Fanning 3
Against - " O'Gorman, Hand, Brewer & The Chairman 3

The Chairman gave his casting vote against the resolution which was accordingly declared "Not Passed".

At this stage Mr Peter Murphy left the Meeting, and the following resolution was,

Proposed by Mr Hand and
Seconded by Mr Fanning viz:-

That a gravel footpath with kerbs be constructed at top of Cross Lane from the termination of the present concrete footpath to the houses and that the cobble stones be removed from Revelle Street footpath and the apertures filled with fine Metalling, both these works to be carried out by The Surveyor.

Passed Mr Murphy dissenting on the ground that the inhabitants of the upper portion of Cross Lane were as well entitled to a concrete footpath as those residents in the lower end of it.

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The Clerk suggested that the Meeting be adjourned to a future date for the purpose of receiving tenders for the supply of Stones from Glensuisan Quarry and this was agreed to.

Accordingly

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 27th April 1915.

Peter Murphy

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Tuesday 13th April, 1915.

A Meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854; consider tenders for repairs to roof of Thelsel, and rule on Collector's Abstracts of Un-collectable rates.

Present Meprs Patrick J. Dunne Presiding
John Hand
John Fanning
John Murphy
Peter Murphy
Joseph Brewer

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read and signed.

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The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by The Chairman Meprs Brewer & Fanning and the following Paying Orders were directed to be issued viz:- No 2 Meprs Moran Bros £6:19:6, No 3 Kellys Ltd £3:5:1, No 4 Mrs P. Hunt £8:3:4, No 5 Meprs Power Heo £3:5:5, No 6 Thos Fitzgerald £2:12:0, No 7 James J. Shortall £14:11:4, No 8 Mr Finn £1:17:6, No 9 Mr Finn £6:5:0, No 10 Mr Finn £11:5:0, No 11 Graves Heo £5:8:6, No 12 Doyle Bros £4:2:0, No 13 Edwd Lawlor 7/-, No 14 Jonas Hartnick £1:3:6, No 15 Association of Municipal Authorities £2:2:0, No 16 Thos Hennessy 10/6, No 17 Miss P. Tierney £17:0:0, No 18 Mr A. Cullen £21:16:11, No 19 M Harvey Re £3, No 20 John M. Walsh 6/3, No 21 P Kelly £3:0:3, No 22 John J. Browne £5:10:4, No 23 Same £34:5:1, No 24 Same £2:18:4, No 25 Same £21:16:4 No 26 Same £1:9:4, No 27 Cashiers Bank of Ireland £137:3:7, No 28 Same £29:9:6, No 29 Same £436:14:3, No 30 Same £35:12:2, No 31 Mr Finn £9:15:2.

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## Correspondence

Letter from Wexford County Council, dated 8th April, acknow-ledging receipt of the resolution passed by the Urban Council asking to have a fishery instructor appointed, and stating that at a Meeting of the County Council it was Ordered that a copy of the resolution be forwarded to the Department of Agriculture

No Order Made.

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A resolution passed by the Urban District Council of Ballymena, asking the Government, and the leaders of the opposition, to unite in carrying through a measure for the complete suppression of the drink traffic, was received for adoption, but the meeting unanimously decided not to take any action upon it.

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Letter from the Hon Secretaries of the Distress Committee, dated 11th Inst, thanking the Council for the resolution passed at previous Meeting expressing their approval of the manner in which the Committee dealth with the distribution of the Canadian Flour.

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A letter was received from Messrs M. E. Hanahan & Son Ltd Cork, acknowledging receipt of the Councils letter relative to the weighing of butter in the Market house and stating they would send out circulars intimating the day upon which they would buy.

No Order Made.

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Mr John Murphy drew attention to the necessity of having the Fish House cleaned and portion of it limewashed and it was Ordered that the portion of it which is to be used for weighing butter in be limewashed, also that the other portion of it be cleaned and the old iron advertised for sale, also that Mr Dooley be asked to remove the old weighbridge which he purchased from the Fish House.

It was also Ordered that wire Netting be fitted on the windows after the glass is put in them, to prevent the latter being broken, also that books of tickets be printed for use in the butter Market and that copies of the Scale of Charges be printed and posted up around the weigh house.

It was also Proposed by Mr Murphy and Seconded by Mr Brewer.

That the doors and windows of the Fish House be painted and the door of the Morgue repaired.

Passed Unanimously.

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Ordered

That the Foreman have the New weighbridge kept clean, and Straws, or loose papers swept off it regularly, so as to prevent same from getting into works.

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The only tender received for the supply of a Scales for weighing butter was one from Mr John Doyle, North St, who proposed to supply one to weigh 28 lbs, with a set of weights from 28 lbs to ½ oz, for the sum of £1:16:6 viz:- Scales £1:8:0, and weights 8/6, and on the proposal of Mr Brewer, Seconded by Mr Hand the tender of Mr Doyle was unanimously accepted.

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The following tenders for repairing roof of Tholsel in accordance with a Specification prepared by The Town Surveyor, were received viz:- from Patrick Lynch who tendered at £15:5:0, and James Connolly who Offered to do the work @ £10:6:0

Proposed by Mr John Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Hand

That the tender of Mr James Connolly for repairs to roof of Tholsel be accepted.

Passed Unanimously.

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The following letters received from Messrs Colfer & Son Solicitors were read:-

Re:- Claim of Mr J. J. Browne.

12 April 1915

Dear Sir,

With reference to the claim of Mr John J Browne, Rate Collector, to be refunded £8:17:3, being the amount of rates assessed on the premises in South Street, lately occupied by Mrs Mary Meehan and which premises were rated in the name of "Reps M. J. Meehan dec'd". as the ground put forward in support of this claim is that the rate was bad we will deal with this ground only. We find that in the year 1851, a rate which was made practically in the same terms and language as in the present case was held by the Superior Courts to be good, and valid, when not appealed against. We have not been able to find any case to the contrary, and we therefore conclude that as the rate in question was not

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appealed against, it must be taken to be a valid rate, and that Mr Browne is not entitled to the repayment which he claims.

We think it right, however, to mention that the law as to rates and rating is very technical and is in a more or less unsettled condition, but the above is our opinion on a rather difficult question

Wolfer & Son.

The Clerk inquired what reply would be sent to the letter of Mr Browne's Solicitor asking for a refund of the rates paid by Mr Browne, and which was referred to the Solicitors for advice as this letter contained the opinion of the Solicitors on the matter.

After some discussion it was

Proposed by Mr Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Brewer

That Mr Browne's Solicitor be informed the Council are not prepared to admit the rates are bad and consequently they cannot refund the amount claimed.

Passed Mr Hand not voting.

Re :- Mr Lovell's claim

Dear Sir,

We have considered this matter, and read all the minutes and correspondence relating to it. We understand the portion of the claim in dispute is £18:18:0, made up of £12:12:0, for extra plans &c. supplied by Mr Lovell and £6:6:0 for three attendances at Meetings of the Council on April 12th 1912, May 28th 1912 and January 3rd 1913. With regard to the £12:12:0 our view of it is that these extra plans were work which was naturally incident to the position of Mr Lovell, as Architect of the Council in carrying out a Housing Scheme under the Housing of the Working Classes Acts, and on this ground we are of opinion that these charges are covered by Mr Lovell's fee of five per cent on the amount of the Contract and that consequently he is not entitled to recover this sum. As to the £6:6:0 there are some features of difficulty in dealing with it. The attendances were given at the request of the Council, they were not expressly provided for in the arrangement made with Mr Lovell, and they did not arise naturally as part of this work as Architect. We also think that

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the business required to be done could have been done by correspondence, and that these attendances were strictly speaking not necessary. We therefore are of opinion that the Council are liable for the £6:6:0 and our advice is to offer to pay this sum in full discharge of the £18:18:0, and if it is refused, it should be tendered in legal form, and if proceedings are taken it should be lodged in Court.

Colfer & Son.

The recommendation of the Finance Committee which appears in the report of that Committee read at a later stage of the Meeting, that the advice of the Solicitor be adopted was considered after which the following resolution was:-

Proposed by The Chairman And
Seconded by Mr Brewer

That Mr O'Lovell be informed the Council are prepared to pay him £8:16:0 in full discharge of his claim on hearing from him that he is willing to accept same.

Passed. No Hands not voting.

Re:- Railway Co's Rates

Dear Sir,

In this case we were advised by Counsel that the Company were liable for the rates claimed, and a Writ was actually prepared for the recovery of these rates. In meantime the Counsel we had engaged, accepted a Government appointment, and consequently could not act further in the matter, which has rendered it necessary for us to have the Writ revised and settled by another Counsel. We hope to be able to report more definitely on this case in the course of the next fortnight.

Colfer & Son

No Order Made.

The following report of the Finance Committee was read:-

12 April, 1915.

Your Finance Committee met this evening and examined the Abstracts of Poor Rate & Town Rate which the Collector claims

a refund of, on the ground that same is uncollectable.

We recommend that Sums of Poor Rate amounting to £22:12:10 be cancelled and a Sum of £1:14:6 which the Collector claims to have refunded on the ground that the rate is bad, be dis — allowed. Also that Sums of Town Rate amounting to £42:5:10 be cancelled, and £2:17:6, claimed to be bad, be disallowed, as we are of opinion from the letter of the Council's Solicitors that the rate is valid. We also recommend that a Sum of £42:13:0 due by the Railway Co to be carried forward to next collection.

With reference to Mr Lovell's claim of £21:8:0, we find that in the opinion of your Solicitors, Mr Lovell is not entitled to recover £12:12:0 of this Amount, which is charged for extra Plans, and we recommend that he be informed the Council are willing to pay him the Amount of his claim less £12:12:0, leaving the Net Amount £8:16:0 in full discharge of the £21:8:0 and if he refuses to accept this Amount, your Solicitor be directed to tender the Amount in legal form, and lodge same in Court if necessary.

We examined a number of accounts submitted by the Clerk, and recommend payment of the following :- (see list at commencement of Minutes).

John Murphy, John Fanning

Proposed by Mr Brewer and
Seconded by Mr Fanning.

That the report of the Finance Committee be adopted, the recommendations made by them carried out, including payment of the several Amounts recommended for payment. Also that Sums of Poor Rate and Town Rate recommended to be can - celled be cancelled, and those recommended to be disallowed be disallowed by the Council, and the Arrears of Town Rate claimed to be due by the Railway Co, Amounting to £42:13:0 be carried to next collection.

Passed Unanimously.

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The Street Inspector reported that a number of Traders were obstructing the Streets and footpaths by depositing machinery,

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boxes, &c, upon them. The daily Scavenging was carried out as usual.

There was No Order Made on the report, a resolution by Mr Fanning that the persons named in it be prosecuted, not having been seconded.

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Immediately after the conclusion of the Municipal business, Mr Murphy drew attention to the death of the late Mr John Mc Walsh, whose father was a native of Hewkas, and both of whom were thorough Nationalists, and suggested that a vote of condolence with the widow and children be passed. and the following resolution was accordingly :-

Proposed by Mr Murphy And
Seconded by The Chairman viz :-

That we the Hewkas Urban District Council tender to Mrs Walsh our deep sympathy and condolence in her bereavement caused by the death of her dear husband, the late Mr John Mc. Walsh, and beg to assure her of our deep regret at the passing away of one who always proved himself a Sterling Nationalist and a worthy son of a much esteemed native of our town.

Mr Hand associated himself with the resolution which was unanimously passed in respectful silence.

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Attention was drawn to a scaffolding erected by E. Cooney to house lately occupied by Mrs Maher, which the Surveyor stated was dangerous to the public and also to the fact that a quantity of rubbish was deposited by him on the roadway at Mary St, and, after a long discussion it was

Ordered

That the Surveyor direct Cooney to carry out whatever he (Surveyor) considers necessary for the safety of the public.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 27th April 1915

Peter Murphy

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Tuesday 27th April, 1915.

An adjourned Quarterly Meeting of the Council was held this evening at 7 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898; consider tenders for Supply of Stones from Glensinsaw Quarry.

Present Mssrs Peter Murphy Presiding
John Murphy
John Hand
John Fanning
Michael Sheehan
Patrick J. Dunne

The Minutes of last Quarterly Meeting were read and Signed.

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The following Tenders were received for supplying and delivering Stones from Glensinsaw Quarry to the Depots in Ravercon viz:-
From Richard Malone who proposed to supply and deliver 250 tons of unbroken stones in the Councils Depot at Ravercon at 4/4 per ton, and offered as his sureties James Power Tinneranny and John Shanahan Ballyheg.

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From Thomas O'Neill, Ballynock who proposed to supply and deliver 250 tons of unbroken stones from Glensinsaw Quarry in the Councils Depots at Ravercon at 3/8 per ton, and offered as his sureties Mr John Murphy, Bridge Quay, and Mr John Murphy, John Street, Hawkins.

Proposed by Mr John Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Dunne

That the tender of Thomas O'neill for the supply of 250 tons of unbroken stones delivered at the Councils Depots in Ravercon at 3/8 per ton be accepted.

Passed Unanimously.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Monday 12th July, 1915.

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Tuesday 27th April, 1915.

A Meeting of the Newross Urban Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, make a Poor Rate, Town Rate, and Domestic Water Rate for year ending 31st March 1916.

Present Mespers Peter Murphy Presiding, and subsequently
John O'Sullivan J.P. Chairman
John Murphy
John Fanning
John Hand
Patrick J. Dunne
Michael Sheehan

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by The Chairman & Mespers Peter Murphy and John Murphy and the following Paying Order was directed to be issued viz:- No. 32. M.J. Finn £21.0.3. Petty Cash.

The Council first proceeded to make the Poor Rate, Town Rate, and Domestic Water Rate for year ending 31st March 1916, and the following resolutions were duly passed viz:-
Proposed by Mr John Murphy
Seconded by Mr Dunne And Resolved
That we raise the sum of One thousand five hundred and three pounds, nine Shillings, as and for Poor Rate, and for the purpose aforesaid, make a rate of three Shillings and five pence in the pound, for the financial year ending 31st March 1916 on the property situate within the Urban District of Newross, pursuant to The Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898, and Other Acts incorporated therewith, and that same be collected in two moieties, the first on, or before the 30th September 1915, and the second on, or before the 31st March, 1916. That public notice be given of said rates having been made, by printed placards, duly posted.
Passed Unanimously

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Proposed by Mr John Murphy
Seconded by Mr Dunne And Resolved

That the Presiding Chairman and two Members of the Council sign the Poor Rate Books, and the resolution making the Poor Rate endorsed thereon, and the Collector's Warrants, and affix the Common Seal of the Council to said Poor Rate Books and Documents.

Passed Unanimously.

Proposed by Mr John Murphy
Seconded by Mr Dunne And Resolved

That we raise the Sum of Two thousand and Seventy Six pounds, five Shillings and one penny as and for Town Rate, and for that purpose we make a Town Rate of Five Shillings in the pound for the financial year commencing on the 1st day of April 1915 and ending on the 31st March 1916 on the property situate in the Urban District of Newross, rateable under the undermentioned Acts for the purposes therein mentioned of which town rate of Five Shillings in the £, the Sum of One Shilling is for General purposes under the provisions of The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and the Sum of one Shilling and Six pence is for Special purposes under the Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898, and the Sum of two Shillings and Six pence in the £ is for Sanitary purposes under the provisions of The Public Health (Ireland) Acts which Sanitary rate includes one penny in the pound under The Technical Instruction Act 1889, and one penny in the pound under The provisions of The Agriculture & Technical Instruction (Ireland) Act 1899, for the purpose of Technical Instruction, and we hereby make a Domestic Water Rate under the provisions of The Public Health (Ireland) Acts of one Shilling and three pence in the £ on the Valuation of premises supplied with Water for the financial year commencing on the first day of April 1915, and ending on the thirty-first day of March 1916, and we hereby fix that said rates shall be payable on the first day of June 1915, and shall be collected in two moieties, the first on, or before the 30th day of September 1915,

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and the second on or before the 31st day of March, 1916.

Passed Unanimously.

Proposed by Mr John Murphy
Seconded by Mr Dunne And Resolved

That the Presiding Chairman and five other Members of the Council sign the Books in which the Town Rate and Domestic Water Rate are made out, also the resolution making the Town Rate and Domestic Water Rate, and the adoption of the Town Rate endorsed on said Books and affix the Common Seal of the Council to said Rate Books and endorsements, and the Collector's Warrant affixed to said Rate Books, be signed by the Presiding Chairman, and five other Members of the Council present, and countersigned by the Clerk, and sealed with the Common Seal of the Council.

Passed Unanimously.

In pursuance of the foregoing resolutions the Rate Books were duly signed and sealed.

## Correspondence

Letter from the L.G. Board dated 22nd inst, returning lists of Arrears of Rate in the Urban District for the period ended 31st March with the ruling of the Board stamped thereon.
No Order Made

A long Circular letter, dated 16th April 1915, dealing with the organ-ization of labour was also received from the L.G. Board but there was no action taken respecting it.

A tender was received from John Whitty Gamblin, of 2/- for heap of Manure in yard at Town Wall, and 1/- for heap in yard on Quay, and on the proposal of Mr John Murphy, Seconded by Mr Dunne, the tender was accepted, as was also one of Martin Breen for a Second heap in yard on Quay @ 1/-.

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Tenders were also received from Patk Kelly Camblin and John Walsh Kyleen but they were not accepted

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A letter was received from Patrick Pyne Bullawn dated 20th Inst, asking the Council to rent him the Vacant house on Bullawn for a Store house as the one he is living in is rather small but after some discussion, it was decided not to let the house as it was not in a safe condition.

In connection with same it was Ordered that the Surveyor have the roof taken off this house and the Slates stored in the Fish House.

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A tender was received from James Kelly Mary St, dated 27th Inst, offering 41/- per ton for any old metal the Council have on hands and, on the proposal of Mr John Murphy, seconded by Mr Dunne, it was unanimously accepted.

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A letter was received from Mrs John M. Walsh, Tinniscarrig, Oakley dated 19th Inst acknowledging receipt of a copy of the resolution of sympathy with her on the death of her husband passed by the Council at their last Meeting and thanking them for same, and it was Ordered to be inserted on the Minutes.

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Letter from the General Secretary of the Town Tenants League, dated April 1913 intimating that the annual convention of the League would be held in the City Hall Dublin, on the 12th May Inst, and inviting delegates from the Council to attend Same.

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On the proposal of Mr Fanning seconded by the Chairman Messrs Dunne & Hand were unanimously appointed delegates to the Convention.

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Letter from James Fleming North St, dated 27th Inst, withdrawing as Surety for Martin Kehoe Bunneen Lane, as he was left his employment.

The Collector reported that all the weekly tenants are paying their rents fairly well, except Martin Kehoe who now owes 20/-.

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Ordered -

That Mr Fleming be informed he is liable for the rent due by Kehoe to-date and for any that may accrue until possession of the house is obtained or a new Surety takes his place.

That Mr Kehoe be informed he must provide another Surety in place of Mr Fleming at once.

It was also agreed to take steps to obtain possession of the house, it however being understood, that if Kehoe provides an approved Surety, proceedings will be abandoned.

Proposed by Mr John Murphy And

Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy

That Notice to Quit in the case of Martin Kehoe be Signed by two Members of the Council and Sealed.

Passed Unanimously.

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The Rate Collector applied for payment at this Meeting, of the uncollectable rates lodged by him, but the matter was referred to the Finance meeting of the Council.

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Letter from the Secretary of the County Council, dated 22 April 1915, Stating that at last Meeting of Finance & Roads Committee, a resolution was passed adjourning the question of improving the footpath on Newbridge Bridge until after the war.

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A long discussion followed the reading of this letter during which it was suggested that the County Council be compelled by Mandamus to put the footpaths of the Bridge in proper repair.

Eventually the following Notice of Motion respecting it was served by Mr Hand viz:-

That the consideration of the Bridge Footpath be adjourned till this right Months, May 25th with the view of issuing a Mandamus to compell the County Council to make proper, concrete footpaths.

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The following was read:-

over.

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Charles Street,
Newross
16th April 1915.

Newross Urban Council & John J. Browne
Reps. D.J. Meehan deceased.

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of your letter hereon and note your Council declines to accept any liability regarding this matter. This being so I must ask you to please be good enought to get your Council to instruct their Solicitors to accept Service of proceedings which I am taking on behalf of my client.

Yours faithfully
Wm J. Hearn

M.J. Finn Esq
Clerk of Council.

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy

That the Councils Solicitors be instructed to accept Service, on behalf of them, of any proceedings which may be taken by Mr Brownes Solicitor in this matter.

Passed Mr Hand not voting.

## Town Surveyor's Report.

27th April 1915.

I beg to report that the necessary glazing has been done to the butter weigh house, and Mr Edwd Cooney's (Builder) attention has been directed to the requeations regarding street obstructions as Ordered. The house drain at Three Bullet Gate is now being connected to the public sewer as Ordered. A leak on the water main at Ballyanne has been repaired and a fractured service pipe to premises in occupation of Mr Sopntz, Priory St has also been repaired. I have had some repairs carried out to the discharge pipe from the Fish House Sanitary Convenience. The house and premises recently occupied by Mr Cosgrave, the Quay, are in my opinion dangerous to the public. I visited the public reservoirs at

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Ballyleigh and Dranagh during the week and found everything satisfactory

James J. Shortall
Town Surveyor.

Ordered

That the Surveyor serve the usual Notice on the owner of the house on the Quay, lately occupied by Mr Cosgrave, requiring him to put it in a proper state of repair or take it down.

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Mr Dunne drew attention to the delay in completing the drainage work which is being carried out at Brennans Lane but there was No Order Made upon it.

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Attention was drawn to the necessity of having the upper portions of the town, And Irishtown watered, and it was suggested that the hand Watering hose be used for this purpose in addition the Watering cart. It was Ordered that the Foreman have this work carried out in future and to enable him to use the hand hose, that he get the use of a second stand pipe out of the Fire Hose cart, a suggestion that an additional one be got for the purpose not having been approved of.

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Applications for the tenancy of a house at Cockpit Lane and one at Bunneen Lane were received from James Murray, Carrandarrah, Mr Myles Bigh Hill Daniel Rabbitham Priory St, Sylvester Murphy Ballyanne, Margt Kehoe Irishtown And Laurence McGuiness Cockpit Lane.

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Fanning

That Margaret Kehoe of Irishtown be accepted tenant of the Vacant house at Cockpit Lane

Passed Unanimously

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Proposed by Mr Dunne
Seconded by Mr John Murphy

That Laurence McGuiness be accepted tenant of the Vacant house at Bunneen Lane

Passed Unanimously

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The Surveyor stated that the house now let to Mrs Kehoe, re-quired some small repairs and it was Ordered that he have them carried out.

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The Clerk reported that the Collector had not yet furnished his Bond nor had he given the letter of indemnity as Ordered guaranteeing to indemnify the Council against being sur-charged cost of preparation of Bond, but there was No Order Made.

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It was Ordered that tenders be invited for the Supply of three boatloads of course gravel delivered on the Quay at so much per ton.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 11th May, 1915.

John Sullivan

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Monday 3rd May, 1915.

A Special Meeting of the Council was held this day at eleven o'clock, a.m., to consider advisability of tendering for the maintenence of the Hawkins Bridge for one year from 1st June 1915.

Present Meprs John Sullivan J.P. Presiding
A. P. Bolger
W Murphy
John Fanning
John Hand.

Proposed by The Chairman and
Seconded by Mr Murphy.

That the Council tender for the maintenence of the Hawkins Bridge on condition the specification is the same as that for that last year.

To which the following Amendment was
Proposed by Mr Hand and
Seconded by Mr Fanning

That in consequence of the action of the County Council in not constructing a new footpath on the bridge this Council decline to tender for the maintenence of the Bridge

The Chairman put the resolution to a vote, when there voted,
For: Meprs Bolger, Murphy & The Chairman 3
Against:- Hand & Fanning 2.

The resolution was declared "Carried" after which,

The Members Separated.

John O'Sullivan

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Monday 3rd May 1915.

A Monthly Meeting of the Council was to be held this day at 12 o'clock noon, to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) act 1854.

No member of the Council attended

A Quorum not having assembled

The Meeting Adjourned.

John Sullivan

Tuesday 11th May, 1915.

A Meeting of the Finance Committee was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock (immediately before the Meeting of the Council) to transact business for the Finance Meeting of the Council.

Present Messrs John Sullivan P. Presiding
Peter Murphy
John Fanning

The Clerk submitted the Bank books and also a number of accounts which the Committee examined, and recommended payment of those entered on the minutes of the Council Meeting. Amongst them were two certificates of the Engineer for payment to the Contractor of £9:17:6 balance of Contract for Robert St Sewer and £196:10:0 balance of Contract for carrying out of Sewerage Scheme in Newross, but as there was only a sum of £163:2:0 standing to the credit of the Council in Nott Loans A/c, the Committee decided to recommend the payment of £9:17:6, balance of Robert St Sewer Contract and £153:4:6 on A/c of the final instalment of £196:10:0. The Engineer also asked for payment of £100 on account of his fees but it was decided to defer payment until the receipt of the loan of £111 which has been sanctioned by the L.G. Board to enable the Council to discharge the liabilities outstanding on foot of the water scheme, as the balance of £90:4:7 to the credit of Loans A/c and £50:7:0 to credit of No 3 Loans A/c should be allowed to remain against the overdraft of £433:11:7 on the general account.

In item of 11/- furnished by Dr O'Regan for inoculation of cases of Tuberculosis was also deferred.

The Meeting Adjourned.

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Tuesday 11th May, 1915

A Meeting of the Council was held this evening at 7.30 oclock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and consider tenders for supply of gravel.

Present Messrs John O'Sullivan JP. Presiding
John Hand
John Fanning
Patrick J. Dunne
Peter Murphy.

The Minutes of previous Meetings were read and signed

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Before the reading of the Minutes was concluded Mr Peter Murphy left, and there was then no quorum present for a short time during which the reading of them was suspended until Mr Dunne arrived, when it was resumed.

When concluded Mr Hand stated they were not accurate as they did not contain a record of an order, which he alleged was made at last Meeting, directing the Surveyor to give an explanation as to the cause of his absence from town during the carrying out of work at Brennan's Lane.

The Clerk contended that such an Order was not made at the Meeting and that the reference to the Matter on the Minutes was correct. A short discussion followed when the Chairman suggested that the Surveyor give an explanation now. That Officer stated that no delay occured in carrying out the work but admitted that he was absent from town for two days without leave. After some further discussion during which Mr Hand stated that he would a resolution calling on the Surveyor to resign (a Notice of Motion to this effect was subsequently handed in by him.

The Minutes were Signed Mr Hand dissenting.

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Tender for Gravel

Mr Patrick Carroll Raheen Co. Kilkenny tendered under date 10th Inst, to supply three boatloads of gravel @ 2/3 in accordance with the terms of the Councils advertisement.

Proposed by Mr Dunne and
Seconded by Mr Fanning

That the tender of Patrick Carroll for

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the supply of three boatloads of gravel @ 2/3 per ton be accepted.

Passed Unanimously.

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A tender dated 11th Inst was received from John Ryan Red House for one heap of Manure @ 3/- and it was ordered to be accepted, as was also an offer of 1/6 by John Whitty for a heap of Manure in yard on Quay, both to be removed within a fort-night Otherwise they will be re sold

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A circular letter was received from the Great Southern & Western Railway Co. dated 8th Inst announcing the issue of £82,528 four per cent Preference Stock at £92 free of all expenses, and stating that it had been decided to offer this stock to the present holders of all classes of stock in the Co, but the meeting decided not to pur-chase any, as the Council had not any money to invest at present.

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A circular letter, dated 26th Ult was received from the Secretary of the Institution of Municipal and County Engineers, Westminster inviting representatives to a Road conference to be held on the 24th to 26th June next but there was no Order Made upon it.

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Letter from Messrs Culver & Son dated 4th Inst enclosing Contract and Bond for the Supply of 250 tons of stones duly executed by Thos Oneill and his Sureties, for the purpose of having the Seal of the Council affixed to it.

Proposed by Mr Dunne And

Seconded by The Chairman

That the Seal of the Council be affixed to the Contract with Thos Oneill for the Supply of 250 tons of Stones.

Passed Unanimously.

In accordance with the foregoing resolution the seal of the Council was affixed to the document.

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An application dated 10th Inst was received from the Councils workmen for a weekly half holiday. Ordered that the consideration

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Of this application be adjourned to next Meeting the Members of the Council to be summoned to consider it.

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Applications for the tenancy of a house at Wm Street at a weekly rent of 1/9 were received from Bridget Kerrigan St Annes on Sea, Bridget Kennagh Ball Alley Lane, Elizabeth Roche Jones's Hill, and Daniel Robertson Irony St.

Proposed by Mr Hand and
Seconded by Mr Dunne

That Mrs Elizabeth Roche be accepted as tenant of the Vacant house at Wm Street.

Passed Unanimously subject to her naming an approved Surety instead of her Son who is the Surety named in the proposal.

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The Clerk reported that Martin Kehoe had not yet named any Surety in place of James Fleming nor had he paid any rent.

Ordered

That the Councils Solicitors be instructed to take up possession of the house occupied by Martin Kehoe if same is not given up immediately.

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The Clerk also reported that his Tender for the Maintenance of the Hawkes Bridge and approaches was accepted at last Meeting of the County Council at the full sum allowed viz:- £30 the only alteration in the Specification from last Contract being that the Contractor would in frosty weather spread some sand or fine cinders on the Bridge including the draw arch of it to prevent foot passengers or horses from slipping on it.

Mr Hand contended that if an accident happened then the Council would be liable and held that the Contract should not have been taken. He also stated that he would withdraw the Notice of Motion handed in at last Meeting suggesting that steps be taken to compel the County Council to construct new footpaths on the Bridge as he was not supported by the Council in the matter and by consent it was withdrawn.

Mr Fanning expressed doubts as to whether the Contract with

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the County Council was a paying transaction and after a very brief discussion it was Ordered that the Surveyor furnish to Next Meeting the cost of keeping the Bridge in repair for the past year and also have an account kept of the Cost of maintaining it for the present year.

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The following report of the Surveyor was read :-

I have served "Danger Notice" on Mr Alexander regarding his premises on the Quay and he has personally informed Me that he has made arrangements with a builder to have these premises repaired within the Next three weeks. I called on Mr Reville Charleton Hill, with reference to his recent letter to the Council regarding the drainage of that District. What Mr Reville asks is that the surface water be connected into the new Sewerage system instead of being allowed to pass throught the defective drain adjoining his premises in Upper Wm Street; in order to prevent the possibility of his goods being injured by overflowing. The most urgent repairs required to your house property in Wm Street, (recently leased by Mrs Boyd) are:- 1. Four dry closets and covered ashpits. 2. Replacing existing ground floors in concrete. 3. The erection of eave shoots and down pipes and some Minor repairs to windows, &c. Some repairs have been carried out to the footpaths in Reville St. as Ordered and the surface treated with tarred gravel. It would be advisable to have the entire footpaths similarly treated as this Method usually makes a very permanent and economical job. I would like a committee of the Council to inspect it.

Jas Shortall

Ordered that a Meeting of the Street & Sanitary Committee be held at 10 o'clock A.M on Friday morning 11th Inst. to inspect footpaths at Reville St, also drain which takes the surface water off Charleton Hill, and report upon them to Next Meeting of the Council.

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## Foreman's Report.

I beg to report there are now two heaps of manure in the yard on the Quay ready for sale (one value

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for about £1.) (and one about 10/). Also one heap about the usual size at Town Wall depot value about £1:10:0. I beg to inform the Council that some of those persons who tender for manure leave it a very long period without carting it away from your yards with the result its putting double labour on your Workmen and expense on the Council. Mr Edward Browne Creacon and Mr Shea Millbanks have not yet removed their heaps some of which were I believe purchased last October. The number of ashpits cleaned since last Meeting was twenty-seven. I now must ask your permission to have the horses put on grass at Oaklands. I was speaking to Mr Tyndalls Steward and he agreed to let the grass on the same terms as last year, 4/- each per week. The valve of the water cart went out of Order on Last Friday it is now repaired and worked all right to-day.

James Kelly.

Ordered

That Edward Browne Creacon and Thos Shea Millbanks be written to informing them that if they do not remove the heaps of manure purchased by them sometime ago from the Councils yard within two weeks the manure will be re-sold without further notice.

That the proposal of Mr Tyndalls Stewards to let grass for grazing of horses at 4/- per week for each horse be accepted and they be put out on the grass as soon as the weathers favourable.

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The Street Inspector reported that a number of persons whose names he gave, had machinery, boxes etc on the streets and foot-paths outside their premises each day also that the daily scavenging was carried out as usual.

No Order Made.

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The Clerk asked that application be made to the County Inspector Royal Irish Constabulary, to nominate one of the policemen stationed here to act as Inspector of explosives, as there was no Inspector here at present and the Council could then appoint the person who would be nominated by the County Inspector.

Ordered That application be made to the County Inspector as suggested.

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Mr Dunne drew attention to an obstruction caused at the rere of Messrs Merrys premises by vechicles, the property of Mrs Meehan being placed there, and after some discussion it was Ordered that a notice similar to that served on her sometime ago requiring her to remove her furniture off the street at South St, be served on her requiring her to remove the vechicles referred to.

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The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Hand and Fanning, and the following accounts which were examined by the Finance Committee were ordered to be paid viz:- Paying Order No 33 M.J.B.mn £19:9:3 No34 John Regan £1:3:6, No35 John J. Browne £1:3:3, Technical Instruction Committee No36 £16:8:5 No37 John J. Browne £21:17:9, No38 John J. Browne £40:17:8, M.J.B.mn £11:5:0, No40 M.J.B.mn £1:14:7, No41 General advertiser £2:1:6, No42 School attendance committee £7:15:0, Dr J.Regan £8, No 44 John Connick 18/6, No45 James Gibson 12/-, No46 John Falconer 10/10, James J. Shortall £6:13:4, No 48 Jeremiah Fitzpatrick £9:17:6 (Loans No44), No49 Jeremiah Fitzpatrick £153:14:6.

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The following is a copy of the Notice of Motion by Mr Hand viz:-

I hereby give Notice of my intention to move at the next Meeting of the Council that Mr Shortall be called upon to resign his position as Town Surveyor as he is not devoting sufficient time & attention to his work and as he absented himself from duty for a period of two days without getting permission from the Council and furthermore that as Mr Shortall has been appointed and accepted the position of Engineer to the Hawkins Rural District Council at a fixed Salary of £52 per year with extra remuneration in connection with the appointment.

Ordered

That the Members be Summoned to consider it at next Meeting.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 25th May 1915.

John Dunne

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Tuesday 25th May, 1915.

A Meeting of the Newross Urban Council was held this day at 7.30 o'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1878, consider an application from the work-men for a weekly half holiday, and following Notice of Motion by Mr Hand viz:-

That Mr Shortall be called upon to resign his position as Town Surveyor as he is not devoting sufficient time and attention to his work, and as he absented himself from duty for a period of two days without getting permission from the Council, and furthermore that as Mr Shortall has been appointed and accepted the position of Engineer to the Newross Rural District Council at a fixed salary of £52 per year with extra re-muneration in connection with the appointment.

Present Meprs John O'Sullivan J.P. Presiding
Peter A. O'Gorman
John Hand
~~Peter~~ John Murphy
Patrick J. Dunne

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The Minutes of previous Meeting were read and signed

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The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman & Meprs Dunne & Hand and the following Paying Order was directed to be issued viz:- No 50 Mf Fmin £20:12:4, Petty Cash.

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Immediately after the Meeting had assembled and before the minutes were read, Mr Dunne referred to the recent bereavement of Dean Kavanagh caused by the death of his sister and moved a resolu-tion of sympathy with him which was seconded by Mr O'Gorman supported by the Chairman & Mr Hand and passed in silence.

It was also Ordered that a copy of same be forwarded to Dean Kavanagh.

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By permission of the Meeting Mr Hand at this stage moved the follow-ing resolution of which he had given notice viz:-

That Mr Shortall be

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called upon to resign his position as Town Surveyor as he is not devoting sufficient time and attention to his work, and as he absented himself from duty for a period of two days without getting permission from the Council and furthermore that as Mr Shortall has been appointed and accepted the position of Engineer to the Newtons Rural District Council at a fixed salary of £52 per year with extra remuneration in connection with the appointment.

The resolution was not seconded.

The Chairman however remarked that he would not go quite so far as to call on the Surveyor to resign, but he would propose that a vote of censure be passed upon him for absenting himself from town for two days without leave but the proposal was not seconded. Subsequently on the suggestion of the Chairman, it was,

Ordered

That the Surveyor inform the Council, at its next Meeting, whether he intends to hold the dual positions of Surveyor to the Council and Engineer to the Newtons Rural District Council.

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A letter dated 19th inst addressed to the Chairman of the Council was received from Messrs M.E. Shanahan & Son drawing attention to the fact that the tolls charged for weighing of butter are higher than those charged in the Munster Fresh Butter Markets and they are afraid that this will tell very much against the town.

After some discussion it was Ordered that the Clerk ascertain the Scale of charges for weighing of butter existing in other towns.

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Letter from Martin Hanlon Irishtown dated 25th inst asking what he would be charged for a Supply of water to his field at top of Greywell road. It is a small one and he will have only a few cows there.

Ordered

That the application be referred to the Water Committee.

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A tender of 32/- was received from Mr Neville Bawnmore for one heap of manure at Town Wall depot and it was accepted.

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An application dated 25th inst was received from Timothy Doran

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for an increase in his salary as Weigh Master as he has to perform increased duties in consequence of having to weigh the butter offered for sale in the Market.

Ordered

That the Members of the Council be Summoned to consider the application at next Meeting.

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Letter from Timothy Doran dated 25th Inst stating that the New Scales purchased for weighing butter is too small and unable to weigh the required quantity.

After a Short discussion it was decided not to purchase a larger one.

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The Street Inspector reported that traders had articles of Merchandise on the Streets and footpaths causing Obstruction of same every day since last Meeting, also that the daily Scavenging was carried out.

No Order Made except that the Street Inspector be asked to Summarise the reports now written daily in one report.

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The application from the workmen for a half holiday was read but there was no further action taken respecting it.

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Applications for the tenancy of a house at Bunneen Lane at a weekly rent of 2/6 were received from Daniel Robotham, who Offered Mr T.J. Dunphy as Surety. M. Meyler who Offered Michl Roche North St as Surety and Ellen Bramley who Offered Maurice Murray South St.

Proposed by Mr Dunne and
Seconded by The Chairman

That Mr Robotham be accepted as tenant.

Passed Unanimously.

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The following report of the Town Surveyor was read viz:-

I beg to report that a water Supply has been laid on to the New houses presently

being erected by Mr James Kelly Upper Mary St. The period which you decided to allow Mr P. Hartley to repair his house property in Mt Garrett Lane has now expired and nothing has yet been done by him. With reference to the improvements being carried out to Revelle Street footpath, it would cost about £7:10:0, to have the entire surface prepared and treated similarly to the section already completed. This of course includes the cost of the tar. I consider it would be well, in order to Mitigate the possibility of flooding in the Bridge area during the coming months, to construct a large Surface trap on the South side of Bridge St.

Jas J. Shortall
Town Surveyor.

Ordered

That Mr Hartley be informed if he does not proceed to put the houses referred to in proper repair before the next Meeting of the Council their Solicitors will be instructed to take proceedings against him.

It was agreed to have the entire Surface of the footpath at Revelle St treated similarly to the section already completed at the cost of £7:10:0 inclusive of tar.

There was No Order Made respecting the construction of the Surface trap on South side of Bridge St.

## Report of Foreman.

I beg to report that since last Meeting fifty-three ashpits were cleaned. There is now one heap of manure ready for sale in your yard on the Quay value about £1. I must again inform you that Mr Shea have not yet done anything in the way of the removal of his heap of manure. The bottom of one of your carts have become very much worn and would require sheeting. One waggon of Metalling arrived last Friday I had same removed to Henry St yard and some to the School House road depot. Your horses were placed on grass at Oaklands on Monday 17th Inst. All other works see time book.

James Kelly
Foreman.

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Ordered

That the heap of manure be advertised for sale and if the one purchased by Mr Shea of Millbanks sometime ago is not removed before Reset Meeting it be removed.

That the Surveyor inspect the cart referred to in the report and ascertain what repairs it requires.

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It was Ordered that the Foreman look after the gate of weighbridge at Irishtown and have whatever is necessary done so that it may be kept closed when not in use.

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The Chairman Submitted a number of letters he had received from the Hon Secretary of the Central Council for the organization of Recruiting in Ireland, dealing with the appointment of local Committees to Stimulate recruiting, as also a letter dated 20th Inst intimating that arrangements are contemplated for holding an open air Recruiting Meeting in Newross at one o'clock on Saturday the 29th Inst, which will be attended by a Military Band and the Councils new Travelling Recruiting Office. It is expected the Meeting will be addressed by Capt Redmond and other prominent Speakers. He also hoped that the Chairman would feel free to preside on that occasion and take such steps as he might consider Suitable to secure the greatest possible Measure of success. After a short discussion it was,

Proposed by Mr Hands and

Seconded by Mr Dunne

That the Chairman of the Council kindly preside at the Meeting on Saturday.

Passed Unanimously.

The Chairman consented to do so, on the understanding that he would be supported by the Council, and it was agreed that all the Members be Notified of the Meeting and invited to attend it.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 8th June, 1915.

Jim Foley

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Monday 7th June 1915.

A Monthly Meeting of the Council was to be held this day at twelve o'clock Noon to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

No Member of the Council attended

A Quorum not having assembled

The Meeting Adjourned.

Tuesday 8th June 1915.

A Meeting of the New Ross Urban Council was to be held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, consider an application from Timothy Doran for an increase in his Salary as Weighmaster, and also to consider the reply of The Town Surveyor to an order of the Council directing him to inform them at Next meeting whether he intends to hold the dual position of Surveyor to the Council and Engineer to the New Ross Rural District Council.

Messrs John Hand and John Murphy were the only Members who attended.

A Quorum not having assembled

The Meeting Adjourned to Thursday 10th June 1915.

Jim Foley

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Thursday 10th June 1915.

An adjourned Meeting of the Newross Urban Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, consider an application from Timothy Doran for an increase in his salary as Weighmaster, and also to consider the reply of the Town Surveyor to an order of the Council directing him to inform them at Next Meeting whether he intends to hold the dual positions of Surveyor to the Council, and Engineer to the Newross Rural District Council.

Present Meprs John Murphy Presiding
John Hand
Michael Sheehan
William Murphy

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Meprs Hand and Sheehan and the following Paying Orders were directed to be issued viz:- No 51 James J. Shortall £6:13:4, No 52 Tunnel Quarries Ltd £25:7:0, No 53 Richd Murphy £8:13:11, No 54 The Irish Builder & Engineer £3:14:0, No 55 John Stevenson 7/6, No 56 Wexford County Council £350:0:5 No 57 M.G.W. Emmi £11:5:0, No 58 James Kelly £3:10:0, No 59 M.G.W. Emmi £20:6:8, No 60 John J. Browne £1:18:8, No 61 John J. Browne £1:18:7.

The following letter was read viz:-

The Presbytery, Newross.
27th May, 1915.

Dear Sir,

Please convey my Sincere thanks to the Gentlemen of your Council for their kind Sympathy on the occasion of my Sisters death. I highly appreciate their kindness, and remain, with many thanks to you also.

Faithfully Yours
Michael Kavanagh P.P.

Ordered

That this letter be inserted on the Minutes.

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## Correspondence.

A Notification was received from the Registrar of Petty Sessions Clerks that a Sum of £22:12:1 being the Surplus arising from the Sale of Dog Licenses in the Urban District of Newross, was being lodged to the credit of the Council

The Clerk reported that the amount had been lodged and there was No Order Made.

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A Quotation dated 4th June of £2:8:0 was received from the Barlock Typewriter Co for repairs to Typewriter.

Ordered

That the machine be repaired at the price quoted.

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A Tender dated 8th Inst. of 32/6, was received from John Regan Red House for one heap of Manure at Town Wall and it was Ordered to be accepted.

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Letter from Mrs Helen J. Curran (one of the Councils tenants) dated 7th Inst, asking the Council to have a new cooking range fitted in her house at William Street as the present one is in a very bad state. She is willing to pay 22/6 the extra cost of same in monthly instalments of 5/6.

Ordered

That the Surveyor inspect the Range at present in the house and if he considers a new one necessary he is to have a special cooking range as asked for, fitted in it, Mrs Curran to be allowed to pay the difference in price viz 22/6 in monthly instalments as requested.

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A letter dated 8th Inst was received from Michael Saunders, Irishtown drawing attention to the bad State of repair in which the house occupied by him at Irishtown is, and asking to have some repairs done.

After a Short discussion it was,

Ordered

That the Surveyor have whatever small repairs that are necessary, such as the putting on of a few slates on the roof or the

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fixing of some bricks in the Chimney, carried out as soon as possible.

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A letter dated 8th Inst, was received from Messrs Merry & Co Souter Street stating that there are some cars and other articles lying outside the rere of their premises, causing an obstruction to their rere, and asking to have the Street cleared of these goods.

After some discussion it was

Ordered

That the Clerk consult the Councils Solicitors as to the liability of the Council in the matter, having regard to the doubt which exists as to whether the place referred to is not private property, and if the Council are liable for their removal that they be removed by their rere and stored in their yard at William Street.

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Report of Foreman

I beg to report that since last Meeting twenty seven ashpits were cleaned. One boat of gravel has arrived per Carroll which is now spread on Revelle St footpath, as directed by the Surveyor. I wish to state that there are a number of Traders using boxes and barrels as dustbins. These boxes have nails protruding through them with the result they cannot be handled with safety by your Workmen. There will be one heap of manure ready for sale by the end of this week at the Town Wall Depot. All other work carried out by me will be seen in my Time Book.

James Kelly
Foreman.

No Order Made

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The Shops Act Inspector reported that since last Meeting he visited the different Traders Shops and found the Assistants are getting the half holiday. Fifty-eight Shops close on Wednesday and two on Saturday.

No Order Made.

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## Report of Collector

I beg to report that the following weekly tenants are out of possession owing rents viz:-
Ellen Merrigan Wm. Street 5/3 John Doohan Wm. Street 10/6
Martin Kehoe Bunneen Lane £1:2:6 John Ryan Cockpit Lane 5/. Nicholas Cashen Folly House Lane Now deceased.

John J. Browne
Collector.

Ordered

That application be made to the Sureties for payment of the outstanding rents.

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An application dated 6th Inst was received from Michael Moyler for the tenancy of a house at Houghton Place, at a weekly rent of 2/6 and offered Michael Roche North St and Patrick Bradley as Sureties, And on the proposal of Mr Hand Seconded by Mr Sheehan, he was accepted as tenant.

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A letter dated 15th Ult was received from the Hon Secs of the National Association for the prevention of Infant Mortality enclosing copy of a resolution for adoption asking that grants in aid should be made to the Society in Ireland similar to those received in England, but the Meeting took no action in this matter, nor in reference to correspondence dealing with the Functions and Relationship of County Recruiting Committees and local Recruiting Committees for Urban And Rural Districts.

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The Clerk submitted the list of valuations in the Urban District submitted by the Collector for revision as well as the list of changes in occupancy of houses And same were examined but the meeting decided not to make any order, or express any opinion upon them.

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On the proposal of Mr Hand Seconded by Mr Sheehan the following tenants agreements were sealed viz:-
Daniel Rabbitham Prunjst & Laurence McGuiness Cockpit Lane.

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An Application was received from the Collector for a duplicate Paying Order for £1:18:7 in lieu of Paying Order No 215 issued on the 9th February 1915 for this amount, and which had been mislaid.
Proposed by Mr Hand and
Seconded by Mr Sheehan

That a duplicate Order be issued and the accounts now submitted to us be paid.

Passed Unanimously.

Ordered

That the Bank be directed to refuse payment of the Original of this order should it be presented.

The application of Mr Timothy Doran for an increase in his salary as weighmaster was considered. A short discussion took place upon it, during which it was pointed out that Messrs Shanahan, who were buying lump butter and having same weighed at the Scales had now transpened their business elsewhere so that there would not be nearly as much butter weighed there in future. It was also suggested that it might be advisable to rent the weighing Machines instead of been paying a man to attend them. Eventually it was,
Proposed by Mr Hand And
Seconded by Mr Sheehan

That the consideration of this application be adjourned to next Meeting, the members of the Council to be Summoned to consider the advisability of renting the Scales, and also of rescinding any resolutions deciding to appoint a weighmaster.

Passed Unanimously.

The Street Inspector reported that a number of traders were causing Obstructions of the streets and footpaths by placing articles upon them but there was
No Order Made upon the report.

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The following extract from the report of the Town Surveyor in reply to the Order of the Council, made at last meeting, asking him to inform them whether he intends to hold the dual positions of Surveyor to the Council and Engineer to the Hewtons Rural District Council, was read viz:-

With reference to my appointment as Engineer to the Hewtons District Council, I would like to remark that this work demands comparatively little time from me, as the number of Contracts are few and no work is allowed to be done during the winter months. The Council may feel assured that my duties as Town Surveyor, will not be neglected and will always continue to have prior and adequate attention.

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Mr Hand proposed that this reply be not considered satisfactory, but the proposition was not seconded, nor was a proposition of Mr Sheehan That the consideration of the matter be adjourned to next Meeting of the Council.

The Presiding Chairman then proposed the following resolution viz:-

That the Council raise no Objection to the Surveyor holding the two positions.

This was seconded by Mr Wm Murphy.

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The following amendment was then proposed by Mr Hand but was not seconded. that the Surveyors explanation be not considered Satisfactory.

The resolution was then put to a vote when there voted

For:- The Presiding Chairman (Mr John Murphy) & Mr Wm Murphy 2.

Against:- Mr Hand. 1.

Not voting:- Mr Sheehan

The Chairman declared the resolution "Passed".

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 22nd June 1915.

Patrick J Howard

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Tuesday 22nd June 1915.

A Meeting of the New Ross Urban Council was held this evening at 7.30 to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, consider advisability of renting the two weighbridges to a suitable tenant, instead of the present system and of rescinding any resolutions previously passed relative to appointment of weighmaster.

Present Mssrs Patrick J. Dunne Presiding
John S. Sears JP.
John Hand
John Murphy.

The Minutes of last Meeting were read & Signed, after which the Treasurers Authority was signed by the Chairman and Mssrs Hand & Murphy, and the following Paying Order directed to be issued viz:- No 62 Mss Finn £19:19:6. Petty Cash.

At this Stage of the Meeting Mr Sears expressed his regret that he was unable to remain longer at the Meeting, and immediately left.

A Quorum was not then present, but the Other Members remained until after 8 o'clock up to which time a Quorum did not assemble, and it was agreed to adjourn the Meeting to 6th Inst. Accordingly

The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 6th July, 1915.

Patrick J. Dunne

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Monday 5th July, 1915.

A Monthly Meeting of the Newross Urban District Council was to be held this day at 12 o'clock noon to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

No Member of the Council attended

A Quorum not having assembled.

The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 6th July 1915.

Patrick Dunne

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Tuesday 6th July, 1915.

~~A Meeting~~ An adjourned fortnightly and an adjourned monthly Meeting of the Newross Urban Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock, to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, consider the advisability of renting the two weighbridges to a suitable tenant, instead of the present system and of rescinding any resolutions previously passed relative to appointment of weighmaster.

Present Messrs Patrick J. Dunne Presiding
John Hand
John Fanning
Joseph Brewer
Michael Sheehan
John Murphy.

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read and Signed

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Murphy & Hand and the following Paying Order was directed to be issued viz:- No 63 Mc Finn £24:2:3 Petty Cash.

A Dividend Warrant on Consolidated Stock amounting to £11:0:4, less Income Tax £1:7:6, Net £9:12:10 was received and ordered to be lodged to the credit of the Council

## Correspondence

An application was received from John Power and Harry Smith, the two Men engaged in breaking Stones at Ballycon, asking that the Council increase the amount allowed them for breaking by four pence per ton. In reply to a Member the Clerk Stated that the present price paid them was 1/8 per ton.
Proposed by Mr Hand and
Seconded by Mr Fanning

That the price be increased by four pence per ton

Passed Unanimously

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Letter from Head Constable O'Sullivan dated 26 June, stating that Const John McKee has been nominated by the Inspector General for the post of Explosives Inspector for the Urban District of Newbridge.
Proposed by The Chairman and
Seconded by Mr Hand

That Const McKee be appointed by the Council, Inspector of Explosives for this Urban District.

Passed Unanimously.

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Letter from Mrs McGrath Three Bullet Gate, dated 6th Inst, drawing the attention of the Council to the Water table crossing the gate leading to the yard of her Store at Wexford Road, which has been cut so as to make the entrance into her premises difficult and asking to have a drain constructed across the gateway.

Ordered

That the Surveyor report upon this Matter to Next Meeting of the Council.

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Tenders were received for one heap of Manure at Town Wall from Edward Neill Kyleen who offered 20/-, Michael Redmond Irishtown who offered 33/- and Andrew Kirwan Ponsfields who offered 35/-.
Proposed by Mr Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Brewer

That Mr Kirwan's Tender be accepted.

Passed Unanimously.

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A Notification, dated 28th Inst, was received from the Recruiting Sergeant at Newbridge, that James Keatley, one of the Councils Workmen had enlisted, and a discussion ensued as to filling of vacancy on the Staff caused by Same.
Proposed by Mr Hand and
Seconded by Mr Brewer

That the position be kept Vacant until his return, and that he be then taken on again provided he is able to work.

Passed Mr Fanning dissenting.

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The question of appointing a temporary man in place of Keighry was considered and on the proposal of Mr Murphy, Seconded by Mr Sheehan, James Furlong Mary Street, who was acting as substitute for Keighry, was appointed temporarily at a weekly wage of 17/-

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Applications were received from Mrs Black High Hill, and Kate McGrath High Hill, for the tenancy of the vacant house at Abbey View or Bunneen Lane and on the proposal of The Chairman, Seconded by Mr Hand, Mrs Black was accepted as tenant and her surety Mrs Kavanagh South St approved of.

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A circular letter dated 1st July 1915 was received from the Hon Secretary of the Central Council for the organization of Recruiting in Ireland, inviting the Chairman to a Meeting of an All Ireland War Conference and Demonstration to be held at Warrenpoint on the 7th Inst, but, as that was the following day there was no action taken in reference to it.

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Mr Brewer drew attention to the condition of some of the houses of the Council in Cockpit and Bunneen Lane, and Stated that some of them required to be painted, whilst on one or two there were broken panes. After some discussion the following resolution was

Proposed by Mr Murphy and
Seconded by The Chairman

That the Surveyor inspect the houses and report to next Meeting those which it is absolutely necessary to have painted

Passed Unanimously.

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It was also Ordered that the attention of the rent Collector be directed to the Order made by the Council sometime ago, requiring him to report to the Council regularly, particulars of any damage to their houses.

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The Clerk Submitted weekly tenancy Agreements & Bonds of Michael Moyler and Daniel Rowtham for sealing, and on the

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Chairman, Seconded by Mr Hand.
The Seal of the Council was affixed to both.

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Mr Fanning drew attention to an Order Made Sometime ago directing the Surveyor to furnish the actual cost of the Maintenance of the New Ross Bridge and inquired if it had been made out.

The Surveyor in reply Stated that he made out an estimate and found that it amounted to £21. He had details but he did not consider it wise to have same published.

After considerable discussion it was Ordered That the Surveyor furnish details of the actual cost of the upkeep of the Bridge for the past year to next Meeting of the Council.

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A proposition by the Chairman - That the cost of the maintenance be not published was not seconded and accordingly fell through.

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The application of Timothy Doran, Weighmaster for an increase of Salary was next considered in conjunction with the Notice given at last Meeting by Mr Hand viz:-

That the Council consider the advisability of letting the Machines to a weekly tenant, and that any resolutions relative to the appointment of a weighmaster be rescinded.

Mr Murphy Suggested that the two Scales be retained by the Council under their own immediate control, and this was agreed to. After a short discussion the following resolution was

Proposed by Mr Murphy And
Seconded by Mr Hand

That the application of Timothy Doran for an increase in his Salary be adjourned for three months that the Council may ascertain in the meantime the average weekly receipts from both Scales.

Passed Unanimously

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Mr Hand pointed out that there were not enough of kerb stones in stock to complete the construction of the Cross Lane footpath up to the point to which it was originally intended to be constructed and proposed that concrete kerbing be provided instead, which the Surveyor in reply to the Chairman stated would cost about £4. The proposition was seconded by Mr Murphy and passed, but it was subsequently agreed to defer the matter to the Quarterly Meeting of the Council to be held on Monday the 12th inst, as well as a suggestion by Mr Murphy that the path be asphalted, same as Neville Street, at an estimated cost by the Surveyor of £7.

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The following report of the Town Surveyor was read viz :-

July 6th 1915.

I beg to report that a water supply has been laid on to Mr McCanlon's field, McDarrett Lane. I have arranged to have the necessary repairs carried out to your house No 20 William St, and to house in occupation of Mrs Saunders Irishtown as Ordered. The improvements to Neville Street footpath are being carried out as directed. The work at Cross Lane footpath is also being carried out. Portion of the protection wall on the west side of Waterford Road needs to be repaired and rebuilt. In some parts it is down almost to ground level and would be a source of danger to pedestrians. There is a dangerous chimney on house in occupation of Mr McCabe Mary Street. I have collected 5/- in respect of damage done to a Water Stop Cock cover by Mr Piper's engine at entrance to "Hunts Yard" Roberson. About 60 yards of kerbing is required to complete the gravel footpaths in Upper Crosshaven. Estimated cost (in concrete) £4.

James J Kirtall
Town Surveyor.

Ordered

That the usual notice be served on the Owner of the house on which the dangerous chimney is.

It was agreed to defer the question of the repairs to wall on Waterford Road as also the Neville St and Cross Lane footpaths to the Quarterly Meeting on the 12th inst, the Surveyor to enquire

the Necessary recommendations for the carrying out of them in his report.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 13th July, 1915.

Thos Foley

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Monday 12th July 1915.

A Quarterly Meeting of the Council was to be held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898 including the consideration of the Surveyor's Quarterly Report.

Present Mesrs John Hand. John Fanning.
The Surveyor was also in attendance.

A Quorum not having assembled

There was no business transacted

John Hand

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Tuesday 13th July, 1915.

A Meeting of the New Ross Urban Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Present Mesprs John Murphy Presiding
John Hand
John Fanning
Aidan P. Bolger.

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read and signed.

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The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Mesprs Hand & Bolger and the following Paying Orders were directed to be issued viz:- No64 Royal Exchange Assurance Co £3:15:3 No65 H.R. Hamilton £.£7:19:9, No66 Mrs M.A. Corcoran £1:17:3, No67 W.G. Cavanagh £3, No68 D.S.E.Railway Co £11:11:9, No69 Hibernian Fire & General Insurance Co £1:19:0, No70 James J. Shortall £6:13:4, No71 John J. Browne £3:3:7, No72 M.F.Finn £1:17:6, No73 M.F.Finn £6:5:0 No74 M.F.Finn £11:5:0, No75 A.K. French 10/6, Joseph Lynch £5. Waterford & New Ross Port Sanitary Authority £6. No78 M.F.Finn £8:16:8.

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## Correspondence

Notice dated 10th inst was received from the Auditor that he would attend on the 20th inst to hold the Audit of the Accounts of the Council at 10 o'clock, and directing that the Necessary Notice of Audit be published.

The Clerk Stated that he had published the Necessary Notices, and there was No Order Made.

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Letter from the Manager of the Barnell Quarries, dated 2nd inst, stating that in consequence of the Arklow Explosives Factory taking Nearly all there output for foundations, they handed over the Order given by the Council for Macadam to the Ballece Quarry for execution rather than disappoint the Council.

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Letter from Same, dated 7th inst, stating that they had written to

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Ballece Quarry Co asking them to send on the a/c direct, and intimating that if the Council had paid carriage on the Stones they might deduct Same from the Account.

The Clerk Stated that the Account of the Railway Co for freight would be paid at this Meeting and it was:-

Ordered

That it be deducted from the a/c as directed.

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Letter from Mrs Carroll, wife of James Carroll tenant of one of the Councils houses at Folly House Lane, who now owes 22/- rent, stating that her husband has been in the Infirmary for the last four months. Her son has now gone to work constantly, and she promises to pay 2/6 per week until the Arrears of rent are paid off.

The Clerk Stated that this tenant had No Security, as he had been in occupation of the house since it was built thirty-five years ago. In 1908 he declined to give Security for this reason and the Council then decided not to insist on him giving Security.

Proposed by Mr Bolger and

Seconded by Mr Hand

That No action be taken in the Matter.

Passed Unanimously

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Letter from the Collector, dated 13th Inst, Stating that Mrs Thorpe, John Street, informed him she would pay the amount of her bill for constructing the drain from her yard at John St at the end of the present week.

No Order Made.

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The following Report of the Finance Committee was read:-

Your Finance Committee Met this evening and having examined a Number of Bills, recommend payment of the following:- (See list at commencement of Minutes). We observe that the Bank a/c is very much overdrawn whilst the total amount of rates outstanding at date reaches the total of £1755:18:0. We therefore recommend to insist upon the Collector proceeding promptly with the collection of the rates and that he be required to

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lodge a substantial sum to the credit of the Council. We further recommend that the Collector be directed to present his books to the Clerk for checking on every Wednesday at 11 O'clock A.M, and lodge amount on hands on day of checking, and that the Clerk report to the Council any failure on the part of the Collector to carry out this order. The arrears of rents due by weekly tenants should be substantially reduced.

(Signed). P. J. Dunne. J Murphy.

Proposed by Mr Bolger and
Seconded by Mr Hand

That the Report of the Committee be adopted.

Passed Unanimously

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It was Ordered that the Clerk furnish to next Meeting a return of the Receipts for the past year from both the weigh-bridge at Irishtown and on the Quay.

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Surveyor's Report.

13th July, 1915.

I beg to report that a "danger Notice" has been served on Mrs Jeffares with reference to her house property in Mary Street, as ordered. I inspected all your house property as directed, and generally speaking the external woodwork does not urgently require painting. But the eave shoots and down pipes at the rere would require cleaning and painting.

I inspected the Wexford St water table referred to by Mrs McGrath in her letter read at your Meeting on the 6th Inst. I find that the water table at the approach of her premises has been partially filled for the convenience of car traffic and what she requires at this point is a piped gutter. I do not consider that this would be a public convenience.

James. J. Shortall T.S.

A long discussion took place as to the advisability of having eave shutes and down pipes of the Council's houses painted during which the Surveyor stated that he estimated the cost of same at £10. It was eventually decided to adjourn the consideration of the matter to Next Meeting, the Members to be noticed to attend same.

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It was agreed that Mr Hand and the Surveyor inspect that portion of the Wexford St water table, referred to by Mrs McGrath and report to next Meeting as to the necessity, or advisability, of having the piped gullet, referred to in her letter, constructed.

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The Clerk submitted a copy of the Bye Laws which were examined, and read by the Chairman, and after some discussion it was:-

Proposed by The Chairman and
Seconded by Mr Hand

That the members of the Council be notified to attend Next Meeting to consider the advisability of putting the existing Bye Laws into force in the District, and of adopting any additional ones they may consider necessary.

Passed Unanimously

The Chairman referred to the action of the Wexford County Council in withdrawing the grant in aid of University Scholarships and suggested that a resolution should be passed by this Council asking them to re-consider their decision in the matter.

Mr Hand suggested that before taking any action in the matter this Council should ascertain whether any pupils from the Urban District derived any benefit from the Scholarships.

After some discussion the following resolution was:-

Proposed by The Chairman and
Seconded by Mr Fanning

That we, the Newross Urban District Council, respectfully request the Wexford County Council to re-consider their decision declining to contribute a rate of one half-penny in the pound for the purpose of the National University Scholarships.

Mr Hand proposed the following Amendment which was not seconded viz:-

That the consideration of this matter be adjourned to Next Meeting, the Clerk to ascertain in the meantime whether any Scholarships have been awarded to any pupils resident in the Urban District.

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The Chairman put the resolution when all the Members except Mr Hand voted for it, and it was declared carried.

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Mr Fanning inquired if Dr Walsh was disqualified through Non-attendance and it was

Ordered

That the Clerk furnish the information asked for by Mr Hand to next Meeting.

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The following Notice of Motion was handed in by Mr Fanning

"I beg to propose that the rents of the William Street houses be reduced by 6pence per week.

Ordered

That the Members of the Council be Summoned to consider it at next Meeting.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 27th July, 1915.

W Mc Hand

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Tuesday 27th July, 1915.

A Special Quarterly Meeting of the Council was held this evening at 7 oclock to transact business pursuant to The Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898 and consider Surveyor's Quarterly Report.

Present Mespr. John Hand Presiding
James B. Hearn
Peter Murphy
John Murphy
Patrick J. Dunne.

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by The Chairman and Mespr P. Murphy & J. Murphy and the following Paying Order was directed to be issued viz:- No 79 M.J. Finn £20:11:3 Petty Cash.

The foregoing amount was paid at the ordinary Meeting.

## Surveyor's Quarterly Report

12th July, 1915.

I beg to report that during the past quarter your Streets generally were maintained in fair Order. The repairs to the Reville Street footpath which were Ordered to be carried out at your last Quarterly Meeting are now practically completed. Portion of the footpath in Upper Cross Lane has also been constructed as directed but there are no more granite kerbs in Stock to complete this work. I estimate the cost of completing this path with concrete kerbing and tarred gravel Surface to be £9:10:0. During the next few weeks there will probably be heavy rainstorms and to mitigate the possibility of flooding, I would recommend that two Surface traps be constructed:- one in Bridge Street; on the South Side and one in Reville Street; on the West Side. I estimate the cost of repairs to the protection wall on the West side of Waterford Road to be £9:5:0.

James. J. Shortall
Town Surveyor.

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After some discussion it was :-
Proposed by Mr John Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy

That the portion of the report dealing with the Cross Lane footpath be adopted and the remainder adjourned to next Quarterly Meeting

To which the following Amendment was
Proposed by the Chairman and
Seconded by Mr Dunne

That the Surveyor have Cross Lane footpath completed with concrete kerbing to gate of Mr Cullen's field at a cost not exceeding £4.

The Amendment was put when there voted
For :- Messrs Dunne and The Chairman 2
Against :- " J Murphy, P. Murphy & J.B. Hearn 3.

The resolution was then put to the Meeting, when the following voted :-
For :- Messrs P. Murphy, J. Murphy, J.B. Hearn & P.J. Dunne 4
Against :- The Chairman 1

The resolution was declared "Passed".

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The following resolution which had been previously
Proposed by Mr Dunne and
Seconded by The Chairman, was considered viz :-

That the dangerous portion of the wall on the Waterford Road, near the New boat house, be repaired with paling wire at an estimated cost not exceeding 25/-.

After a brief discussion the following amendment was
Proposed by Mr John Murphy South St and
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy

That nothing be done with the wall of the Waterford road, as he believed that if the masonry be wantonly removed the paling would also be torn down.

The Amendment was put to the Meeting when the following voted :-
~~For.~~
~~Against~~ :- Messrs P. Murphy, J. Murphy & J.B. Hearn 3.
~~Against~~
~~For~~ :- " Dunne & The Chairman 2.

The Chairman declared the amendment "Passed" but

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did not put the resolution to a vote as he stated the voting would re-
-sult in the same.

This concluded the business of the Quarterly Meeting.

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Tuesday 27th July, 1915.

A Meeting of the Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock, to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, consider advisability of having the eave shutes and down pipes of some of the Council's houses painted at an estimated cost of £10; of enforcing the existing Bye Laws or revising same, and drafting new ones for adoption, also the following Notice of Motion by Mr Fanning viz:-

That the rents of the William Street houses be reduced by six pence per week.

Present Mess^rs John Hand Presiding
James B. Hearn
Peter Murphy
John Murphy
Patrick J. Dunne.

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read and signed.

When the minutes were being read the Chairman drew attention to the order made at last Meeting, directing the Surveyor to have portion of the footpath over the old disused Sewer at Priory Street concreted and stated that originally that portion opposite the premises of the late Mr Martin Murphy was concreted by him, and that Mr Rochford had got the portion opposite his premises done, whilst the Council did that opposite Mr Bolger's house and left that opposite Mrs Keogh's undone. He (Chairman) now proposed that the remainder of the path be concreted but the proposition was not seconded. After some discussion it was unanimously decided to adjourn the further consideration of the matter to next Meeting, the Foreman to report to next Meeting what work was carried out by him when the Sewer underneath this path was opened up for the purpose of having it cleared.

A Paying Order for £35, being the third, and final instalment, of Estate Duty payable to the Council as a road Authority for year ended 31st March last, was received and

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Ordered to be lodged to the credit of the Council.

## Correspondence

A communication was received from the Irish War Savings Committee pointing out the desirability of impressing upon the public the necessity of effecting economies during the War. also the desirability of investing the economies in the War Loan, and soliciting the co-operation of the Council towards the achievement of these Objects.

No Order Made

Letter from the Managing Director of the Parnell Quarries (Arklow) Ltd, dated 19th Inst stating that they can supply any quantity of Material from Ballecce at the same rate as they were supplying from Arklow.

Ordered

That the road macadam from the Ballecce Quarry be taken instead of that from the Parnell Quarries Ltd at the same rate as stated in this letter.

A Notification was received from the Acting Secretary of the Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland, dated 20th July, that the annual Conference of the Association would be held in the City Hall on the 21st and 22nd September 1915, and asking to have delegates appointed. Ordered

That the Members be Summoned to attend next Meeting to consider advisability of appointing delegates.

A communication, dated 23rd Inst was received from Mr J. Kelly, Hon Secretary to a Meeting which was held at 41 York Street, Dublin, forwarding copy of resolution declaring against conscription, and also one forming a National Committee to give effect to the resolution.

No Order Made

An application was received from the Seven workmen for oil clothes. The Clerk stated that the Foreman informed him, just

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before the Meeting that Broaders wanted a Suit badly but he coued not then State the condition of those belonging to the Other men, and Suggested that their application be defered to Next Meeting So that he might, in the meantime inspect the clothes.

Ordered

That Broaders be Supplied with a Suit and the application of the Other men defered to Next Meeting.

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Letter from the Secretary of the Wexford County Council dated 16th Inst, acknowledging receipt of the resolution passed by the Urban Council respecting the withdrawl of the grant for the University Scholarships, and a second one bearing Same date informing the Council that one young lady who is a native of Newross Urban District has been awarded a Scholar-Ship under the University Scholarship Scheme.

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An application was received from Mary Tierney Irishtown, and John Bailey Mary Street, for the tenancy of the vacant house at Houghton Place, lately occupied by John Smith, and on the proposal of Mr Peter Murphy, Seconded by Mr Dunne, John Bailey was accepted as tenant.

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The following letters were read :-

The Presbytery.
Newross. 21st July, 1915.

Dear Sir,

I beg to make application to your Council for a license for the Exhibition Cinema Pictures in the Town Hall, even in cases where the Films may be fammable. I always caution Exhib-itors to use only non-inflammable Films, but I fear this is not always observed. Sergeant Kelly R.I.C tells me, there are Exits enough from the Hall, and that the license does not cost anything. He assures me there is no trouble about obtaining it. I hope therefore your Council will be pleased to grant it.

Michael Kavanagh P.P.

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy

That this Council acting as

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Local Authority under The Cinematograph Act, hereby license the Town Hall, Hawkins, for one year from this date, for the exhibition in it, of Cinema Pictures, in connection with which Inflammable Films may be used.

Passed Unanimously

Offices
Hawkins, 20th July 1915.

Re:- Maj Meehan

Dear Sir,

With reference to your query as to the Council's powers to deal with the obstruction to Messrs Merry caused by Maj Meehan's cars &c, being allowed to remain where they were placed, in the passage at the rere of her premises on the occasion of her eviction, this question turns principally on whether the passage can be considered as a "place" or "street" under the Public Health Act. We think it can, and therefore the Council can, in our opinion, successfully prosecute Maj Meehan for causing an obstruction by leaving her property where it now is. It may however, be difficult and tedious to institute proceedings against Maj Meehan, and under the circumstances we think the Council would be justified in removing the Articles in question with due care, and placing them in some place of safety. At the same time if the Council's only object is to discharge themselves from any liability to Messrs Merry for neglect of a public duty, we think this object could be attained by informing Messrs Merry that they would take proceedings against Maj Meehan for causing or permitting the obstruction complained of and instituting such proceedings. On the whole we think the removal of the articles as above suggested, would be the better course to adopt.

Yours &c.

Proposed by Mr John Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy

That Mr Arthur Doyle be asked to permit the cars and other articles to be stored in his premises at Priory Street, and if he does, that the Foreman have them removed by the Councils men

Passed Unanimously.

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Mr Peter Murphy reported that there was a considerable waste of water occurring in some premises between Quay St, and Charles Street, and it was.

Ordered

That the special attention of the Water Inspector be directed to the matter.

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Mr Dunne drew attention to a channel which was cut in the surface of Wm St. Street, and stated that owing to it a gentleman recently met with an accident for which, in all probably, the Council would be liable.

After some discussion it was Ordered

That the Surveyor have this channel levelled up.

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It was decided to adjourn the consideration the consideration of the Notice of Motion by Mr Fanning "That the rents of the Wm St. Street houses be reduced by six pence per week," to next meeting as also the advisability of enforcing the Bye Laws or adopting New ones.

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The Clerk stated that in pursuance of the Order made at last meeting directing him to report to this Meeting whether Dr. Walsh was disqualified through non attendance he formally reported that he did not attend a Meeting of the Council within the past six months.

Proposed by The Chairman and

Seconded by Mr Murphy

That Dr Walsh be informed of this and he be asked to say if he overlooked the matter.

Passed Unanimously.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 10th August 1915.

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Monday 2nd August 1915.

A Monthly Meeting of the Council was to be held this day at 12 O'clock Noon, to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854

No Member attended

a Quorum not having assembled

The Meeting Adjourned.

Tuesday 10th August 1915.

A Meeting of the Finance Committee was held this evening at 7 O'clock to transact business of the Committee for the Finance Meeting of the Council.

Present Messrs Peter Murphy
John Murphy

The Clerk Submitted a number of Bills for payment and the Committee having examined them, recommended the following ~~for~~ to be paid viz:- (See list at commencement of Minutes of Meeting of Council held on this date)

After which

The Committee Adjourned.

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Tuesday 10th August 1915.

A Meeting of the Benkos Urban Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, consider advisability of having the eave Shutes and down pipes of the Council's houses painted at an estimated cost of £10, of enforcing the existing Bye-Laws or revising same and drafting new ones for adoption also the following notice by Mr Fanning which was adjourned from last Meeting viz:- "That the rents of the Wm Street houses be reduced by six pence per week." and appoint delegates to attend conference of Municipal Authorities to be held in the City Hall, Dublin on the 21st and 22nd September 1915.

Present Messrs John Murphy Presiding
Peter Murphy
Patrick J. Dunne
John Hand
Wm Murphy.

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read and signed.

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The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Hand & Dunne and the following Paying Orders were directed to be issued viz:- No 80 Secretary School attendance Committee £7:13:0, No 81 M. Bruin £11:5:0, No 82 The Barlock Typewriter Co £2:18:0, No 83 John Stevenson 10/6, No 84 Shand Mason & Co £1:18:0, No 85 James Connolly £12:18:9 No 86 Thos O'Neill £10, No 87 Mrs M. Hickey £3:6:2, No 88 St Stephens Cemetery Committee £15. No 89 Dr Hickey £7:10:0, No 90 J. J. Browne £1:16:8, No 91 J. J. Shortall £6:13:4, No 92 Mrs M. Hennessy £6. No 93 P. Brennan £20:9:11.

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## Correspondence.

Letter from L. G. Board, dated 27th July, 1915, forwarding Paying Order for £20:7:2 as an advance on account of the amounts which may be paid as Salaries to the Sanitary Officers of the Urban District for the year ending 30th September 1915.

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The Clerk Stated that the Paying Order had been lodged to the credit of the Council and this was approved of.

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Letter from L. G. Board, dated 28th July, 1915, No 41,130 : 1915, enclosing following report of the Auditor on his Audit of the accounts of the Council for year ending the 31st March 1915 viz:-

Balyna,
Moyvalley,
2nd July, 1915.

copy / No 41,130 : 1915
Kerkess Urban District.

Sir,

I beg to report that I have audited the Accounts of the Kerkess Urban District Council for the year ended the 31st March 1915. Duly certified abstracts thereof are transmitted herewith.

During the year the Council received the Sum of £159:16:9 in respect of bonus on the sale of portion of the Estate property. This Sum they placed to credit of their current account. In my opinion, they acted illegally in so doing and the amount should have been invested in the like manner as the remainder of the purchase money. I further consider that, by their action, the Council have made themselves liable to penalties, if proceeded against at law.

The Accounts were prepared for audit with care and accuracy.

I am. Sir,
Your Obedient Servant
J. More Fennell
Auditor.

Proposed by The Chairman and
Seconded by Mr Hand

That on the return of the Clerk from holidays, he be directed to take the necessary steps to have this money invested in whatever Stocks are authorized.

Passed Unanimously.

The Chairman Stated that the report was very Satisfactory.

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A copy of the Auditor's Report on his audit of the Accounts of the St Stephens Cemetery Committee was also received and it was

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Ordered that the Report be referred to that Committee.

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Letter from L. G. Board, No 32,773:1915, dated 9th August 1915, enclosing Forms to be filled up regarding public roads in the Urban District

Ordered

That the Clerk attend to it.

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Letter from Wexford County Council dated 5th inst, stating that at their last meeting it was unanimously decided to rescind the resolution passed at a previous meeting abandoning the University Scholarship Scheme during the Continuance of the War.

Do Order Made this being considered very Satisfactory.

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The following tender was received from the Newross Gas Co for the public lighting of the town viz:-

Winter Lighting

(From 1st September 1915 to 1st May 1916.)

51 lamps to be extinguished at 11 p.m. @ £2:5:0 per lamp.
16 lamps to remain lighting all night @ 3:7:6 Do
The above lamps not to be lighting for two nights before, two nights after, and the night of full moon.
31 lamps to be lighted on the moon light nights, and to be extinguished at 11 p.m. @ 10/- per lamp.
33 of the above will be fitted with incandescent burners, the mantles and chimneys used in maintainance of same to be charged at cost price.

Summer Lighting

(From 1st May to 1st September 1916).

16 lamps to remain lighting all night except on moonlight nights when they will be extinguished at 11 p.m. @ 20/- per lamp. The lamp at Tholsel to be lighted as at present @ £5:10:0 per annum. The lamp at entrance to Town Hall, and Protestant Church, Roberecon, to be lighted as required @ 10/- each per annum.

The lamps in the Institution and neighbourhood will be

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lighted on the Fair mornings free of charge, as in last contract.

A long discussion took place during which it was pointed out that the tender showed an increase of about £25 over last years tender.
Proposed by Mr Dunne and
Seconded by Mr Hands

That all the members present be appointed a Committee to look into the matter more fully, with a view to seeing if some of the lamps could be done without.

Passed Unanimously

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The following letter received from Dr Walsh was read viz :-

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31st July 1915

Dear Mr Tomin

I am in receipt of yours relative to my non-attendance for past six months at Meetings of your Council. I am sorry for giving you and Council any trouble in the matter. My explanation is I am seldom in from the Country at 7.30 p.m. in respect to my calls. However if your Council accept this explanation I will during remainder of my time in Office give better attendance.

Yours truly
M. Walsh.

Proposed by Mr Hand and
Seconded by Mr P. Murphy.

That the reason assigned by Dr Walsh for his non-attendance at Meetings of the Council for the past six months be approved of.

Passed Unanimously.

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The following letter was read :-

1 Victoria Place
August 9th 1915

Sir,

I advise that at a recent meeting of the Urban Council

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a discussion arise about the making of the footpath in Victoria Place. As you appear to have some doubt on the subject I wish to make it quite clear to you that the path-way in front of the house we occupy was heavily concreted by the late Sir Martin Murphy and entirely at his own expense.

Yours truly
Anna E. Murphy.

In connection with this the following extract from the Foreman's Report was read :-

"I beg to report that the newly Sewer in Victoria place was opened November 11th 1912 and the sides and bottom of same pointed in cement mortar to prevent any leakage of sewage into the ground adjoining. The sewer was recovered and the portion of footpath disturbed was restored to its original condition."

After a short discussion it was

Proposed by Mr Hand and
seconded by Mr Murphy

That the Surveyor have the footpath completed.

Passed Unanimously

Mr John Power Carvlin tendered 2/6 per one heap of manure in yard on Quay, but it was not accepted, the price being considered too low.

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The following applications were received for the tenancy of a house at Wm Street, recently occupied by Mrs Curran viz :- From Constable Sloan Rosbercon, Mrs Hughes Chapel Lane and James Dalley.

Mr Dunne proposed that Mr Dalley be accepted tenant, but the proposition was not seconded.

Mr Hand proposed that Mrs Hughes, who applied on two occasions before for a house, get this one, but it was not seconded.

Mr Peter Murphy proposed and Mr Wm Murphy seconded
That Const Sloan get the house.

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Before this resolution was put to the Meeting Mr Hand stated that Const Sloan was not eligible for this house and refered to the following resolution of the Council passed in Septr 1913, viz :-

That the houses that are being constructed in Cockpit and Dunneen Lane be let only to Bonafide Labourers and Artizans, for whom they were intended and this apply in future to all houses the property of the Council.

The Chairman then asked Mr Peter Murphy to withdraw his proposition and the latter accordingly withdrew.

Mr Hand then said as he had no seconder for his proposition, he would second that of Mr Dunne, which proposition was passed unanimously.

The Clerk Stated that there was a new cooking range put into that house recently, and that the tenant (Mrs Curran) did not pay her portion of the cost of same which amounted to 22/6.

Ordered

That Mr Dalley be informed he will have to give an undertaking that he will pay this amount before getting the house.

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The Clerk informed the Meeting that there was another house vacant at Dn. Street and that there were no applications received for the tenancy of it.

Mr Hand proposed that Mrs Hughes get this house, but the proposition was not seconded.

It was then proposed by Mr Wm Murphy and Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy

That Constable Sloan be given this house instead of the other.

Passed.

Foreman's Report.

I beg to report that since last Meeting forty-six ashpits were cleaned. There are now eight heaps of manure in yard on Quay ready for sale value for £1 each; Also one heap at the Town Wall depot value about £1:10:0. There are some persons scaling

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the wall of Stable yard at Wm Street. I think a few Strands of barved wire would remedy it. About 50 tons of Metalling arrived from Rathdrum Quarry and have been removed to the various depots and some Spread in ruts in Streets. There is still about ten tons remaining at Railway Station.

Owing to one of your horses which will be engaged almost constantly at Domestic Scavenging, I would ask the Council to engage an extra man & horse for a few days to remove the Metalling from the Breakers, Rosbercon to Depots in Mount Garrett Lane, Boheen na Shawn and Town Wall. I beg to apply for oil clothes for James Furlong, M. Flynn & J Flynn.

Ordered

That the manure be advertised for Sale.

That the wire necessary for the protection of the Stable wall in Wm Street be procured.

That a man and horse be engaged for one week to cart the metalling from Rosbercon.

That three suits of oil clothes be purchased for Furlong J. Flynn and M Flynn.

## Surveyor's Report

I beg to report that Mr A. Cullen has repaired portion of the ceilings which had collapsed in your house in Haughton Place, recently vacated by Mr Smith. I inspected your house recently occupied by Mrs Southwell Wm Street. The premises are in fairly good repair but would require to be lime-washed, the rail holes stopped and the woodwork painted. A facture in a water service pipe in Priory lane was re-paired to-day. Mr Butler John St informs that he proposes to construct a new concrete footpath in John St, on the West side, outside his premises, and Mr James Kelly also proposes to construct a short section of path outside his New houses on the side of Mary St and they require permission to do so. The protection wall of your Stables and premises in Wm Street require to be fenced against trespass with barved wire and Stakes.

J. J. Shortall
Town Surveyor.

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Ordered

That the house recently vacated by Mrs Southwell be lime-washed and any small repairs necessary carried out.

That permission be given to Mr John Butler and Mr James Kelly to construct footpaths outside their premises in John St and Mary Street respectively.

There was no Order made with regard to fencing wall of the Wm Street Stables it having been dealt with in the Foremans report.

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The Shops Act Inspector reported that the total number of Shops closed for the weekly half holiday was Seventy-four Act including two timber yards which close on Saturdays. In all Shops where Assistants are employed they get their half holiday & will report to next Meeting those Traders who have not yet given in or have no provision made for the Assistants, for their annual holidays.

No Order Made.

The Clerk reported that the total amount of Rates outstanding at date amounted to £1476:1:2.

No Order Made.

It was decided to again adjourn Mr Fanning's Notice of Motion to next Meeting viz:-

"That the rents of the Wm Street houses be"
"reduced by six pence per week."

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The Meeting next took up the consideration of the advisability of having the eave shutes and down pipes of the Councils houses painted at an estimated cost of £10.

After a short discussion it was proposed by Mr Hand "That the work be carried out," but the proposition was not seconded. It was then,

Proposed by the Chairman and
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy

That the painting of the eave shutes &c. of the Councils houses be adjourned to say, next

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April, when the Council will be in a better financial condition to carry out the work.

Passed.

Proposed by The Chairman and
Seconded by Mr P. Murphy

That Messrs Dunne & Hand be appointed to represent the Council at the Conference of Municipal Authorities to be held in Dublin on 21st & 22nd September next.

Passed Unanimously

Mr Shortall asked to be allowed to accompany the delegates to the Congress, as, he stated, the subjects discussed there would be very interesting for him; and this was agreed to, it being understood that he went at his own expense.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 24th August, 1915.

John Sullivan
Chairman

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Tuesday 17th August, 1915.

A Meeting of the Committee appointed to consider the tender of the Gas Co for the public lighting of the town, and making any alterations regarding same as may be considered advisable, met this evening at 7.30 o'clock.

Present Messrs Patrick J. Dunne
John Hand.

The Committee, after a very long discussion, prepared a report of which the following is a copy viz:-

Your Committee appointed to deal with the tender of the Gas Co Met this evening at 7.30 o'clock.

We recommend that a small Committee be appointed to Meet the Directors of the Gas Co with a view to securing a reduction in the cost of the public lighting of the town for the ensuing year.

We find that some of the lamps under the heading of (Summer lamps) have not been lighting on certain occasions and we further recommend that the Street Inspector be directed to make periodical reports of all public lamps lighting.

John Hand. Patrick J. Dunne.

after which

The Meeting Adjourned

John Ballwin.

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Tuesday 24th August 1915.

A Meeting of the Ben Ras Urban Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854; consider following Notice of Motion by Mr Fanning which was adjourned from last Meeting viz:-

That the rents of the William Street houses be reduced by six pence per week.

Present Messrs John O'Sullivan J.P. Presiding
John Murphy
Dr M. Walsh
John Hand
Patrick J. Dunne
John Fanning
Peter Murphy.

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read and Signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by The Chairman and Messrs J. Murphy & J. Hand and the following Paying Order was directed to be issued viz:- No 94 P. Brennan £21.3.0 Petty Cash.

## Correspondence

Circular letter from L.G. Board, dated 17th August 1915, calling attention to certain provisions of the Elections and Registration Act 1915, which received the Royal Assent on the 29th Ultimo, and which materially affects the duties of the Officers concerned with the preparation of the Parliamentary & Local Government Register of Electors in the present year.

No Order Made.

Letter from L.G. Board, No 43581.1915, dated 20th August 1915, referring to their circular letter of the 21st September 1914, on the Subject of loans, and transmitting a copy of a further Notice which has been issued by The Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury

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in pursuance of the Public Works Loans Act 1897.
No Order Made.

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Letter from L. G. Board, dated 17th Augt 1915, bringing under the notice of the Council the provisions of the Notification of Births (Extension) act 1915, which has recently been passed, and enclosing copy of same.
Ordered

That it be marked "Read".

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Letter from Limerick County Borough Council, dated 30th July 1915, forwarding, for adoption, the following copy of a resolution unanimously passed by them at their Meeting on the 28th July viz:-

That in the opinion of this Council the action of the Government, in Ordering the banishment of Irishmen from their native Country for no reason assigned, constitutes a grave encroachment upon the civil rights of the people, and that it is the duty of public representatives to protest against any unwarranted exercise of despotic powers, and unjust differentiation against Ireland.
That copies of this resolution be sent to John Redmond Esq M.P. and Michael Joyce M.P. and public bodies throughout Ireland.

Proposed by Mr Hand and
Seconded by Mr Fanning

That the resolution of the Limerick County Borough Council be adopted.

Passed Unanimously.

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The following letter was read viz:-

Ben Ross
24/8/15.

Dear Sir,

I beg to apply to your Council for payment of £30 compensation for loss which I have suffered owing to spraining my ankle in a drain or watercut recently constructed on William St on the night of 11th Aug. This drain was left open, without any protection or light, across a steep part of the Street,

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and this carelessness on the part of the Council's employees resulted in a serious accident to me. Unless I receive a satisfactory settlement of my claim within the next couple of weeks I will put the matter into the hands of a Solicitor.

Yours truly
G. A. Hickey

The Clerk of the Urban Council, Newbridge.

After a very long discussion it was

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Dr Walsh

That a Committee consisting of the Chairman (Mr Sullivan), John Murphy, John Hand and the Surveyor visit the place where the accident is alleged to have occurred, and report on it to next Meeting.

Passed Unanimously.

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A tender was received from Mrs Whelan, Kyleen for one heap of manure in depot at Town Wall at 2/6.

Proposed by the Chairman and
Seconded by Mr Hand

That Mrs Whelans tender be accepted.

Passed Unanimously.

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On the suggestion of Mr Peter Murphy it was Ordered that the Foreman attend the meetings of the Council to give information (if required) regarding the sale of manure &c.

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The following letter was read :-

Workhouse,
Newbridge 11th August, 1915.

Dear Mr Finn

I understand that whilst the room occupied by the late David Monaghan Wm Street, was being cleaned up and disinfected a sum of about £50 was discovered and taken charge of by some person, perhaps by yourself. In case you should have anything to do with the custody of the money I desire to inform you that the Board of Guardians have a claim on this money for

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repayment of relief given to Monaghan, on the understanding that he was in need. This claim will be made to the proper quarter in due time.

E. George Byrne
Asst Clerk.

The Clerk Stated that the money had been handed over to Mr Butler, S.S. Officer by the Police, and that he (Mr Butler) had lodged same in the Bank until the owner of it had been established.

The Chairman Stated that the Council had nothing to do with this claim and said it was a matter entirely between the Guardians and Mr Butler.

There was no action taken.

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An application was received from John Hughestone, the Quay, dated 23rd Inst for the tenancy of one of the Council's houses in Wm Street, recently vacated by Mrs Southwell, and offered as his Surety Mr Thos O'Brien South St.

Proposed by Mr Hand and
Seconded by Mr Dunne

That John Hughestone be accepted tenant

Passed Unanimously.

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## Surveyor's Report

24th Augt 1915

I beg to report that the repairs to the Victoria Place footpath have been carried out as Ordered, and also the repairs to your vacant house in Wm Street. I inspected the repairs presently being carried out by Mr Connolly, Builder, for the Wexford County Council to your house in upper Mary Street. I understand it is proposed to cut away the lead valley where the outhouse adjoins the dwelling house on the South side and drain the roof of the outhouse on to the floor of same. I do not approve of this proposal and I would recommend that this valley be repaired and the roof drained as formerly.

Proposed by Mr Hand and
Seconded by Mr J. Murphy

"That the Surveyor's report be adopted"

Passed Unanimously

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The Foreman reported that three waggons of Metalling arrived from the Arklow Quarries since last Meeting. If it was possible he would suggest to the Council to purchase some forage for the horses now as the prices may be very high later on. The Stable loft would hold about two tons of hay. Thos Freeman is sick since 18th inst, & would require a substitute until he is able to resume work.

James Kelly.
Foreman

Ordered

That the portion of the report dealing with the purchase of Forage for the horses be referred to the Finance Committee for report.

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Shops Act Inspector's Report.

I beg to report that for weeks ending 14th & 21st inst respectively, seventy-six Shops closed for the weekly half holiday on Wednesday afternoon. In the remaining Shops which are kept open on Wednesdays the Assistants are getting their half holiday. From one hundred and sixty Shops assistants engaged, only seventy six have yet got their annual holidays

No Order Made.

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The following report was read :-

17th Augt 1915.

Your Committee appointed to deal with the tender of the Gas Co, met this evening at 7.30 oclock.

We recommend that a small Committee be appointed to Meet the Directors of the Gas Co with a view to securing a reduction in the cost of the public lighting of the town for the ensuing year. We find that some of the lamps under the heading of (Summer lamps) have not been lighting on certain occasions and we further recommend that the Street Inspector be directed to make periodical reports of all public lamps lighting.

John Hand. Patrick J Dunne.

Proposed by The Chairman and
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy "That Messrs Hand & Dunne be"

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appointed to Meet the Directors of the Gas Co with a view to obtaining a reduction in the cost of the public lighting.

Passed Unanimously

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The following "Notice of Motion" which was adjourned from last Meeting was Proposed by Mr Fanning and
Seconded by Mr Hand

"That the rents of the Wm Street houses"
"be reduced by six pence per week."

On a Poll being taken there voted

For:- Messrs Walsh, J Murphy, Hand, Dunne, Fanning & P Murphy 6
Against:- The Chairman (Mr O'Sullivan) 1.

The Chairman declared the resolution "Passed"

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Mr Fanning handed in the following Notice of Motion viz:-
"That the Clerk's & Surveyor's Salaries be reduced."

Ordered

That Notice be given to the members to consider same at next Meeting.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 7th September 1915.

John Rochford

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Monday 6th September 1915.

A Monthly Meeting of the Newross Urban Council was to be held this day at 12 o'clock noon to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854

No Member of the Council attended

A Quorum not having assembled.

The Meeting adjourned.

John Pullen

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Tuesday 7th September, 1915.

A Meeting of the Bunclody Urban Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, consider following Notice of Motion by Mr Fanning viz:-

"That the Clerk's and Surveyors Salaries be reduced".

Present Messrs John Sullivan J.P. Presiding
John Hand
John Fanning
John Murphy
James G. Dodd
James B. Hearn

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Hand & Murphy and the following Paying Order was directed to be issued viz:- £695 Off Brins £19:13:6.

Mr Fanning inquired in whose name the money was lodged that was found amongst the effects of the late David Monaghan & whether it was lodged to the credit of the Council, and stated that it should be handed over to his Step brother.

The Chairman explained that this was a matter the Council had nothing to do with and were not in any way responsible for it but Mr Hand was of opinion, that as the money was taken charge of by an Officer of the Council, the latter might be responsible to some extent. He would not, however, agree that it should be handed over to the Step brother of the deceased man.

## Correspondence.

Letter from the Commissioners of Valuation dated 6th inst, notifying the appointment of Mr H. M. Wood to make the annual revision of the Valuation of the Urban District and that same will be

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commenced about the 13th Inst.

The Clerk Stated that the necessary Notices were being published and there was,

No Order Made.

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Letter from the Board of Trade dated 31st August 1915, drawing the attention of the Council to the probability that owing to the number of miners who have joined the colours the supply of Coal for home consumption next winter will be less than usual and it was therefore important that every effort should be made to accumulate stocks of coal. The Board also would be glad if the Council would consider whether an arrangement could not be made with the principal Merchants for the limitation of the price they would charge over the cost of coal delivered delivered at the Railway Sidings.

No Order Made.

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A circular letter dated 6th Inst was received from the L. G. Board calling attention to certain provisions of the Elections & Registration Act 1915 in reference to the Contracts affected by the Act.

No Order Made.

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Letter from the Secretary of the Gas Co dated 30th Ult asking if their tender for the lighting of the town for the ensuing year was accepted as the time for lighting was very close.

The following report of the Committee who waited on the Directors with a view to obtaining a reduction in their tender was read :-

26 August 1915

Your Committee appointed to meet the Directors of the Bewdley Gas Co with a view to securing a reduction in the cost of the public lighting of the town met this evening at 4 o'clock and accompanied by the Clerk proceeded to the Office of the Co where they were met by the Directors. A long discussion took place during which it was pointed out by the Manager that owing to the increased cost of Coal Labour etc they could not supply the Gas at a lower rate than that specified in the tender. He (Manager) Suggested that the

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Urban Council be allowed 2½% off the ensuing year's contract, provided that the Company's Account be paid within one months after being presented to the Clerk. This was agreed to, after which.

The Committee Withdrew

Proposed by Mr Murphy And
Seconded by The Chairman

That the report of the Committee be adopted, and that the tender of the Gas Co be accepted, subject to the condition set out in the report of the Committee

Passed Mr Fanning dissenting.

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A letter dated 7th Inst was received from James Murphy, Bullaun, one of the Councils tenants asking to have some repairs carried out to his house And pointing out that he owes no rent. Ordered

That the Surveyor And Mr Murphy inspect the house and report upon its condition to next Meeting of the Council.

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Letter from Mary Nolan Trinity House, applying for a room in that Institution lately occupied by Mrs Ryan.

As there was no vacancy notified there was no order made except that the letter be filed with other applications.

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Letter from the Vice-President of the Department of Agriculture, dated 6th Inst, Stating that the Department of Agriculture are organising a series of Meetings at selected centres throughout the country in view of the importance of securing an increase in the production of home grown food at the present juncture, and inviting the Chairman of the Council to attend one at Enniscorthy on the 20th Inst at 2 P.M.

No Order Made.

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Letter from Mrs Southwell, dated 5th Inst, asking to have the Poor Rates on house lately occupied by her remitted as she had to leave it on the death of her husband and only occupied it for a portion of the time covered by the Rate. She recently paid 23/- towards the cost of erecting a range in it.

The Clerk pointed out that the rate could legally be apportioned between the outgoing and incoming tenant if the Council passed a resolution apportioning it, but they declined to interfere and refused the application.

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A tender, dated 24th Ult was received from Mr John Power Camblin, for one heap of manure, the fifth one inside the gate, and on the proposal of Mr Murphy seconded by Mr Hand, it was accepted, if he means the heap in yard on Quay.

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Mr Whitty Camblin tendered for three heaps at 14/6, and on the proposal of Mr Murphy, seconded by Mr Hand, it was accepted if there are four for sale, if not, he is to get two only.

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Notice of Assessment dated 29th Ult Amounting to £3:2:6 on profits of weighing machine and £29:12:6 on Waterworks was received from the Surveyor of Taxes which the Clerk stated he only found in the letter drawer on yesterday 6th Inst and according to it appeals were heard on 4th Inst.

Ordered

That the Assessment be appealed against.

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The following resolution passed by the Municipal Council of the City of Dublin was on the Proposal of Mr Fanning seconded by Mr Dooley unanimously adopted viz:-

That this Council, representing every shade of opinion in Dublin hereby enters an emphatic protest against the unjust treatment of our fellow Country-men (Members of the Irish Volunteers) who have been Sentenced to terms of imprisonment without Satisfactory reasons being given; that we demand their immediate release, and desire to draw the attention of our Parliamentary

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representatives to the unequal administration of the law as regards public utterances and writings in Ireland and in England, further that we demand the same privileges to be extended to Irishmen as have been given to Lord Northcliffe and the English Press presently opposed to the British Government."

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Letter from the Clerks of the Enniscorthy Urban Council forwarding following copy of a resolution for adoption viz:-

That realizing as we do, the supreme importance of largely increasing the tillage area in Ireland so as to insure an adequate supply of food for our people in the near future, as well as to help to counteract the steadily growing adverse trade balance, we call upon the Government to give Farmers sufficient inducements to enable them to till more of their lands and we urge them in particular to take immediate steps to have the thousands of acres of arable land now in the possession of the Congested Districts Board, and lying idle, allocated to small farmers so that they may be put under crops by next season.

That copies of this resolution be sent to John Redmond Esq M.P. the members of Parliament for Longford, the Chairman of the Food Production Supply Committee and Public Bodies throughout Ireland.

Proposed by Mr Fanning And
Seconded by Mr Murphy

That the resolution be adopted.

Passed Unanimously

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The Foreman reported that two waggon loads of Metalling have arrived at Railway Station from Arklow and he is having same carted away.

No Order Made.

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The Shops Act Inspector reported that he visited the different Traders Shops where Assistants are employed who do not close on the half holidays And found that the Assistants in each case were getting their half holidays. The total number that close are Seventy Six.

No Order Made.

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The Contract & Bonds of two tenants viz:- Messrs Houston and Dalley were submitted for sealing and on the proposal of Mr Hand seconded by Mr Murphy the seal of the Council was affixed to them.

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## Town Surveyors Report

7th Septr 1915

I beg to report that a Water service has been laid on to premises in occupation of Mrs Comerford, Henry St. The construction of the cross Lane footpath is now nearing completion. The covered drain from your houses in Haughton Place which had become choked was cleared on the 30th Ult. The practice still continues of the occupants of the houses throwing rubbish on the Space at the rere. There is no necessity for this as each occupant is provided with a dustbin.

James J. Shortall
Town Surveyor.

Ordered

That the Street Inspector be directed to caution the tenants of the houses in Cockpit Lane & Dunmeen Lane against depositing any rubbish in the vacant Space at the rere of their houses.

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The following letter received from Dr. Hickey was read :-

4/9/15.

Dear Sir

In reference to my letter of 24 Augt re Spraining of my ankle I find that the date mentioned in it is "night of 11th Aug". It should read night of 11th July as it was on that date I met the accident.

Yours faithfully,
G. A. Hickey.

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In conjunction with the foregoing the following report of the Special Committee appointed to inspect the place at 10ms Street where Dr Hickey, in his previous letter, stated the accident occurred, was considered viz:-

Your Special Committee appointed in connection with Dr Hickeys claim for £30 in respect of injuries alleged to have been sustained in William Street, inspected the place referred to and are of opinion that this place could not be a Source of danger to pedestrians.

26th August, 1915. John Sand (Member of Committee)
James J. Thrstall Town Surveyor.

The Chairman Stated that he was unable to attend the meeting of the Committee on the day it was held but he endorsed the report.

A discussion lasting for a considerable time took place upon the matter during which it was suggested that no reply be sent to Dr. Hickeys letter. The Clerk in reply to Mr Murphy Stated that no reply or acknowledgment of the letter had been sent to Dr Hickey up to the present. Mr Murphy expressed the opinion that in the event of a law Suit, it might be to the advantage of the Council to have a reply sent from this meeting, whilst Mr Fanning considered that Dr Hickey should be furnished with a copy of the report of the Committee, and proposed that a copy be sent to him. but the proposition was not seconded.

Proposed by Mr Murphy And
Seconded by Mr Dunne

That the report of the Committee be adopted.

Passed Unanimously.

It was decided not to reply to Dr Hickeys letters.

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Mr Dunne drew attention to the fact that the lids of the old Water tanks in the Street opposite the Workmens Club at Maryst, are sometimes taken up, and also that they are not level with the Surface and are consequently dangerous

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to the public.
Proposed by Mr Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Hand

That the Surveyor have the covers
Of these tanks removed by the Councils men and the
tanks themselves rependered safe.

Passed Unanimously.

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A letter and monthly Investment list was received from
Messrs Wm Wilson & Son, Stock Brokers, in reply to one
addressed to them by the Clerk asking for information as
to the price of certain Stocks with a view to the investment
Of the Sum Of £159:16:9, the Bonus received in connection
with the sale Of the Council's property which had been
lodged to their credit instead of being invested.

Ordered

That it be referred to the Finance Committee.

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The following resolution of which Notice had been given by
Mr Fanning was proposed by him viz:-

That the Clerks
and Surveyors Salaries be reduced.

The resolution was not Seconded, but the following
amendment proposed by Mr Hand was agreed to viz:-

That the matter of reducing all our Offices Salaries
be referred to a Committee Of the Whole House.

Mr Fanning withdrew his resolution in favour Of this,
and it was Ordered that the Members be Summoned
to consider it at Meeting Of the Council to be held on the
14th Inst.

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The following were appointed a Committee to revise the
existing Bye Laws and draft additional ones if necessary
for the consideration Of the Council viz:- Messrs P.J. Dunne
John Hand, John Murphy and The Chairman. It was
arranged that a Meeting Of the Committee be held on the
following day at 7.30 P.M.

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With reference to the reduction of rent of the houses at Wm Street by Six pence per week which took place at last meeting of the Council Mr Fanning asked that the Collector be instructed to accept the reduced rent. The Meeting was not Satisfied that the resolution should not be Sanctioned by the L. G. Board but approved of the directions given to the Collector by the Clerk viz:- that he accept 2/- per week but not to debit any Amount for rent in pass books pending the reply of the L. G. Board to a query as to whether their Sanction is necessary.

The Clerk also asked whether the reduction applied to all the houses of the Council in William St, but the Meeting was unanimously in deciding that it only applied to the twenty new houses.

It was Ordered that Tenders be invited for the supply of two Minute Books.

The Clerk drew attention to the report of the proceedings of the last Meeting (at which he was not present) from which it appeared that he did not inform the Council that a sum of £159:16:9 Bonus on the Sale of the Councils property should be invested in Consols instead of being lodged to the credit of the Council and now stated that he did so inform them when it was received in July 1914 but the Council then decided owing to the unsettled State of Securities consequent upon the War and to the fact that the Stock Exchange was closed, to defer investing it then. At meeting of 28th Dec last he again drew attention to it and now read an extract from the Minutes of that Meeting showing this but the Council decided then to defer investing it.

The Members now expressed themselves Satisfied that the Clerk was not responsible for the omission.

In reference to providing a Supply of hay for the Councils horses which was refered to the Finance Committee, the Clerk Stated that the Committee declined to make any

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recommendation and referred the matter back to the Council

It was now Ordered that the Foreman be directed to purchase what may be required from time to time whenever he can advantageously do so, but in view of the fact that Storage room was very limited the Council could not purchase what may be required for the year at the same time.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 14th September 1915.

Thos Foley

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Tuesday 14th September, 1915

A Meeting of the New Ross Urban Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, consider the matter of reducing the Salaries of all the Officers of the Council, which has been referred to a Committee of the whole Council.

Present Mesprs John Murphy Presiding
James B Hearn
Peter Murphy
John Hand.
Dr. M. Walsh.

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read & signed.

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The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by The Chairman and Mesprs Hand & P. Murphy and the following Paying Orders were directed to be issued viz:- No 96 D & S E Railway Co £14:2:6, No 97 John Doyle £5:7:2, No 98 Patrick Brennan £3. No 99 Balleece Wood Whinstone Quarry Co. £10:8:7, No 100 New Ross Gas Co £87:7:11, No 101 Mesf Smin £11:5:0, No 102 Tarnell Quarries Ltd. £21:6:1, No 103 Henry Lee £6:8:0, No 104 Mesf Smin £10:6:6, No 105 Treasurer Government Board £8:7:11, No 106 Royal Exchange Assurance Co £1:12:3, No 107 Treasurer Wexford Co. Council £350:0:5 No 108 Richard Murphy £8:12:10 No 109 J. & I Shortall £6:13:4, No 110 Mesrs John M Walsh £1:19:6.

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## Correspondence

Letter from L. G. Board, dated 7th Sept 1915, No 47,738:1915, drawing attention to the large amount of Poor Rate outstanding at date of last return, 31st Ult.

Ordered

That a copy of this letter be Sent to the Collector.

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Letter from Same dated 9th Sept 1915 intimating that the Sanction of the Board is not required to the resolution passed by the Council reducing the rents of some of the houses erected by them under the Housing of the Working Classes Acts.

No Order Made the Clerk having Stated that on receipt of this letter he instructed the Collector to change a rent of 2/- per week only.

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Letter from Same, dated 9th Inst. forwarding an Order for payment of £35:2:1 being the first instalment of Probate or Death Duty grant payable to the Council in respect of the year ending 31st March last.

Ordered

That the Amount be lodged to the credit of the Council.

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Letter from Same No H1, 130/1915, dated 10th September 1915 inquiring what action has been taken by the Council as regards the disposal of a Sum of £159:16:9, received by the Council in respect of bonus on the Sale of portion of the town property.

The Clerk Stated that he had informed the Board that a letter received at last Meeting from a Firm of Stock brokers advising as to the investment of the money was referred to the Finance Committee for report. The Committee now verbally suggested that it be invested in the War Loan of 4½ Preference Stock of the London and North Western Railway Co.

Proposed by The Chairman and
Seconded by Mr Keane

That the Bonus received by the Council amounting to £159:16:9 on the Sale of portion of the town property be invested in the new 4½% war loan, subject to the approval of the L. G. Board.

Passed Unanimously.

A circular letter, dated 7th Inst, was received from the Director of Recruiting asking to what extent it has been possible to release eligible men from the Council to join the Army.

Ordered

That the Director of recruiting be informed that one man who was in the employment of the Council has joined the Army.

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Letter from the Managing Director of the Parnell Quarries Ltd. Arklow, dated 11th Inst, in reference to account furnished by the Ballece Quarry Co. Is it be directed that the Balance of the Account at the same quotation as was given from Arklow.

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ought be remitted to that Co.

The Clerk stated that he had deducted the difference from the account when paying it, and there was:-

No Order Made.

A Tender dated 14th Inst was received from Michael Green Camolin, for one heap of manure in yard on Quay at 1/- and from Patrick Power Oldcourt at 8/6, and both were Ordered to be accepted.

An application dated 11th Inst for the renewal of her licence for the sale of mixed explosives was received from Mrs Hennessy South Street, and on the proposal of Mr Peter Murphy, Seconded by the Chairman a renewal for one year was granted.

The Foreman reported that Michael Flynn had left the employment of the Council and gone to work in some nail Store in Scotland. He would require a substitute.

After a short discussion it was:-

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy And
Seconded by The Chairman

That advertisements be issued for a workman at a weekly wage of 17/-, the appointment to be made at next meeting of the Council to be held on 28th Inst.

Passed Unanimously

Walter Duggan applied to be appointed but there was no action taken respecting the application.

The following was read viz:-

New Ross
14/9/15

Gentlemen

As the report of the remarks made by some members of the Council at their last meeting re David Monaghans money, reflects discredit on me, and as it may appear to those not fully acquainted with the facts of the case, that I acted in

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a rather improper manner in this matter. I ask you to kindly allow me to state the facts and ask that you will please pass these on to the Press for publication. The facts are as follows:-

On discovering the money I immediately handed it over to the ~~Sergt~~ Head Constable at the Barrack, who, helped by Const Cahillane counted it and handed me a receipt for the Amount. The Head then told me to call at the Barrack next day, when he would have the money handed over to the master of the Workhouse, as the Owner, Dmonaghan, was at present an Inmate.

On the following morning the Head sent for me, and on arrival at the Barrack asked me what I was going to do with the money. He stated that as David Monaghan was now dead, the Police could not retain custody of it. I refused to take further charge of it, but the Head informed me that I should do so. I then asked his advice and he suggested that I put the money in Bank and advertise for the next of kin. A few hours after banking the money as suggested by the Head Constable. Mr Colfer (Junr), Solicitor, called on me and told me that a half brother of the deceased's had given the case into his hands. I told Mr Colfer that as soon as the claim was established, I would have much pleasure in handing him over the full Amount.

Yours Obediently
Thomas Butler

A brief discussion took place when this letter was read but there was No Order Made upon it.

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A number of bills, list of which is entered at commencement of minutes, were submitted by the Clerk, which had been passed for payment by the Finance Committee, And it was,
Proposed by Mr Hand and
Seconded by Mr Hearn

That the several bills which have been passed for payment by the Finance Committee

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be paid

Passed Unanimously

The Committee appointed to draft Market Bye Laws submitted a code (which are filed with the letters) and also a recommendation that a weekly pig market be established.

After a short discussion it was

Ordered

That the Council's Solicitors be asked to advise as to the necessary steps to be taken to have them adopted, and also that the Clerk write Messrs Denny & Sons, bacon curers, Waterford, and ascertain whether they will send a buyer to attend the proposed weekly pig Market, in the event of it being established, and also the particular day of the week which would be most suitable.

The consideration of the Amendment or Notice of motion proposed by Mr Hand and agreed to at last Meeting viz:-

That the matter of reducing all our Officers Salaries be referred to a Committee of the whole house," was next taken up, and Mr Hand suggested that its consideration be adjourned for six months, or such shorter time, as the Council might wish, as the attendance of Councillors at this Meeting was small.

It was however pointed out that all the members had received due Notice of it, and after a very brief discussion the following resolution was:-

Proposed by The Chairman and
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy

That no reduction be made in any of our Officers Salaries"

The resolution was put to a vote and the following voted:-

For:- Messrs J. B Hearn, Peter Murphy, & The Chairman. 3.
Against:- None.
Not Voting Mr Hand.

The Chairman declared the resolution "Passed".

The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 28th September, 1915.

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Tuesday 28th September 1915.

A Meeting of the New Ross Urban Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, appoint a workman and consider a letter from the Constabulary Authorities relative to the appointment of an Officer or Inspector under The Petroleum Act, and if deemed advisable, make such an appointment.

Present Messrs John O'Sullivan J.P. Presiding
Patrick J. Dunne
John Murphy
Joseph Brewer
John Hand

The Minutes of previous meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Hand & Brewer and the following Paying Orders were directed to be issued viz:-
No 111 Messrs Bins £18:5:9. No 112. John J. Browne £31:17:9.

## Correspondence

Letter from L. G. Board No 50,400:1915, asking to be furnished with particulars as to the Estates sold in respect of which the bonus of £159:16:9 was paid, and the reference to the Orders giving approvation to the sale, with a view to deciding what Order (if any) may now be necessary to make respecting the investment of it.

The Clerk stated that on receipt of this letter he furnished all the particulars asked for by the Board and this was approved of.

Letter from Messrs Denning Sons, bacon merchants, dated 21st Inst, acknowledging receipt of the Councils letter in reference to the establishment of a pig market, and asking if it was their intention to have a weekly pig market instead of the monthly fair.

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In conjunction with the foregoing, a letter from Messrs Colfer & Son dated 21st Inst, acknowledging receipt of the Councils letter asking them to advise as to the necessary steps to be taken to have a code of market Bye Laws legally adopted, and stating that the matter was having attention, was considered.

After some discussion it was

Ordered

That Messrs Deering be informed it is not the intention of the Council to interfere with the existing monthly pig market, but that the proposed weekly one is to be in addition to it.

It was Ordered that Messrs Colfer & Son be asked to advise the Council respecting the adoption of the Bye Laws by next meeting of the Council.

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A letter, dated 28th Inst, was received from John Power Cannon offering 20/- per annum for four heaps of manure in yard or Quay and on the proposal of Mr Dunne seconded by Mr Brenner the proposal was accepted subject to the manure being removed promptly.

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The following was read :-

R. I. Constabulary, New Ross,
20th Sept, 1915.

Dear Sir

I shall thank you to bring under the notice of your Council at their next Meeting that no Officer has as yet been appointed by them to discharge the duties of "Officer" under the Petroleum Acts, and at same time to inform them that they are empowered to appoint a Member of the R.I. Constabulary to discharge this duty in case a Member of the ordinary public be not detailed for the purpose by them.

Should the Council decide on appointing a member of the R.I. Constabulary to the position, I suggest to you the name of Sergeant Cornelius O'Sullivan R.I.C New Ross who is the ex-Officio Inspector of weights and measures for the Petty Sessions District of New Ross.

As you are aware of course, the position carries no

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emolument.

I am Sir,
Your Obedient Servant,
M. Sullivan, Ht Constable
for Dist. Insl.

P.S.

I shall thank you for a reply by 29 Inst at latest.

Proposed by Mr Dunne and
Seconded by The Chairman

That Sergt Cornelius Sullivan, R.I.C, New Ross, be appointed Inspector under the Petroleum Acts for the Urban District of New Ross.

Passed.

## Town Surveyors Report

28 Septr 1915.

I beg to report that the improvements to Neville Street, and Cross Lane footpaths are now practically completed. The Surface covers of the disused water tanks in Mary Street have been removed as Ordered. Councillor John Murphy and I visited your house in occupation of Ths. Murphy Sullivan as directed. There appears to be a leakage in the roof and we recommend that the necessary repairs be carried out to same. I visited the reservoirs at Ballybeg on several occasions recently and the general supply continues to be satisfactory.

Jas Thirtall
Town Surveyor.

Ordered

That the report be adopted and the necessary repairs carried out.

## Foreman's Report.

I beg to report that there are now four heaps of manure in yard on Quay still for sale. Nos 2.4.6 & 7. value about £1 each.

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The number of ashpits cleaned since last meeting is twenty. The supply of lead piping, stop cocks, ferrules and stop cock covers are almost now exhausted and a supply of the above are needed for any future water supply. (also some solder). Sweeping brushes are also required. The time for removing your horses from grass at Oaklands is near at hand, and I wish to have some directions from Council as to the buying of forage for them.

All other works carried out by me are fully written in my Time Book.

James Kelly,
Foreman.

Ordered

That tenders be invited for the supply of ½ doz stop cocks, ½ doz stop cock covers, ½ doz ferrules and one coil of lead piping, also one doz of coarse and one doz of fine brushes.

That tenders be also invited for the supply of about fifty barrels of screened Oats to be delivered as required within the next year.

Applications for the position of permanent workman, at a wage of 17/- per week, in room of Michael Flynn, who has left the employment of the Council, were received from James Furlong Mary Street (already temporarily employed by the Council) Sylvester Dempsey Barretts Park and Walter Duggan Dichtora. On the proposal of Mr Hand Seconded by Mr Murphy the applications were considered in committee.

Proposed by Mr Murphy And
Seconded by Mr Dunne

That James Furlong be appointed permanently at a weekly wage of 17/-

Passed Unanimously

Proposed by The Chairman and
Seconded by Mr Dunne

That Walter Duggan be appointed temporarily at the same wages pending the return of James Keithy.

Passed Unanimously

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Tenders for the supply of two minute Books were received from Meps Selby Ltd, and Dolland, Dublin, as well as Moran Bros. New Ross, and on the proposal of Mr Murphy, Seconded by Mr Hand, the tender of Meps Moran Bros. at 21/9 each book was unanimously accepted.

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The following resolution authorizing the Sealing & Signing of the Traders Water Rent Book was

Proposed by Mr Patrick Dunne

Seconded by Mr John Hand And Resolved

That the Traders Rate or Rent Book for water supplied by Agreement or Rent for period ending 31st March 916 be signed by the Chairman and two members of the Council and Sealed.

Passed Unanimously

In pursuance of the foregoing resolution the book was duly signed and sealed.

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The Clerk applied for five or six days leave of absence, from about the ninth of next month and it was unanimously granted, Mr P. Brennan to discharge his duties in his absence.

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The Street Inspector reported a number of Traders giving names in detail, who kept empty boxes, machinery, etc on the streets each day, causing a serious obstruction to the public thoroughfares and also that the daily Scavenging was carried out as usual in a Satisfactory manner, but there was No Order Made.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 12th October, 1915.

John Pilkington

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Monday 4th October, 1915

A monthly meeting of the Newross Urban Council was to be held this day at 12 o'clock noon to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

No member of the Council attended.

A Quorum not having assembled

The Meeting Adjourned to Monday 8th November, 1915.

John Sullivan

Monday 11th October, 1915

A Quarterly Meeting of the Council was to be held this evening at 7/30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898, consider recommend-ations of Surveyor, adjourned from last Meeting, that two Surface traps be constructed one in Bridge Street and one in Neville St.

Present Mayor John Murphy And John Hand

The Surveyor was also in attendance.

A Quorum not having assembled up to 8 o'clock

The Members left.

John Sullivan

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Tuesday 12th October, 1915.

A Meeting of the New Ross Urban Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, consider an application from Mr Timothy Doran for an increase in his salary which was adjourned for three months at Council meeting on 6th July 1915.

Present Meprs John O'Sullivan J.P. Presiding
John Hand
John Murphy
Michael Sheehan

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read and Signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by The Chairman and Meprs Hand & Murphy, And the following Paying Orders were directed to be issued viz:-
No113 Patk Lynch £25:2:5, No114 T. Hartnick £4:11:4, No115 Mrs P. Kenney £13:6:0
No116 John Harrington £4:3:0, No117 Mr J.J. Browne £3:1:7, No118 Same £34:12:1,
No119 Same £4:10:6, No120 Same £25:1:2, No121 Mcf Smith £1:17:6 No122 Mcf Smith
£6:5:0 No123 Mcf Smith £11:5:0, No124 D. O'Regan £8, No125 H.R. Hamilton J.P.
£1:5:6. No126 D.J. Hanley 14/6, No127 J.J. Sherlock £6:13:4 No128 Richd Malone
£10:2:8, No129 Hibernian Fire & General Insurance Co £2:10:6, No130 Mrs P.
Nugent £1:13:2. No131 Cashier Bank of Ireland £35:3:5, No132. Same
£141:3:11, No133 Same £29:10:3, No134 Same £446:5:7, No135 Mrs P. Wilson
& Son £159:16:9, No136 Mcf Smith £23:3:9, No137 John Hand £3. No138 Patk J.
Dunne £3. No139 Thos O'Neill £10.

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When the Minutes were read Mr Hand drew attention to the action of one of the Councils workmen Thos Freeman in depositing a load of manure in Mr Higgins garden at Wm Street without the knowledge or permission of the Foreman.

In connection with this the following report of the Foreman was read:-

12th October 1915.

On Monday 4th inst I received information that one load of ashes from ashpits had been dumped by one of your workmen Thos Freeman into Mr Higgins garden

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Wm Street. I visited the place and found that my informant was correct. I called to Mr Higgins house and he was not there. I asked Th.s Freeman to give me an explanation which he did. He stated that the Town Wall gates were locked and he could not get into the depot. Now the fact is this I called Edwd Broaders away from ashpits to have the morgue cleaned up after the removal of the corpse which was placed there; he having the key of Town Wall gate forgot to open them and James Furlong being new in this department forgot also to open the gates. I am particular in having those gates kept closed as much as possible owing to trespass through them to the lands adjoining.

In regard to the above load of manure, I had it refilled and removed from Mr Higgins place to Town depot.

After a short discussion it was

Ordered

That the workmen be informed if they deliver manure at any place other than the manure depot, serious notice will be taken of their action.

Correspondence

Letter from the L.G. Board dated 1st inst No 52,063 : 1915 expressing the consent of the Board to the investment of £159:16:9 the Bonus received on the sale of the Councils property in new 4½% stock. No Order Made.

Letter from Messrs W. Wilson & Son, Stockbrokers, dated 5th inst, acknowledging receipt of instructions to purchase this stock, and also one dated 7th inst enclosing contract note for the investment of this Sum of £159:16:9 in the 4½% war loan. No Order Made

A circular letter dated 29th Sept.r was received from the Treasury drawing attention to the importance, with a view to strengthening the gold reserves of the Country of substituting notes for gold for the purpose of paying wages and for Cash disbursements generally. No Order Made.

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A memorandum giving information as to deduction of Income Tax for the year 1915-16 from payments made after the 5th. October 1915 was received from Somerset House, but there was No Order made upon it.

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Letter from the New Ross Engineering Co. dated 1st Inst asking if there were any regulations in force in the District for the keeping and use of Petroleum Spirit.
No Order Made the Co having been informed, in reply to this letter, that there were no Bye Laws in force in the District for regulating the storing or sale of Petrol.

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A circular letter, dated 27th Ult was received from the Hon Secretaries of the Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland forwarding the following copy of a resolution unanimously adopted at the Annual Conference of the Delegates of the Association, recently held viz:-

That in the opinion of this Association it is desirable that Municipalities in Ireland should form local Committees for the purpose of holding Food and Child Welfare Exhibitions in their Districts. And that a copy of this resolution be sent to each Urban Council.

No Order Made beyond the Chairman remarking that the delegates who attended the conference would probably favour the Council with their observations on the subject at next meeting.

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The following resolution was also received from the same gentleman viz:-

That a Special Committee be appointed to obtain particulars of the powers received under local Acts by the Principal Municipal Authorities in Great Britain, and to report to this Association with a view to taking steps to have embodied such powers as would be suitable to Ireland in a general Act of Parliament to

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be introduced as a Government measure.

No Order Made.

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A tender was received from Mr John Doyle dated 12th Inst, for the Supply of ½ doz stop cocks @ 30/- per doz, ½ doz stopcock covers @ 14/- per dozen, ½ doz ferrules @ 36/-, 1 cwt lead piping alloyed with 5% of tin. 5 lbs to Lineal Yard 42/- per cwt and Plumbers Solder @ 1/2 per lb. Also one dozen of Fire brushes @ 22/6 and one dozen of Coarse ones @ 26/-

Proposed by The Chairman And

Seconded by Mr Murphy

That the tender of Mr Doyle for the Supply of Water fittings and brushes be accepted.

Passed Unanimously

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An application dated 12th Inst, was received from George Moran, North St, for the renewal of his gunpowder store licnse, and also of his registered premises licnse and it was Ordered that a renewal of both be granted.

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Martin Breen Camolin offered 16/- for No 3 heap of manure in yard on Quay, and Maurice Whelan 13/- for one at Town Wall and both were refused being considered too low.

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Letter from Messrs Colfer & Son Solicitors, dated 4th Inst stating that in connection with the question of new Bye Laws and proposed weekly pig market they would like to see the old Charter granted by James the Second to the town or any Others relating to it.

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The Meeting was informed that on receipt of this letter a copy of the Charter of James the Second was given to Messrs Colfer & Son. After a short discussion a committee consisting of Messrs Dunne and Hand was appointed to confer with Messrs Colfer & Son respecting the matter, the interview to be arranged by the Clerk.

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The following report of the Finance Committee was read and adopted unanimously, and the payments recommended, Ordered to be made viz:-

Your Finance Committee met this evening and examined a number of Bills; we recommend payment of the following. (See list at commencement of minutes).

P.J. Dunne ✓. J. Murphy.

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The circular letter of the Board of Trade, dated 31st. August last drawing attention to the probability of the supply of coal for home consumption next winter being less than usual was re-considered, and after a short discussion, a committee consisting of the Chairman and Mr J. Murphy was appointed to wait on the coal merchants with a view to endeavouring to get them to supply the poor of the town with coal at a reduced price during the coming winter, the Clerk to write the merchants and ascertain when they would receive the deputation.

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The Shops Act Inspector reported that since last meeting he visited all the Shops where assistants are employed and found they were getting their holidays. All Drapers milliners &c closed on Wednesday.

No Order Made.

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The Foreman applied for fourteen days leave of absence from the 18th inst and on the proposal of Mr Hand seconded by Mr Murphy it was unanimously granted.

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The following report of the Foreman was also read viz:-

12th Oct 1915

I beg to report that since last meeting fourteen ashpits were cleaned. There is one heap of manure at depot Town Wall ready for sale value about £0.10.0.

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Also No 3. 6. 7 & 10 heaps in your yard on the Quay value about £1 each. I am having the metalling broken by your breakers at Rosbercon Depot carted away, weighed and spread on College road and Mt Garrett Lane.

All other works carried out by me are fully written in my time Book.

James Kelly
Foreman.

No Order Made

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The application of Timothy Doran for an increase in his salary, which had been adjourned from a previous Meeting, was, after a short discussion, further adjourned for three months.

The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 26th October, 1915

Patrick J Brien

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Tuesday 26th October 1915.

A Meeting of the Bunclody Urban Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Present Messrs Patrick J. Dunne Presiding
John Hand
John Murphy
Peter N. Gorman

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read & Signed.

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The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by The Chairman and Messrs Gorman & Murphy and the following Paying Order was directed to be issued viz:- No 140 Hoffman £10.1.1.

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The Clerk reported that a representative of Messrs Denny called to the Office and desired him to inform the Council that if arraigements were made to hold the proposed pig market on Monday in each week a representative would attend to buy pigs and give the undertaking a trial and support it as far as possible. If the market was held upon any other day of the week the Firm could not send a buyer. Mr Murphy suggested that a pig market be held on each Monday commencing on first monday in December, without any other legal steps, (such as the embodying of it in Bye Laws) being taken, and that advertisements announcing the holding of it be inserted in the local papers. Arising out of this a short discussion took place as to the progress which is being made with the preparation of the new Bye Laws and the Clerk stated he wrote Messrs Colfer & Son informing them that a deputation had been appointed to confer with them respecting the preparation of the Bye Laws and that Mr Colfer informed him he was considering the matter very carefully and would let him know when he would be prepared to receive the deputation.

It was eventually decided to adjourn the further

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consideration of the matter to next meeting the Clerk to ask the Councils Solicitors to have all the necessary information for the Council furnished to that meeting.

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At this Stage Mr Hand referred to the death of the late Dr Browne L. L. D. Solicitor, and proposed the following resolution, which was seconded by The Chairman and passed in respectful silence, the Clerk Associating himself with the Sentiments of regret expressed in it viz:-

"That we, the Newtons Urban Council, tender"
"to Mrs Browne, our sincere sympathy and condolence in"
"her bereavement, caused by the death of her dear husband,"
"the late Dr Browne L. L. D, a respected citizen of our town"
"who for many years participated in the management of"
"it as a member of the Town Commissioners, and that"
"as a mark of respect to his memory, we adjourn this meeting"
"without transacting any business except the payment of"
"the labour Bills."

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The Meeting adjourned to Tuesday 9th November, 1915.

John Dillon

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Monday 1st November 1915.

A Monthly meeting of the Council was to be held this day at 12 o'clock noon to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

No Member attended

A Quorum not having assembled

The Meeting Adjourned to Monday 6th December 1915.

John Pullin

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Tuesday 9th November, 1915.

A Meeting of the Newbas Urban Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Present Mesprs John O'Sullivan J.P. Presiding
Patrick J. Drumm
John Hand
John Fanning
Aidan P. Bolger

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read and Signed

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by The Chairman and Mesprs Hand & Drumm, and the following Paying Orders were directed to be issued viz:- No 141 School Attendance Committee £7:17:7, No 142 J.J. Shortall £6:13:4, No 143 Mrs M.A. Corcoran 6/6, No 144 Mesprs Graves & Co £7:3:3, No 145 Mesprs Doyle Bros. £6:1:6, No 146 Jonas Hartrick £1.0.9, No 147 J.J. Browne £1.3.10, No 148 Mesprs Dolland Ltd 6/5, No 149 Mess Pmin £11:5:0, No 150 Mess Pmin £1:1:5, No 151 Pat Blake 16/-, No 152 Mesprs Moran Bros. £12.9.7, No 153 Mess Pmin £18.18.6, No 154 Technical Instruction Committee £16.16.5, No 155 J.J. Browne £4:6:8, No 156 £11:6:5 No 157 Imperial Live Stock Insurance Co £3:18:0, No 158 (Loans No 5 %) Moran Bros £1:13:0.

Letter from Mrs Browne, Priory Place, Newbridge, dated 28th Ult, thanking the Council for the vote of sympathy with her on the death of her husband, passed by them at their last Meeting, and also for adjourning same as a mark of respect to his Memory.

A similar letter, dated 28th Ult was received from Mr Edward Browne, Creacon, and it was:-

Ordered

That both letters be inserted on the Minutes.

Letter from the Local Government Board No 54,624, Dated 14th October 1915. forwarding copy of the report of the Auditor on his Audit of the Accounts of the Technical Committee of the Newbridge Urban District, in which he stated that Nothing in the Accounts called for comment, and

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also forwarding certified copies of the abstract of Accounts
No Order made.

Letter from the Board of Trade dated 25th Ult. asking if the Council had been able to take any action respecting the suggestion made by the Board as to the possibility of making arrangements with the Coal Merchants of the town as to the limitation of profits in the price of Coal.

The Clerk stated that he informed the Board of the action taken by the Council, and he was now directed to inform them that the matter is still under consideration.

A further letter, dated 26th Ult. was received from the Board, in reply to one addressed to them by the Council, pointing out that the Price of Coal (Limitation) Act limits the price at the pit-head but does not affect retail Merchants charges, and it would therefore appear that the Council have no compulsory powers in the matter.
No Order made.

In connection with this matter Mr Dunne reported that Mr John Murphy and he called on a number of the Merchants with a view to getting them to supply the poor people of the town with Coal at a reduced price.

In some cases they were unable to obtain an interview with a particular Merchant, owing to absence, but brought the matter under the notice of his Manager.

They were promised that Coal would be sold to the poor in small quantities at the same rate as ton lots.
No Order made.

Circular letters dealing with Overdue Accounts, and also the Operation of Section 3 of the Elections and Registration Act 1915, were received from the Local Government Board but there was no Order made upon them.

A Sealed Order, dated 15th October, was also received from the Local Government Board fixing a fee of six guineas for auditing the Accounts of the Council, and it was referred to the Finance

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Finance Committee.

Letter from the Parnell Quarries (Arklow) Ltd., dated 29th Ult. expressing regret that they were unable, owing to a break down in crushing machinery, to deliver the four waggon loads of stones ordered, but they would now be sent out as soon as possible. They also asked an advance of two pence per ton in the price, as the Railway Co had advanced the freight by four pence per ton, but they were willing to bear half of the advance.

Ordered

That the Company be informed the Comml do not consider they should be expected to pay an increased price for the Metalling.

A circular letter was received from the Hon Secretaries of the National Committee for relief in Belgium, dated 30th Ult. pointing out that the Fête day of the heroic King of the Belgians falls on the 15th Inst and it would be a good opportunity to make a special appeal for the relief of his devoted subjects who have been brave enough to stay in Belgium.

A similar one was received in connection with the French Relief Fund but there was no definite Order made upon either.

Letter from Ellen Hammond, dated 7th Inst. drawing attention to the necessity of having some repairs carried out to her house, the panes of glass in the windows are broken by Allen's Children, and some of the paving torn away so that a pool of water is formed under the window.

Ordered

That the Surveyor inspect the house and have whatever small repairs are necessary carried out on it.

A Tender was received from Patrick Kearney of 33/-, for one heap of Gravel at Town Wall and it was accepted.

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Edward Roe Begerin, tendered for the purchase of same heap at 35/= and John Whitty Camblin at 30/= but neither were accepted nor was an offer of Dr Whitty of 40/= for five heaps of manure in yard on Quay.

An application was received from Richard Power, Shanbough, and Thos Connick, Mary St, for the tenancy of a house at Buncen Lane.

Dr Dunne proposed that Richard Power be accepted tenant.

Proposed by Dr Fanning and
Seconded by Dr Hand

That Thos Connick be elected tenant.

After a short discussion Dr Dunne withdrew his proposition, and Connick was appointed unanimously, it being agreed that Power get the next vacant house.

Thomas Lee was approved of as surety for Connicks.

The Foreman reported that there are now five heaps of manure ready for sale, in the Connaks yard on Quay. Value about 30/= each.

He wished to have a load of fine metalling spread on the surface of the yard at William St.

There are about seven or eight loads of stable manure in the yard which might be sold.

No Order made, except that he have the stones spread on the surface of the yard as requested.

Dr Hand drew attention to the very defective lighting of the Railway Station premises, and also to the necessity of providing a proper Third Class Waiting Room, and it was

Ordered

That the Clerk draw the attention of the Railway Co to these matters.

Dr Bolger drew attention to the condition

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Of some of the flags in the footpath at the Rosbercon side of the Bridge, and pointed out that they required to be re-set, and it was

Ordered

That the Surveyor report upon the matter to Next Meeting, and that the attention of the County Surveyor to any of such portion which may be under the Control of the County Council.

The Clerk drew attention to the necessity of having an additional lamp erected in Quay Street in lieu of the one formerly fixed to the house of J.W. Murphy, and pointed out that when the committee had the matter in hand they ascertained that Messrs Byrne and Fairweather would object to the erection of a lamp outside their premises at Quay St.

Ordered

That the Members of the Council be summoned to consider the matter at Next Meeting.

The Street Inspector reported a number of Traders for obstructing the streets, and footpaths, by placing boxes, etc, on them, He also reported that the daily Scavenging is being carried Out as usual.

No Order Made.

Mr Fanning drew attention to the condition of the surface of the road adjacent to the Town Wall, and it was Ordered that the Town Surveyor attend to it.

Re:- Bye Laws

The following letter was read:-

Offices, New Ross, 9th Nov 1916

re:- Market Bye Laws.

Dear Sir,

We have been obliged owing to pressure of

other business to postpone dealing with the matter of the proposed New Market Bye Laws until very recently.

We have now gone into the matter and we find that in the first instance the proposed Bye Laws must be carefully drafted and when the draft is completed a Special Meeting of the Council must be convened on a thirty days Notice, at which not less than two-thirds of the entire number of the Council must attend, and at which the Bye Laws must be approved of by a majority of the entire body. The Bye Laws being thus approved of must be sealed with the Corporate Seal of the Council and submitted to the Local Government Board for Confirmation, and the Board will, after due inquiry either Confirm or dis-allow them. Other steps must afterwards be taken but what we have set out above is sufficient for present purposes.

The draft Bye-Laws submitted to us will, in any event require Considerable amendment, but before attempting to amend them we should like to ascertain definitely what Special Objects the Council have in view in making these Bye-Laws. For this purpose we would be glad to have an interview with your Sub-Committee and Yourself on Thursday or Friday next, at any between four and six O'clock. Kindly let us know if either of these afternoons will suit. We may mention that it will not be necessary to have the Bye Laws Confirmed at Quarter Sessions. By the Public Health Acts the Local Government Board has been substituted for the Quarter Sessions.

Yours Very truly
Coffey & Son

After some discussion it was:-
Proposed by Dr Hand and
Seconded by Dr Fanning "That the present Bye-Laws"
"be printed and posted about town".
On the resolution being put to a vote, there voted.

For:- Messrs Hand & Fanning 2
Against:- Messrs Dunne, Bolger & The Chairman 3

The resolution was declared not Passed.

It was then agreed that the deputation wait on

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Messrs Colfer Bros as suggested in their letter, and, on the proposal of Mr Devine, seconded by the Chairman, Mr John Murphy South it was added to the Sub Committee, and the Clerk was directed to arrange the time of the interview with Mr Colfer.

The Meeting adjourned to Tuesday 23rd November 1915.

John Sullivan.

Friday 12th November 1915.

A meeting of the Committee appointed to confer with Mr Colfer in reference to the adoption of New Bye Laws was to be held in the Comal at 4.15 P.M. this evening Mr Hand was the only member who attend, and

The Meeting was adjourned.

John Devine.

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Tuesday, 16th November 1915.

A meeting of the Committee appointed to confer with Mr Colfer respecting the adoption of new Market Bye Laws was held this day at 4.15 Oclock.

Present Messrs P. J Dunne and John Murphy

The Committee proceeded to the office of Messrs Colfer & Son where an interview took place with Mr Colfer Sen^r. Soon after the discussion opened Mr Hand attended the meeting.

Mr Colfer discussed at considerable length, the question of the proposed new Bye Laws, and mentioned that some years ago the Town Commissioners took legal proceedings, under the existing Bye Laws, against the late Mr Keeffe and others for buying fish in their houses, but the cases were dismissed, on a second hearing, by the Magistrates who, however, agreed to state a case for the Superior Courts. In the meantime the Commissioners directed him to obtain Counsels opinion on the question and Counsel was of opinion that the Bye Laws were Ultra Vires with the result that the proceedings were abandoned. In reply to Mr Colfer's Query as to the object sought to attained by the adoption of new Market Bye Laws, the Committee explained that it was to compel people to sell their goods in the particular places in the town, and on the particular days set apart for the sale of them, instead of having buyers setting up a Market in any portion of the town they wish.

Mr Colfer examined in detail, the draft Bye Laws and made some alterations agreed to by him and the Committee.

With regard to the establishment of a weekly pig Market, he thought it could be done by resolution of the Council, but he promised to look into the matter and advise further upon it as soon as possible.

In reply to a Member of the Committee as to the probable cost of the preparation and adoption of the proposed Bye Laws, as well as their confirmation by the

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Local Government Board, he was of opinion, assuming that the Local Government Board would not hold an Inquiry, and that all went well, the cost would be about £15, or less.

Mr Colfer stated that he would further revise, the proposed Bye Laws, when the Committee could call upon him again for the purpose of approving of them before submitting them to the Council for adoption, after which,

The Committee Withdrew.

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Monday, 22nd November 1915.

A Special meeting of the Council was held this day at four O'Clock to mark the regret that is felt on all hands by the passing away of Dean Kavanagh.

Present Messrs John O'Sullivan J.P. Presiding
John Murphy
Patrick J Dunne
William Murphy
John Hand
and
John Fanning.

A letter was received from Mr O'Gorman, regretting his inability to be present owing to having to leave town this evening on urgent business.

The Chairman having taken the Chair referred as follows to the death Of Dean Kavanagh P.P
"Gentlemen, we are met to-day for a very sad and sorrowful"
"reason - the passing away of Dean Kavanagh. During"
"his twenty-seven years' Ministry in this town he endeared"
"himself to all classes. His greatest charities were never recorded,"
"and there is many a sad heart in Ross to-day. His benefactions"
"were promiscuous and unknown. His care for every member"
"of his flock bore heavily on him. He was a gentle, pious,"
"great priest. He was one of those who knew the larger meaning"
"of the word Charity, and the love that Christ taught.
As to his work in the town our beautiful Church is his"
"monument to him, but there is a greater in the heartmeant"
"prayers of the poor and the needy whose wants he relieved"
"to an extent unknown. A great divine, Scholar, and"
"gentleman par excellence, has been taken from us, and"
"not only Ross, but humanity is the poorer by the removal of"
"such a man. I wish to propose the following vote of"
"condolence with the relatives, and suggest that we go into"
"Committee for the purpose of making arrangements for a"
"public funeral."

The following is a copy of the resolution:-
"That

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"That we, the members of the Urban Council present,
"convened by Special Notice, beg to offer to the relatives"
"of the late Dean Kavanagh, and his Lordship, the"
"Bishop of Ferns, our deepest sympathy.
We cannot add anything to the paean"
"of praise and prayer that is going up from every"
"hearth in Ross."

In seconding the resolution
Mr Hand said:- "It is with feelings of deepest regret I"
"rise to second the Chairman's vote of sympathy."
"Fr Kavanagh was a great priest, and was"
"loved by his parishioners, in fact he was a burning,"
"and shining light.
One thing is certain, his name will"
"be reverently respected, and thought of, for generations"
"to come, and the magnificent new Catholic Church"
"which cost over £30,000, stands as a monument to"
"his memory. The community has lost a friend, a"
"master, and a father, one whom we all learned to"
"love, affectionately, and cherish for his transcendent"
"gifts. The poor of the parish have lost their best"
"friend, in fact, we all mourn his loss. The Dean's"
"end was indeed, that of a saint, and those who had"
"the privilege of attending Dean Kavanagh during"
"his illness can bear me out."

Mr Dunne in associating himself with
the vote stated that he had been accquainted with Dean Kavanagh
for the past twenty-nine years, having known him before the Dean
was appointed to the pastoral charge of Rosstoss, and he always
found him a kind, generous, open hearted priest. He was a great
loss to the poor, as he was extremely charitable

Mr Fanning also associated himself with the
vote and referred to the generosity of Dean Kavanagh in erecting
the new Mortuary Chapel at St Stephen's Cemetery out of the money
presented to him by his parishioners on the occasion of the attainment
of his golden Jubilee of the priesthood, and his Silver Jubilee of the

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pastoral Charge of Newross. The Church was a great boon to the people of Newross, and the Charity and benevolence of the donor will long be remembered by the people of Newross.

The other members also referred to the great loss sustained by the people of the town by his death.

The Clerk also associated himself with the vote and stated that he also was acquainted with Dean Kavanagh for a number of years, and was associated with him in many undertakings, and on many Committees, and he always found him most kind, and Considerate, and very Charitable. He deeply deplored his death.

The resolution was formally put and unanimously passed in Silence.

The Chairman announced that on his own initiative he had arranged for the holding of a meeting of representatives of the different societies, and associations, in town at 8 O'block this evening, and also some of the representative men, and after some further discussion proposed:-

"That Dean Kavanagh be accorded a public"
"funeral on Wednesday immediately after the"
"High Mass and office".

This was seconded by Mr William Murphy.

Mr Dunne expressed himself strongly in favour of having the public funeral take place on Tuesday, when the remains would be removed from the house to the church, but upon the resolution being formally put it was declared unanimously passed.

Proposed by Mr John Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Hand "That the Urban Council"
"march in a body after the near relatives and"
"the Clergy."

Passed Unanimously

The Clerk was directed to invite Fr Quigley and Fr Mc Cormack to the meeting at 8 O'block, and to ascertain from them if there was any serious objection to the holding of the public on Wednesday, instead of Tuesday, after which

The Members Seperated

# Monday 22nd November 1915.

A meeting of representatives of the various Societies and clubs in town was held in the Urban Council Office at 8 O'Clock this evening to make arrangements for the public funeral of Dean Kavanagh.

The following members of the Council were present Viz:-
Messrs John O'Sullivan J.P. Chairman, Patrick J Dunne, John Murphy, Joseph Brewer, John Hand, John Fanning, Peter A O'Gorman.

The following were also present Viz:-
Ed O'Regan, Drapr James Power, Bridge St, Thos Quigley, James Clegg, Hon Sec St Thomas's Association, Wm H. Howard, John O'Kennedy, Michael Freaney, Secretary Harbour Board, Thos Dunphy, Joseph Freeman Hon. Sec. Chamber of Commerce, Laurence Harvey, Secretary Trade & Labour Society, Thomas Butler, Secretary A.O.H, Charles Cooney, Secretary. I.N.F. Wm McCabe, John J Rockford, etc.

Revd Thomas Quigley C.C. and Revd A McCormack C.C. attended in response to the invitation of the Council issued at the Special Meeting held earlier in the day.

On the proposal of Dr James Power, Bridge St, seconded by Dr Howard and unanimously passed, the chair was taken by,

John O'Sullivan Esq J.P. Chairman, Urban Council.

The Chairman having explained the object for which the meeting was called, asked the opinion of the priests if there was any serious objection to the public funeral been held on Wednesday, the day of the High Mass and Office, instead of Tuesday, the day of the removal of the remains from the residence of the Dean to the Church.

Fr Quigley in reply, first thanked the Chairman, and the people of the town for efforts to mark in a practical manner, by organizing a public procession, their esteem and respect for their beloved and lamented pastor Dean Kavanagh.

With regard to the most suitable day for the holding of the procession, he pointed out that on the occasion of the death

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Of his predecessor, Canon Kirwan, P.P. the public funeral was held on the day the remains were removed from the house to the Church, and more recently, on the death of His Lordship, the Bishop of Waterford, the public funeral took place on the day His remains were removed from his residence to the Church.

He was unable to obtain the wish of His Lordship the Bishop, in the matter up to the present, but shortly before he came to the meeting he had the opinion of two Canons in the Church, and they were of opinion that Tuesday would be the most suitable day, and he and Fr McCormack inclined to that opinion also.

It seemed, however, to be wish of the meeting that it should be held on Wednesday, as this was the day considered most suitable by the vast majority of the people of the town, as sufficient time would not elapse to enable adequate arrangements to be made, if it was held on Tuesday. Accordingly it was:-

Proposed by Mr Power and
Seconded by Mr Brewer

"That the public funeral"
"of Dean Kavanagh. P.P. be held on Wednesday"
"immediately after the High Mass & Office and that"
"a public procession accompany his remains, as a"
"mark of respect to his memory."

Passed Unanimously.

Proposed by Mr Howard and
Seconded by The Chairman

"That the organizing of"
"the procession, and arrangement of its details, be"
"delegated to a Committee."

Passed Unanimously.

The following Committee was appointed viz:-
Messrs John O'Kennedy, Joseph Brewer, P.J. Dunne,
James. L. Power, Bridge St. W.H. Howard, James Clegg,
John J. Rochford, John O'Sullivan, B.C.B. P.N. O'Gorman
Joseph Freeman, Laurence Harney, Charles Cooney, Thos. Butler,
Thos. Lungley, Thos. J. Dunphy, and M. Dinn, Hon Secretary.

The Meeting adjourned.

J. Power

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Tuesday 23rd November 1915

A meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 O'Clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and consider advisability of erecting an additional lamp in Quay St.

Present Messrs P J Dunne, Presiding.
John Dromphy
John Hand
and
John Fanning

The Treasurer's Authority for making payments was signed by The Chairman, and Messrs Hand and Fanning, and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued Viz:-

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| 20159 | M. J. Finn, | Petty Cash | £20.3.3 |
| " 160 | Patrick Kelly, | Hay & Straw | 3.4.4 |
| " 161 | Bridget Doran | Hay | 2.0.6 |

Immediately after the Chair was taken, the Chairman referred to the death of Dean Kavanagh, and moved the following resolution which was seconded by Mr Hand, and passed in respectful silence Viz:-

"That as a mark of respect to the memory of the late"
"Dean Kavanagh, our late lamented, and revered"
"Parish priest, we adjourn this meeting to Tuesday"
next, without transacting any business except the payment of labour bills.

He stated that as a resolution of condolence was passed with the relatives at the special meeting of the Council, it was not necessary to move one at this.

The Chairman also referred to the death, since last meeting, of Mrs Browne, wife of the rate and rent Collector, and the following resolution was:-

Proposed by The Chairman, and
Seconded by Mr Dromphy

That we tender to Mr Browne,
"one of our officers, our sincere sympathy and"

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"condolence on the death of his wife, and that as a"
"mark of respect to her memory we adjourn this meeting"
"to 30th Inst.

Mr Hand having associated himself with the resolution it was Passed in silence.

The Clerk submitted the bills for hay, and straw, and stated that it was not usual to pay such large amounts out of Petty Cash, nor at any Meeting except a Finance Meeting, but this would not be held for three weeks, which would be too long to leave those bills unpaid, as they could have been paid promptly for the hay and straw if sold on the public market instead of to the Council, and if the latter could not do as well as the person purchasing in the public market they could not obtain supplies of fodder. It was decided, under the circumstances, to issue a Paying Order at this Meeting to each of the persons referred to, after which,

The Meeting adjourned to Tuesday, 30th November 1915.

John Sullivan

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Tuesday 30th November, 1915

An adjourned Meeting of the Newross Urban District Council was held this evening at 7.30 oclock, to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, consider advisability of erecting an additional lamp at Quay Street.

Present Mesrs John O'Sullivan P. Presiding
John S. Hearn J.P.
John Murphy
John Hand
John Fanning
Joseph Brewer
Patrick J. Dunne.

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read and signed

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Mesrs Dunne and Murphy and the following Paying Order was directed to be issued viz:- No 162 Off Exmr, £10:10:1 Petty Cash.

Immediately after the Minutes were read the Chairman referred to the death of the late Father Kehoe O.S.A, Granstown, and proposed the following resolution which was seconded by Mr Hand and passed in respectful silence:- viz:-

That we the Newross Urban District Council desire to tender to the Very Revd. Prior of the Augustinian Community, Granstown, and to the relatives of the late Father Kehoe O.S.A, Our sincere sympathy and condolence on the occasion of his death, and as a mark of respect to his memory, this expression of our regret be recorded on the Minutes of the Council.

The Chairman suggested that the rest of the business of the Meeting be transacted in Committee, but this was not agreed to.

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The following was read :-

Wexford
26th November, 1915.

Dear Sir,

I beg leave to acknowledge the vote of condolence passed by the New Ross Urban Council on the death of Dean Kavanagh. I thank the members of the Council for their sympathy in this sad occasion. The parish of New Ross has lost an excellent and efficient pastor by the death of the late Dean and the diocese of Ferns a wise and prudent Vicar General.

Yours faithfully
+ James Browne

A. Ferris Esq
Clerk to the Council.

Ordered

That it be inserted in full on the minutes.

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Letter from Railway Co dated 15th inst, acknowledging receipt of the Council's letter of 12th relative to lighting and accomo-dation at New Ross Station, and stating that same was being sent to the Company's Chief Engineer.

No Order Made

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Letter from the Parnell Quarries Arklow, dated 9th Nov 1915, advising the despatch of the last waggon of macadam ordered and asking if they might send on a further supply, as they wont be able to do so in a few weeks as the Arklow Harbour extension works will take all their material

The Clerk stated that he sent an Order for four waggon loads.

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Letter from same, dated 17th inst, acknowledging receipt of this order and expressing regret that the Council cannot see their way to pay the additional two pence per ton asked for by the Co.

The Railway freight to New Ross is 4/. per ton, whilst the carting to the siding is 10d, so that the Co has to mine sort and crush them at 3/. per ton.

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Ordered

That the Parnell Quarries Ltd, Arklow, be paid the additional two pence per ton asked for.

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A letter dated 26th inst was received from Loghlan Briscoe General Secretary of the Town Tenants League drawing attention to the proposed limitations as to Rents and Population in the Bill which has been introduced into Parliament to prevent Rent Raising during the War, and pointing out that the Executive have passed a resolution calling on the Irish representatives to see that when the Bill reaches the Committee stage these restrictions will be removed.

The Executive also asked for the cooperation of all Urban Centres. After a short discussion the following resolution was

Proposed by Mr Hand and
Seconded by Mr Dunne

That whilst welcoming the Bill which has been introduced into Parliament to prevent Rent Raising during the War, this Council is unanimously of opinion that the proposed limitations in it as to Rents and Population, will render the Act, as far as Ireland is concerned, almost inoperative.

They therefore request their representatives to urge upon the Government the total Necessity of excluding the proposed limitations from the Bill.

Passed Unanimously

Ordered

That copies be sent to Right Hon H. H. Asquith P.C. M.P, Right Hon Walter Long M.P, John E. Redmond Esq M.P, Sir Thomas Grattan Esmonde Bart M.P, Peter French M.P, and Loghlan Briscoe Secretary Town Tenants League.

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A resolution of which the following is a copy was received for adoption from the Kilrane Urban District Council viz:-

That we have every confidence in the assurances of Mr John E. Redmond M.P and the Irish Party, that conscription will not be enforced; and that we call

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upon the ~~Government~~ our Representatives to impress upon the Government the necessity of having the agricultural Workers of Ireland, the producers of Nation's food, stamed and exempt under the system which has been adopted in England.

On the proposal of Mr Hand
Seconded by Mr Murphy it was adopted Mr Fanning dissenting.

A Circular letter, dated 25th Inst, was received from the National Committee for relief in Belgium appealing for help on behalf of three Million Belgians who are destitute in Belgium, but there was no action taken respecting it.

A tender, dated 23rd Novemver, was received from John Whitty Camolin, in which he offered £4:10:0 for five heaps of manure in Yard on Quay And it was:-
Ordered

That Mr Whitty's tender be accepted on condition that the manure be removed promptly.

William Byrne Camolin offered, under date 27th Inst, 10/- for all the road Scraping that will be dumped at Newtown from date to 1st April 1916 and his offer was unanimously accepted provided he removes same promptly, at least every week.

Mr Hand drew attention to the defective public lighting of the town and stated that the lamps on the High Hill was not lighting for some time past, and it was Ordered

That the special attention of the Gas Co be directed to the matter, And also that the Street Inspector furnish a report on same to next Meeting.

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Attention was also drawn to the fact that a number of police were drafted into town on last Sunday in connection with the Manchester Martyrs' procession, and the Clerk was directed to ascertain whether the cost of same would be a County charge or a Constabulary Fund charge.

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The question of erecting a public lamp in Quay St instead of the one which was fixed on old house of Mr Edwd Murphy, as same was very badly needed to light Conduit Lane, was considered.

The Chairman referred to the visit of a Committee, appointed some time ago in connection with this matter, to Messrs Byrne & Fairweather with a view to the erection of a pillar lamp on the North side of Quay Street, opposite their premises but both gentlemen objected to its erection there. It did not follow of course that the Council could not erect it there notwithstanding their objection but its erection was not persisted in by the Council.

He (Chairman) cred have no objection to the erection of a bracket lamp on the corner of his house at Quay St.

The Members espressed their thanks to the Chairman for his kindness and the following resolution was:-

Proposed by Mr John Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Hand

That a bracket lamp be affixed to the premises of Messrs Mallory & O'Sullivan, Quay St, the Chairman, Mr O'Sullivan, having very kindly given the necessary permission.

Passed Unanimously.

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The Clerk reported that since last Meeting, Mr James Power South St, who was surety for John Fleming, Cockpit Lane informed him (Clerk) that he would not continue surety for Fleming.

He (Clerk) informed Fleming that if he did not promise another surety instead of Mr Power, and pay off the arrears

of rent now amounting to 25/-, possession of the house would be taken up, but there was no reply from Fleming nor did he pay any rent for the past three weeks. After a short discussion it was:-

Proposed by Mr John Murphy And
Seconded by Mr Dunne

That possession of the house occupied by John Fleming be taken over by the Council as soon as possible, and for this purpose a Notice to Quit be signed by two members of the Council and sealed.

Passed Unanimously.

The Notice was duly signed and sealed.

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On the proposal of Mr Hand, Seconded by Mr Dunne, the Agreement between the Council and Thomas Connick for the tenancy of a house was sealed.

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The Foreman reported that since last Meeting forty-nine ashpits were cleaned. Six heaps of manure were ready for sale value about 20/- each. Eight waggon loads of Metalling have arrived and is being spread on the different streets. He would respectfully ask for an extra man & hose for a few days.

It was decided not to employ an additional man and hose, the existing staff being considered quite sufficient.

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## Town Surveyor's Report.

Nov. 30th 1915.

I beg to report that I had the bye-pass valve at Ballyleigh repaired on the 19th inst. I have arranged to have the necessary repairs carried out to house in occupation of Mrs Hammond, Tolly's Lane, and also to house in occupation of Mr Dalley William Street. There are two panes of glass broken in the former. The Surface of the Town Wall Road has been cleaned and repaired as Ordered.

I estimate the cost of draining the Playground

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Area to be £17, but I consider that if the Suggestions of the Sur Sanitary Officer are adopted by the occupiers of this locality a new drain would not be necessary.

James J Shortall
Town Surveyor.

It was decided not to undertake any work involving expenditure of money, in draining the Playground Area.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 14th December, 1915.

Patrick J Dowd

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Monday 6th December 1915.

A Monthly meeting of the Council was to be held this day at twelve oclock noon to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

No Member attended

A Quorum not having assembled

The Meeting Adjourned

Patrick Farrell

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Tuesday. 14th. December 1915.

A meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 Oclock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Present Messrs Patrick J Dunne Presiding
John Fanning
John Hand
P. A. Olgorman
John and Murphy

The Minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurer's Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman, and Messrs Olgorman and Murphy and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued viz.

No163 New Ross Gas Co £21, 164 D. Hickey £7.10.0. No165. R Innerby £8.12.10
" 166. Wexford County Council £350-0-5. A & H Hamilton Jo. £5-18-6
" 168 A.H Tyndall £5-10-0. 169. Joseph Lynch D.S. £5-5-0 James Kelly £2-10-0
" 171 M Roche £2-5-6: 172 M. Flinn £11-6-0. 173 Henry Lew £1-8-0.
" 174 Thos. Reill £10-0-0. 175 John J Browne £1-10-11. 176 M Hutchinson £2-10-11.
" 177 J. J. Shortall £6-17-2. 178 Petty Cash £19-9-0. 179 L. G Board £6-6-0.

Immediately after the Minutes were signed the Clerk submitted a letter dated 14th Inst. from Mr Henry C Poulter of the Department of Recruiting for Ireland, asking to be allowed to bring an important matter before the Meeting. The Clerk also stated that Mr Poulter was awaiting the decision of the Meeting.
Mr Murphy proposed, and Mr Olgorman seconded, "that he be heard now."
Mr Fanning proposed as an amendment, "That he be not heard until after the Meeting be over," but the amendment was not seconded. The resolution was Passed, and Mr Poulter was invited to attend,

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whereupon Mr. Fanning withdrew, but attended later on.

Mr Poulter having briefly addr-essed the meeting on the importance of furthering the movement for obtaining recruits for the army, by the formation of a local Committee, submitted the following resolution for adoption by the Council, and it was:-

Proposed by Mr Hand,
Seconded by Mr O'Gorman, and Resolved,

"That this New Ross Urban District Council having heard Mr Poulter on behalf of the Department of Recruiting for Ireland, are willing to aid in the formation of a representative local Committee with the object of bringing under the notice of those in a position to ~~serve~~ (1) the advisability of doing so as soon as possible (2) the Cadet Companies now established to enable Commercial men, or Farmers, to train together, and to qualify for Commissions if so disposed.

Passed Unanimously

Proposed by Mr John Murphy and
Seconded by Mr O'Gorman

That the following members of the Council be appointed a Committee Viz:- Messrs John O'Sullivan J.P. P. J Dunne, P. A O'Gorman and John Hand.

Passed Unanimously.

A circular letter dated 7th Inst No 183/Nc: 1915 was received from the Local Government Board dealing with the Elections and Registration Act 1915. In it, the Board pointed out that the term of office of all existing Councillors, and not alone of those who would have been due to retire in January, is extended by one year; also that the Board do not propose to make any Order under Sub-section (3) so that the appointment of Chairman may be made in the usual way.

No Order Made.

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A Dividend Warrant amounting to £3.2.6 on the War Loan Stock was received and ordered to be lodged to the credit of the Council.

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A letter, dated 3rd Inst. was received from Mrs A. E. Lockford, (Dean Kavanagh's Sister) acknowledging the vote of sympathy passed by the Council on the death of Dean Kavanagh. V.P.

as were also letters from Revd. W Doran C.S.A. Grantstown, and James Kehoe, Upper Lacken, acknowledging the vote of sympathy passed by the Council on the occasion of the death of Fr Kehoe C.S.A. Grantstown, and both were ordered to be Noted on the Minutes.

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Letter from Mr French M.P., dated 4th Inst. acknowledging receipt of the copy of resolution passed by the Council in refereace to the Bill for preventing an increase in house rents, and stating that he will do what he can in the direction indicated.

A second letter, dated 8th Inst. was received from him informing the Council that the Bill was being extended to all towns irrespective of population.
No Order Made on either letter.

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Letters were also received from the Prime Minister, and Mr Redmond M.P. acknowledging receipt of copies of the resolution, but there was No Order Made upon them.

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Letter from the Parnell Quarries Ltd., dated 2nd Inst. thanking the Council for having increased the price of Metalling to them by two pence per ton, not so much for the intrinsic value of it, as for the support which it gives to Irish Manufacture.
No order Made

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Letter from the District Inspector of Constabulary, dated 7th, acknowledging receipt of the Council's letter of the 6th Inst relative to the charge for extra police drafted into New Ross on the 28th Ult. and stating that the matter would

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have attention.

A second letter, dated 11th Inst, was received from him informing the Council that no expense will fall on the County in respect of the services of the police on the occasion.

No Order made.

An application, dated 2nd Inst, was received from the British Petroleum Company Ltd for a renewal of the License granted them to Store Petroleum, and Motor Spirit in their Store at Roscrea, which is built of corrugated Iron.

The Clerk pointed out that the existing license does not expire until February 15th next, and it was ordered that the Company be informed the Council does not deem a renewal of the license necessary now, under the circumstances.

A Tender of 32/= was received from Maurice Whelan for one heap of Manure on North side of Yard on Quay, but as this particular heap was already sold it was

Ordered

That he be given any of the three un-sold heaps at 20/= each.

An application was received from Michael Furlong, Nenagh for the use of the Large Room, Scholes, on the 6th January, for the purpose of holding a raffle in it, and on the proposal of Mr Hand, seconded by Mr Fanning it was unanimously granted.

The following resolution, received from the Roscommon County Council, was, on the proposal of Mr Hand, seconded by Mr Fanning unanimously adopted Viz:

"That we express our opinion that the operation in Ireland"
"of the National Health Insurance Act is needless, irritating "
"alike to employers and workers, and does not meet the "
"approval of either of those two classes. It is almost a useless "
"expense to the local rates and to the workers, as well as to the "
"State, and we request Parliament to repeal the Act so far as it "
"relates to the Rural Districts of Ireland".

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Letter from Messrs Colfer & Son, dated 13th Inst. acknowledging receipt of Notice to Quit in the case of the Council v Fleming and stating that they had instructed Denis Daly to demand possession.

In connection with this letter, one from Fleming was considered in which he asked to Council to agree to a settlement at five shillings a week until the arrears are paid off. He was idle for four months, but he is working now constantly at Mr Power's. He does not want his security to be at the loss of any money by him.

After a short discussion the following resolution was:-

Proposed by Mr Fanning and
Seconded by Mr Hand viz:-

"That John Fleming's offer"
"to pay 5/- per week until the arrears be cleared off, be"
"accepted, provided he gives security of Mr Power, or some"
"other solvent person, that his undertaking will be carried"
"out, and if he does so that proceedings be stayed".

Passed Unanimously

## Clerk's Report

The Clerk reported that the amount of Poor Rate collected to 14th Inst is £104.7.0 outstanding £644.7.6. Town and Domestic Water Rate collected £162-3-2; Outstanding £968.7.5.

The Abstract of uncollectable Poor Rate and Town Rate for half-year ended 30th September last has not yet been received.

The Collector has been ill for sometime past, and the work of Collecting has been carried on by Miss Browne.

## No Order Made.

Mrs Donovan, Mary St. applied to have her premises connected with the main water pipe, as she required a supply of water for dairy purposes, and the Clerk asked

to have the annual rent of same fixed.
Proposed by Mr Murphy and
Seconded by Mr. O'Gorman "That the supply be given to Mrs Donovan"
"at an Annual rent of 20/-".
Passed Unanimously

The Surveyor reported that he visited the premises in occupation of Denis Daly, Mary St in reference to the nuisance Complained of and the Landlord, Mr Treacy, informed him that Mr Hamilton, agent for the adjoining premises intended to rectify the matter.

He estimates the cost of repairing the roof valleys of the out offices of the Tuberculosis Dispensary Mary St. to be £6.

There is an old shed wall there in a dangerous condition and it would be advisable to have it taken down.

After considerable discussion, during which the letter received from the County Council asking to have it repaired, was considered, the following resolution was:-
Proposed by Mr O'Gorman and
Seconded by Mr Hand viz:-

That the application of the Tuberculosis Sanity Committee for the repair of premises connected with the Tuberculosis Dispensary at Newtons, be referred back to the Committee, and they be informed that as the premises are let at such a low rent, and as the Urban Council have recently spent a considerable sum of money on them, they are not prepared to undertake additional expenditure.

Passed Unanimously

On the proposal of Mr Murphy, seconded by Mr Hand it was decided to have the wall referred to in the Surveyor's report taken down.

The Foreman reported that since last meeting only eight ashpits were cleaned as he found it necessary

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to have both horses engaged at the removal of the metalling from the Railway Station before the fair; therefore I only attended to those Wkpits which were reported by S. S. Officer as being urgently in need of being cleaned.

There are three heaps of manure in yard ready for trade value about 30/- each.

On the 7th Inst he had to have one of the wheels of the mud cart temporarily repaired at Kennedy's Coach Factory for the removal of mud off the streets. The brake is bad and liable to break at any moment. He attended to the oiling and cleaning of the Weighbridge and Fire appliances.

Ordered

That the wheel of the mud cart be repaired as soon as possible.

## Report on Public Lamps.

On the night of the 6th Inst. the following lamps were lighting in Rome only:-

John St (Butlers store). Bridge St (Centre) Public Closet (Quay) Sugar Ho Lane, Mary St (Corner of Chapel Lane). Maiden Lane, (Opposite Whelan's) do (Delaney's) Mary St (Shambles).

The lamps at Victoria Place and Charleton Hill were not lighting. The lighting has been greatly improved during the past few nights. The light at Maiden Lane and Bridstown mentioned above are still very poor; the one at Victoria Place has not since been lighting.

The glass in a number of lamps is very dirty thereby retarding the power of the light. He would suggest that an incandescent burner be placed on lamp at High Hill.

Proposed by Mr Dempsey and
Seconded by Mr Hanly

"That a copy of this report be
"sent to the Manager of the gas Co, with a request that
"it may receive attention, and that he also be asked why the
"gas in general is of such an inferior quality at present."

Passed Unanimously

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It was ordered that the gas Manager be asked to quote price of fixing one incandescent burner on lamp at High Hill.

The Clerk stated that the Foreman reported sometime ago that there were a few loads of manure in the Council's Yard at William St and asked if it would be advertised for sale or how it would be disposed of.

After a short discussion it was Ordered that the Foreman be authorized to dispose of it at 1/= per load, on the proposal of Mr Hand, seconded by Mr Murphy.

The Clerk also pointed out that it was usual to have extra cleaning carried out at Christmas and on the proposal of Mr Hand, seconded by The Chairman it was decided to have the usual extra cleaning carried out on Christmas Eve and the workmen and office Caretaker be allowed 5/= each for this work.

The Street Inspector reported that a number of Traders were obstructing the streets and footpaths by placing goods on them. The daily scavenging was carried out as usual.

Mr Hand drew attention to the great obstruction to the public caused by Messrs Sheehan & Curran owing to the large quantity of goods they store on the street.

Ordered

That Messrs Sheehan & Curran be required to remove their goods off the public street at once as they are causing serious obstruction which the Council cannot allow to continue.

The Meeting adjourned to Tuesday 28th December 1915

Patrick J Dunne

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Tuesday 28th December, 1915.

A Meeting of the Bunclody Urban Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) 1854.

Present Mespro Patrick J. Dunne Presiding
Peter A. O'Gorman
John Hand
John Fanning
Michael Sheehan.

The Minutes of previous meeting were read and Signed

The Treasurers authority for making payments was signed by The Chairman and Mespro Hand & O'Gorman and the following Paying Order was directed to be issued by:- No. 180 Off Pmr £22.5.4

Immediately after the minutes were signed the Chairman referred to the recent deaths of Mespro P.J. Byrne and Matthew Hutchinson both members of the Town Commissioners, and moved a vote of Sympathy with their immediate relatives which was seconded by Mr. O'Gorman and passed in Silence.

The following letter received from the Gas Co was read

27th Dec, 1915.

Dear Sir,

In reply to yours of the 16th inst, enclosing a Report from your Inspector relative to the public lighting. I beg to say that, since the winter portion of our Contract began, and in order to avoid complaints, I arranged that a man should attend every night after the lamps are lit, in order to make good any defective mantles, and see to the lamps generally, so that the lamps referred to by your Inspector were in all probability attended to immediately after he saw them, with the exception of the lamp at Victoria Place, which I was unable to attend to at once owing to the illness of one of our men; the defect has been remedied and the lamp has been lighting for some time past. I cannot agree that the gas

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supplied at present is of inferior quality. We have had no complaints from our consumers except those due to defect-ive mantles, burners &c.

I may say however, (and probably this is the reason of your complaint) that after the loss of the "John Bull" with a cargo of coals for us, and in view of the great difficulty in obtaining a suitable vessel at present, I obtained a small quantity of coals locally to test with a view of supplementing our stock, and in order to avoid a possible shortage. The coal proved unsuitable and I at once discarded it, but its effects remained a few days.

With regard to the lamp in centre of High Hill, the cost of fitting an incandescent burner in the existing lamp would be 7/6.

S Kirkham
Secretary.

Ordered

That the Street Inspector report to each meeting of the Council on the public lighting of the town.

That the Gas Co be requested to take the necessary steps to ensure that all the public lamps shall be light-ed regularly and punctually in accordance with the Company's Contract in future, and that they be also informed the Council are of opinion that in view of the fact that the gas has not been satisfactory for a consid-erable time past, and in order to improve the public lighting of the town the Co should have incandescent burners fitted on all the lamps at their expense

Ordered

That an incandescent burner be fitted on the lamp at High Hill, referred to in the foregoing letter.

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An application was received from the Hon. Secretaries of the Berwick Dancing Class for the use of the two rooms in the Thorsel for the holding of a Dance on the night of the 5th January, and the application was unanimously granted on the proposal of Mr Hand, Seconded by

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Mr O'Gorman on the condition that they would arrange with the present tenants, the Gaelic League, for the Gas which would be consumed on the occasion.

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A tender was received from John Byrne, Carnlough for three heaps of manure @ 16/- each, from James Walsh Ballyclegh at 15/- and Edwd. Roe Begerin @ £7/- for one heap of manure at Town Wall, but neither one was accepted being consid-ered too low.

## Foreman's Report.

28th Dec. 1915.

I beg to report that since last meeting six ashpits were cleaned, these were reported to me by the S.I.O as bad. There is one heap of manure in your yard on the Quay ready for sale numver 9 and value about £1. There will also be a heap ready for sale at Town Wall depot about Thursday next value about £1.10.0. Four waggons metalling have arrived from the Arklow Quarries. I am having this metalling carted and spread on the different streets direct from the Railway Station. I would ask the Council to ask the Railway C's officials to have any future waggons of metalling placed at the North loading Bank for unloading. Where they are at present its very difficult to unload them and very tedious. I wish to mention that a very large numver of Traders are not using proper dust Bins. Barrels, old boxes &c with nails protruding through the sides. These class of dustbins cannot be handled with safety to your workmen and they complain very much on this matter. Edward Murphy received injury to his hand last week.

James Kelly
Foreman

Mr Hand drew attention to the neglected condition from the point of view of cleansing, of the Druidstown and the Streets leading to it, and after some discussion it was:-

Proposed by Mr Hand and
seconded by The Chairman

That an additional man

be employed temporarily for one week at the same rate of wages as is paid the Councils men viz :- 17/. per week to assist in cleansing &c.

Passed Mr Fanning dissenting.

Ordered

That the Foreman attend to the matter complained of by Mr Hand, at once.

It was also Ordered that the Railway Co be asked to have the metalling delivered at the North loading Bank in future.

There was No Order Made respecting the Dust boxes complained of.

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The Chairman referred to the fact that the wooden guards or railings around the trees at Irishtown were broken away from some ~~trees~~ of them and suggested that they be repaired.

Ordered

That the Surveyor have them repaired.

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Mr O'Gorman drew attention to the worn condition of the road at Ravencon Street, and pointed out that the metalling recently spread there had been swallowed up. After some discussion it was,

Ordered.

That the Surveyor have the matter attended to as soon as possible and have a foundation of coarse broken stones spread on it, these to be covered with a sheeting of the fine broken material from Arklow Quarries.

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## Street Inspector's Report

The Street Inspector reported that the daily Scavenging was carried out in a satisfactory manner, also that a number of Traders placed boxes, etc, on the Street & footpaths outside their premises thereby causing an Obstruction. The Clerk stated that as Ordered at last meeting, he had written to Messrs Sheehan & Gorman requiring them to remove their goods

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off the Street but they declined to carry out the order of the Council.

Proposed by Mr Hand

That a prosecution be instituted against Messrs Sheehan & Curran for Obstruction.

As the premises are to be sold by auction on the 11th Prox the proposal was not seconded and there was no further action taken in it.

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The Surveyor reported verbally that the chimneys of the houses occupied by Daniel Murphy Mary Street and John O'Connor Mary Street were dangerous and it was Ordered that he serve the usual Notice on the respective owners to have them put in a proper state of repair so that they shall not be dangerous to the public.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 11th January, 1916.

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Monday 3rd January, 1916.

A Monthly Meeting of the Newross Urban Council was to be held this day at twelve o'clock noon, to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

No Member Attended

A Quorum not having assembled

The Meeting Adjourned.

Patrick Downey

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Monday 10th January, 1916.

A Quarterly Meeting of the Council was held this evening at 7 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898, consider Surveyors Annual Estimate, etc.

Present Messrs John O'Sullivan J.P. Presiding
Patrick J. Dunne
John Hand
John Fanning.

The Minutes of last Quarterly Meeting were read and signed.

Mr Dunne drew attention to the advisability of procuring Stones for Metalling of the Streets in the upper portion of the town from some place more convenient than Glensinsan quarry, and suggested that Some be got from Ballymacar quarry, as this would be a considerable Saving of expense in cartage.

Mr Fanning complained that there was no definite information given by the Surveyor as to the Quantity of material at present in the Depots, so that the Council had nothing to guide them in forming an opinion as to what ought be required for next year.

Mr Hand concurred in this view and considered the report incomplete.

Eventually it was decided to adjourn the Meeting so that the Surveyor might furnish information as to the Quantity of Metalling on hands at present, and also some information as to the probable cost of getting Stones from Ballymacar Quarry.

The Meeting Adjourned to Monday 24th January, 1916.

Patrick J Dunne

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Monday 10th January, 1916.

A Meeting of the Finance Committee was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business for the Finance meeting of the Council, and rule on Collector's Abstracts of Uncollectable rates for half year ended 30th September last.

Present Messrs John O'Sullivan J.P.
Patrick J. Dunne
John Fanning.

The Collector was also present.

The Clerk submitted a number of Bills, which were examined and recommended for payment as per list entered at commencement of minutes of meeting of Council held on the 11th inst. The Collectors abstracts of Uncollectable Town & Poor Rate for half year ended 30th September last, were examined and ruled upon. The Committee unanimously decided to recommend the Council to cancel sums of Town & D.W. Rate amounting to £29:2:5½ and to dis-allow amounts claimed by the Collector amounting to £1:13:9. In the case of the Poor Rate the Committee recommended that sums amounting to £21.5.11½ be cancelled and £1:3:1 dis-allowed Collector, after which

The Meeting Adjourned.

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Tuesday 11th January, 1916.

A Meeting of the New Ross Urban Council was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, vide on Collector's Abstracts of Uncollectable rates for half year ended 30th Sept. last.

Present Mess^rs Patrick J. Dunne Presiding
John Hand
John Fanning
John Murphy.

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by The Chairman and Mess^rs Hand & Murphy and the following Paying Orders were directed to be issued viz:- No 181 M^cGuinn £24:11:11, No 182 St Stephens Cemetery Committee £7:10:0, No 183 Hibernian Fire & General Insurance Co. £2:5:0, No 184 Royal Exchange Assurance Co £2. No 185 H. C. Hamilton £2:1:3 No 186 A. French £1:7:3, No 187 J.J. Shortall £7:1:8, No 188 M^cGuinn £1:14:6, No 189 M^cGuinn £6:5:0, No 190 M^cGuinn £11:5:0, No 191 Joseph Freeman £3:3:7, No 192 Mess^rs B. Shelley & Son £4. No 193 Andrew Cullen 3/8, No 194 John J. Browne £2:19:5.

## Correspondence

The following letter received from the Gas Co. was read:-

11th January, 1916.

Dear Sir,

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 29th Ult, and in reply beg to say that, whilst this Company is willing to meet your Council in as reasonable way as possible they cannot regard your request to have the whole of the Public lamps fitted with incandescent Burners free of charge as a reasonable one. They regret, therefore, they are unable to accede to your request. I may, however, point out that the burners on the existing incandescent lamps have been renewed as occasion required free of expense, you have been charged for the mantles and chimneys only.

With regard to the lamp opposite Mr Doyle's yard, the mantle on this

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has been occasionally broken through people fastening annuals to the lamp post, steps have already been taken to try to put a stop to this practice. The lamp on High Hill has been fitted with an incandescent burner as Ordered.

H Kirkham.
Manager.

In conjunction with the foregoing letter the following report of the Street Inspector was read:- 11-1-16

I inspected the public lamps on the nights of the 4th, 7th & 10th inst. There is some improvement, but on the whole the lighting is most unsatisfactory. On account of want of protection from the winds, the lamps are often extinguished. The illuminating power of some of the lamps at Irishtown is equal to about a halfpenny candle. The glass in a number is still very dirty. An incandescent burner has been placed on the lamps at High Hill (centre).

Thomas Butler.

After some discussion the following resolution was:-
Proposed by Mr Murphy And
Seconded by Mr Hand

That a copy of the Street Inspector's Report respecting the public lighting of the town be sent to the Ben Ros Gas Co, and they be asked to state whether they are willing to fit twenty additional lamps with incandescent burners, at the expense of the Co, the particular lamps to be selected by a Committee of the Council, and also to say whether they are prepared to make a reduction off the Contract price for lamps which have not been lighting on particular nights.

Passed Unanimously

A Circular letter dated 4th January 1916, No 69176/1916, was received from the L.G. Board, enclosing copy of an Order in Council providing for the payment of certain Officers in respect of their attendance at Courts for the Revision of Jurors Lists for the Year 1915
No Order Made.

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Letters were received from Mrs Byrne, Quay St, and from Mr James Hutchinson, North St, thanking the Council for the Votes of Sympathy passed by them on the deaths of Mr Byrne and Mr Hutchinson.

Ordered

That they be noted on the minutes.

A letter was received from the Secretary of the Gaelic League 25 Parnell St, Dublin, dated 1st Inst, inviting the Council to send delegates to a Meeting to be held in the Mansion House, Dublin, on the 17th Inst to protest against the threatened withdrawal by the Department of Agriculture of grants in aid of Irish Education. If it is not possible to send delegates the Committee would be grateful for an expression of opinion on the matter.

A copy of the resolution to be placed before the Mansion House meeting for adoption was also enclosed.

A communication was also received from the Hon Secretary of the Conference of Gaelic Colleges drawing attention to the withdrawal of the grants, and enumerating at length the loss which it would entail.

After considerable discussion the following resolution, copy of which was received from the Secretary was,

Proposed by Mr Hand and
Seconded by Mr Murphy &c:-

That we the Ben Ross Urban District Council protest in the most emphatic manner against any reduction by the Government of the funds for education in Ireland, and call upon the Irish members of Parliament and all public representatives in Ireland to exert their influence to defeat this threatened alienation of funds from the Irish Language and Other branches of Irish Education and to prevent any further attempts of the Treasury to curtail the already too meagre financial support given to education in Ireland.

Passed Mr Fanning dissenting.

Letter from Mr Hamilton, Secretary of Trinity Hospital, dated 10th Inst, Notifying that a meeting of the Governing Body of the Hospital will be held on Wednesday 2nd February to elect an

annaitant. Ordered

That the Members of the Council be summoned to attend next Meeting to recommend a suitable person for election.

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A letter was received from Thos. Cusken Hon Secretary of the Amateur Dancing Class dated 10th inst thanking the Council for the use of the two rooms in the Thosel for the holding of their dance.

No Order Made.

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A Tender was received from Martin Breen Carnlin of 20/- for heap of Manure in yard on Quay and from Thos Shea Millbanks of 22/- for same heap. A tender of 33/- was received from John Ryan Red House, for heap at Town Wall and on the proposal of Mr Hand, seconded by The Chairman the tenders of Thos Shea and John Ryan for the respective heaps were unanimously adopted.

## Town Surveyor's Report.

11th January 1916.

I beg to report that I am having the tree guards in Irishtown repaired as ordered. I have most of the material now prepared for raising the surface of Roaverton St. as Ordered at your last meeting. In consequence of a complaint received from Messrs McHeam & Son South St. with reference to flooding of their stores in Barrack Lane I am having about 14 yds of the adjoining watertable concreted. I have also had minor repairs carried out to some of your house property in Wm Street and Bullawn.

Jas J Shortall
Town Surveyor.

No Order Made.

## Foreman's Report

I again wish to mention to Council that your yard on the Quay is congested

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owing to the purchasers of manure not removing it. They are John Whitty, John Power and M. Whelan. Number nine heap is yet unsold reported at last meeting also one heap at Town Wall value about £1:10:0. I again respectfully beg to apply for the period of four days a man and horse for the purpose of carting the metalling for the sheeting of Rosbercon St. and also in Order that the cleansing of the ashpits will not fall into arrears too much. James Furlong was absent (sick) from 8th Inst, he resumed work this morning. I obtained Edwd Cotton as his substitute. There are a dozen small panes of glass broken by some mischievous person or person in vendors of Fishouse. I think some wire netting would protect them at this place. All other works carried out by me are fully written in my time Book.

James Kelly, Foreman.

Ordered

That Messrs Whitty, Power & Whelan be again directed to have the manure purchased by them removed forthwith.

Proposed by ~~The Chairman~~ Mr Hand and

Seconded by The Chairman

That James Cleary who was temporarily employed be kept on for another fortnight.

Passed Unanimously.

Ordered

That a man and horse be employed for four days.

That the Surveyor have the glass which was broken, refitted in the windows of the Fish House and have wire netting put on the windows to protect the glass.

That the portion of the wall of the Council's property at Wm. Street, which has fallen be rebuilt without mortar.

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The Clerk stated the Water Committee, at their meeting held on the 21st Ult, recommended the Council to fix an annual rent of 15/- each to be paid by Mr Luke Dwyer for a supply of water to his two garages at Priory St, and asked that same be confirmed by the Council.

It was now unanimously Ordered that the

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recommendation of the Committee be confirmed and the annual rent fixed @ 15/- each.

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The Clerk also submitted an application from Mr James Connolly for a water supply to his two motor garages at Priory Lane and it was unanimously ordered that he be charged an annual rent of 15/- each.

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He also reported that the Finance Committee at their meeting held last evening examined the list of un-collectable rates submitted by the Collector and re-commended that certain sums be cancelled and that others be dis-allowed the Collector. Since then the Collector has learned that there is an item of Poor Rate and of Town Rate both of which are also uncollectable and should be included in the list. The receipts issued to him for same are mislaid and it would be well if the consideration of the list by the Council was adjourned to next meeting so as to afford him an opportunity of getting the missing receipts in the meantime.

Ordered

That the consideration of the list of uncollect-able rates be adjourned to next meeting.

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In reference to the proposed Bye Laws, the Clerk reported that Mr Cosgrave informed him he had them revised, and would be prepared to meet the Committee on next Friday, Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday.

It was decided to Summon a Meeting of the Committee on Monday or Tuesday next whichever day would be most convenient.

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The Clerk asked that an Order be made directing the Collector to write up the weekly tenants ledger which is considerably in Arrears, and also the artizans Rent Collection book, for half year ended 30th September last, which he has frequently asked the Collector to write up.

over.

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Ordered

That he be directed to have these books written up within three weeks from this date. Also that he report to next meeting whether are any of the Council's houses sublet.

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The Meeting Adjourned to Tuesday 25th January, 1916.

Wm. J. Sullivan

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Tuesday 18th January 1916

A Meeting of the Bye Laws Committee was held this evening at 4.15 o'clock, preparatory to conferring with Mr Colfer respecting the Draft Bye Laws.

Present Messrs Patrick J. Dunne
and
John Hand

These members of the Committee, accompanied by the Clerk, proceeded to the Office of Messrs Colfer & Son where they were soon after joined by Mr John Murphy, the other member of the Committee, when they had an interview with Mr Colfer. Senr.

Mr Colfer Submitted the Draft Code of Market Bye Laws as altered or amended by him, and having discussed them with the Committee the latter approved of them, And directed him to get into communication with the Local Government Board with a view to ascertaining if the Board would sanction the Bye Laws, and also the establishment of a weekly pig market without holding a Local Inquiry, as the latter would probably mean considerable expense.

He also promised to send to the Clerk a copy of the proposed Bye Laws, as approved by the Committee, together with the necessary instructions as to the steps to be taken to have them legally adopted by the Council, after which,

The Committee Withdrew

John Hand

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