Annual meeting- 10th june 1907.

The annual meeting of the bounty bouncel, was held in the bouncel Chamber, bourthouse, weseford; on 10th June 1907.

Present: - Sir J. H. G. Esmonde Bart., m. P. and subsequently

mr. m. A. Ennis (vice-Chairman) presided.

Deher members: messes M. Browne, John Bolger, J. Bolger, E. Hore, James boad, & H. Peacocke, John J. Kehoe, D. Dempsey, John bummins, James Donohoe, alexander Kinsella, N. b. murphy, John Sinnott, J. A. Doyle, D. Kavanagh, mark bodd. Michael Hickey, and matthew Doyle.

The Secretary; mr. R. w. Elger, Solicitor; and the County Surveyor, were in attendance.

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

Representatives of Rural District Councils.

The following who had been appointed representatives of the Rival District Councils on the Country Council subscribed the usual Acclaration of office before the opening of the business of the meeting: Shaddens Bolger (Enniscorthy District Council) John Sinnott, (Gorey District Council) Michael Hickey, (NewRoss District Council) and N. C. Murphy (Weseford District Council).

- Election of Chairman
on the motion of m. Dempsey, seconded by m. J. Bolger
Sir Thomas H. G. Esmonde Bart., M. P. was re-elected Chairman
of the County Council for the ensuing year, and subscribed
the usual diclaration of office."
The Chairman returned thanks for his election.

on the motion of mr. g. Bolger, seconded by mr. Peacocke "mr. N. Ennis, was re-elected view-bhairman, for the insuing year, and subscribed the usual diclaration of office"

mr. Ennis, returned thanks for his election.

- Committees -

The Chairman moved the election of the following as the Finance Committee, and Diseases of animals Committee, for the ensuing year: Sir I. H. G. Esmonde Bart, Messrs Edmond Hove, J. E. Mayler, michael Browne, James Donohoe, John Bolger, John Cummins, alexander Kinsella, Thomas asple, 6 H. Peacocke, matthew Doyle, John J. Kehoe, N. C. Murphy, M. A. Ennis, and James Coad.

On the notion of the Chairman, the Proposal bommittee, was made a bommittee of the "whole house."

"The Local Government Board forwarded Sealed Order (No 15,450) closing the burial ground of St aidan's, adjoining the Protestant Cathedral of Ferns, as it was in a crowded state. A number of persons, whose names were set out in the schedule of the exemptions, had reserved to them, the right of burial"

Proposed by M. g. Bolger, seconded by M. M. A. Ennis and passed: "That our Secretary be instructed to convey to M. John Rirer, and the misses Pierce, the sympathy of the numbers of this bouncil, in the sorrow which has fallen upon them in the death of their brother the late Mr. martin Pierce."

The Committee appointed to draft advertisements for the position of Foreman of Lara Nell Quarry, met in Gorey on the 11th may 1907.

mr. m. A. Ennis (vice-Chairman, bo Council) presided Other members present: Messes John Sinnoth, James Donohoe, and a. Kinsella.

Draft advertisements with reference to the appointment of Foreman for Lara Hell Quarry at a salary of to per week, and for the hiring of power to drive stone breaking machinery, were agreed to

in "The Echo" as the appointment was in the far north of the bounty, and applicants for the position of foreman might possibly not see such an advertisement in "The bounty westford Independent".

"The above report was agreed to on the motion of

Hereman. Jara Hill Quarry.

applications for the position of Foreman of Jara

Applications for the position of Foreman of Jara Hill Quarry at &1 per week were read from the following.

John Lannen, Camblin, New Ross.
Bernard Connors, Moneygarrow, Castletown
John Higgins, upper Island, Graanford
John Maughter, Lineuragh, Inch.
Thomas Redmond, Jarahill, Gorey
John Davis, Moneygarrow, Castletown

Bryan magure, bronellard, Iarahill, Gorey.

A poll was taken with the following result.

For Lannen: Messes Donohol, Browne, Hore, Ennis,
Peacocke, James boad, J. A. Doyle, bummins, m. boad, HickeyFor Higgins: Messes J. Bolger, Murphy, Kehoe John Simnett
Dempsey, matthew Doyle, Kavanagh, and J. Bolger. - 8.

For maguire: Messes Kinsella and the Chairman -- 2.

The latter having dropped out, a vote was taken as
between Lannen, and Higgins, with the following result

For Lanner: - mesers Donohoe, Browne, Hove, Ennis, Peacocke, J. bodd, J. A. Doyle, bummins, m. bodd, w. Hickey and the Chairman. - - 11.

For Higgins: - mesers Kinsella, J. Bolger, Murphy, Kehoe, John Sinnott, Dempsey, W. Doyle, Kavanagh, & J. Bolger. - 9. "The Chairman diclared Lannen elected, and it was decided that he should begin duty on 1st july."

The question of security was, on the motion of the Chairm left to the County Surveyor, and the Secretary. The successful Candidate was recommended by John whitty, road contractor, Camblin, who stated that Lanner had been in charge of his quarry, and stone

breaking machinery at Ballykelly, NewRoss, for the past nine years, during which time he had given every satisfaction. He could strongly recommend fannen for

Istimonials as to character etc., on behalf of Lannen were read from banon Furlong, bushinstown, Rev D. Hore El. Serrerath, and M. andrew bullen, Builder, NewRoss.

Power to drive machinery at Jara Hell.

S. B. Weldon, Linziestown, Tomhaggard; tendered to supply a 6. H.P. Traction Engine to drive machinery at Tarastill, and to supply coal, oil, etc., at \$1: 5/2 per working day of nine hours; and a 7 Ht engine for E 1: 7: 6, per day James Gahan, Auarry, Ferns; tendered at 1: 7/= perday. but did not specify A.P.

Steacy Bros moneycross, Gorey tendered at £ 1:4/=, but did not specify A.P.

alfred Haughton, Rockspring, Ferns; tendered at £ 1:4:6, for a 7 HP. engine, per day. "on the motion of the Chairman, mr. Haughton's tender was accepted."

was accepted.

- Workmen's Compensation act. -The following recommendation of the Finance Committee was agreed to, on the motion of the bhairman. That the County Council advertise for a general

policy of insurance to be entered into under the new workmens bompensation act, to cover the persons named in the list submitted by m. Elger, Solicitor.

The following is the list referred to:

1. Patrick Donohoe accountant. 2. Claude H. Richards assistant

3. W. H. Jones

4. John Kehoe

5. Robert Brennan

6. Thomas. g. Ryan

7. Thomas Paddle

8. Richard Malone

9. 10. g. Doyle

10. arthur Bolbyn

11. George Newson

12. James malone

13. F. W. Laylor

15. Patrick Stapleton

16. mm Richards

Assistant Surveyors.

reterinary Inspectors

14. Edward O'Flaherty Harbour Master, Kilmore. D? Courtown

Court House Keeper

17. J. Valentine, bourt House, Keeper.

18. S. Lacey. Do 50.

19. wm Fretton. Do Do

20. Inspectors of Sheep Dipping.

y. Rate bollectors.

Casuals.

22. Dr. Hadden

23. School attendance officers

24. The Coroners.

She following letter was read from mr. oliver, m. Inst., b. E. Engineer to the Department of agriculture & Iechnical Instruction:

I am directed to submit the following statement to your

Council regarding Poulduff Pier.

when this work was bling designed two independent surveys showed the formation of the sea bed to consist of first a layer of sand, then one of marl, and, under this, a hard layer, either rock, or more probably shingle under the circumstances this latter appeared to provide an admirable foundation, and the pier was designed to stand on it

It has been found however, that at a point some so feet from the proposed end of the work, that formation no longer exists there being nothing but loose sand overlying shelving rock to a dopth which at the pier head will probably be 8 feet below the designed foundations.

To complete the pier as designed would therefore involve considerably greater risk in maintenance than was contemplated and would cost at least an additional

£1,300.

This additional expenditure the Department do not consider advisable.

They propose accordingly to shorten the pier by 32 feet which in view of the fact that the tendency to scour rather than to silt up which is shown about the pier will probably result in a greater depth of water than was anticipated, will not materially interfere with its utility.

The pur thus shortened will cost at the prices under which the contractor is working less than the total contract price by £ 100.

The Department propose to utilise this sum incarrying out the small works which have been asked for by the

fishermen, by:(1) - To build a wall across the angle between the old and new work forming a new quay face, covering the ridge of rocks, which now forms a danger to boats;
(3):- raising the parapet at the same place; and

3)- concreting the surface of the old pier to form a

net platform near its end.

To do what the fishermen ask will cost at contract prices about \$ 105, but the contractor is willing to include

it in the adjusted contract.

I certain number of concrete blocks for the purwell be left over from the shortened work, and these it is proposed to use to form a shoring course at the back of the work abready completed along which a dangerous

tendency to scour has been observed.

As regards the unsatisfactory result of the surveys it seems probable that they were correct when made, but that the whole seabed was swept clear by the great storm of 1905, down to bed rock, and afterwards filled in with sand. Borings were actually taken precisely on the site of the works."

In reference to Courtown Harbour the following letter

No. 1699/07. F. B. was read from the Department:

"The Department have had again under consideration the case of Courtown Harbour, and they would be glad if you would be good enough to submit the following observations on the subject to the westford County Council at their next meeting.

The Department desire to suggest, for the consideration of the Council, that the absence of any definite scheme for the improvement of the harbour renders attempts at co-operation between all persons interested difficult and unsatisfactory.

The assistance given on more than one occasion by the Department could, in the circumstances in which application was made to them, afford only temporary relief, and exchenditive incurred at bourtown under such conditions cannot be productive of permanent benefit. The Department would suggest that some definite schemes should be put forward for the permanent improvement of the harbour, and for this purpose they believe that it would be useful if a conference could be arranged between persons locally interested, so that it might be made clear what improvements are considered to be essential and what amount of local aid would be forthcoming to carry them out if considered desirable the Department would be prepared to assist at such a conference.

It is, however, to be borne in mind that almost all the Department's funds are hypothicated, and, therefore, it is hoped that your bouncil will not interpret this letter as conveying an intimation that the Department are at present prepared to give substantial financial aid in the execution of any scheme that may be formulated. It is rather the object of the Department to avoid the expenditure of money on steps in the nature of temporary exceedients, such, for instance, as the dredging of the

entrance to the Harbour."

On the motion of the Chairman, the following

resolution was adopted: -

"That Messes John Bolger, I bummins, N. b. Murphy, M. A. Ennis, a Kinsella, and Sir Thomas Esmonder, be appointed a bommittee with Mr. Webster, and mr. Dliver, Engineer to the Department of agriculture etc, to meet at bourtown Harbour on Wednesday, 12th inst, at 11. 30 a.m., to consider the advisability of arranging for a bonference in connection with bourtown Harbour, and then proceeding to Poulduff to consider the propose of the Department to shorten the proposed pier at loudsuff by 32 feet."

The Secretary was instructed to attend.

- brane at arthurstown Pier .-

m. Webster, bounty Surveyor mentioned that he had received an application from m. R. E. mellon, Builder 62 9 63 Brighton Square, Rathgar, Dublin; for permission to weet a temporary crane at arthurstown Pier, in

connection with building operations for Lord Templemore at Dunbrody The brane would be in use for about len months."

"On the notion of the Chairman the request of me mellon was acceded to."

- Dredging of Harbows of arthurstown & Duncannon! - a number of letters were read from the Board of Works,

relative to the hire of their dredger Sizyphus."

In a letter of the 14th may (10 5060), the Board in ruply to a resolution of the bounty bounced, pointed out that the dredging at these Harbours had been carried out under the instruction and supervision of the bounty bouncil officers. The dredger was under an engagement to proceed to the north of Ireland as soon as she had finished her work at Passage bast, and for that reason the Board were not in a position to here her to Westford be bouncil at present."

under date 27th May (No. 5436) the Board of Works wrote, that the dredger would be required for a week or ten days longer at Passage East. She could then be placed at the disposal of the Westford County Council, after an agreement embodying the terms as to hiring and insurance similar to those previously agreed to, had been escented by the Council."

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"under late 30th may 1907, (Letter NO. 5436) the Board of works forwarded agreement for him of dreager for escecution by the bounty bouncil, also form of resolution as to affiscing the seal of the bouncil.

The agreement provided for the hire of dreager for one month.

under date 30th may 1904, the following letter was read from mr. J. allingham, Secretary of the waterford warbour Board:

"bapt Hugh Iddon, master of the schooner "Kate" of

Barrow, which recently discharged at arthurstown, writes that his vissel strained while in buth there, and that hi has notified his underwriters with a view to claiming damages.

On inquiry I am informed that your be bouncil caused some dredging to be done at arthurstown (as also at Duncannon) and that the damage to the Kati-if any-was due to the berth being only partially

dredged and not properly finished.

bouncil acted quite ultra vires in having any dredging done at either of these places, as only the structure of the piers is visted in your bouncil, and my Board are the proper and sole authority to carry out such dredging or similar work as they may deem decirable. I have accordingly written to bapt Iddon repudiating all liability on the part of my Board, and I am directed to notify that they will hold your bouncil responsible to them for any liability that may arise by reason of the unauthorised dredging above referred to

The Secretary said he had furnished a copy of this letter to Mr. R. w Elger, Solicitor to the Council, and asking

him to deal with the matter.

writing the Secretary to the waterford Harlow bommissconers, relative to communication from him

Having regard to the correspondence which had passed
between the Secretary of the bounty bouncil, and

M. allingham from time to time on the subject of
arthurstown and other Harbowrs, it seemed rather a

strange kind of letter for M. allingham to write."

Mr. Elgu said he received the following letter from Mr. I allingham, Secretary waterford Harbour Commissioners. Replying to your letter of the 3rd instant, my Commissioners regret that you do not understand the position in regard to the piers at arthurstown and Duncannon, which I indeavoured to explain in my letter to Mr. Frigelle.

The intire water space below H. w mark, inside Hook lower on the eastern side, and Swing Head on the western side, forms the port of waterford (with a dividing line at the mouth of the Barrow marking the respectibe limits of the ports of waterford and of New

Ross) for which my bommissioners are the sole administrative authority. The are bound to collect rates, dues, and charges from all vissels plying to or from the said port, and to expend the monies thus collected on the ports maintenance and improvement, as they may deem desirable.

It is not correct to say, as stated in your letter, that the bommissioners repudiate any liability in regard to arthurstown, Duncannon, or Ballyhack, but they do not consider that it is part of their duty to provide accommodation for fishermen, which was what your bouncil asked them to do. They are not disposed to dreage either at arthurstown or Runcannon; - first because these places are abready reasonably efficient for the small volume of traffic frequenting them; and secondly: because the dreaging to be effective would have to be constantly repeated, both places being piculiarly liable to silt.

If however, your bouncil desire to have arthurstown and Duncannon dredged, and are prepared to pay the cost of same, the bommissioners will have the work properly executed, which unfortunately does not seen to have been the case with the recent dredging

at arthurstown.

They only learned when the master of the schooner "Kate" complained of having strained his vessel in her discharging buth at arthurstown that your bo bouncil had executed some areaging there, and as the straining (if any) was caused by some unevenness of the birth resulting from partial dreaging, they have no other recourse than to notify your bouncil that the responsibility in the matter rests with them. They trust that with this eschlanation you will understand the matter, and that you will see that the interference of unauthorised bodies (even with the best intentions) in matters outside their jurisdiction would only lead to confusion and possible regrettable litigation"

left the bhair, which was taken by mr. Ennis)

on the motion of the Chairman, the following resolution was adopted:

"That M? Elger be directed to lay the correspondence which has taken place on behalf of the westford bo.

Council, and the Sicretary of the waterford Harbour bommissioners with a full statement of affairs, before boursel, with a view of ascertaining the position of Westford County Council as to Harbours of arthurstown and Duncannon, and their ligal rights in respect to same."

"On the motion of the Chairman the following resolution was adopted - "That our Secretary inform the Secretary of the Board of works, this to bouncil, in view of correspondence with the Secretary of the waterford Harbour Commissioners, must defer taking action as to imployment of the dredger Tisyphus" until mr Elgie, lays before us the opinion of Counsel as regards the position of this Council in relation to Duncannon and arthurstown Harbours."

On the motion of the Chairman, seconded by me murphy, the following resolution was adopted:
"That our Secretary be granted three weeks holidays to be taken as convenient, and that the Secretary make the necessary arrangements for the holidays of the Chrical Staff."

application was received from W. alfred D. Delap Risident Engineer, Fishquard & Rosslare Railways & Harbows bo, for licence for powder magazine, which was licensed while the construction of Railway and pier works were in progress.

In riply to the Secretary of the bo bouncilm. P. b. Power, bounty Inspector, R. J. b., whole that the police had no objection to the application being granted.

"on the motion of m. murphy, seconded by mr. Kehow, it was decided that should be issued to me Dilap on belief of the Gt Southern's westernikailway bo."

mr. on F. Kelly, District Inspector, R. S. b., wiseford wrote asking that bonstable R. white be appointed Inspector of Food & Drugs for the Govey Petty Sessions District.

"on the motion of m" murphy, seconded by m. Kehoë, it was decided that bonstable white be appointed for officio Inspector for Gorey District"

- Compulsory Sheep Dipping Orderunder date 11th may (letter No. 2539 & B.) this Department
of agriculture, etc., wrote approving of the arrangement
made by the County Council appointing the following to
act as inspectors under the Sheep Dipping (Ireland) Order
for eleven weeks, with remineration at the rate of fil
per week, each-

Randal McDonald, Sinnahask Oylegate. Aidan Leary, Ballyhought, Blackwater William Stafford, Ballyboker, Somhaggard James J. Shortall, Knockroe, NewRoss.

murked "Read."

- Irish be bouncils General Council. —
The following Circular letter from m. a Keogh nolan Secretary Irish be bouncils General Council, was submitted to the meeting:

special meeting of the General Council, for a date early in June, to consider the report of the Committee appointed by the Council on the 18th ult, in relation to the effects on local tascation of the loss on flotation of Land Stock and other charges in connection therewith arising under financial provisions of the Land act of 1903

as the matter is of vital importance it is earnistly hoped that all delegates to the bentral bouncil will be in attendance. It would be very advisable should your

bouncil meet in the meantime, that it would discuss this

The special meeting of the bentral bouncil will also have under consideration a report of the bonference on the subject of the prevention of Inbereulosis between the Local Government Board and representatives of the General bouncil. It would be well if this subject could also be discussed by your bouncil.

"M' Ennis proposed the following resolution, which was seconded by m' How - We note with satisfaction that a meeting of the Irish bounty bouncils General Council has been summoned for Friday neset to consider the vitally

important question of Land act Finance We request our representatives on the General Council to attend the meeting and to wrap the Council to endeavour by every legitimate means in their power to induce the Government to guarantee to relieve Ireland from all liability for losses on flotation of Land Stock and Banking and Stockbroking expenses in connection therewith."

Mrowne moved: "That the following words be added to the resolution, - and we point out to the Government that be effecting the economies that were promised when the Land act of 1903 was introduced that icularly the great economy that could be effected by the reasonable reduction of the police the Development Grant can be sufficiently strengthened to allow the work of Land Purchase to proceed." Mr. M. Doyle seconded on a show of hands there voted for the amendment. "Messrs Browne, and M. Doyle - 2

and for the resolution: Messes murphy, Hore, Kehol boad, Reacocke, and the Chairman. -- 6. The other members of the Council had left. The Chairman declared the resolution carried.

The remainder of the business was adjourned to meeting to be held on 26th june.

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meeting - 26 th June 1907.

A meeting of the bounty bouncil, was held in the bouncil bhamber, bourthouse, westford; on 26th June 1907.

Present: M. M. A. Ennis, vice-Chairman (presiding) Other members present: mesers John Cummins, N. E. Murphy, E. Hore, J. J. Kehoe, M. Browne, C. H. Peacocke, M. Hickey, James Donohoe, James Codd, J. asple, James Linnott, and M. Doyle.

The Secretary; m. R. w. Elger, Solicitor; and the bo. Surveyor, were in attendance.

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

Proposed by M. Peacocke, seconded by M. Kehov, and passia: "That we agree to revisions of valuation being carried out in the lists submitted to us. with reference to No. 1725 (Newtownbarry E. D. Jownland of blohamon. O.S. 9 - 8.E. Henry Lewis, Occupier, walter Sweetman, Imm Lesson, valuation £ 77 of) in view of the fact that an attempt is being made to reopen this factory which would mean the re-establishment of an industry in the locality and the payment of rates to the bounty bouncil; We request the bommissioner of valuation to put as low a valuation as he possibly can on the premises."

Junders for a policy of insurance to cover policy of insurance for £3,300 in connection with the insurance of Officers of the bounty bouncil under the Workmen's Compensation act 1906 were received as follows:

Patriotic £10: 10: 9, Sun £10: 10: 9; North British & Murcantile £12: 3: 3., General accident £12: 7: 6, and £13: 15/ (from date of accident) atlas £19. Royal £15: 19: 6, and £17: 3: 6, (from date of accident) haw accident £18: 11: 10, and £19: 19: 10: (from date of accident) Rock £11: 7: 1, yorkshire £12: 11: 6, and £18: 10: 4

from date of accident), Ocean £18: 9/=.

on the motion of m. Peacocke, seconded by m! Kehoe

the following resolution was adopted:

That we accept the tender of the Patriotic assurance 60, at & 10:10:9, for a policy under the workmen's beompensation act 1906, of £ 3,300, provided that the policy be effected through m. N. Kehoe, local agent, and on condition that the policy is first submitted to the Secretary of the Council, for the approval of the Council's Solicitor."

on the motion of the Chairman the following resolution was adopted:

That John Lannon, foreman Tarastill Quarry, entire into personal security for Evos, and that our Solicitor be instructed to prepare bond. That we approve of the names of M. John whithy bamblin, and m. Philip

Kelly, bamblin, as sureties."

"On the motion of the Chairman, the following resolution was adopted - "That the sum of £50 be advanced from the Subsidiary afe to the foreman of Tarastill Quarry, when he has signed his bond, to enable him to pay wages, etc., for a month. That his accounts be escamined by the Finance Committee every month, and payments made on the bertificate of the Country Surveyor."

resolution was adopted: "That in addition to foreman the following be imployed to work Lara Hill Ruarry, tabourers to look after loading, unloading, and feeding stone breaking machine at 14 per week; "A quarry men at 17/2 per week; and 2 houses and carts at 30/2 per week." "On the motion of M? Peacocke, seconded by M. Kehoc the following risolution was adopted: "That the Finance bommittee be impowered to direct the foreman at Lara Hill Quarry to imploy any extra labour that he may find necessary, and what the Finance bommittee report to the next meeting of the bouncil any steps which they have taken on this resolution."

"on the motion of the Chairman the following resolute was adopted: "That stones be sold to Road Contractors

from Jara Hell Quarry at of per cubic yard for a period of sisc months from the opening of the quarry and that the question of nevering the price be considered by the

bounced after the experation of six months.

On the motion of M. Donohoi; seconded by M. Rehoe, the following resolution was adopted: "That we approve of the system of accounts for the working of Tarastill Quarry as submitted by the County Surveyor, and County Secretary." On the motion of M. Donohoe, seconded by mr. Kehoe, the following resolution was adopted: - That the les. Surveyor be directed, after receiving letters from bontractors that they desire to procure stones from Lara Hell Guarry, and are satisfied that the cost should be deducted from their payments, to issue orders to the foreman to supply stones to these contractors and that the bounty Surveyor certify on Form 22. for these diductions to be paid the guarry fund.

Gorey School attendance Committee "under date 4th June of the Secretary to the bommissioners of National Education wrote that the period of service of Sovey Kural District School attendance Committee would eschire on 31st august, and asking the bounty bounced as the local authority to appoint five representalives on the Committee; particulars to be forwarded to them before 31th July."

my John Sinnott, County Councillor, wrote asking that the appointments in question should not be made for the present, as a notice of motion would be considered at sorry Kural District Council on 13" July to discontinue the act, owing to the inadequacy of the

law to enable it to effect its object.

On the motion of m. Browne, seconded by m. Kehor, the following resolution was adopted: That the question of the appointment of representatives of the les. bouncel on the Gorey Rural District School attendance Committee be postponed, pending the decision of the sony Rural District bouncil on notice of motion to discontinue the That the blerks of the Enniscorthy and new Ross Rural District Councils be requested, prior to the period of termination of office of School Attendance Committees, in their districts, to take the opinion of the District

Conneils, as to whether the act should continue to be enforced."

Dogs Act.—
A communication was received from the Registrar of Petty Sessions blerks Office, that £ 487: 4:8, had been paid over to the Ireasurer of the westford bo bouncel, as the proportion of surplus moneys arising from the sale of licenses under the dogs Regulations Ireland) act 1868, due to westford bounty bouncil."

- Enniscouthy R. D. School attendance Committee —
The Secretary to the Commissioners of National Education
who wrote under date 6th gune, that they had appointed
the following as their representatives on the Enniscorthy Rural District School attendance Committee:
Rev A. Forrestal, C. C. Blackwater.
Rev Canon Gibson, M. A. Ferns
Rev W. R. B. Fry, M. A. Newtownbarry
Very Rev Canon Sheel, 1. P., Bree, Enniscorthy
Rev N. Mernagh, C. C., Marshalstown.

- New Ross R. D. School Attendance Committee — W. P. A. Pope, bluck New Ross District Council work, that M. Edward Nevil had resigned as a member of New Ross School Attendance Committee, and the District Council recommended that M. J. J. O'Byrne, bushinstown Ballinaboola, should be appointed in his place "On the motion of the Chairman the name of M. John J. O'Byrne, bushinstown, Ballinaboola; was added as representative of the County Council on New Ross Rural District School attendance Committee, vice M. E. Nevill, Baummore, New Ross, resigned."

The following letter was read from mr John Pierce St magdalen's weseford; under date 20th June of acknowledging vote of condolines passed with him and his listers on the demise of his brother, the late mr martin Pierce, head of the firm of messes Philip Pierce ols, millroad from works, weseford.

"I beg to thank your bounty bouncil for their kind vote of sympathy on the occasion of the death of my

brother.

my sisters desire me also to express their grateful acknowledgements, which please kindly ask them to accept "

"on the motion of the Chairman, the foregoing letter was ordered to be inserted on the minutes."

- Courtown & Poulduff Harbours. —
The Committee appointed at last bounty bouncil
meeting to visit Courtown and Poulduff Harbours presented

a long report.

As regards Courtown Harbour, the Committee made the

following recommendations:

"The Committee desire to point out that any extension of the present piers would involve such a large exchendature as the County Council could not possibly undertake in the absence of a marine works act

They made suggestions with regard to improved methods of dredging the harbour and of sluicing, which the fishermen are to consider and communicate their views

upon, to the bounty bouncil.

In view of the very strong feeling in favour of the extension of the pier, a felling in which your bommittee thoroughly concur, we are of opinion that the pier should be extended as far as possible and in view of the extremely satisfactory nature of the work which has been accomplished, and for the purpose of deriving the utmost benefit possible from the money which has been already expended, we are of opinion that the bounty bouncil might well contribute a further small sum towards Poulduff, provided the Department of agriculture & Dechnical Instruction also make a contribution.

We are confident from what we have seen that

Poulduff will be a success."

under date 16th June 1907, the following resolutions

were received from the Fishermen of bowltown:-

"That while thankfully accepting a dredger for keeping the bar at bourtown clear, or any other scheme which the bounty bouncil may be pleased to adopt; we are of opinion that there are so many difficulties in the © WEXFORD COUNTY COUNCIL ARCHIVES

way of successfully working the dredger that we could not undertake the responsibility of working it ourselves

for incidental expenses of working same-such as coal, oil, etc., There is also the difficulty of skilled labour, which with certainty, could not be relied on

when required.

The fishermen would like to receive some further suggestions from the bounty bouncil, as to whether the local men who might be engaged on the dreager would be paid by the bounty bouncil for their labour as it might possibly happen that they would be engaged on other labour at the time.

They are also agraid of damaging the bouncil's

property, be want of skill etc.

They are quite prepared to give their services freely at all times for the erection, shifting, or taking down of such an engine"

mr. Ennis read the following letter under date 24th june '07 from Sir Thomas Esmonde, Bart., m. P.

Chairman of the Council:

"I am still confined to the house with a very troublesome attack of something like influence— the result of Poulduff exchedition— and I may not be able to attend the bo bounced meeting on wednesday in consequence— This is therefore to give you my views on the questions of bourtown, Poulduff, etc.

With regard to bourtown:

The stationary dredger will cost the bounty £1,000; supposing that the Department agrees to pay the other half. It will cost the bounty in addition from £50 to £100 a

year to maintain and work it.

I do not consider that expenditure justifiable.

I go a step further and consider the question of a areaging vessel for the use of the bounty.

This dredging vessel will cost & 3,000 and in addition to that the bounty would have to pay &1,000 a year at least for its upkey and maintenance.

This with interest on the purchase money would mean £1,150 per annum, besides our liability under the act of last year for insurance etc., of our imployees.

The question therefore is; could we not get better value

for our money under another plan?

Sovernment would return us some of our own money in the shape of a marine works act. But as the Government will do nothing for us in this direction, we must look to ourselves if our fisheries are not to be allowed to die out.

We know that it will cost \$10,000 to make a permanent job at bourtown- and \$5,000 to make a permanent job at Blackwater.

We should find out by careful calculation what it will cost to permanently improve Fethard, barne, blade, and any other places that may require improving - and when we have ascertained the total amount required - we should consider the question of raising a bounty loan by the issue of bounty stock.

I daresay we could raise \$50,000 for \$2,000 a year or for \$2,500 a year-with a sinking fund- if the subject was taken up by the General Council of the high County Councils; and the matter was started on the basis of co-operation between the various bo Councils.

This is the only plan I can suggest for dealing with the difficulty As the Government will not help us we must help ourselves, if anything is ever to be done.

with regard to Pouldiff:

We have made such an excellent beginning at that place, and the case there is so promising, that it would be a great pity if we did not finish it as for as we reasonably can

I would therefore strongly urge the bouncil to advance another £ 150 towards the completion of the work, according to the altered plan suggested to us the other day, and as to which the Poulduff fishermen are so anscious.

I think I am safe in promising the co-operation

of the Department in the matter.

Finally I wish to draw the attention of the bounty bounced to the Government's proposed Navigation works (Irelana) Bill

This Bill, which is all we can get from them by way of a marine works Bill, merely chables us to tase

ourselves, under certain restrictions, for the execution of marine works.

It provides no money. It does not even help us towards the issue of bounty Stock. I consider it quite worthless.

But blause 1, the main clause of the Bill, contains a provision to which I am sure the bo bounced of westford will strongly object, biz - a provision that all works under this Bill must be carried out by the Board of works, and subject to their supervision

This clause in my opinion will block the operations of the bongested Districts Board, and of the Department of agriculture quite apart from the other consideration I have mentioned; and I would therefore be glad to have the views of the be bounced upon it.

The Bill is down for 2nd reading, and if any action is to be taken upon it in Parliament there is no time to lose."

In connection with Courtown Harbour the following resolution was adopted on the motion of the Chairman: "That pending the discussion of the Ravigation works (Ireland) Bill in the House of Commons the report of the Committee re Courtown Harbour be postponed, and that me webster submit at neset meeting of the Council the probable cost of an additional pair of gates at the harbour so as to form a "lock" there; and that he also make inquiries as to the cost of sand pump on the pier."

Relative to Poulduff, the following resolution was adopted on the motion of mr. Peacocke, seconded by mr. Kehoe:

Instruction, undertake to complete the work at Poulau Harbour to a total length of 110 feet (17 feet less than originally proposed) on the lines of the exciting plan, this bouncil, taking into consideration the fact that the work to the present gives promise of providing a satisfactory harbour, are prepared to contribute a sum of \$150 towards the completion of the extension of the lir to 110 feet in order to place the fishermen of Poulauff in a position to earn a livelihood. We consider that any blocks not required for the extension

of the pier should be utilised for the protection of the back of the seawall already erected."

Navigation Works (Ireland) Bill—
on the motion of the Chairman, seconded by me.
Peacocke the following resolution was adopted:"We regard the Irish Navigation works (Ireland) Bill introduced in the House of Commons, by the attorney General and the Chief Secretary for Ireland, as a highly retrograde measure, calculated to rob County Councils of the limited amount of control over the scheduled Piers and Harbours in their respective areas which

was provided for them by the Local Government act 1898, and to place the expenditure of the ratepayers'

money contributed to aid the fishing industry in the absolute control of a bastle Department which past bitter experience has taught us, carries out its work

in an isetravagant and inefficient manner.

In our opinion, subject to an initial inquiry by the Local Government Board, as to the propriety of the expenditure the control of the ratepayers money voted for marine purposes should rest with the bounty bouncil, and in the event of a Government bontribution in aid of the work, in the joint control of the bo bouncil, and of the Department of agriculture of Dechnical Instruction in Ireland-Isheriis Branch. and we call upon the Irish farliamentary Party to oppose the passage of this Bill by every means in their power

Coplis of this Resolution to be forwarded mr. John E. Redmond, m. P. Sir Thomas Esmonde Bart., m. P. mr. Peter I french m. P. mr. I. w. Rusself m. P. Wie President, Separtment of Agriculture & Lichnical Instruction for Ireland; the Chief Secretary for Ireland, the attorney General for Ireland; the Country Councils, and the

Such members of Parliament"

Duncannon 9 Arthurstown Harbours.

with reference to resolution adopted by the bo. Council, directing m. Elgee, Solicitor to obtain Councel's opinion relative to the County Council's rights re Duncannonland archivestown Harbours. M. Elgee now submitted opinion

of m. J. F. moloney K. b.:-Counsel's Opinion-arthurstown & Duncannon Harbours. The result in my opinion is that the bounty bouncil can provide two thirds of the expense of deepening the river alongside the guay, but they are not authorized under the Statute to place the entere eschense on the bounty. I have hitherto considered the question apart from the rights of the waterford Harbour Commissioners, and the question arises as to whether the Commissioners have under their special acts any power to prevent the bounty bouncil from escencising the Statutory powers conferred on the County Council by the Grand Jury acts 1836 9 1853; the Local Government (Ireland) act 1898; and the adaptation of Irish Enactments Order. The waterford Harbour Commissioners were incorporated under the gth and 10th vic. c 292. Section 52 defines the limits of the harbour and it appears that the river both at Duncannon and arthurstown are within such Under Section 53 the Commissioners were authorized to maintain and preserve, and from time to time to deepen cleanse and otherwise improve the said Port, and by Section of the waterford and New Ross Harbour act 1874 it is provided that the term "Improvement of the Port" in the act go 10 vie c 292 shall include amongst other "the dredging protecting and otherwise depening or improving the channels or banks for the time being". act of 1846 contains special provisions as to the levying of rates, and Section of provides that the whole of the said rates shall be applied to the maintenance and improvement of the Poit in such manner as the bommissioners may appoint and determine. It is clear that the Harbour Commissioners must devote the whole of the rates to the maintenance and improvement of the Port, and the improvement of the Port includes dredging. Consequently the Commissioners are anthoused and impowered by statute to dreage the piers of arthurstown and Duncannon. The effect, however, of the Commissioners having power to do the dreaging is not sufficient to prevent the bounty bouncil from exercising their statutory power, and the 31st section

of the waterford Harbour act, 1846 specially provides that nothing in the said act shall extend or be construed to extend to prejudice or derogate from any rights, interests privileges or authority of (inter alia) any body politic or

The result is (1) that the bounty bounced may deepen the river but cannot contribute for that purpose more than 33 m of the expense, (3) in the exercise of such powers the waterford Harbour Commissioners cannot restrain them, (3) the Waterford Harbour Commissioners may themselves dredge the river, but as they have a discretion under section 69 as to the mode in which they are to apply their income for the improvement of the Harbour of waterford they cannot be compelled to eschend the money in any particular work. The entire expense of the maintenance of the piers and quays must be borne by the bounty at Large as being a public work.

Nothing further occurs to me. Thomas. F. maloney.

85 Fitzwilliam Place. Dublin. 23rd june/1907.

under date 23rd june, mr. moloney wrote:-I have been thinking as to what is the best thing for the bounty bouncil to do in reference to the unfinished dredging operations. It isimpossible to leave dredging half done, where it may be a source of danger. on the other hand the bounty bouncel cannot legally pay more than two-thirds of the cost. The Harbour Commissioners may pay the entire cost. The best way out of the difficulty, I think, would be for an arrangement to be come to with the Harbour Commissioners to complete the dredging opposite the pier with their dredger, and for the bo bouncil to pay them a proportion of the cost not exceeding two-thirds. This would be a legal arrangement for both parties to come to A limit should of course be placed on the eschenditure, as it would not do to give the Harbour bommissioners a free hand as to eschenditure."

on the motion of the Chairman the following resolution was adopted: - That our Secretary communicate with the waterford Harbour Commissioners, and ask them if they are prepared to send their own dredger to complete the dredging at arthurstown, the westford bounty bouncil to pay two-thirds of the cost, and the total cost not to esceed \$ 150. That the reply of the waterford Harbour Commissioners be brought before the Finance Committee at their next muting, and we hereby authorise the Finance bommettee to take the necessary steps to carry out the resolution of the bouncil.

Road Contracts.

under date 13th June 1907, the following letter (10.24274)

was read from the Local Government Board:

The Local Government Board for Ireland, have had before them your letter of the 7th instant, also the minutes of Proceedings of the Westford Country Council of the 7th ultimo and the 19th april last, relative to the proposals to make extra payments to james Bolgir and Joseph bullen, Road bontractors, in the Gordy and Chniscorthy Kural Districts, respectively, on account of errors in the specifications of their contracts.

In this connection, I am directed to state that the Board have recently taken legal advice, generally on the subject of payments to contractors, and particularly as to whether the price per perch or the lump sum named in a tender, forms the basis of the contract, and they are of opinion that, having regard to the terms of article 17 (1) (a) of the Local Government (Procedure of Councils) Order, 1899, as amended, (which order has the force and effect of an act of Parliament) the lump sum named in the tender for the performance of the work is the sum that governs the payment which is to be made under a road maintenance contract, whatever the number of perches comprised in the contract may be in fact, and whether the number of perches was stated at all or was incorrectly stated in the specification or tender, and whether or not the price per perch was mentioned in the tender.

of the extra payments referred to, and they consider that © WEXFORD COUNTY COUNCIL ARCHIVES

the bouncil, who must act on their own responsibility in the matter, should be guided by their legal advises

as to the action they may take.

I am to add that it is open to the bouncel, if they see fit, to cancel the contracts in question with a view to having the works tendered for a fresh on

the amended specifications"

on the motion of the Chairman the following resolution was adopted: That a copy of the letter of the Local Government Board be furnished misses James Bolger, and Joseph bullen, Road Contractors, and that they be informed that as the Local Government Board have refused to sanction the extra payments in their cases the bounty bouncel cannot, in view of the possibility of a surcharge by the Local Government auditor, see their way to have exetra payments made.

Guarry at Ballyfad. with reference to the resolution of the bo bouncil asking that the Commissioners of woods & Forestoshould allow road contractors to work a quarry at Ballyfad wood, Samolin, the following letter was read from the Secretary of the Guit Kent Office, 3 Lower Onmond

Guay, Dublin, under date 28th may:

"With reference to your letters of the 8th, 11th, and 24th instant, hirem I beg to state that there are two modern tounlands of Gorteen, - namely- upper and Lower, both of which were sold under the Land Purchase acts in the matter of the estate of Sir G. F. Brooke, Record No. 6. 6. 98, the Commissioners of woods have no interest therein, and it would seem that your application should be addressed to the Secretary to the Estate Commissioners, Merrion Street, Dublin.

The Secretary stated he had ascertained that the Estate Commissioners had sold the wood in question to the Department of agriculture & Sechnical Instruction, and he had written the Secretary of the Department bounced in the matter.

under date 7th June the Department of Agriculture of Dechnical Instruction, wrote (Letter Nº 10162-07) as follows:

"adverting to your letter of the 29th ultimo, I have to state that the Department are not prepared to allow contractors to obtain road material from the quarry situated on the Department's property at Ballyfad.

the proper utilisation of the woods for the Departments purposes. It is understood that the arklow quarries are within convenient distance for road contractors in the north of bounty weseford."

"On the motion of the Chairman it was decided that a copy of the letter of the Department of agriculture and Iechnical Instruction be forwarded

me John Sinnott, les Councillos."

Sorry Gaelie League & use of Courthouse.—
In connection with a resolution of the Co Council passed at meeting of 7th May, and requesting the High Sheriff (Mt) & Stannard & P. Bricketstown Saghmon) to allow the Gorey Branch of the Gaelic League the use of a room in the Gorey Courthouse, for the purpose of their classes the following letter was read from the High Sheriff under date 7th june of In answer to yours of 6th june, I beg to state that having written to the Chief Secretary, Dublin Castle re Courthouse, the answer came as follows—
Sir,

With reference to your letter of the gth inst, and the enclosed communication from the weseford to bounced, now returned, I am directed by the Lord Lieutenant to inform you that the use of the bourthouse, as between the High Sheriff and the bounty bounced is regulated by section 72 (3) of the Local Government (Irelana) act 1898, the Statute does not appear to contemplate any use outside that for the purposes indicated therein"

on the motion of mr. Hove, seconded by m. Peacocke

the following resolution was adopted:

That in connection with the use of the bourthouses we derive to point out to the bhief Secretary for Ireland, that as bounty bouncils are compelled to pay the rent of bourthouses, and the salaries of bourt-Supers, we consider that where bourthouses are

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required for any purpose having for its object the good of Ireland, the High Sheriff should be empowered to accede to a request by a County Council for the utilization of a bourthouse, so long as said utilization did not in any way interfere with the administration of justice or the truiness of bounty or District Councils.

Newkoss Waterworks. under date 17th may, messes bolfer & Sethin, Solicitors to Newhoss wrban District Council, forwarded notice that this bouncil, in pursuance of powers obtained for the construction of waterworks in NewRoss, intended to enter upon the public roads situate at Ballyleigh Ballybanoque, Ballyanne, macmurrough's Island, mac murroughs, Bawnmore, Healysland, Barretts Park, and Castlemoyle.

The Secretary said he had furnished copy of notice in question to me webster, bounty surveyor.

immediately on its receipt.

"The bounty Surveyor eschlained that the work in question was being carried out under his supervision"

Tethard Harbour.

The County Surveyor explained the plan submitted by the Engineer of the Department of agriculture & Sichnical Instruction, for the improvement of Fethard Harbour at a cost not exceeding £4,000. The plan would provide for a navigable channel, but made no provision for a landing place. It would provide a harbour of refuge but nothing in the nature of a pier, and the up-keep would be very expensive.

resolution was adopted:

"That in view of the introduction of the Navigation works (Ireland) Bill, in the House of Commons, we are obliged to postpone the consideration of the plan for improvement of Fethard Harbour."

Financial Relations Question -Standing Orders having been suspended on the motion of m. Donohoe, seconded by mr. murphy; the following resolution was moved by m! Donohoe, seconded by m! murphy: © WEXFORD COUNTY COUNCIL ARCHIVES

The proposed Irish Council Bill having met with the fate it deserved of unanimous rish contempt and rejection, and regarding it as representing English liberal opinion of the best means of associating the people of Ireland, with the public business of Ireland, we are forced to the conclusion that English Statesmen have no intention of doing justice to the national ideals of the people, and that consequently a home policy calculated to evoke a united demand from all Ireland, of financial justice is one of the best means of saving the Country from the ruin threatened by the continual escodus of the people, and the most likely means of attaining national autonomy. We therefore call on the Chairman of the Irish Party to inaugurate a movement having for its object the uniting of all Ireland, without reference to breed, Politics, or Social Standing, to press forward with vigour and continuity the unanimous demand of Ireland for financial justice, and restitution of some, at least, of the overtascation account du to Ireland, and thereby depriving England of any excuse for further financial plunder, the advantage of which, to her, has been the real bond of the so called Union."

be construed as an attack on the Irish Nationalist Party, an attack to which mr. Donohoe would not lend

The resolution was adopted. M. Hore having left.

M. Donohoe then moved: "And what copies of whis
resolution be forwarded M. John. E. Redmond, M. P., Sir
Thomas Esmonde Bart M. P., M. Peter Ifrench, M. P., and
the bounty bouncils of Ireland."

me bummins as an amendment moved, and me Doyle seconded: "That copies of this resolution be forwarded all trish members of Parliament"

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A show of hands was taken with the result that only the proposer and seconder of the amindment voted for it. The Chairman then put the resolution, which was declared carried.

- Change of date for blosing Rate Collection - which he had given previous notice:-"That the period for closing the Rate bollection of the bounty be altered from 31st march to 30th april, and from 30th September to 3jet October." m. Doyle seconded. Passed. Chairman: of course this is subject to the sanction

Injury to a Gullet. -In reference to correspondence between the bo. Surveyor and mesers Davis Dros, Enniscouthy, relative to injury to a gullet by a traction engine the property of mesers Davis, it was decided on the motion of mr. leacocke, seconded by the Chairman, that the matter be submitted to the District bouncel concerned for their consideration.

- Food & Drugs act.

of the Local Government Board.

on the motion of the Chairman the following recommendation of the Finance Committee, was adopted: That as we find, fowing to the uncertainty of the analysis) sevelal unnecessary prosecutions have taken place under the Good & Drugo act in connection with samples of butter and mitte, we hereby recommend to the Inspectors under that act, that in cases in which they have not a reasonable suspecion of intended fraud or culpable neglect, they should call the attention of the seller to an adverse report of the analyst, and if a fair explanation is given by the seller, they should take a second sample for analysis before usuing a summons. This course has been recommended to the Local authorities, in England and Scotland, by the English Department of agriculture, and the adoption of it here would tend to prevent unnecessary and rescations prosecutions without impairing in anyway thepublic utility of the Food & Drings act.

Analystis Report.

6 ity Laboratory.

17 bastle St. Driblin.

14th may 1907.

Report of Sir Charles Cameron, C. B. m. D., Public analyst, for the County Weseford, on articles submitted to him for analysis during the quarter ended 31st March 1907.

" Articles were received from the Food Inspectors

R.J. C. as follows ...

Strick

Whiskey

Milk

Butter

2

Butter

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bertificate sent to Surgiant Groves, Enniscorthy, for specimen of milk adulturated with at least

25 per cent of water.

There were sisc specimens of butter and one of margarine analysed by directions from the Department of agriculture & Sechnical Instruction for Ireland, upper merrion Street, which were taken up in the bounty westford they were pure.

and one specimen of water were analysed. The arigs were correct. The specimen of water had the follow-

ing composition

Ione imperial gallon contained in grains. Potal solid matters 13.160

Including
albuminoid Ammonia 0.017
Salini ammonia 0.007
Nitric acid 0.790
Chlorine 2.286
Sulphuric acid 2.1618

Egial to balcium Sulphate 3 0000

For the Guardians of Gorey union fifteen drugs were analysed. They were correct.

For the Guardians of Enniscorthy Union, nine drugs, nineteen specimens of tea, and ten of port wine were analysed.

one of the drugs, namely, bompound mischure of Senna was high in gravity and brystalized magnesium Sulpha The teas and port wine were analysed to determine which were best for use in the workhouse.

There were sise fertilizers and two specimens of feeding stuff analysed for the bounty bommittee of agriculture and were up to guaranter.

one specimen of oscide of iron and one of ammonium sulphide were analysed for lown blerk, westford.

on firtilizer was analysed for her w boad St Peter's

College, westford.

For Shillelagh union, which is partly situated in the bounty steseford, three drugs were analysed, They were correct.

Total analyses .. 90. 6. S. Cameron.

Some items on the agenda Paper were deferred owing to the lateness of the hour.

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