

Annual meeting - 12<sup>th</sup> June 1911.

The annual meeting of the Co. Council was held in the Council Chamber, Courthouse, Wexford; on 12<sup>th</sup> June 1911.

Present :- Mr. C. H. Peacocke, (vice chairman) presiding.

Other members :- Messrs Browne, M. Bloney, Michael Doyle Sr., James A. Doyle, J. L. Comond, Richard A. Rice, John S. Hearn, Michael Doyle Jr., A. Kinsella, John O'Connor, David Sinnott, John J. Mayler, Patrick O'Neill, J. J. Stafford, J. Lynch, Patrick Rossiter, M. Hickey, P. J. Fanning, Mark Dodd.

The Secretary, the County Surveyor, and Mr. R. W. Elger, Solicitor to the Council; were also in attendance.

— The late Mr. J. Bolger. —

On the motion of Mr. J. J. Stafford.

Seconded by Mr. O'Neill; the following resolution was adopted :-

"That we offer to the family of our late colleague, Mr. Shaddus Bolger, our deepest sympathy in his demise. By the death of Mr. Bolger, the members of this County Council, have lost a dear personal friend, the public life of our County has been deprived of the services of an unselfish active and capable administrator, and Ireland mourns one of her most loyal and patriotic sons."

That our Secretary forward a copy of this resolution to Mr. Bolger and to Mr. John Bolger."

— Chairmen of Rural District Councils. —

Letters were read from the clerks of the Rural District Councils concerned, that the following



had been appointed chairmen :-  
 James Lynch, Templestowly, - Ennisecorthy District.  
 Patrick Rossiter, Brookfield, Murrinstown - Wexford "  
 Michael Hickey, Garryrichard, Foulkhamills - New Ross "  
 and Mr. P. J. Fanning, Ahullen, Kilanerin, had  
 been appointed as representative for Gorey Rural  
 District Council under section 3 (1) of the Local  
 Government (Ireland) Act.

Co-option.

On the motion of Mr. Fanning, seconded by  
 Mr. Michael Doyle, Sr., the following resolution  
 was adopted :-

"That two members be co-opted on the Co. Council."

"On the motion of Mr. Peacocke, seconded by  
 Mr. Michael Doyle Sr., Mr. James Codd was unanim-  
 mously co-opted a member."

Mr. Fanning proposed, and Mr. <sup>O'Neill</sup> ~~Peacocke~~  
 seconded - "That Lord Stopford be co-opted."

Mr. Kinisella proposed, Mr. James Doyle  
 seconded :- "That Mr. Cornelius Furlong be co-opted."

Mr. Rossiter proposed, Mr. Michael Doyle Jr.  
 seconded :- "That Mr. Gregory Walsh be co-opted."

Mr. Michael Doyle Sr. proposed, Mr. James Lynch  
 seconded :- "That Mr. John Murphy be co-opted."

On a poll being taken the following was the  
 result :-

For Lord Stopford :- Messrs Browne, O'Neill, Hearn,  
 Stafford, Fanning, Sinnott, Camonde. 7.

For Mr. Furlong :- Messrs Kinisella, Hickey, Cloney,  
 and J. A. Doyle. 4.

For Mr. Murphy :- Messrs Lynch, M. Doyle Sr., and



J. J. Mayler. 3.

For Mr. Walsh:- Messrs O'Connor, M. Doyle J.; Rice,  
P. Rositer, Peacocke. - 5.

Mr. Murphy having dropped out a further  
poll was taken as follows:-

For Lord Stopford:- Messrs Browne, O'Neill, Hearn,  
Stafford, Fanning, Sinnott, Emonde. 7.

For Mr. Furlong:- Messrs Kinsella, Hickey, Cloney,  
Mayler, J. A. Doyle. - 5.

For Mr. Walsh:- Messrs O'Connor, M. Doyle J.; Rice,  
Rositer, Peacocke, Lynch, M. Doyle Sr. - 7.

Mr. Furlong having dropped out a final  
poll was taken as follows:-

For Lord Stopford:- Messrs Browne, O'Neill, Hearn,  
Stafford, Hickey, Fanning, Sinnott, Mayler, Emonde,  
J. A. Doyle. - 10.

For Mr. Walsh:- Messrs O'Connor, M. Doyle, J., Rice;  
Kinsella, Rositer, Peacocke, Cloney, Lynch, M.  
Doyle, Sr. - 9.

The chairman declared Lord Stopford elected.

#### — Election of chairman. —

On the motion of Mr. O'Neill, seconded by Mr.  
Kinsella:- "Mr. John Bolger was unanimously  
elected chairman."

#### — Election of vice-chairman. —

On the motion of Mr. Browne, seconded by Mr.  
Fanning:- "Mr. Peacocke was unanimously elected vice-  
chairman."

#### — Proposal committee. —

On the motion of the chairman, seconded by  
Mr. Fanning, the following resolution was adopted:-  
"That the entire council be appointed as a proposal



Committee."

———— Finance Committee ————

On the motion of Mr. Broune, seconded by Mr. Stafford, the following were appointed a Finance Committee:-

Messrs Peacocke, Bloney, James Codd, J. J. Stafford, John Bolger, Patrick O'Neill, Michael Doyle Jr, Mr. Broune, James Lynch, John S. Hearn, Patrick Rossiter, J. Asple, Mr. Hickey, Sir J. Esmonde, John J. Mayler.

———— Haytham Committee ————

Mr. Stafford proposed, and Mr. O'Neill seconded that the following be appointed:- Messrs J. Bolger, Mark Codd, A. Kinsella, C. H. Peacocke, J. Asple, James Codd, Michael Hickey, Michael Doyle Sr., R. J. Fanning, James Lynch, J. L. Esmonde, J. J. Stafford, Mr. Doyle Jr, D. Sinnott, Patrick Rossiter, James Hore, John Sinnott, Rev R. Fitzhenry, Mr. Furlong, and the Mayor of Wexford.

Passed.

———— County Infirmary Committee ————

On the motion of Mr. Broune, seconded by Mr. O'Neill, the following were elected:- Messrs Patrick Bolger, New Ross; John Bolger Enniscorthy, Mayor of Wexford, Administrator of Wexford, Archdeacon Latham, Edmond Hore, Michael Bloney, Lady Maurice Fitzgerald, J. J. Stafford, A. Scallan, Slaney view; W. J. Devereux, Comhaggara, Mr. Jeffries, Very Rev Canon Doyle, James Hore, George Street, Wexford. James Codd, J. L. Esmonde, John J. Kehoe, J. P. Rossiter."

———— Representatives on Co. Councils General Councils ————

On the motion of the Chairman:- Messrs John Bolger, and Mr. A. Ennis were appointed Represent-



atives on Co. Councils General Council."

Co. Committee of Agriculture & Technical Instruction  
On the motion of the Chairman the following  
were appointed on Co. Committee of Agriculture  
& Technical Instruction :-

Messrs C. H. Peacocke, C. W. Lett, John Sinnott, Andrew  
McCann, James Codd, L. Walsh, Patrick O'Neill,  
Michael Doyle, Wm. Thorpe, Edmund Doyle,  
Patrick Fortune, Nicholas Cosgrave, Michael  
Doyle Jr, J. A. Doyle, Michael Goff, Gregory  
Walsh, F. Guilbride, M. Hickey, Philip Creane,  
Lord Stopford, R. G. Wordsworth, M. M. O'Donohue,  
Major Barrett Hamilton, J. J. O'Byrne, John Bolger,  
Mr. Lyons, R. A. Rice, Nicholas Howlett, and  
J. L. Esmonde.

Mr. John Walsh, Late Rate Collector  
Mr. A. Kinsella moved the following notice  
of motion :-

"That in view of the fact that Mr. John  
Walsh, late Rate Collector is physically  
incapacitated from efficiently performing  
his duties as Rate Collector, and of his thirty  
years service in this position, we award  
him a superannuation allowance of £25  
per annum as from 31<sup>st</sup> March 1911."  
Mr. O'Neill seconded. Passed.

#### State Insurance Bill

Mr. Browne moved the following of which he  
had given previous notice :-

"That the report and resolutions of the County  
Councils General Council on the State Insurance  
Bill be adopted by this Council."

The following is a copy of the resolution of  
the General Council, referred to in Mr. Browne's  
motion :-

"That whilst the principle underlying the



provisions of the National Insurance Bill are admirable, and whilst the provisions themselves may be well adapted to the conditions prevailing in industrial England, the application of the Bill in its present form to Ireland would, in our view, create more hardship and suffering than it could possibly relieve and, further, we are of opinion that amendments designed to render this Bill even tentatively suitable to Irish conditions would be necessarily of such a drastic character as to practically involve the framing of a new Bill. We therefore desire to suggest that the estimated cost to the Imperial Exchequer of applying the provisions of this Bill to Ireland should be put in a suspense account to the credit of Ireland and placed at the disposal of the coming Irish Parliament to be applied in aid of a measure specially framed to suit Irish conditions."

Mr. Rice seconded.

Mr. John O'Connor proposed as an amendment:—"That we, the Co. Council do hereby adopt the principle of the State Insurance Bill now before Parliament introduced by the Chancellor of the Exchequer."

The amendment fell through as it was not seconded. Mr. Brown's Notice of Motion was declared passed.

#### Slievebawn Quarry.

The following motion of which he had given previous notice was moved by Mr. Fanning:-

"That a sum of £10 be allocated for the purpose of properly opening Slievebawn Quarry, said amount to be charged to Gorey Rural District."

By permission of the meeting, Mr. Fanning moved his motion to read as follows:-

"That a sum of £10 be allocated for the purpose



( of opening Slievebawn Quarry, said amount to be a county charge from which urban Districts are exempt.

Mr. Kinsella seconded.

Passed.

Proposed by Mr. Fanning, seconded by Mr. Lynch and adopted :-

"That tenders for working Slievebawn Quarry be invited for a period of three years, to be considered at the August meeting of the Co. Council."

### — Wexford Bridge. —

The County Surveyor brought forward a letter from Mr. G. B. Webb, London, estimating that it would cost £10,407 to put Wexford Bridge in good order. Mr. Webb also furnished a specification of the work he proposed to carry out.

On the motion of Mr. Stafford, seconded by Mr. Brown the following resolution was adopted :-

"That further consideration of the repairs to Wexford Bridge be deferred for the present."

### — Ferrycarrig Bridge. —

Proposed by Mr. Stafford, seconded by Mr. O'Neill and passed :-

"That Mr. Elger, Solicitor to the Co. Council, be instructed to write to the contractor for Ferrycarrig Bridge, and his sureties, and point out to them that the Council are determined to enforce the penalty in the specification for neglect to finish the contract within the proper time. The Council are greatly dissatisfied with the manner in which the work is at present proceeding."



Application from County Surveyor.

The following letter under date 10<sup>th</sup> June, was read from the County Surveyor :-

"I beg respectfully to invite your attention to the question of the expense I have necessarily to bear in the discharge of my duties.

I am confident I am well under the mark when I say it costs me fully a quarter of my salary to earn the remainder.

Travelling expenses are bound to be high considering the size of the County, nearly 600,000 acres and the length of the roads 2,000 miles. I have also to pay my own clerk and for the caretaking of the office. As regards my clerk, he has recently applied for an increase of salary, and if I possibly could, I would give it to him. Clerical work is constantly increasing in connection with the Road Board and main Roads.

Some of you will remember that when advertising two years ago for the post of County Surveyor, the Council were inclined to grant an extra £50 for clerical assistance, but they were unable to agree as to whether it should be in one sum or in two instalments.

In many Counties the clerk is an officer of the Council, but here, I think, he is the only one of your Staff, who is not.

I respectfully ask you, Gentlemen, to help me and also my clerk, in this matter."

On the motion of Mr. Stafford, seconded by Mr. Hearn the following resolution was adopted:

"That the matter be referred to next meeting of the Finance Committee."

Sara Hill Quarry

The following letter under date 10<sup>th</sup> June was read from Mr. John Lannen, Foreman, Sara Hill



Quarry :-

"I find that I cannot look after the engine, stonebreaker, contractors accounts, drawing material, men's accounts. If I had a man that would be competent to look after the engine, of course he would have to work in the quarry when not engaged at the engine; I would not complain, you would do me a favour if you would draw the Council's attention to this at your next meeting."

"Mr Stafford proposed, Mr Hearn seconded :-  
"That the matter be referred to Finance Committee."  
Passed.

The Road Board & Trunk Road Scheme  
Letter of the Road Board under date 19<sup>th</sup> April 1911, relative to trunk road scheme was read for the meeting. This letter already appears on the minutes of the Council.

Under date 28<sup>th</sup> May, the following letter was read from the Secretary of the Road Board :-

"In reply to your letter of the 20<sup>th</sup> instant, I am directed by the Road Board to state that up to the present moment they have received no proposal from the Carlow County Council for the improvement of the Athy-Newtownbarry Road."

In connection with this subject the following letter under date 31<sup>st</sup> May, and No. 27462 was read from the Local Government Board :-

"I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to refer to your letter of the 20<sup>th</sup> instant in reference to a proposed system of trunk roads in County Wexford, and I am to state that in view of the large amount of



public business, the Board do not anticipate that a Provisional Order Confirmation Act, amending the Local Government (Procedure of Councils) Order 1899, as amended, will be passed by Parliament this year."

On the motion of the chairman, the following resolution was adopted:-

"That the matter be referred to the following committee, to meet on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> inst., at 2.30 o'clock. - the chairman, vice chairman, of Co. Council; four chairmen District Councils, and Messrs Hearn, O'Neill, Stafford, Comonde, and Myles Webb, Gorey Town Commissioners."

#### Barnsore Pier.

The following letter from the Board of Works No. 4728-11, under date 31<sup>st</sup> May, was read:-

"I am directed by the Commissioners of Public Works, to refer to your letter of the 11<sup>th</sup> ultimo, enclosing report of the County Surveyor respecting the condition of Barnsore Pier, and I am to ask whether the repairs have since been completed."

"The Secretary explained that about two-thirds of the work had been completed, and the remainder would be carried out as opportunity offered. It could only be done as the tides permitted."

#### Dispensary Houses (Ireland) Act 1879.

The Board of Works wrote under date 3<sup>rd</sup> June, that they had advanced a sum of £210 to the Guardians of Enniscorthy Union under the Dispensary Houses (Ireland) Act 1879.

#### Imperial & Local Vaccination Committee

The following circular letter under date 26<sup>th</sup>



may, was read from the Secretary, Imperial & Local Taxation Committee :-

"The above-mentioned Committee has been appointed "to inquire into the changes which have taken place in the relations between Imperial and Local Taxation since the Report of the Royal Commission on Local Taxation in 1901, to examine the several proposals made in the reports of that Commission, and to make recommendations on the subject for the consideration of His Majesty's Government with a view to the introduction of legislation at an early date.

I am directed by the Committee to ask whether the Wexford Co. Council have any suggestions to make, limited to the method of distributing Imperial aids to Local authorities towards onerous or national services, and, if so, whether they will favour the Committee with a memorandum embodying such suggestions briefly by 30<sup>th</sup> June 1911."

Mr. Stafford proposed, Mr. Fanning seconded the following resolution which was adopted:

"While the Council regard any re-adjustment of local taxation as a matter which will be dealt with by a Home Rule Government, pending this and as a tentative arrangement we suggest, that the Capitation Grant for Asylums should be restored to its original figure of one-half."

#### Main Roads Declaration

The following letter under date 18<sup>th</sup> February 1910, (and No. 14879-1910 Wexford County) was read :-

"The Local Government Board for Ireland have had before them the resolution of the County Council of Wexford of the 9<sup>th</sup> instant,



relative to main roads in the county; and with reference to the declaration proposed to be adopted by the Council that there be no main roads in the county; I am to point out that under section 8 (3) of the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1898, a main road declaration can only be reconsidered at an interval of not less than five years from the making of the previous declaration.

It appears from the replies to queries furnished by the County Secretary on the 16<sup>th</sup> May 1906, that the last declaration was finally made on the 15<sup>th</sup> May 1906. Consequently a fresh declaration cannot be made until after the 15<sup>th</sup> May 1911. This declaration must in the first instance be provisional, and the procedure laid down in the Act and in the Board's Order of the 17<sup>th</sup> February 1909 must be strictly adhered to.

I am also to call attention to the Board's letter of the 4<sup>th</sup> May 1906 in which it is pointed out that it was doubtful whether a no main road declaration was not ultra vires."

Proposed by Mr. Stafford, seconded by Mr. Kinsella the following resolution was adopted:-

"That the matter be referred to the Committee appointed to deal with the Scheme of the Road Board."

— Omnium Insurance Company. —

Under date 29<sup>th</sup> May, the following letter (No 27859) was read from the Local Government Board:-

"The Local Government Board for Ireland have had before them your letter of the 23<sup>rd</sup> instant, transmitting the fidelity bond proposed to be entered into by Mr. John Sinnott, as collector of Poor Rate in the County of Wexford.

The Board observe that the security in this case



is to be given by the Omnium Corporation, Limited, and they desire me to enclose for the consideration of the County Council, an extract from a recent issue of the Irish Investor's Guardian with regard to the financial position of this Insurance Co.

Before approving of the bond now submitted the Board would be glad to be furnished with the observations of the Council in the matter."

Under date 8<sup>th</sup> June 1911, the following letter (No 30,344/1911 Wexford County) was read from the Local Government Board:-

"With reference to your letter of the 7<sup>th</sup> inst., respecting the bond of Mr. John Sinnott, Poor Rate collector in Wexford County, I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to return the bond herewith, and to state that the Board have approved of the form thereof pending consideration of the general question of security of collectors by the County Council on the 12<sup>th</sup> instant.

I am to add that the ruling of the Board is duly stamped thereon."

On the motion of Mr. O'Neill, seconded by Mr. Stafford the following resolution was adopted:-

"That the Rate collectors covered by the Omnium Insurance Co., be asked to furnish personal bonds - the cost of preparation of said bonds to be paid by the Co. Council. In the meantime as from the period covered by the Omnium Co., to the close of the present collection, the collectors concerned be asked to supply the name of an approved Guarantor Society for successive collections."

#### Audits of accounts.

The Local Government Board (letters Nos 27,235-1911; 2<sup>nd</sup> June: 27,236-1911, 2<sup>nd</sup> June; and 27,596-3 June)



wrote forwarding reports of their auditor as to his audit of the accounts of Gorey Union and Rural District Council, and District Asylum for half-year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 1911."

marked "Read."

———— motor car Acts. ————

Under date 24<sup>th</sup> May the Local Government Board wrote letter No 75,325 stating they had authorized the Irish automobile club to perform for a further period of twelve months the duties as regards Ireland specified in article 1(1) of the Order in connection with the examination of motor cars and drivers travelling in foreign countries.

The Local Government Board also wrote letter No 12734-1911 miscellaneous forwarding copies of Orders which they had made amending the Heavy motor car (Ireland) Order 1905.

No Order.

———— Poisons & Pharmacy Act. ————

Applications for renewals of licenses under the Poisons & Pharmacy Act were received from:-

John S. Hearn, 4 South Street, New Ross.

Patrick J. Doran, 26 Main Street, Gorey.

and for new license from:-

John Roche, Camolin.

"On the motion of Mr Stafford

Seconded by Mr O'Neill, the applications were granted."

———— Road Contractors Sureties. ————

Under date 24<sup>th</sup> May, the following letter was read from Mr James Druehan, Tacumshane:-

"I am a candidate for the Electoral Division of Tacumshane and Security for Road No 147. I am wanting to be relieved of it, so as to go forward. I will name Richard Ruice, Sigginstown in my place."



as he will act."

Mr Patrick Healy, Castlebridge, wrote as follows under date 6<sup>th</sup> June:-

"Having been elected on District Council, I find I cannot act as Security for E. Davis, but Mr George Daly, is willing to take my place, would you kindly bring it before the meeting of Co. Council next time."

On the motion of Mr Stafford, seconded by Mr Bodd, the following resolution was passed:-  
"That the applications be acceded to."

— Closing Post Offices on Bank Holidays —  
under date 13<sup>th</sup> May the following letter No 55426 was read from the Secretary, General Post Office London:-

"With reference to your letter of the 14<sup>th</sup> ultimo, I am directed by the Postmaster General to state that so far as can be ascertained, no difficulty arose in connection with the closing of the Post offices at Bridgetown and Foulk Mills at noon on Easter Monday. Only one telegram was received for each place during the closing time, and these were duly delivered from the Post offices at Cornhaggard and Wellington Bridge respectively.

In these circumstances the Postmaster General thinks you will agree that the inconvenience caused cannot be great."

Proposed by Mr Stafford, seconded by Mr Hearn and passed:-

"That the County Council have nothing to add to their resolution of 18<sup>th</sup> April."

— Telephone Employees —

The following resolution was read from the



amalgamated Society of Telephone Employees:-

"That this meeting of the Irish metropolitan staff of the National Telephone Company, being aware that Royal Engineers have practically replaced the Civil Engineering Staff of the Post Office in the Southern (Ireland) District, calls upon the representatives of Ireland in the House of Commons, all Public Authorities, and other representative Irish Bodies to prevent the employment of the military upon any of the duties at present performed or upon such new duties as should be legitimately performed by the staff of the National Telephone Company after the transfer to the State of the Company's undertaking."

Proposed by Mr. Stafford, Seconded by Mr. John O'Connor, and passed:-

"That we protest against the employment of the military on any of the duties that can be performed by the staff of the National Telephone Co., on the transfer of the property of the National Telephone Co., to the State."

— Royal Sanitary Institute —

The Secretary of the Royal Sanitary Institute wrote asking the County Council to appoint three delegates to the Congress of the Institute to be held in Belfast from July 24<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup>.  
marked "Read."

— Association for the Prevention of Consumption —

The Hon Sec to the National Association for the Prevention of Consumption and other forms of Tuberculosis, wrote asking the Council to appoint delegates to the Annual Conference to be held at Carlton Hall, Westminster - July 19<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup>.  
marked "Read."



The Irish Peace Society.

Mr. B. M. Coghlan, Secretary, Irish Peace Society, wrote asking for signatures to a world petition to the third Peace conference which will be held at the Hague in 1914.

"Signed by the Chairman on behalf of the Council."

Resolutions.

The following resolution was read from Ballymena Rural District Council :-

"That this Rural Council considers that the Irish Forestry Society ought to have a bye-law to enable an auxiliary Branch of that Society to be established in each county in Ireland."

That each county council should appoint a sub-committee of their agricultural committee to take action and give advice on all matters concerning the duties and powers of the council in relation to the acquisition of land for afforestation or tree planting."

"On the motion of Mr. Hearn, seconded by the Chairman the resolution was referred to the County Committee of Agriculture."

The following was submitted from the County Wexford Committee of Agriculture & Technical Instruction :-

"That the County Council be requested to take steps with the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction to have thistles declared noxious weeds, under part 1 of the Weeds and Seeds Ireland Act."

Mr. Browne proposed, Mr. Kinsella seconded :-  
"That the request in the resolution of the County Committee of Agriculture & Technical Instruction be agreed to."



On a show of hands. 7 voted for the resolution and 5 against it.

The Chairman then declared the resolution carried.

From Gorey District Council, the following resolution was received:-

"That we learn with pleasure as per letter received by Sir Thomas Esmonde from Mr. Birrell, that the latter has promised to have the Board of Works direct their attention to the improvement of Courtown Harbour, and that they are about to send down Engineers to draw up plans and make estimate of the proposed improvements there. With the view of emphasising the urgent necessity of improving Courtown both from the point of view of the fishing industry, and the commercial interests of the district in general, we offer to contribute from the public rates any reasonable proportion of the cost estimated by competent engineers, always providing that the improvement will be directed towards permanency believing as we do that money spent on patching is mere waste. We ask that immediate attention be given to this very urgent matter on which hangs the fate of one of our few remaining Irish industries and which affects the agricultural and commercial interests of a wide area."

On the motion of Mr. Kinsella, seconded by Mr. Fanning the following resolution was adopted.

"That we request the Department of Agriculture & Technical Instruction to inform us what are the Harbours and Piers in Co. Wexford for which they applied for Grants to the Development Commissioners, and what amount they propose to expend on each."



Gorey Rural District Council also submitted the following :-

"That in view of the disgraceful manner in which Wexford County is being treated in the disbursement of the funds of the Irish Development Grant, especially in the matter of fisheries, we ask all the public bodies in the County to take united action with the object of having some semblance of justice done, and to this end we propose that a conference be held in Enniscorthy, consisting of two representatives from the County Council, the District Council of Wexford, New Ross, Enniscorthy, and Gorey, and the various Harbour Boards."

On the motion of Mr. Kinsella, seconded by Mr. Fanning the following resolution was adopted :-

"That the question of taking part in the conference proposed by Gorey District Council be adjourned till the reply of the Department of Agriculture has been considered."

The following resolution was received from Newcastle West Rural District Council :-

"That in view of the appointment of a Committee almost wholly English to advise the British Government on Irish Finance, and the fact that Government has declined the request of many Irish Representative Bodies to nominate an equal number of qualified Irishmen to act on the Committee, this Council considers that an Irish Finance Committee should be constituted to report and advise the people of this country on the present financial position."

And holding that this matter transcends differences of Party, this Council urges Messrs Thomas Sexton, Barry O'Brien, Laurence Waldron, A.W. Samuels, Wm. Murphy, Arthur O'Connor, Murragh O'Brien, and



Lord Dunraven, to act on such a committee, and to co-opt any other Irishman whom they consider advisable."

"On the motion of Mr. Fanning, seconded by Mr. Broune, the above resolution was adopted."

### Courtown Harbour.

Under date 7<sup>th</sup> June the following letter (No 1802-11, J. B.) from the Department of Agriculture & Technical Instruction, was read:-

"With reference to previous correspondence on the subject of the overhauling of the sluicing arrangements at Courtown Harbour, I have to state, for the information of the Wexford County Council, that the work in connection therewith has been completed at a total of £305: 5: 3, and to request that the Council's contribution of £100. referred to in the resolution passed on the 12<sup>th</sup> November 1909- be lodged to the credit of the Department.

A Receivable Order to enable this to be done is enclosed."

On the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. Stafford the following resolution was adopted:-

"That the Department of Agriculture & Technical Instruction be asked to furnish to our County Surveyor the details and cost of the work carried out at Courtown Harbour in regard to the improvements in the sluicing arrangements."

### Secondary Education

The following resolution was received from Limerick County Council:-

"That inasmuch as the finance of Irish Secondary Education has broken down, we, the members of the Limerick County Council earnestly request the Government to place this important branch of



Education on a sound financial basis, and in addition we urge the necessity of :-

- (a) paying the teachers of the Secondary Schools salaries commensurate with the duties they discharge.
- (b) Establishing a Pension Fund for their benefit.
- (c) Giving them such reasonable security of tenure as will enable them to avail of the advantages of such Fund.
- (d) Establishing a recognised Profession of Secondary Teachers.

"On the motion of Mr. Browne, seconded by Mr. M. Doyle J., the resolution was adopted."

#### Summer Sheep Dipping Order.

On the motion of Mr. O'Neill, seconded by Mr. Stafford the following resolution was adopted:-

"That we ask our Representatives on the Council of Agriculture to bring before that Body the necessity of having the Summer Sheep Dipping Period altered, so that Dipping can begin from the 15<sup>th</sup> May instead of at present on the 15<sup>th</sup> June."

#### University Scholarships.

On the motion of the Chairman, it was decided that the question of advertising University Scholarships and making the necessary arrangements as to Examination &c be referred to the Finance Committee. The Finance Committee to have power to make what arrangements they consider most desirable.

#### Revision of Valuation

It was decided that the Council meet on 28<sup>th</sup> June at 3.30 p.m., to consider cases of revision of valuation.

#### Dredging Kilmore Harbour.

Mr. Browne proposed, Mr. J. A. Doyle seconded



the following resolution which was adopted:-

"That in view of the long standing promise to dredge Kilmore Harbour we request the Department of Agriculture & Technical Instruction to send their new dredger there without further delay."

Confirmation of minutes

The minutes of the Proposal Committee of this day's meeting were confirmed.

Analyst's Report.

The following report was read:-

City Laboratory  
17 Castle Street  
Dublin. 22<sup>nd</sup> May 1911.

Report of Sir Charles Cameron, B. Sc., M. D., Public Analyst for the County Wexford, on articles submitted to him for analysis during the quarter ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 1911.

96 articles were received from the Food Inspector R. J. C., as follows:-

<u>Article</u>	<u>Number.</u>
milk	44
Butter	33
Whiskey	9
Buttermilk	7
Cheese	1
Claret	1
Ginger Wine	1
Total	<u>96.</u>

Three certificates were sent to Sergeant Donaghy Wexford; for specimens of milk adulterated with at least 6.25, 7.5 and 8.9 per cent of added water respectively, and two certificates for specimen of buttermilk adulterated with at least 30 and 48 per cent of added water respectively, exclusive of 25



per cent allowed for churning purposes.

For the Guardians of Wexford union one specimen of meat and one of water were received. The meat was sent to ascertain if it was foreign. The specimen of water had the following composition.

One imperial gallon contained in grains.  
Total solid matters. 44.100

Including  
albuminoid ammonia 0.008  
saline ammonia 0.004  
nitric acid 1.250  
chlorine 11.330

A good water.

For the Guardians of Enniscorthy union nine drugs, eight specimens of port wine and one of butter were analysed. The drugs were correct. The specimens of port wine were sent to determine which was best for use in the workhouse.

For the Guardians of Gorey union three drugs were analysed. One was incorrect.

Two specimens of feeding stuff were analysed for J. Whelan Esq. Wexford.

A most careful analysis failed to trace poison in viscera of dog and fowl which were sent for analysis by R. Malone Esq. J.P. & S., Wexford.

For Shillelagh union which is partly situated in the county Wexford, three drugs were analysed, and were correct.

For Shillelagh Rural District Council, which is partly situated in the county Wexford, two specimens of water were analysed and had the following compositions.

One imperial gallon contained in grains.

	No. 1.	No. 2.
Total solid matters	5.520	6.500

Including



Albuminoid ammonia	0.008.	0.008
Saline ammonia	0.0015	0.006
Nitric acid	Trace	1.000
Chlorine	0.890	1.090.

No. 1 was an unusually pure water. No. 2 was fit for use.

In the original reports on the waters above referred to, full details, chemical and microscopical, were given, but in the foregoing only the more important points are given.

Total analyses..... 128.

Adulterated & defective articles 6.

"No Order." b. A. Cameron

John Bolger



Special Meeting - 28<sup>th</sup> June 1911.

A special meeting of the Wexford Co. Council was held in Council Chamber, Courthouse, Wexford; on 28<sup>th</sup> June 1911.

Present :- Mr. John Bolger, Chairman, (presiding)  
Other members present :- Messrs C. A. Peacocke, Mr. Browne, J. S. Hearn, J. J. Stafford, P. Rossiter, James Codd, D. Sinnott, J. Asple, J. J. Meyler, J. H. Esmonde, M. Doyle, Jr., J. A. Doyle, R. A. Rice.

The Secretary, the County Surveyor, and Mr. R. W. Elger, Solicitor to the Council, were also in attendance.

Collectors' Security

Proposed by Mr. Rossiter, seconded by Mr. Asple, and adopted :-

"That the names submitted by collectors Sinnott, Sheehan, M. Walsh, and James Cogley, as additional security, be approved of and that Mr. Elger be instructed to prepare the necessary bonds."

Insurance Workmen's Compensation Act

Mr. Stafford proposed and Mr. Rossiter seconded the following recommendation of the Finance Committee :-

"That the Finance Committee recommend the insurance of employees under the Workmen's Compensation Act at the rate of 6%.

That we also commend to the consideration of the Co. Council the Irish Public Bodies Insurance Scheme formulated by Captain Carew of the Waterford Board of Guardians, as we consider that Irish Public Bodies should be their own underwriters and thus save the present high Insurance Rates."

Passed.



Revisions of valuation

Proposed by Mr. Leacocke.

Seconded by Mr. Sinnott.

"That we agree to the Revisions of valuation being carried out in the several cases submitted by our Secretary except in the case of the application for revision from the D. & S. E. Railway Co., in which case the Co. Council consider no change should be made by the Commissioner of valuation which would, in anyway, reduce the assessable value of the premises of the Dublin & South Eastern Ry Co., at Gorey, and request to have the valuation of these premises revised so as to reinstate the figures which stood originally in the valuation lists, viz: £187 on the valuation of other hereditaments.

They also desire to call the attention of the Commissioner of valuation to the fact that Gorey is not an urban District."

Passed.

Roads committee

Mr. Hearn proposed, the Chairman seconded and it was adopted:-

"That a Roads committee be appointed to consist of three members from each Rural District in the County. Three to form a quorum; and to act for one year.

The following were appointed:-

Enniscorthy District:- Messrs Asple, Emond, & Lynch.

Gorey District:- Messrs Fanning, Kinsella, and Sir Thomas Emond.

New Ross District:- Messrs Rice, Hickey, and Kearne.

Wexford District:- Messrs Michael Doyle, Jr; Stafford; and Rossiter.

The principal business for consideration by the committee to be the acquisition of quarries and general upkeep of the roads."



Reconstruction of Council Chamber.

The following were appointed a committee to recommend the reconstruction etc., of the seating accommodation in the Council Chamber:—  
Messrs Hearn, Stafford, and Peacocke, with the Secretary.

Watchman Courtown Harbour.

Mr. Asple proposed, and Mr. Emond seconded the following recommendation of the Finance Committee:—

"That Andrew Byrne be appointed Watchman at Courtown Harbour at a wages of 8/- per week."  
Passed.

Road Contractor's Application.

The County Surveyor submitted correspondence from Messrs O'Flaherty & Son, Solicitors, relative to an application from John Kenny, Ballymore Enniscorthy; as to Road No. 92 having been damaged by traction engine traffic, and enquiring if the County Council would proceed against the owner of the vehicle.

"On the motion of Mr. Peacocke, seconded by Mr. Codd it was decided that the matter be left in the hands of the County Surveyor."

Food & Drugs Acts.

Under date 26<sup>th</sup> June the County Inspector R. J. G., wrote asking that Sergeant Patrick J. Scully be appointed Ex-officio Inspector for the petty sessions district of Wexford, and acting Sergeant Patrick E. Carey, for the petty sessions district of Killinick, vice acting Sergeant Matthew Donaghy, and Sergeant James Consideine, respectively.

"On the motion of Mr. Peacocke, seconded by Mr. Stafford the following resolution was adopted:—



"That Sergeant Patrick J. Scully, be appointed Ex-officio Inspector for the Petty Sessions District of Wexford; and Acting Sergeant Patrick E. Darcy, Ex-officio Inspector for the Petty Sessions District of Killinick, under the Food & Drugs acts. (38 & 39 Vic Cap 63)."

The late Mr. Thaddens Bolger.

The following letter was ordered to be placed on the minutes :-

Milltown House

Ferns. 18. 6. 11.

Dear Mr. Fuzille

My mother desires me to acknowledge the kind letter received from you on yesterday, and asks you to convey to the members of the Co. Council our grateful thanks for their very kind sympathy in our great loss. She also wishes me to thank you personally, and say how much she appreciates your good words of my poor father.

yours very sincerely  
David J. Bolger.

Bye-Laws on Locomotives.

Proposed by Mr. Peacocke, seconded by Mr. Rossiter, and passed :-

"Resolved that the Bye-Laws with respect to the use of Locomotives propelled by steam or by other than animal power on Public Roads in the administrative County of Wexford, as provisionally approved of by the Local Government Board, be adopted, and that the Seal of the County Council be affixed thereto. and that application for the confirmation of such Bye-Laws be made to the Local Government Board."

The following is a copy of the Bye-Laws :-



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Bye Laws.

made by the County Council of Wexford with respect to Locomotives propelled by steam or by other than animal power in the administrative county of Wexford (exclusive of the Urban Sanitary Districts of Enniscorthy, New Ross and Wexford) By virtue of their powers under section 6. of 'The Public Health (Ireland) amendment act 1879.'

1.- Every locomotive propelled by steam, or by other than animal power, traversing any public road or highway situate within the administrative county of Wexford, exclusive of the Urban Sanitary Districts of Enniscorthy, New Ross, and Wexford, shall during the period between one hour after sunset and one hour before sunrise, have affixed conspicuously thereto in front two efficient bright white lights, and in the rear one green light. In case waggons are being drawn by the locomotive the green light shall be affixed to the rear of the hindmost waggon.

2.- No such locomotive shall be propelled at a pace greater than that at which the person who shall precede it, as hereinafter provided for in Bye-Law No. 3, can conveniently walk.

3.- Every such locomotive while in motion shall be preceded by a person at least sixty yards in advance of the locomotive who, during the periods when lights are required to be displayed, shall carry and display an efficient Red light, and during all other periods, shall at a like distance, carry and display a Red flag.

4.- and whereas, the County Council of Wexford is satisfied that such use would be attended with danger to the public, the use of any such



Locomotive is hereby prohibited upon Weaford, Deep, Edrmine, Hodges mill, and Mountgarrett Bridges.

5.- When such a Locomotive drawing a waggon or waggons comes to any Bridge at which the County Council has placed a notice to the effect that such Bridge is weak or of doubtful strength, the Locomotive shall first pass over by itself, and then shall draw each waggon over separately by means of a wire rope or otherwise, the Locomotive itself not going again on the Bridge.

6.- No such Locomotive nor any loaded waggon attached thereto, shall be allowed to remain at rest so that any wheel of the Locomotive or Waggon be on any Bridge, arch, or culvert, or within ten feet of the face of any abutment thereof, except when such Locomotive must be instantly stopped to comply with the requirements of any statutory provision or when the stoppage is due to accident or other unavoidable cause.

7.- No such Locomotive when under steam shall be allowed to remain on any part of a highway unless one of the persons in charge remains with it.

8.- Nothing in these Bye-laws shall apply to a Steam Roller for the time being employed as such by the County Council.

9.- Every person who shall offend against any of the foregoing Bye-laws shall be liable for every such offence to a penalty not exceeding Five Pounds, provided nevertheless that the justices or court before whom any complaint may be made or any proceedings may be taken in respect of any such offence may, if they think fit, adjudge the payment as a fine of any sum less than the full amount of the fine imposed by this Bye-law.



Given under the Common Seal of the County Council of Wexford, this 28<sup>th</sup> day of June 1911.

Chairman

Secretary

The foregoing Bye-laws are hereby confirmed by us, the Local Government Board for Ireland this day of 1911.

Note:- The attention of owners and users of Locomotives on highwarp is directed to the provision of the Locomotives Act 1861 and 1865 which further regulate their use.

Light Locomotives are exempted from the above Bye-laws, their use being regulated by the Motor Car Act 1896 and 1908 and the Heavy Motor Car Act (Ireland) Order of the Local Government Board 1905 but the following Bye-law shall apply to them:-

"No light Locomotive shall come on or pass over Wexford, Deepo, Edermine, Hodges mill, or Mountgarrett Bridges, except in an unladen condition.

Chairman

Secretary

John Bolger