

## Statutable Half-yearly meeting.

the statutable Half-yearly meeting of the Wexford County Council, was held in the Council Chamber, Courthouse, Wexford, on 7<sup>th</sup> May 1913.

Present :- Mr John Bolger (Chairman) presiding.  
Other members :- Sir J. H. G. Esmonde Bart., M.P.,  
Messrs Mr. Doyle Jr., R. A. Rice, J. J. Stafford, P. Rossiter,  
G. H. Peacocke, P. J. Fanning, Mr. Doyle Sr., J. Lynch,  
James Codd, Mr. Gough, Mr. Cloney, J. A. Doyle,  
J. Asple, J. J. Mayler, Mr. Codd, J. O'Connor, J. S.  
Hearn.

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

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

### Waterford Bridge Loan.

Proposed by Mr. Rossiter  
Seconded by Mr. Peacocke.

"Resolved:- That the Seal of the Council be affixed to the Deed between the Council and the National Bank Ltd, consolidating the five several Indentures of mortgage given by the Council to the Bank to secure the repayment of the sum of £11,000 lent by the Bank to the Council to enable the Council to defray their share of the costs of the erection of the new Bridge over the River Suir at Waterford."

### Appointment of Assistant Surveyor.

For the portion of Enniscorthy District vacant through the resignation of Mr. M. Howlin Assistant Surveyor, applications were received



from :-

James H. O'Connor; Wexford.

Gerald Flood, Castleboro; Clonroche.

Mr. Peacocke proposed :-

"That Mr. O'Connor be appointed Assistant Surveyor, and that the Local Government Board be requested to allow Mr. J. H. O'Connor to remain in the services of the County Council as temporary assistant Surveyor until March next, when he intends to go up for his qualifying examination. This request is made to the Local Government Board for the following reasons :-

1<sup>st</sup> The County Council are fully satisfied with the efficient manner in which Mr. O'Connor has carried out his duties, since he was temporarily appointed in December last.

2<sup>nd</sup> The County Surveyor states the work performed by Mr. O'Connor has met with his approval, and that he is anxious to retain his services.

3<sup>rd</sup> That similar cases have been sanctioned by the Local Government Board."

Mr. Fanning seconded.

Mr. J. A. Doyle proposed, and Mr. Asple seconded the appointment of Mr. Flood.

A poll was taken with the following result.

For Mr. Flood :- Messrs Asple, John Bolger, J. A. Doyle, Sir J. H. G. Esmonde, J. S. Hearn. - 5.

For Mr. O'Connor :- Messrs Cloney, James Codd, Michael Doyle Jr., Michael Doyle Sr., P. J. Fanning, Michael Gough, James Lynch, J. J. Mayler, John O'Connor, C. H. Peacocke, R. A. Rice, Patrick Rossiter, J. J. Stafford. - 13.



Mr. M. Codd was not present when the poll was taken.

The Chairman declared the resolution of Mr. Peacock's passed.

The following is the application of the successful candidate:-

"I beg to apply for the position of Assistant Surveyor under your Council in Enniscorthy R. District. In December last I was appointed temporarily by the Council to do the work in this district which appointment I still hold, and I confidently submit that in the discharge of my duties I have given entire satisfaction. Since taking over the work I have, besides doing everything possible to raise the standard of the roads, also secured several good quarries in localities where suitable material was very much required. I have also made myself fully acquainted with the procedure of the work pertaining to the office of Assistant Surveyor, and thoroughly understand the requirements of the County Surveyor.

I have read up authorities on Steam Rolling and given supervision to rolling work done in Enniscorthy Rural District, and now feel competent to undertake this branch of the work.

I am prepared to submit myself at the first possible opportunity for qualifying examination for Assistant Surveyors prescribed by the Local Government Board, and only desire that a chance be given me to present myself for such examination as has been done in the counties of Galway, Monaghan, Louth etc., and also in this County.

If favoured with the confidence of the Council in being appointed, I will do what



I can to show my appreciation of your confidence by faithfully discharging the duties to the complete satisfaction of the Co. Council and County Surveyor."

— Temporary Assistant Surveyor. —

Under date 16<sup>th</sup> April 1913, letter No. 18275/1913, was read from the Local Government Board, stating that they would raise no objection to the payment of Mr. J. H. O'Connor for any clerical work done by him.

The County Surveyor stated that he had recommended to the Finance & Roads Committee that Mr. O'Connor be paid at the rate of £80 per annum, for the work performed by him in connection with the County Surveyor's department, and the Finance & Roads Committee had agreed to this.

"Confirmed."

— Assistant Surveyor Hassett. —

The County Surveyor reported that during the illness of Mr. Hassett, Assistant Surveyor, he employed Mr. Gerald Flood to perform Mr. Hassett's duties. He had recommended to the Finance & Roads Committee that Mr. Flood be paid at the rate of £80 per annum for the period covered by Mr. Hassett's illness; and the Committee had agreed to this.

"Confirmed."

— Deputy Checkers' Rate Collectors Accounts. —

On the motion of Mr. Lynch.

Seconded by Mr. M. Doyle &c. the following resolution was adopted:—

"That Messrs Kehoe, R. Brighton, and



m. j. Finn, be appointed deputy checker of the accounts of the Rate collectors for the Districts of Wexford, Gorey, and New Ross, respectively at a remuneration of 5/- per 100 ratings.

That Mr. Jasper Whitty, be appointed deputy checker of the accounts of the collectors of Enniscorthy District at a salary of £30 per annum."

#### Irrecoverable Rates.

under date 15<sup>th</sup> April 1913, letter No. 18285. was read from the Local Government Board, stating that they would offer no objection to the Finance & Roads Committee of Wexford Co. Council dealing with all claims made by the Poor Rate collectors in connection with the recoupment of irrecoverable rates.

#### Exemption from Rates.

The following claims for exemption from Rates were laid before the meeting:-

collector N. O'D. Walsh:- 108 Wexford Rural.

collector A. Lannon:- 3 Ardavan, 1<sup>st</sup> 3, Artramont, 35 Kilbride, 6, 146, 147 Ardcolm; 10 Glynn.

collector N. Moore:- 119 Ballymitty.

collector J. Blake:- 49, 171, 224, Bridgetown, 136, 171, 176, 179, 212, 230, 290, 357, 368, 463, 563, Kilmore; 33. Mayglass, 4, 37, 63, Newcastle, 42, Zomhaggard, 81, 109, 118 Tacumshane.

collector P. Rossiter:- 186 Duniagh, 136 Kilcoran, 82, 185, Lady's Island, 92 Rosslare.

collector Joseph Cummins:- 77, 78, Kilboro; 144, 166, Tinnacross.

collector L. Lacey:- 147, 149, 171, 84, Castle Ellis; 246 Castle Talbot.

collector P. Nolan:- 37, 164, Ballyoughter, 38 Ballybeg; 12 Huntingtontown, 126, 240 Kilcomb, 23, 19, 58, 74, 75, 104, 141 Monaseid, 32 Rossminoge.



Collector J. G. Smith :- 108 Ballycanew; 117 Courtown.

Collector R. Earl :- 16, 98, Killinagh, 116 Killin-cooly.

Collector Murphy :- 194 New Ross Rural.

Collector J. Barville :- 109 Barronstown, 90, 148 Carriglynn.

Collector J. G. Doyle :- 177 Newbawn, 321, 328, Zinturn.

Proposed by Mr. Rice.

Seconded by Mr. Rossiter

"That the Poor Law Amendment Act 1890, be applied to those cases, and that they be exempted for the period stated, on the grounds that the premises have been vacant and empty."

Passed.

#### — Security of Rate collectors. —

At the last meeting of the Roads & Finance Committee, a letter was read from the London & Lancashire Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., suggesting that each collector should be guaranteed for a sum round about the full amount of the half-yearly warrant.

No order was made on this letter, and the Local Government Board, writing under date 16<sup>th</sup> April 1913, letter No. 17957, requesting the Council to further consider the matter.

The following recommendation submitted by the Finance & Roads Committee, was confirmed :-

"That the Local Government Board be informed that as all the Rate collectors of the County, with the exception of two have to give security of £900 the Finance & Roads Committee consider this sum quite sufficient"



— collector m. j. Sheehan —

In connection with fidelity guarantee bond of m<sup>r</sup>. m. Sheehan, Rate collector, letter was read from the London & Lancashire Insurance Co., as follows:-

"In this case our Head office are not prepared to continue the Guarantee unless m<sup>r</sup>. Sheehan furnishes us with two solvent counter Sureties.

We have been in communication with him on the subject, and as apparently he has not given any attention to our request for Sureties, we have no alternative but to intimate to you our intention to discontinue the Bond."

under date 5<sup>th</sup> may, letter was read from m<sup>r</sup>. Sheehan, that he was taking out a bond with another Insurance company.

"No Order."

— collector A. Lennon —

under date 25<sup>th</sup> April 1913, letter No. 21245-1913, was read from the Local Government Board, assenting to the payment of full poundage fees to collector Andrew Lennon, on his collection for the half-year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March.

minute of the Finance & Roads Committee instructing the Secretary to inform m<sup>r</sup>. Lennon that if in the future he fails to close his collection within the prescribed period, the Finance & Roads Committee will decline to apply to the Local Government Board for extension of time in his case, was confirmed.

— collector J. L. Doyle —

under date 8<sup>th</sup> April 1913, letter No. 8843/1913,



was read from the Local Government Board relative to the security to be furnished by Mr. J. L. Doyle, collector of Poor Rate, and requesting to be informed how the matter stood.

Mr. Doyle appeared before the meeting of the Finance & Roads Committee. His ledgments in respect of the rate for the period ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 1913, were examined in detail by the Committee, after which Mr. Doyle produced a fidelity guarantee bond effected with the National Benefit Life & Property Assurance Co., Ltd.

#### Deeps Bridge.

Under date 17<sup>th</sup> April letter No. 17988, from the Local Government Board was read, asking to be furnished with plans and specifications of the opening span of the Deeps' Bridge.

Letters from Mr. Elger, Solicitor to the Council, and the British Reinforced Concrete Engineering Co., as to provision of security for the carrying out of the contract for the erection of the bridge were read.

On the motion of Mr. Stafford  
Seconded by Mr. Rice, the following resolution was adopted:-

"That the contractors for the erection of the new bridge at the Deeps be called on to complete their contract immediately. That the Local Government Board be asked to expedite the matter of sanctioning the loan for this work as soon as possible."

#### Audit of Accounts.

Letter from the Local Government Board



under date 15<sup>th</sup> April, and No. 19012 forwarding copy of the report of their auditor on his audit of the accounts of the Co. Wexford Committee of Agriculture & Technical Instruction for the half-year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 1913, was read.

Letter from the Local Government Board under date 2<sup>nd</sup> May 1913, and No. 23171 from the Local Government Board, forwarding copy of the report of their auditor on his audit of the accounts of the Enniscorthy Rural District Council, in respect of half-years ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 1912 and 30<sup>th</sup> September 1912, was read.

— Proposals for Works etc. —

Proposed by Mr. Tanning.

Seconded by Mr. Doyle S.

"That the several proposals for works formulated by the Proposal Committee and the several Rural District Councils of the County, as appearing on Forms 20, with the modifications and alterations noted thereon and initialed by the Chairman be, and are hereby approved."

"Passed."

— Proposals for Payments. —

Proposed by Mr. Tanning.

Seconded by Mr. M. Doyle S.

"That the several Proposals for Payment from the Proposal Committee and the several Rural District Councils of the County, as appearing on Forms 22 with the modifications and alterations noted thereon and initialed by the Chairman, be and are hereby approved."

"Passed."

— Assistant Surveyors-New Order of Local Government Board. —

Under date 30<sup>th</sup> April 1913, letter No. 126 M. 1912., mis., dealing with the new Order of the Local



Government Board relative to the qualifications of assistant Surveyors, was read."

— Sheep Dipping Order 1912. —

under date 17<sup>th</sup> April 1913, the Department of Agriculture & Technical Instruction wrote forwarding copies of the Sheep Dipping Order of 1912, and explained the manner in which steps were to be taken by the County Council to give effect to it.

— Proposed Pier at Blackwater. —

under date 19<sup>th</sup> April, the following letter No. 2057, J. B., was read from the Department of Agriculture & Technical Instruction relative to the proposed pier at Blackwater:-

"Adverting to your letter of the 8<sup>th</sup> instant, on the subject of the construction of a pier at Blackwater, I have to state for the information of the Wexford Co. Council, that, having regard to the condition of the Department's funds and to the many claims thereon, they cannot offer a contribution exceeding £350 towards this project. Even if the Council should provide a sum of £1,000 in addition, the total amount would not be sufficient for the construction of a pier that would be of any utility at the place in question."

The following recommendation was sent forward to the Council by the Finance & Roads Committee:

"That in view of the fact that the Co. Council passed a proposal for this work, amounting to £1,000, conditional upon the Department of Agriculture & Technical Instruction supplying any balance necessary for its completion, we request the Department in their next allocation of funds for the work of their Fishery Branch,



to set aside such an amount as, with the £1,000 provided by the Council will be sufficient to cover the cost of the rection of the Pier.

"Confirmed with the following addition, on the motion of Sir Thomas Emond, seconded by Mr. Lynch :- That the County Council only consider it just and equitable that the Department should adhere to their portion of the bargain as regards this work."

— Dredging Courtown Harbour. —

Under date 14<sup>th</sup> February, the following letter from the Department of Agriculture & Technical Instruction, and No. 839 J. D., was read :-

"Adverting to previous correspondence on the subject of the provision of funds for expenditure on dredging at Courtown Harbour, I have to state, for the information of the Wexford County Council, that the entire cost of the work reached a sum of £494:10:0. as shown in the accompanying document. The amount is £184:10:0, in excess of that anticipated, but the Department will not call on the Council to contribute any part of such excess, and will feel obliged if a lodgment of £180 be made to their credit by the Co. Council in accordance with the accompanying Receivable Order."

Mr. Peacocke proposed, and Mr. Rice seconded the following resolution which was adopted :-

"That Pay Order be issued to the Department of Agriculture, for dredging done by the Department at Courtown during the year 1912."



Oyster Fisheries.

Notice of Public Inquiry to be held by the Department of Agriculture & Technical Instruction as to oyster fisheries of the Estuary of the River Suir, at the old School House, Passage East, on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> May, at 11 a.m., was received.

Duncannon Hulk.

The following report was presented by the committee appointed to consider the question of repair of hulk at Duncannon:-

"At the meeting of the Finance & Roads Committee on 19<sup>th</sup> March 1913, the following resolution was adopted:-

That Messrs Hearn, Stafford, Bloney, and Rice, with the County Surveyor, be appointed a committee to examine the hulk before any expenditure with reference to its repair is incurred. That representatives of the Waterford Harbour Commissioners, and the Waterford & Duncannon Steamship Co., be requested to meet the committee. That the committee ascertain whether it is not possible to have the steamer berthed at the pier, instead of at the hulk, or in the alternative, that they consider the advisability of a ferro-concrete collection of piles for the purposes of moorings."

The conference of representatives of the County Council, the Waterford Harbour Board, and the Waterford & Duncannon Steamboat Company, took place on 27<sup>th</sup> April 1913.

Present:- On behalf of the Co. Council - Mr. C. H. Peacocke, (vice-chairman) Messrs J. S. Hearn, R. A. Rice, James J. Stafford, and M. Bloney. The Secretary, and County



Surveyor.

Mr. H. J. Forde, (Chairman) Mr. W. Poole, and Mr. W. Friel, Engineer, Waterford Harbour Board, represented the Waterford Harbour Board, while Lord Dunsany, Mr. Phelan, and Mr. H. Oliver Broomhead, were the representatives of the Waterford & Duncannon Steamboat Company.

A telegram was read from Mr. John Bolger Chairman of the County Council, regretting that he was unable to be present.

After considerable discussion, the following decision was arrived at :-

"That Mr. Barry, County Surveyor, Waterford County Council; and Mr. Friel, Engineer to Waterford Harbour Board, confer with reference to drafting a specification to cover all necessary repairs to the hulk at Duncannon, including rearrangement of landing stage, over-haul of mooring chains etc., in order to have the hulk and all appurtenances replaced in her berth in good sound condition. That estimates for the necessary repairs be procured and submitted to the Waterford County Council, and Waterford Harbour Board."

"On the motion of the Chairman, the Report of the Committee was adopted."

Under date 6<sup>th</sup> May 1913, the following letter was read from the Secretary, Waterford & Duncannon Steamboat Co. Ltd. :-

"I have been instructed by my Directors to inform you that as no steps appear to have been taken to remedy the present state of affairs at Duncannon the company will not, until such time as proper accommodation has been provided for



the berthing of the steamer, guarantee a regular service to and from that station, and the sailings will only be made as the weather and tides permit and will be left to the discretion of the captain, as it is at the present time extremely dangerous under certain conditions for the steamer to try to get alongside of the Pier.

In the meantime perhaps you would be good enough to have the staging placed back on a level with the Pier, as if that were done it might be possible to warp the steamer into the Dock, which to a certain extent would eliminate the danger."

"On the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. Rossiter, it was ordered that the letter from the Waterford & Duncannon Steamboat Co., be referred to the County Surveyor."

#### — County Surveyor's Report —

The following report was read from the County Surveyor:-

"Forms 22 and 20 will be before you. Regarding the former, I have found it necessary in a number of cases to deal rather severely with contractors, and in such instances as were questioned at the District Council meetings I gave my reasons for so dealing with the money. In some cases my decisions were not questioned until the adjourned meetings of the District Councils, when I was not prepared with my Report Books, and since then the Roads Committee have dealt with some of these, and some others may come before you at the meeting. Where I have had notice I shall have full details ready, and



in other cases the Report Books will be available.

Regarding Form 20 I have to note a very large number of untendered roads as follows:-

Wexford R. D:- 60 roads on sheet, 17 untendered for amounting to £522: 10/-

New Ross, R. D:- 75 roads on sheet, 29 untendered for amounting to £738.

Gorey R. D:- 58 roads on sheet, 20 untendered for amounting to £827.

Enniscorthy R. D:- 98 roads on sheet, 27 untendered for amounting to £1325.

Besides the above the special works untendered for amount to £128 in New Ross R. D., £45 in Wexford R. D., and £286 in Enniscorthy.

Several causes seem to account for the above non-tendering such as (a) difficulty in getting material from the specified quarry; (b) the providing of surfacemen on some of the leading roads, and (c) perhaps the higher cost of labour and contingent expenses, such as insurance etc., at your meeting tenders may be received for some of these works so that I may be anticipating a worse state of affairs than will actually be the case, but at the best there is sure to be a large number of untendered roads and works which cannot be economically worked under the present system when placed in the County Surveyor's hands. I may note I have observed similar difficulty has taken place in other counties.

I have to report that up to the present I have been unable to obtain a contractor to prepare material at Doran's Hill Quarry, and if you decide to purchase a stonebreaker and a Rock-Drill it maybe advisable to do the work by piece-work.



I submit a separate report regarding Wexford Bridge.

I have received a letter from Mr. King the Engineer in charge of the preliminary work at Courtown Harbour, that he has been unable to complete the Plans as the weather was against making the necessary borings and that he must await more suitable weather.

You will have before you a communication from the Department regarding Blackwater Pier; the difficulty in this case is one of money, as the Department will not provide the full deficiency beyond the £1,000 approved of by you.

I submit a communication received from the Roads Improvement Association dealing with County Roads in Ireland with a suggestion for the Resolution to be adopted by this Council.

Up to the present time I have been unable to obtain from Mr. Colhoun details of his claim in connection with the Ferryarrig Bridge, and I ask you to refer the matter to the Roads Committee to go into my figures as to what is fairly due to him and to sanction my dealing with him on such basis.

Sometime ago I reported on the advisability of purchasing or leasing Ballingluh Quarry, near Wellingtonbridge, and as the Land Commission agreements have now been signed the owner is in a position to deal with us, and I ask for your authority to enter some form of agreement with him subject to the approval of the Roads Committee and your Solicitor.

At the meeting of the Roads Committee on the 29<sup>th</sup> January last, I was directed



to report to this meeting of the Co. Council if any improvement was shown in Mr. Jones's method of work. I am very pleased to be able to report that he has given careful attention to all instructions and directions received from me and from Mr. O'Connor, and he has been most active in following up defaulters and in looking after the road machinery at present at work in his District.

As the Council Chamber has almost constantly been occupied by the Rate clerks I deferred having the floor and table covered as arranged, but I shall now put the work in hands at once."

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

"That the paragraph in Mr. Barry's report dealing with Ferryarrig Bridge be referred to the Finance & Roads Committee, and that Mr. Elgee be requested to attend the meeting at which the matter will be considered."

On the motion of the Chairman, the Co. Surveyor's recommendations to Ballingly quarry was approved, and the question of the purchase of a rock drill was referred to the Finance & Roads Committee.

#### Lara Hill Quarry.

The following report was presented by the Committee of the Council, which had been appointed to consider the strike of the employees at Larastell Quarry, and the general working of the undertaking:-

"At the meeting of the County Council on the 7<sup>th</sup> April 1910, the following resolutions with reference to the strike of employees at the Co.



Council Quarry at Tara Hill were adopted :-

That a committee be appointed with a view to arranging price per ton for quarrying and breaking road metalling at Tara Hill Quarry. That the workmen at Tara Hill Quarry be requested to furnish, for the information of the committee an inclusive price for quarrying and breaking road metalling, repairing tools, supply of blasting materials & explosives oil and coal, and any other stores required, the County Council to be responsible only for repairs to engine and breaker, new tools, they are also to provide a foreman to run the engine.

That the committee report to the next meeting of the County Council, but if in the meantime, they can come to any reasonable arrangement with the men, that the latter be allowed to resume work on the conditions agreed to between them and the committee."

That the following be the members of the committee to deal with the matter:- Messrs J. Bolger, J. J. Stafford, A. Kinsella, Lord Stopford, J. S. Hearn, C. H. Peacocke, P. O'Neill, and P. J. Fanning."

That the County Surveyor and the Secretary be requested to accompany the committee, if possible the meeting of the committee to be held on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April; at the quarry; at 9.15 a.m., That we request the Co. Surveyor to employ a brake for the committee to leave Gorey Station at 8.30 a.m., in order to allow of the inspection being carried out."

The committee desire to present the following report :-

The committee appointed by the Co. Council at the meeting of 7<sup>th</sup> April, met at Tara Hill on Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> April 1913.



all the members were present except messrs Hearn, and O'Neill, the former of whom was absent in Dublin, while Mr. O'Neill had to attend at New Ross Quarter Sessions.

The Secretary and County Surveyor were present.

The Committee went fully into the question of the working of the quarry with the men, and after considerable discussion the following terms were agreed to:-

The men are to quarry and break, attend to the engine while breaking, barrow material to depot from breaker as directed. Give assistance in taking out old jaws of stonebreaker and replacing new ones. Keep up face of the quarry as directed by the County Surveyor; and to be paid an inclusive rate of 7/- per ton as per weigh bridge. County Council to find all necessary tools, explosives, fuel and oil, keep breaker and engine in good working order.

They are also to employ a foreman, or overseer, and a smith, the latter of whom is to give assistance in driving engine with foreman. It will be also the duty of foreman to weigh the material, he is not to be concerned with the manner of working the quarry. The County Council are further to continue payment of premium on Insurance Policy under Employers Liability Act for all employees at the quarry.

Stones taken out on date of visit are to be broken on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> inst., at the rate of wages obtaining to the present in quarry, new terms of employment to commence as from Monday 14<sup>th</sup> April.

Mr. Paddle, Assistant Surveyor was directed to pay surprise visits during the first week of working under new conditions, and to be



in attendance during the weighing of all material for the period. Mr. Barry, County Surveyor, to arrange, if he considers it necessary, for Mr. Duanor to visit Tarasill during week commencing 14<sup>th</sup> April."

On the motion of Mr. Rossiter, seconded by Mr. Picoche, the following resolution was adopted:-

"That the report of Tara Hill Quarry Committee be confirmed. That the County Surveyor attend at Tarasill Quarry and lay down definite instructions in writing as to having material broken and weighed."

The following resolution adopted at the Finance & Roads Committee meeting, was laid before the meeting:-

"That Mr. Paddle, Assistant Surveyor, be instructed to be present during the weighing of all material at Tara Hill Quarry."

"Confirmed on the motion of Sir J. Esmonde, seconded by Mr. Rice."

#### County Council & Trunk Roads.

The following recommendation was sent up by the Finance & Roads Committee:-

"That this County Council is of opinion that the present system of control in regard to the leading roads in the County, under which all expenditure is a District charge, should be amended in such a way as to bring main or important county roads under the sole control of the Co. Council to be maintained as a charge on the County at large."

That this centralization of management would tend towards improvement in the roads compatible with economy and would also greatly facilitate negotiations with the



Road Board in that the latter body is empowered under the Development and Roads Improvement Funds Act 1909, to negotiate only, as far as Ireland is concerned, with the councils of counties, and County Boroughs.

That the Secretary be instructed to send a copy of this resolution to the Local Government Board."

Sir J. Emond proposed, and Mr. Peacocke seconded the following resolution:-

"That the foregoing recommendation of the Finance & Roads Committee be confirmed, subject to the approval of the District Councils."

Passed.

— Proposed Purchase of Stone-Breaker. —

The following recommendation was submitted by the Finance & Roads Committee:-

"That owing to the fact that no roads were undertaken for at the Rural District Councils meetings, we recommend the County Council to consider the advisability of purchasing a stonebreaker."

The Chairman proposed the confirmation of the minute of the Finance & Roads Committee. Mr. Fanning seconded.

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Mr. Hearn proposed that a second stonebreaker be procured principally for work in New Ross District."

Mr. Rice seconded. A poll was taken with the following result:-

For:- Messrs Bolger, Cloney, J. A. Doyle, M. Doyle & Co., Sir J. Emond, Fanning, Gough, Hearn, Lynch, Rice, Stafford. 11.



against :- messrs James Goad, Mark Goad,  
M. Doyle Jr., Mayler, O'Connor, Peacocke, and  
Rossiter :- 7.

"The Chairman declared the resolution  
carried."

—— Damage to Direction Posts. ——

On the motion of the Chairman  
Seconded by Mr. Lynch, the following  
resolution was adopted :-

"That the County Inspector be advised  
that the County Council have had erected a  
number of Direction and other Signs on the  
Roads in the County, and that as in the  
past similar signs have suffered considerably  
from wanton damage, the County Inspector  
be requested to direct the Constabulary to look  
carefully after the signs and posts in their  
district as a safeguard against a repetition  
of such an evil.

Furthermore, that every effort should be  
made to bring offences home to persons damag-  
ing signs, and magistrates should be asked  
to impose deterrent punishment."

—— Poisons & Pharmacy Act. ——

Applications for Renewals of licenses under  
Poisons & Pharmacy Act, were received from :-  
messrs James Donohoe, 1<sup>st</sup> Enniscorthy.

Joseph J. Haughton, Ferns.

James Fleming, New Ross.

James Sinnott, The Ballagh.

Edward Brennan, Loughmore.

W. H. McGuire, Wexford.

A. Kinsella, Gorey.

John S. Hearn, New Ross.

John Roche, Camolin.

Matthew Harpur, Wexford.

"Agreed to on the motion of Mr. Rossiter,



seconded by Mr. Lynch.

— Irish cattle in English Ports. —

On the motion of Mr. Rice, seconded by Mr. M. Doyle Jr., the following resolution was adopted:—

In consequence of the serious loss to the Irish cattle Trade generally caused by the continuance of the 12 hours detention of Irish live stock in English Ports, we feel bound to strongly protest against this unnecessary regulations, and more especially in the case of lambs - which suffer from this restriction more seriously than other animals - In the case of lambs we consider this restriction merely a barbarity.

We have noticed with regret the utter disregard both of Irish interests and of Irish representations, which has characterised the action of the English Department of Agriculture during the past 12 months, and we are forced to conclude that no representations of ours however influentially supported, are likely to have any weight with the Department.

Nevertheless we deem it our duty to enter our strongest protest against the anti-Irish policy of the Department, a policy which in the last 12 months has resulted in a direct loss to Ireland of millions of pounds and we invite the people of this country to consider seriously what steps can be taken to meet it.

That copies of this resolution be sent to our members of Parliament and Mr. Runciman, Minister of Agriculture."

— Insufficiency of Local Vaccination Account. —

The following resolution was received from the Irish County Councils' General Council, for adoption:—



Resolved :- "That a deputation be appointed to wait on the Chancellor of the Exchequer and the Chief Secretary for Ireland for the purpose of drawing their attention to the serious loss, amounting to something like £40,000. per annum, suffered by Irish local authorities through the insufficiency of the Local Taxation (Ireland) account to meet the charges placed on it by the Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898, most of which were previously discharged by annual Parliamentary Grants.

and that Mr John Redmond M.P., Chairman of the Irish Parliamentary Party, be requested to introduce the deputation, and the Right Hon Sir Edward Carson, K.C., M.P., Chairman of the Irish Unionist Party be asked to accompany same."

"Adopted on the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. Rossiter; Sir J. H. G. Esmonde, Bart., M.P., be named as the representative of the Wexford County Council on the deputation."

— District Councillor as Road Contractor. —

Under date 29<sup>th</sup> April, the following letter was read from Mr. Morgan Dunne, District Councillor, Enniscorthy :-

Contract No. 291.

I received your Notice and have no objection to the contract being avoided but I think I ought to be paid my quarter's pay up to 30<sup>th</sup> June next."

"Referred to County Surveyor."

— Transit of Live Stock - Rosslare Service. —

Under date 22<sup>nd</sup> April 1913, Sir J. H. G. Esmonde Bart., M.P., wrote forwarding the following letter



which he had received from the Gt. Western Railway Co., of England :-

"With further reference to your letter of the 10<sup>th</sup> inst., I beg to inform you that the question of the running of a steamer from Rosslare for the conveyance of live stock has again received the consideration of the company, but having regard to the heavy expense that would be involved it is not considered that the traffic to be accommodated would be sufficient to justify the company in instituting such service."

The following recommendation of the Finance & Roads Committee was approved :-

"That a copy of the letter received by Sir J. Esmonde from the Gt. Western Railway Co., be forwarded to messrs :-

James Murphy, Ballyhiho, Tacumshane.

John Keating, Ballybough, Comhaggard.

Lee McBarthy, Charlotte St., Wexford.

John Kiwan, Mary Street, "

John Digne Kiwan, St<sup>h</sup> main St., "

and the Secretary point out to them that it would be advisable that the shippers would communicate with the Railway Co., as regards the support which the proposed boat would receive, as it is evident that the Gt. Western Railway Co., will not agree to the request of the Council to put a boat upon the service unless it can be proved to them that the service can be carried out at a profit."

"Confirmed."

#### New Ross Bridge.

Letters from New Ross Harbour Board in connection with pilotage of vessels through New Ross Bridge, and allowing vessels to make fast ropes to warping buoys, adjourned from



meeting of the Council were read.

In connection with the latter, a letter was read from the Solicitor to the County Council, that he did not see how the Council could give the permission sought for in view of their own by-laws.

Under date 4<sup>th</sup> May, a letter was read from Mr. J. Lee, caretaker of the Bridge, stating that most of the persons taking vessels through bridge were only hobblers. Mr. Lee forwarded for the information of the Council, a letter which he had received from Mr. Elger under date 15<sup>th</sup> May 1912, and in which Mr. Elger stated that he knew of no rule by which the caretaker could compel vessels to have a pilot on board, nor did he know of any rule by which the Harbour Board could compel the caretaker to refuse to open the bridge unless vessels going through were in charge of a licensed pilot.

The question of the pilotage of vessels through New Ross Bridge was referred to Mr. Elger, with instructions to look into the recently enacted Pilots Act for report to next meeting.

As regards allowing vessels to make fast ropes to warping buoys, the following resolution was adopted on the motion of Sir J. Esmonde, seconded by Mr. Hearn:-

"That as advised by Mr. Elger, our Solicitor, the County Council have no power to allow vessels to make fast ropes to warping buoys except for the purpose of passing through the Bridge."



Wexford Bridge.

The following report from the County Surveyor, was read:-

"During the past week I made a thorough inspection and careful examination of all the timbers in this Bridge, and I shall submit diagramatic report showing the position of all defective timbers in the structure. I have also made out a table of the several timbers that are defective or that at present require renewal and this table I attach to my report.

at the present time three of the spans are in a very unsound condition owing to the cast-iron shoes at the ends of the Beams being fractured and the Beams thus allowed to sag, and though iron straps or chains have been used to take the pull of the ties, in my opinion this is unsatisfactory, and new shoes should be put in.

In order to renew the unsound Beams, as shown in the table, twelve spans must be opened full across the Bridge, and twelve other spans half-way across, while to repair the slightly defective Beams three further spans must be opened full across, and eleven half-way across, while one of the short spans must be opened full across. There are thirty large spans of 40 feet, and four short spans of about 25 feet two on each side of the Bascule opening which is 50 feet in the clear. The Bascule and adjoining short spans were repaired some couple of years ago and some of the spans on the west side of the Bridge were repaired last year but the work still to be done is as above set out.

For complete repair I estimate the expenditure at £4,000 and this, in my opinion, will leave the Bridge servicable for ordinary



traffic, excluding traction engines, and such like, for a period of say twelve years, when probably a similar sum will then require to be expended giving a further life of say another twelve years. During this total period, of say twenty-four years, minor repairs must be done from time to time, and the railings painted periodically, while of course the road surface must be continuously maintained.

This minor repair and maintenance will cost about £60 per annum on the average.

at the end of the period as above, I believe it will be necessary for the Council to take steps to rebuild the Bridge, and if the Council decide not to undertake extensive repairs at the present time it will still be necessary to expend some £500 including the money already expended on timber to maintain the Bridge pending the building of a new one.

as an alternative to the repair of the old timber Bridge, I have prepared an estimate for building a new bridge of reinforced concrete, and this if undertaken should be on the old site opposite the Courthouse.

X In the first place while the new Bridge is being built you must maintain the traffic and this can be more economically done on the old Bridge, whereas if you rebuild on the present site you must put up a temporary structure.

Furthermore the length between the abutments opposite the Courthouse is some 300 feet shorter than at the present timber bridge; the bottom at both places is I believe satisfactory. I have taken soundings opposite the Courthouse and the depth is uniform, with a gravelly bottom, except close



to the quay, where there is an overlay of mud but I believe of no great depth. The greatest depth here at low water is 23 feet. X

X my estimate of a new bridge of reinforced concrete giving a width of 22 feet roadway and a five feet footpath on each side amounts to £24,360 and to this must be added a Bascule opening span with operating plant of say 60 feet in the clear estimated at £10,000, making a total of £34,360, and a further addition must be made to this to cover engineering and supervision expenses, say £3,000. X

Now if this money be borrowed, repayable in 45 years, it will work out on something less than one penny in the £. X

I may note that in preparing this estimate, I have had the assistance of Mr. Waller, who is engaged on the Deepo Bridge and who had great experience on the Waterford Bridge, and we have largely followed the prices ruling on both these structures. There is no doubt a cheaper Bridge can be designed, but from what I understand of the requirements of the Local Government Board, whose sanction will be necessary to the loan, I do not think that the price can be much reduced."

### Waterford Timber Bridge Defective Timber

Beams:- 55 unsound & requiring renewal.  
111 defective angles.- to be repaired.  
17 sagged owing to broken shoes.

Piles:- 16 unsound in part-requiring scarfing.  
20 defective angles.- to be repaired.



Crossheads :- 32 ends unsound - requiring scarfing.  
9 defective angles - to be repaired.

Sills under Railing :- 36 unsound, & requiring renewal.

Horizontals :- 17 ends unsound & requiring scarfing.  
6 defective angles - to be repaired.

Diagonals :- 10 ends unsound & requiring scarfing.  
3 defective angles - to be repaired.

Total number of timbers in Bridge, excluding opening span, which was repaired two years ago:-

Beams :- 40 ft. spans	240 Beams
25 ft to 27 ft	32 "
Piles :-	288 Piles
Cross Heads :-	288 crossheads
Sills :-	72 Sills
Horizontals :-	72 Horizontals
Diagonals :-	72 Diagonals.

The Chairman proposed :-

"That we postpone the consideration of the erection of a new bridge at Wexford for two years; that the County Surveyor be instructed to - in the meantime - keep the present structure safe from the public at as small an expense as possible."

M<sup>r</sup>. M. Doyle Senr., seconded the resolution which was passed.

#### District Councils meetings etc.,

The following dates were fixed for half-yearly meetings of Rural District Councils and Proposal Committee :-

Enniscorthy R. D. Council - Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November at 11. a.m.,  
Gorey R. D. Council - Thursday - 30<sup>th</sup> October - at 11.30 a.m.,  
New Ross R. D. Council - Tuesday - 4<sup>th</sup> November - 11.30 a.m.



Wexford R.D. Council - Saturday - 8<sup>th</sup> November - 10.30 a.m.,  
 Proposal Committee - Wednesday - 12<sup>th</sup> November - 10.30 a.m.,  
 Wexford Co. Council - Half-yearly meeting - 3<sup>rd</sup> December - 10.30.  
 " " " Quarterly meeting - 6<sup>th</sup> August - 10.30 a.m.

— National Insurance Act. —

The following resolution was forwarded from the Finance & Roads Committee for adoption:-

"That the Insurance Commission be informed that as the appointment of the assistant Surveyors of the County have to receive the approval of the Local Government Board, and as the Co. Council cannot fix the salaries to be paid these officials without the approval of the Local Government Board, we consider that, in the light of the decision of the Master of the Rolls in the case of the officials of the South Dublin Union, the assistant Surveyors have no proper contract of service with the County Council, and are not therefore compulsorily insurable under Part I. of the National Insurance Act 1911.

That a copy of this resolution be furnished the Local Government Board and the National Insurance Commission."

"adopted on the motion of Mr Doyle S.  
 seconded by Mr Rossiter."

Under date 9<sup>th</sup> April, letter No 11993, was read from the Insurance Commission, requesting the Council to nominate some person as a member of the County Insurance Committee, vice Mr. H. Rowe resigned.

A resolution was submitted from the Insurance Committee, asking the Council to appoint to the vacancy, the Mayor of Wexford for the time being.



Mr. Peacocke proposed, that the mayor of Wexford for the time being be appointed a member of the County Insurance Committee vice Mr. H. Rowe resigned.

Mr. Rice seconded.

Passed.

Security of Secretary & Treasurer  
Co. Insurance Society.

The Secretary of the County Wexford Insurance Society wrote asking the Council to agree to the acceptance of personal security for him in the sum of £50 as had been agreed to by the Society, and the National Insurance Commission letter of 11<sup>th</sup> April 1913 No. 12719.

Under date 28<sup>th</sup> April, letter was read from Mr. W. J. Walsh, Treasurer of County Wexford Society, asking the Council to agree to reduce the amount of the security required from him as Treasurer.

On the motion of Mr. Rossiter

Seconded by Mr. M. Doyle Junr. the following resolution was agreed to:-

"The County Council have no objection to a reduction in the amount of security for Secretary and Treasurer of Wexford Co. Society to the sum of £50 in each case, to be provided by personal security."

Sanatorium Treatment - Non Insured Persons.

On the motion of Mr. M. Doyle Senr., seconded by Mr. Lynch, the following resolution was adopted:-

"That as the Co. Council agreed to strike a rate of a half penny in the £ in order to secure sanatorium benefit for non-insured persons, we request the Local Government Board and the National Health Insurance Commission to let us have some information as to when



non-insured persons can receive the treatment to which they are entitled."

— Correspondence - Road Contracts. —

Under date 5<sup>th</sup> May, letter was read from Mr. Andrew Dunne, Dranagh, Enniscorthy; asking to be released of his contract for No. 219 Enniscorthy on the grounds of unfair treatment in his payments. He contended that portion of his money was constantly struck off although he had no shortage of material.

"No Order."

A complaint from Messrs Huggard & Brennan Solicitors, Gorey; on behalf of Mrs. Mary Maloney, Emond's Street, Gorey; as to interference by a contractor of the Co. Council, with the foundations of her houses and footpath at Emond's Street; and report of committee appointed by the Gorey District Council to deal with the matter, were read.

"Referred to County Surveyor."

— New Ross Urban Council & Road Board. —

Under date 6<sup>th</sup> May, a letter was read from the Town Clerk, New Ross; forwarding for transmission to the Road Board a small scheme amounting to £285 for the carrying out of which his Council hoped to receive a Grant from the Board.

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

"That the scheme forwarded by the New Ross Urban District Council be referred to the County Surveyor."

— Payment of Motor Tax. —

The following list of owners of motor cars,



or motor cycles, who had neglected to pay motor duty was laid before the meeting:-

H. L. Meadows; Major Chas. Head; W. J. Hearn; Mary Clancy; J. W. Salmon; John J. Kirwan; J. Malcolm McAlpine; Joseph McGrath; W. C. Fitzsimons; Joseph A. Stokes; Charles Horandner; J. W. Thompson; Michael Barton; M. M. Ingram; James Lower; Wm. Athurington; Dr. W. W. Murphy; R. A. Rice; W. Thorpe; Rev W. R. Evans; J. J. Scallan; Horace Ashton; Capt P. C. Alcock; Capt L. A. Bryan; Geo. H. Lambert; J. C. Dornier; Dr. J. J. Dwyer; Rev W. McKerr; Rev W. H. J. Gahan; Janssen Dudgeon; John Carroll; Frederic Hughes; Sir J. J. Lower; Lte. McCarthy; Sir Geo. Errington; Rev N. Murnagh P.P.; P. L. K. Dobbin; G. C. Braddell; Robert H. Keane; A. L. Bluff; J. M. Ronan; Samuel Hulme; Patrick J. Carey Jr.; J. Thompson; Son; Stafford Gaffney; Geo. Heaton; N. J. Cooke; J. Nobleth; P. A. Jeffares; Robt Mc Kenzie; Malachy Scally; Wm. J. Cranston; Rev James Redmond B.C.; J. H. Whitney; Myles Sheill; W. L. Garton; R. J. Spring; Rev Peter Doyle; John M. Roche; H. J. A. S. Boyle; Dr. D. Hadden; Edw. Hartick; Dr. J. Nolan; James Walsh; J. P. Roche; Richard Whitney; M. V. McKivitt; J. J. Roche; Claude Dinnion; J. J. Chichester; J. C. Bailey; Mrs L. Chadwick; Thompson Bros; W. J. Doyle; Mrs Maud Stanley; C. J. Bouchier; A. L. Bryan; J. L. Comonde; S. A. Furlong; Bates & Sons; H. J. Roche; J. W. Cairns; Rev Denis Murphy B.C.; J. C. Harman; Dr. G. A. Hickey; C. C. Harvey; Rev J. Byrne; Wm Barber; Sergt J. Dorney; Rev S. Ridgway; James O'Connor B.C.; Rev E. Crean; J. W. Taylor; Dr. J. O'Regan; Moses Kehoe.

On the motion of the Chairman, the following resolution was adopted:-  
"That instructions be given to Mr. Elger,



Solicitor, to proceed against owners of motor cars, and motor cycles who are in arrear with the payment of their motor duty."

Analyst's Report.

The following Report was read :-

City Laboratory  
17 Castle St., Dublin.  
28<sup>th</sup> April 1913.

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 1913.

107 articles were received from the Food Inspectors  
R. J. G., as follows :-

<u>article</u>	<u>number.</u>
milk	38
Butter	26
whiskey	22
margarine	7
cheese	5
Buttermilk	3
Ginger wine	2
Claret	1
Brandy	1
Rum	1
Port wine	1
Total	<u>107.</u>

Two certificates were sent to Sergeant Scully,  
Wexford, for specimens of milk adulterated  
with at least 8.9 and 26 per cent of added  
water respectively and one certificate for  
specimen of milk adulterated with at least  
26 per cent of added water, and was also deficient  
of at least 16 per cent of its fat.

One certificate was sent to Sergeant Ruane,  
New Ross, for specimen of milk adulterated with  
at least 8.9 per cent of added water.



One certificate was sent to Sergeant Flynn, Ballybrasil, Campile; was adulterated with at least 7.5 per cent of added water.

One certificate was sent to Constable Kelly, Gory, for specimen of milk adulterated with at least 6.25 per cent of added water and was also deficient of at least 13 per cent its fats.

For the Guardians of Gory union nine drugs were analysed and were correct.

For the Guardians of Enniscorthy union, nine drugs, sixteen specimens of tea and ten of port wine were received. The drugs were correct. The specimens of tea and wine were examined to determine which was best for use in the workhouse.

One specimen of water analysed for New Ross Rural District Council had the following composition.

One imperial gallon contained in grains.

Total solid matters	14.700
Including	
albuminoid ammonia	0.005
Saline ammonia	0.001
Nitric acid	1.750
Chlorine	2.680
Colour	colourless.

A very pure water.

One specimen of water analysed for Wexford Rural District Council had the following composition.

One imperial gallon contained in grains.

Total solid matters	84.000
Including	
albuminoid ammonia	0.017
Saline ammonia	0.0025
Nitric acid	Trace
Chlorine	15.70
Colour.	light yellow.

a slightly inferior water.



A substance which proved on analysis to be butter was received from the Secretary, Wexford Co. Council.

One specimen of milk analysed for the Rev Father Murphy, Ferns; was under the average quality of pure milk.

For the Enniscorthy Co-operative Society, Enniscorthy; one specimen of feeding stuff was analysed.

One specimen of water analysed for Messrs Buttle Bros. & Co., Ltd, Enniscorthy; had the following composition:-

One imperial gallon contained in grains..

Total solid matter	80.000
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Including

albuminoid ammonia	0.008
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saline ammonia	0.008
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Nitric acid	11.620
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Chlorine	18.980
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colour.

light yellow.

This water was fit for use.

The viscera of a dog received from B. Hickey Esq, R.S., Wexford; is in the process of analysis.

For Shillagh Union, which is partly situated in the County Wexford, six drugs were analysed and were correct.

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 ..	164
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adulterated & defective articles	6.
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Charles A. Cameron

marked "Read."

John Belger



Special Meeting.-28th May 1913

A Special Meeting of the Wexford County Council, was held in the County Council Chamber, Courthouse, Wexford, on 28th May 1913.

Present :- Mr John Bolger, (chairman) presiding.

Other Members:- Messrs Rice, Rossiter, M. Doyle, Junr., J. J. Stafford, P. O'Neill, C. H. Peacocke, M. Doyle Senr., M. Cloney, T. Asple, J. Codd, J. A. Doyle.

The Secretary, County Surveyor, and Solicitor to the Council were also in attendance.

New Assistant Surveyor.

Under date 19th May 1913, the following letter No. 24563, Wexford County, was read from the Local Government Board relative to the appointment of Mr J. H. O'Connor, as an Assistant County Surveyor:-

"With reference to the entry in the Minutes of Proceedings of the Wexford County Council on the 7th instant, relative to the proposed appointment of Mr J. H. O'Connor as an Assistant County Surveyor, I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to state that they consider that Mr O'Connor cannot legally perform the duties of an Assistant Surveyor as he is not qualified in accordance with the statutes.

The County Council should at once make arrangements for the discharge of the duties of the vacant office by a qualified person.

A form of queries in connection with the vacancy is enclosed.

Mr Peacocke moved:- "That the Local Government Board be requested to allow the County Council to retain in office as Assistant Surveyor Mr J. H. O'Connor, and that they be requested to arrange for a special examination in order to ascertain the qualifications of Mr O'Connor for the office."

Mr Rossiter seconded.

Mr O'Neill moved as an amendment:-

"That in pursuance of the letter of the Local Government Board of 19th May, and No. 24,563-1913, Wexford County, refusing to sanction the appointment of Mr J. H. O'Connor as Assistant Surveyor, we appoint



Mr Gerald Flood, to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Mr Howlin, late Assistant Surveyor, this appointment to be subject to the sanction of the Local Government Board."

Mr J. A. Doyle seconded.

A poll was taken with the following result:-

**For the Amendment:-** Messrs Rice, O'Neill, Asple, J. A. Doyle, and the Chairman.-5.

**Against:-** Messrs Rossiter, M. Doyle Junr., Stafford, Peacocke, M. Doyle Senr., Cloney, and Codd.-7.

The Chairman declared the amendment lost.

As a further amendment Mr M. Doyle Senr., proposed:-

"That Mr Gerald Flood be appointed as temporary Assistant Surveyor for the vacancy in Enniscorthy District, and that our Secretary be directed to issue advertisement for the permanent appointment to be made at the Annual Meeting of the Council on the 12th June."

The Chairman seconded.

A poll was taken with the following result:-

**For the Amendment:-** Messrs Rice, O'Neill, M. Doyle Senr., Asple, J. A. Doyle, and the Chairman.-6.

**Against:-** Messrs Rossiter, Stafford, Peacocke, Cloney, and Codd.-5.

Mr M. Doyle Junr., did not vote.

The Chairman declared the amendment carried.

It was then put as the substantive motion and passed nem con.

#### Application- Holidays.

Application for ten days' holidays was received from Mr Treanor, Assistant Surveyor, and for eight days' holidays from Mr Kehoe, Assistant Surveyor.

"On the motion of Mr O'Neill, seconded by Mr M. Doyle Senr., the applications were acceded to."

#### Tuberculosis (Ireland) Order 1913.

Correspondence was read from the Department of Agriculture & Technical Instruction, forwarding copies of Tuberculosis (Ireland) Order 1913, and Memoranda explanatory of the working of this Order.

On the motion of Mr Peacocke, seconded by Mr M. Doyle Junr., the



following resolution was adopted:-

"That as we believe the Stock of this County to be thoroughly healthy, we do not consider it necessary to carry out the provisions of the Tuberculosis (Ireland) Order 1913."

Poisons & Pharmacy Act.

Applications for licenses under the Poisons & Pharmacy Act were read from:-

William B. Jackson, 51 Main Street, Gorey.

Laurence Codd, 26 Main Street, Enniscorthy.

"Agreed to on the motion of Mr Asple, seconded by Mr O'Neill."

Ferryarrig Bridge.

Mr Peacocke proposed:-

"That this Meeting resolve itself into Committee for the purpose of discussing the claim of Mr R. Colhoun, Contractor for the erection of Ferryarrig Bridge."

Mr O'Neill seconded.

"Passed"

The County Surveyor read the following letter which he had received from Mr Colhoun, under date 12th May 1913:-

"I am now in a position to give you particulars of my claim in connection with the above work which you wrote for sometime ago, and which I herewith enclose.

This claim is in addition to any balances and extras agreed upon, and is made out on the basis of an amicable settlement being come to between myself and the Council.

It is without prejudice to any further claims that I may be entitled to make, should it be necessary to appeal to a Law Court.

I would be glad if you would arrange an early date when we could go into the matter suggested by you in your previous correspondence."

The Claim referred to amounted to £2137. 10. 0.

The following recommendation of the Finance & Roads Committee was confirmed on the motion of Mr Peacocke, seconded by Mr M. Doyle Senr:-

"That we instruct our Solicitor to repudiate the claim of Mr Colhoun in his letter of the 12th May to the County Surveyor, on foot of contract, etc., for the erection of Ferryarrig Bridge, and to



defend any proceedings which Mr Colhoun may institute against the County Council on foot of said claim."

Deeps Bridge.

Under date 19th May 1913, the Local Government Board wrote, letter No.25613, relative to loan for Deeps Bridge:-

"The Local Government Board for Ireland have had before them the application of the County Council of Wexford for sanction to a loan of £5,000 for the purpose of reconstructing a bridge over the river Slaney at the Deeps, and the Board desire to express their sanction to the loan in question, in pursuance of Article 22 of the Schedule to the Local Government (Application of Enactments) Order, 1898, and Section 60 of the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1898, repayment to be spread over a period of twenty-five years.

The Plans, Specification, and Estimate are returned herewith."

Under date 26th May, the following letter addressed to Mr Elgee, Solicitor to the County Council, by the British Reinforced Concrete Engineering Co., Ltd., was read:-

"We understand that the Bond was completed on the 23rd inst., by the Insurance Company, and was forwarded to you by Friday night's post. We shall be glad to have the Agreement, so that we can go ahead with the working."

"Referred to Mr Elgee."

Food & Drugs Acts.

Under date 26th May 1913, letter No. G 1891-13, as to the result of the analyses of samples of butter taken up by officers of the Department being found pure, was read.

Marked "Read"

National Insurance Act.-Treatment of Tuberculosis.

Under date 22nd May 1913, letter No. 20179-13, was read from the Insurance Commissioners stating that the approval of Schemes under the Tuberculosis Prevention (Ireland) Acts 1908 and 1913, was a matter for the Local Government Board for Ireland.

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



"That no action be taken to put into force the permanent scheme of the County Council relative to treatment of Tuberculosis, until the return of Dr W. O'Connor, Chief Tuberculosis Officer, from course of special training."

Insurance of Co Council Employees.

Under date 10th May 1913, letter No. 19548, was read from the Insurance Commissioners, stating that they had at present under consideration the position under the National Insurance Act of employees of local authorities in Ireland, and that a further communication would be issued in the matter in due course."

Marked "Read"

*John Belger*

Presiding Chairman

Dated this 12<sup>th</sup> day of *June* 1913.