

Quarterly Meeting, August 7th 1900

The Statutable Quarterly Meeting of the County Council was held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Wexford, on Tuesday August 7th 1900.

Present:- In the Chair, Sir Thomas H. Gattan Emond, Bart. M.P. Chairman:

Other Councillors, Messrs E. Hore Vice-Chairman. M. Browne, C. Peacocke, James Sinnott, M. Hickey, M. Whitty, James E. Mayler, John Cummins, Owen Doyle, M. Smyth, J. Donohoe, James Dodd, James A. Doyle, D. Power, J. F. Walsh, M. J. Redmond, P. O'Connor, D. Dempsey, Captⁿ Walker, Lord Maurice Fitzgerald,

Captⁿ Pigott, Secretary, H. Webster County Surveyor, and R. W. Elgee Solicitor to the Council were also in attendance.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

The Chairman proposed. "That our Secretary be instructed to convey to Mrs Bolger, Ferns, the expression of the heart-felt sympathy of the members of the County Wexford County Council, in the great loss which has fallen upon her and her family by the death of her husband, Mr Bryan Bolger, our distinguished colleague in this Council."

Mr Sinnott seconded the motion which was supported by Messrs Owen Doyle, Cummins and Donohoe, and passed in silence.

On the motion of Mr Cummins, seconded by Mr Owen Doyle it was decided that the Secretary be directed to communicate this resolution to Mrs Bolger by wire.

Brooked Bridge - Condition of.

Mr Cummins called the attention of the Council to the condition of the Brooked Bridge, which was situated on the boundary between the New Ross and Enniscorthy Rural Districts. Mr Cummins pointed out that the bridge was in a dangerous state and that the New Ross District Council had adopted a proposal for its rebuilding. The Enniscorthy District Council had however thrown out the proposal.

A deputation from the district having been heard by the Council, it was decided in consequence of the state of the bridge that Mr Webster be instructed to expend a sum not exceeding £15. to have it put into temporary repair, and in the meantime that he be asked to report on the general condition of the structure, the resolution

to that effect being moved by Mr Hore, seconded by Mr Peacocke. The report of Mr Webster to be considered by the District Councils concerned.

Analyst's report.

The following report was read from the County Analysts, Sir Charles Cameron & Son. The Secretary said that in compliance with the directions of the Local Government Board he had forwarded them a copy of the report in question.

To the County Council of the County of Wexford

Mr Chairman and gentleman

We beg to report that we have made the following analyses during the quarter ended on the 30th day of June 1900

For the Sergeants of the Royal Irish Constabulary acting as Inspectors of food, the following articles were analysed

April 2nd For Acting Sergeant Carson, Duncormick, 3 specimens of milk were analysed. One was deprived of at least 25 per cent of its fat and therefore a debased article.

June 16th For Sergeant J Groves, Enniscorthy, 3 specimens of whiskey were analysed. They were all of good quality.

For the Guardians of Enniscorthy Union 19 specimens of tea, 11 of port wine and ten drugs were analysed. The specimens of tea and port wine were analysed to determine the best of each for use in the Workhouse.

For the Guardians of Wexford Union 18 drugs and 3 specimens of water were analysed. The specific gravity of one of the drugs namely Syrup of Ferrous Iodide was 1.368 whereas according to the Pharmacopoeia it should be from 1.380 to 1.387. The specimens of water had the following compositions. One Imperial gallon contained in grains:-

	<u>No 1.</u>	<u>No 2.</u>	<u>No 3.</u>
Total solid matters	23.100	21.000	27.300
Including			
Albuminoid Ammonia	0.010	0.011	0.010
Saline Ammonia	0.014	0.018	0.005
Nitric Acid	0.430	0.550	Trace
Chlorine	2.087	2.286	2.087
Sulphuric Acid	—	—	4.320
Equal to calcium Sulphate	—	—	6.000

No 1 and 2 were slightly inferior No 3 was fairly good.

For the Guardians of Gorey Union 7 drugs and 2 specimens of water were analysed. The drugs were all correct.

The specimens of water had the following compositions. One Imperial gallon contained in grains:-

	No 1.	No 2.
Total solid matters	21.000	9.800
Including		
Albuminoid Ammonia	0.070	0.006
Saline Ammonia	0.118	0.005
Nitric Acid	Trace	0.800
Chlorine	4.174	1.590
Sulphuric Acid	None	None
Equal to Calcium Sulphate	None	None

No 1 was more like sewage than potable water No 2 was a good water.

Three drugs analysed for the Guardians of New Ross Union were correct.

For the Enniscorthy Co-operative Agricultural Society 15 specimens of manure, 1 of cotton cake, 1 of linseed cake, and 1 of water were analysed. The specimens of manure were analysed with the following results.

100 parts contained

	Manure	Super	Bone Comp. ^a	Pure Diss. Bones	Super
Phosphate of Lime (soluble)	33.09	21.78	20.11	12.57	25.97
Phosphate of Lime (insoluble)	2.38	6.43	10.47	23.04	1.82
Total Phosphates	35.47	28.21	30.58	35.61	27.79

Nitrogen	—	—	0.70	2.94	—
Equal to Ammonia	—	—	0.85	3.57	—

	Pure Bone Manure	Bone Comp. ^a	Super	Super	Super
Phosphate of Lime (soluble)	23.88	16.90	32.40	33.65	21.92
Phosphate of Lime (insoluble)	4.89	11.17	3.49	3.49	8.52
Total Phosphates	28.77	28.07	35.89	37.14	30.44

Nitrogen	2.66	1.26	—	—	—
Equal to Ammonia	3.23	1.53	—	—	—

	<u>Rice Disolved Bones</u>	<u>Bone Manure</u>	<u>Super</u>	<u>Super</u>	<u>Bone Manure</u>
Phosphate of Lime (soluble)	11.59	15.22	37.70	26.95	24.30
Phosphate of Lime (insoluble)	21.64	14.10	2.38	3.07	6.70
Total Phosphates	33.23	29.32	40.08	30.02	31.00
Nitrogen	2.94	0.70	—	—	1.12
Equal to Ammonia	3.57	0.85	—	—	1.36

The specimens of feeding cake were analysed with the following results.

	100 parts contained	
	<u>Linseed cake</u>	<u>Cotton cake</u>
Moisture	13.00	10.17
Oil	10.13	9.57
* Albuminoids	33.26	49.00
Ash	4.60	5.83
Non-Nitrogenous matters	39.01	25.43
Total	100.00	100.00
* containing Nitrogen	5.32	7.84
Equal to Ammonia	6.45	9.52

The specimen of water had the following composition
One Imperial gallon contained in grains

Total solid matters	22.400
Including	
Albuminoid ammonia	0.009
Saline ammonia	0.028
Nitric Acid	Trace
Equal to calcium ^{chlorine} sulphate	2.087
Sulphuric Acid	none

An inferior water

In the above only a mere outline of the analyses is given, but in my original report full details were given, including chemical microscopical and bacteriological examinations

For the Shillelagh Union which is partly situated in the County of Wexford 3 drugs were analysed. They were all correct

We are gentlemen

Yours obedient servants

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Dublin

Public Analysts to Wexford

Change of Security - Road Contractor

A contractor named Mercymann, recently accepted for the repair of a small road in the Wexford Rural District, came before the Council, and explained that one of his sureties had withdrawn before his bond was signed, and asked the permission of the Council to have the name of this surety substituted by another.

It was decided that the request be acceded to the new security to be approved by the Solicitor to the Council.

Date of Quarterly Meetings.

The following dates were fixed for the quarterly meetings of the District Councils and the Proposals Committee

Enniscorthy	October 3 rd at 11.30 a.m.
Wexford	October 6 th at 10.30 a.m.
New Ross No. 1.	October 10 th at 12. noon
Gorey	October 11 th at 12 noon
Proposals Committee	October 18 th at 10.30 a.m.

List of Proposals

On the motion of the Chairman the following resolutions were passed.

Resolved - "That the several proposals sent up by the Proposals Committee to the County Council as regards expenditure chargeable to the County-at-Large in respect of the Quarter ended 30th June 1900 be approved subject to the modifications and other orders noted thereon and initialled by the Chairman"

List of Proposals etc Dist. Council

Resolved - "That the several proposals sent up by the District Councils of the several Rural Districts to the County Council as set forth in schedules 5, 6, 7 and 8 be approved subject to the modifications and other orders noted thereon and initialled by the Chairman"

Barne Pier

With reference to the Resolution of the Proposals Committee that the sum of £20, which the Rural District Council proposed expending on the repair of Barne Pier, should be made a County-at-Large charge, a long discussion took place.

Eventually a poll was taken with the following result - For the expense being a County-at-Large charge - Messrs Cummins, Peacocke, Codd, Power, Meyler, Browne, Gore, Walsh, Lord Maurice Fitzgerald, and Captⁿ Walker - 10.

Against - Messrs O'Connor, Sinnott, Donohoe, Owen Doyle, Mr. Smyth, Redmond, Whitty, - 7.

Declined to vote - Messrs Dempsey, Hickey and Chairman.

Mr. James A. Doyle was absent during the division.

The chairman declared the resolution carried.

Ferry carrig Bridge Committee:

The following report of Ferry carrig Bridge Committee was considered. At the meeting of the County Council on the 18th June 1900. on the motion of Mr Whitty, it was decided that the Secretary write to the County Surveyor, and request that he take steps to have a defective pile in Ferry carrig Bridge replaced at once. Also that he see that any other repairs needed to this bridge are carried out immediately.

At the meeting of the Proposals Committee of the Council on the 21st July 1900. the following were appointed as a Committee of inspection to report on the condition of Ferry carrig Bridge - Messrs Walsh, Ryan, Peacocke Whitty and Capt Walker.

The Committee met on the 6th August 1900 at the bridge. all the members of the Committee with the exception of Mr Peacocke who wrote regretting his inability to attend. were present.

The following is the Report of the Committee on the motion of Capt Walker seconded by Mr Walsh. the chair was taken by Mr Patrick Ryan.

The Committee inspected the entire structure above and below. "With regard to the upper structure we found the sheeting in several places most defective and dangerous, particularly the footpath, and in one or two places the sheeting of the roadway. In the latter one plank is actually broken in two places, is without any bearing, and require immediate attention.

The repairs are carried out in the most slipshod manner in the flooring, thin pieces of board being nailed over the rotten portions of the planking. Stays in many places in the hand railing have no fastening, nuts and bolts missing, and the bottom of the railing into which the rails are fixed is not in a satisfactory state. In consequence of this, and the rotten condition of the timber, the rail is shaking from side to side, and is quite inefficient to prevent a horse and car breaking through.

With reference to the toll house, slates are off the roof, the door is broken, and the windows in a bad state. The sheeting on the far side of the toll house is

missing for three quarters of the way across the door-way has no protection, and the inspection of the Committee revealed that it has been used as a shelter for cattle straying from the adjacent fields. The interior is therefore naturally in a filthy condition, and the tools which are the property of the Council are covered with the excrements of the trespassing animals. We could find or hear nothing of the winches, ram, or chain. With the exception of the legs of the piling machine the rest of the tools are missing.

From a boat we examined the under structure minutely from one end to the other. Our inspection showed that several piles were exceedingly rotten above water.

Some of these should have been scarved a long time since. Some of the longitudinal beams are very defective, and have little or no bearing power. Two or three of the beams are actually in snuff.

The two houses to which we have already referred are generally in a most dilapidated state and we consider the County Surveyor should have looked to them long before this.

We also find several minor defects that seemed to have been unattended to for years.

We consider most of the matters to which we invite the attention of the Council are of long standing and not of recent occurrence.

It is the opinion of the Committee that due attention has not been paid to this bridge, and that there has been great neglect for many years in the supervision of the bridge.

Taking our report into consideration we think it a question for the Council to decide whether it would be advisable for the Council to have the repairs carried out before handing over the bridge to the new contractor, as we believe it will cost hundreds of pounds to have the entire structure put in a satisfactory condition, and if the repairs be not carried out, at no distant date it will become positively dangerous.

Signed on behalf of the Committee.

Patrick Ryan
Chairman

August 6th 1900

Arising out of the discussion of the above report Mr Webster said that the bridge was in a very bad state when he came to this County, about as bad as at present, if not worse.

Capt. Walker denied this.

Mr Webster said that under the maintenance contract of the bridge whenever a pile was found in a bad state he required it should be scarved. When he came to examine the bridge for the last quarter he handed to the outgoing contractor a list of very many defects and he had deferred his final inspection till the meeting of the Committee. Some of the main beams put up by the contractor were in such a bad condition that he had written to him about them, and pointed out that they would have to be replaced.

He acknowledged that a tie piece was in a rotten state, and one of the raking piles in a bad condition.

The contractor had not carried out his orders with respect to the footpath, and he would not certify for the money retained from the old contractor, close on £40 until this and the other defects were made good.

He ordered the contractor to put in beams whenever he found any defective, but he acknowledged that a couple of beams alongside new beams that he forced the contractor to put in, escaped his attention.

He candidly admitted that he was to blame in this matter, but he would ask the Council to take into consideration that for the last six months a great deal of extra work had been thrown upon him.

He had to put up with the loss of one of his assistants and it was strange that just about this time the Wexford Newross, and Mountgarrett Bridges required to be looked after in connection with repairs for Mountgarrett bridge and Wexford bridge, and owing to the new Act, the entire supervision of the Newross bridge had been thrown on his hands.

With reference to the tools he wished to say that there was no ram to be found when he came to the County and he could never obtain any particulars as to where it was. He never saw a chain or winch at the place. It was impossible to have the hand rail stayed properly at one portion of the bridge on account of the draw-arch.

In reply to Mr Cummins, Mr Webster said he believed the £40 which he had retained from the contractor would make the bridge perfectly safe.

He considered the bridge fairly well maintained considering it was an abominably rotten structure when he came to the county.

Lord Maurice Fitzgerald: I will propose a resolution censuring Mr Webster for his neglect of duty. In the future it may be that we may consider it our duty to the rate-payers to take such steps, as we shall be advised or consider necessary to show our dissatisfaction of the way in which Mr Webster carries out his duties but at the present time I think it is sufficient to record our strong disapproval and our vote of censure against him for his neglect of duty - for his carelessness and neglect of duty in this important work.

At the request of Capt Walker, Lord Maurice Fitzgerald said he would withdraw his proposition. On the motion of Mr Browne, seconded by Lord Maurice Fitzgerald it was decided that Mr Webster take steps to see that the £40 withheld from the old contractor be expended in repairs to the Ferrycarraig bridge.

Proposed by Mr Donohoe, seconded by Mr Peacocke and passed "That for the information of the Council the County Surveyor be directed to prepare a specification of the repairs necessary to put the bridge of Ferrycarraig in perfect order."

Auditors Report Wexford Guardians

The reports of Mr J. A. Baker, Local Government Auditor on his audit of the accounts of the Wexford guardians, and Wexford District Council, were read for the Council by the Secretary.

Irrecoverable Rates

Letter No. 39, 922: 1900 Wexford County from the Local Government Board under date 12th July 1900 dealing with the refund of irrecoverable rates to collectors, was read.

Tenders - Dist. Colo.

With reference to works for which no tenders were received at the Rural District Council meetings only one tender was received by the County Council for work No. 4. in Enniscorthy District - to repair a gullet at Ballyvaldow Kilanure, not to exceed £4.

Edward Corrigan, Ballyconigar, who mentioned as his sweeties John Connors, Ballyconigar, and Thomas Kinsella, Ballinagora tendered at £6-13/- and was accepted as contractor.

HAL In New Ross Rural District, No 5. was given in charge to the County Surveyor, for eight months the price not to exceed one shilling per perch. Nos 8. and 9 were also given in charge to the County Surveyor.

In ~~Enniscorthy~~ Rural District No 7 and 9 were referred back to the Rural District Council.

In the Wexford Rural District No 94 was given in charge to the County Surveyor and No 93 referred back to the District Council.

In consequence of the non-attendance of a quorum at the Gorey Rural District Council there was no adjourned meeting, and it was ordered that the works for which tenders were to be considered at that meeting should be referred back to the District Council.

Rate Collection The recommendations of the Finance Committee were then considered.

The following recommendation was confirmed

"With reference to the state of the rate collection of the county it was decided that as the collection is seriously backward the collectors who are making little or no progress be informed that if they do not exercise due diligence in the carrying out of their duties the Council be recommended to take into consideration the advisability of dispensing with their services."

The following recommendation, was on a show of hands confirmed by 15 votes to 6.

"With reference to the appointment of a Poor Rate collector vice Mr George Larkin, and the amount of poundage to be paid for the duties, Mr Peacocke proposed that the poundage be fixed at 6^d in the £."

Mr Dodd seconded.

Mr Donohoe moved that the poundage remain at 7^d but his motion was not seconded, and Mr Peacocke resolution was put and passed.

The following recommendation was agreed to nem con.

Mr Peacocke proposed that the County Council be recommended to apply to the Local Government Board for permission to require candidates to offer as security an approved Guarantee Society, instead of personal security.

Mr Walsh seconded. "Passed"

to Surveyor's Claim

On the motion of Mr Browne. Seconded by Mr Owen Doyle the following recommendation was confirmed with reference to the claim of Mr Webster County Surveyor for £75 balance for bringing the "Act into operation" it was decided on the motion of Mr Browne, seconded by Mr Donohoe that the amount be paid, Mr Peacocke and Mr Lodd dissenting

Mr Peacocke and Mr Lodd, dissented from the resolution confirming the minute of the Finance Committee

Main Roads - Wexford Urban Dist.

Letter No 35.347: 1900 Wexford County from the Local Government Board under date 6th July 1900 dismissing the appeal of the Wexford Urban Council against the "Main Road Scheme" of the Council was read.

Main Road declaration

The Finance Committee had made the following recommendation thereon

Recommended on the motion of Mr Walsh that the Council request the Local Government Board, that the main roads declaration date from June 30. 1900"

The Secretary explained that the final declaration in connection with the main roads scheme was dated the 6th February 1900, and unless the Local Government Board fixed a date on the appeal the declaration would come into force from that date. It would be impossible to effect this as the County accounts abstract for the half year ended the 31st March of the present year had been forwarded to Cap^t Gibson Auditor. The recommendation of the Finance Committee was unanimously confirmed.

Explosive Officers

The following recommendation of the Finance Committee was approved without discussion.

Mr Doyle proposed - that the amounts found in Mr Elgee's award as stated in the Finance Committee minutes of

June 18th 1900 be paid to the Explosive Officers to date from April 1st 1899". The following are the amounts of the annuities found by Mr Elgee to be payable to the officers in question - James Nolan (for Enniscorthy) £3. 17. 6. (for Ferns) £3. 17. 6. Michael Kavanagh (for Wexford) £1. 11. 3 (for Killinick) £1. 11. 3. Samuel Lee (for Oulart) £2. 17. 6 and William Munro (for New Ross) £2. 2. 6.

Compensation - Mr N. Kehoe.

The following recommendation was also confirmed "With reference to the claim of Mr Kehoe clerk of Wexford Union for £54 for bringing the Local Government (Ireland) Act into operation letter No. 38,099 1900. Wexford County with enclosures was read.

It was decided to recommend the County Council to ask Mr Kehoe for a copy of the minutes increasing his salary, and to forward detailed account of his claim setting out money figures for each item in his account."

Mr P. A. Pope - The following recommendations were approved without change

"With regard to the claim of Mr Pope clerk of New Ross Union and District Council for loss of fees and bringing the Local Government (Ireland) Act into operation it was decided that Mr Pope be asked for a detailed account for bringing the Act into operation, and also that he be asked to supply a full statement of his total salary and emoluments under the old and present system."

"On the motion of Mr Browne seconded by Mr Good it was decided that the Secretary notify the Chairman of the New Ross and Wexford Guardians that Mr Pope and Mr Kehoe had applied respectively for £36. and £54 for bringing the Act into operation and for £220. 19/- and £106. 5/- for loss of fees and emoluments, and ask for a statement of the views of the Guardians thereon."

"With reference to a similar claim from Mr Hopkins clerk of Shillelagh Union it was decided to ask him why he applied for compensation for loss of fees when his salary was increased, and further was his work for bringing the Act into operation taken into account when fixing his salary."

Salaries - New Ross School Attendance Officers

The salaries passed by the New Ross School Attendance Committee to their officers were approved"

Main Roads

A letter from the New Ross Urban Council with regard to main roads in New Ross was recommended to be referred to Mr Webster for his report.

Bount Keeper's salary Mr Richards Bount-Keeper Wexford, applied for an increase of remuneration for increased duties.

Mr Browne proposed that no alteration be made in the amount offered to Mr Richards at the meeting of the Finance Committee of June 18th 1900 and confirmed by the Co. Council, viz £5 per year.

Mr Dodd seconded. "Passed"

Security - Collector Mullett

A letter was read from Mr Mullett, Poor Rate Collector asking for a reduction in the amount of his security owing to the smallness of his collection.

It was decided to recommend that Mr Mullett's security be reduced from £900 to £600 in consequence of the collection being only of this figure, and the security being by Guarantee Society.

Rosbercon Road

Letters from New Ross Urban Council and Dublin and Wicklow and Wexford Railway Co's Secretary as to the widening of the street at Rosbercon, was read. "No Order"

Poundage - collector Mr Grath

"Letter No 39,829: 1900 Wexford County from the Local Government Board allowing collector Mr Grath to receive the balance of the amount of his poundage fees was read"

W & R. Rly Co. - Re land

Letters from Messrs Barrington and Son, Solicitors, Dublin, for the Waterford and Roselare Railway Co. applying to enter into possession of lands occupied by Patrick Stafford, Kilcavan Harrostown were read, and it was decided that the application be complied with on the advice of Mr Elgee, Solicitor to the Council.

Appointment of Temporary Rate collector

Letter No. 39,923: 1900 (Wexford County) from the Local Government Board referring to their sanction to the appointment of Mr Bernard Larkin, as temporary Poor Rate collector was read.

Postal arrangements

Letter No. 272409 from the General Post Office London, with reference to the postal arrangements in the barony of Shelburne was read.

The finance Committee had made no order on this letter

The following resolution was proposed by Mr Cummins seconded by Mr Dickey and adopted. "That in view of the many improvements effected in the Wexford Postal District by Mr J. A. Parker, Postmaster Wexford, we consider a more efficient postal service and one which would give more satisfaction to the public at large in the Barony of Shelburne, would be obtained by the transfer of the post offices in that barony now in charge of the Waterford head office to the Wexford office as head quarters, and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Postal Authorities."

appointment - Mr John Kehoe.

With reference to the appointment of Mr John Kehoe, as Assistant Surveyor. Letter No 107 M: 1900 Miscellaneous from the Local Government Board, and a resolution from the Wexford District Council asking that the County Council should retain his services for a further period of six months, and give him another opportunity of presenting himself for another examination, were read.

In reply to Mr Hore, Mr Webster said that since his appointment Mr Kehoe had carried out his instructions very well in the matter of roads, special works, and gulleys. So far as he had gone Mr Kehoe had given him nothing but satisfaction.

The following resolution was moved by the Chairman seconded by Mr Dempsey and adopted *nem. con.*

"That taking into consideration the fact that we have had six months' experience of Mr Kehoe as an officer of this Council during which he has given every satisfaction, to Mr Webster we request the Local Government Board would meet the wishes of the Wexford County Council in Mr Kehoe's regard by allowing him a further period of six months to qualify for examination."

Assist Secy's holiday

The following recommendations of the Finance Committee were confirmed. Recommended on the motion of Mr Peacocke seconded by Mr Walsh, that the Assistant Secretary be granted a fortnight's holiday after the next quarterly meeting of the County Council.

St. A. & W. Ry Co. - Valuation.

A letter from the Great Southern & Western Railway Co. with reference to the revised valuation of their system in the County

was read, but no action was taken.

Resolutions from the Gorey Rural District Council with respect to the Local Government Board, and County Administration, Londonderry Co. Council re rating for one year, Limerick County Council re Irish Language; Clare Co. Council re compulsory Purchase of Estates, and Shillelagh District Council with reference to malicious injury applications were referred to the council.

No action was taken with reference to any of the above resolutions, beyond a proposal by Mr. Browne which was agreed to that the Secretary write the Secretary to the Limerick Co. Council.

That it was not practical to have the resolution from his Council with reference to the Irish Language carried into force in County Wexford owing to the very small number of Irish speaking people in the County, a fact which the Council regretted.

Loan of £370.

The following recommendation of the Finance Committee was confirmed

With regard to the Purchase of land for the District Asylum it was decided that the Co. Council be recommended to apply to the Treasury for the necessary loan of £370.

Witnessing Contractors' Bonds.

The following notice of motion was handed in by Mr. Cummins. "That in future that Assistant Secretary or some other of the Clerical Staff of the Council attend the adjourned Quarterly Meetings of the Rural District Councils for the purpose of witnessing the execution of road contractors bonds, the person attending from the County Council Office to be allowed a sum for his expenses and train fare which is to be agreed to by the Council."

Edmund Hayes

27th September 1900.