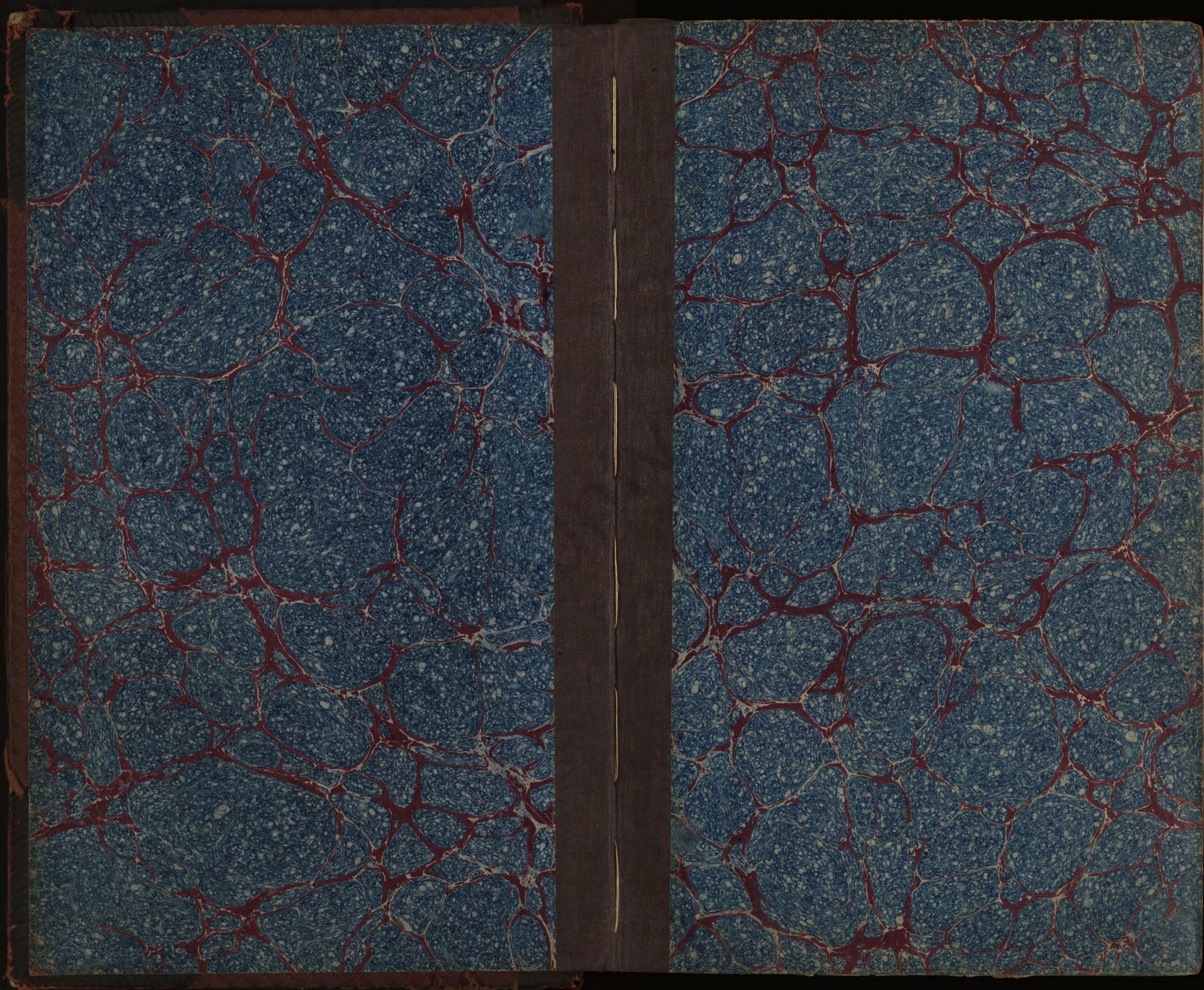




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Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee at their meeting held in the Council Chamber on Thursday the 29<sup>th</sup> day of May 1913.

Present: In the Chair: Peter Hughes Esq. J.P.

Other Members: William Woods J.P.

James H. Conboy J.P. Joseph Nolan:

Thomas Hamill J.P. Patrick Connolly:

Edward Goldman and Richard O'Shea J.P. ~~Esq.~~

James Wynn and Patrick Kearney Esq.

The three Veterinary Inspectors

- Sgt. Chatter: Maxwell and

Donnelly were also present.

The Secretary submitted the <sup>important</sup> following correspondence from the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland -

Any communication on this subject should be addressed to:-  
THE SECRETARY,  
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
AND TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION  
FOR IRELAND,  
(VETERINARY BRANCH),  
13, UPPER MERRION ST., DUBLIN,  
And the Number and Date of this letter should be quoted.

Department of Agriculture  
and Technical Instruction for Ireland,  
(Veterinary Branch),  
13, Upper Merrion Street,  
Dublin.

No. 2098-13.

16th May, 1913.

Sir,

The Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland desire to forward herewith, for the information and guidance of your Local Authority, copies of an Order entitled the "Tuberculosis (Ireland) Order of 1913" which has been made by the Department under the Diseases of Animals Acts, and which will come into operation on 2nd proximo.

The Local Authority are, no doubt, aware that, having regard not only to the ways whereby Tuberculosis is liable to be communicated from bovine animals to man, but also to the direct importance of protecting live stock from the spread of the disease, there has, in recent years, been a considerable movement of opinion in the direction of having Tuberculosis scheduled under the Acts above-named, with a view, if possible, to suppression of the malady amongst cattle.

Definite action towards this end has recently been taken as regards Great Britain by the issue of the Tuberculosis Order of the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, which came into force on 1st instant; and it follows, of necessity, that similar action should now be taken in this country, as it is vital to the interests of Ireland's large export trade in cattle that the measures adopted against disease here should be no less complete than those in Great Britain.

The Department have, therefore, felt it incumbent on them to issue the enclosed Order, and they are glad to be in a position to state that the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury have concurred in provision being made for allowing Irish Local Authorities the same degree of assistance from the Exchequer towards the costs of compensation for cattle slaughtered under the Order as it had previously been decided to grant to the Local Authorities in Great Britain.

The Local Authorities will observe that the Order provides

for due notification of any cases of udder disease in cows, or emaciation in cattle generally, that may possibly be due to Tuberculosis;

for careful examination by a Veterinary Inspector acting on behalf of the Local Authority of all bovine animals on premises where the disease is supposed to be present in any of the forms required to be notified, or where there is a cow supposed to be giving tuberculous milk; and for recourse, in certain circumstances, to special methods of investigation in such cases;

The Clerk

of each Local Authority.

for

for slaughter by the Local Authority - subject to certain reservations - of any bovine animal which the Local Authority are satisfied from their Inspector's report is suffering from tuberculosis of the udder or tuberculosis with emaciation, or any cow giving tuberculous milk;

for procedure in regard to valuation of animals proposed to be slaughtered;

for the satisfactory post-mortem examination of slaughtered animals;

for payment of compensation by the Local Authority in respect of the slaughtered animals, on a scale depending on the results of the post-mortem examination;

for precautions to be adopted with regard to the milk of diseased or suspected cows;

for detention and isolation of suspected animals;

for dealing with the special case of discovery of suspected animals in Markets, Fairs or Sales;

for prohibiting the sending of diseased animals for shipment;

for the carrying out, where requisite, of cleansing and disinfection;

for communication, when necessary, with the Sanitary Authority; and

for other subsidiary purposes.

It is hoped to forward shortly for the further guidance of the Local Authority and their Officers, a supply of copies of a Memorandum which the Department are having prepared dealing more fully with details of procedure under the Order. The Department also consider that with a view of promoting uniform and efficient methods of carrying out the Order, particularly as regards any special investigations requisite under article 4 thereof, it would be advantageous if the Chief Inspector of the Department's Veterinary Branch, Mr. Brentice, M.R.C.V.S., could have an early opportunity of interview in the matter with the Veterinary Inspectors of the various Local Authorities, and it is accordingly proposed to invite such Inspectors to attend for the purpose at the Department's Offices on a day to be suggested in each case.

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The question of Accounts in relation to the Order will be dealt with in a separate communication and it remains only to state here that the assistance which the Department will be in a position to afford from the Exchequer Funds towards the cost of working the Order in the district of your Local Authority will be one half of the net amount paid as compensation for slaughtered animals, after deduction of any proceeds of sale of healthy carcasses. This arrangement is to have force for five years from the commencement of the Order, the period during which, it is reasonable to anticipate, the largest number of cattle will require to be slaughtered.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

*J. B. G. G. G.*  
Secretary.

The following outfit is required for testing milk for tuberculosis:-

A microscope fitted with oil immersion lens.

Abbe condenser. (Mechanical stage, although not absolutely necessary, is a great advantage.)

A centrifuge and supply of centrifuge glasses.

A platinum wire loop in holder.

A supply of glass slides, 3" X 1".

A few flat bottomed watch glasses.

A small supply of cedar oil.

A microscope lamp.

A grease pencil for writing on glass.

A supply of carbol fuchsin stain, methylene blue stain, and 25% solution of carbolic acid in small drop bottles.

A wash bottle.

A few pipettes (10 c.c.)

A bunsen burner, or spirit lamp.

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ORDER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF  
AGRICULTURE AND TECHNICAL IN-  
STRUCTION FOR IRELAND.

(DATED 8TH MAY, 1913.)  
TUBERCULOSIS (IRELAND) ORDER OF  
1913.

THE Department of Agriculture and Technical instruction for Ireland, by virtue and in exercise of the powers vested in them under the Diseases of Animals Acts, 1894 to 1911, the Agriculture and Technical Instruction (Ireland) Act, 1899, and of every other power enabling them in this behalf, do order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:

*Interpretation.*

1. In this Order—

“The Department” means the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland:

“Local Authority” means the Council of an administrative county acting as the Local Authority for the purposes of the Diseases of Animals Act, 1894:

“The Act of 1894” means the Diseases of Animals Act, 1894:

“Inspector” includes Veterinary Inspector:

“Bovine animal” means a bull, cow, ox, heifer or calf:

“Cow” includes a heifer that has calved:

“Milk” includes cream and separated or skimmed milk.

Other terms have, where the context so permits, the same meaning and scope as in the Act of 1894.

*Notice of Disease.*

2.—(1.) Every person having in his possession or under his charge

(i) any cow which is, or appears to be, suffering from tuberculosis of the udder, indurated udder, or other chronic disease of the udder; or

(ii) any bovine animal which is, or appears to be, suffering from tuberculosis with emaciation

shall without avoidable delay give information of the fact to a constable of the police force for the area wherein the animal is, and the constable shall transmit the information

(a) to the Local Authority, who, if not themselves the Sanitary Authority, shall inform that Authority; and

(b) to the Department.

(2.) The person in possession or having charge of the animal shall forthwith take such steps as are necessary to secure compliance with Article 9 (*Precautions to be adopted with respect to Milk, &c.*) and Article 10 (*Detention and Isolation of Suspected Animals*).

*Notification of Disease by Veterinary Surgeons.*

3.—(1.) A veterinary surgeon or veterinary practitioner who in his private practice is employed to examine any animal, and is of opinion that the animal, if a cow, is suffering from tuberculosis of the udder, indurated udder, or other chronic disease of the udder, or, if a bovine animal, is suffering from tuberculosis with emaciation, shall with all practicable speed give notice of the existence or suspected existence of such disease

(a) to the Local Authority, who, if not themselves the Sanitary Authority, shall inform that Authority; and

(b) to the Department.

(2.) A veterinary surgeon or veterinary practitioner who under and in accordance with this Article gives notice of the existence or suspected existence of disease to the Local Authority shall be entitled to receive from the Local Authority a fee of two shillings and sixpence for each notification.

(3.) Where two or more animals are examined by a veterinary surgeon or veterinary practitioner on the same premises and at the same time and are found to be diseased, one fee only shall be payable to him under this Article in respect of the notification of the existence or suspected existence of disease in such animals.

*Inspection and Examination of Animals.*

4.—(1.) Where a Local Authority, from information received under the preceding Articles or otherwise, have reasonable ground for supposing that on any premises in their District there is a cow which is suffering from chronic disease of the udder or giving tuberculous milk, or a bovine animal which is suffering from tuberculosis with emaciation, the Local Authority shall with all practicable speed cause such veterinary examination of the bovine animals on such premises to be made by a Veterinary Inspector as in the opinion of the Local Authority is necessary to ascertain whether any cow thereon is suffering from tuberculosis of the udder or giving tuberculous milk, or whether any bovine animal thereon is suffering from tuberculosis with emaciation, and for that purpose the Inspector may, with the previous consent in writing of the owner of the animal or of his agent, but not otherwise, apply the tuberculin test to any cow which the Inspector suspects of suffering from tuberculosis of the udder, or of giving tuberculous milk, or to any bovine animal which he suspects of suffering from tuberculosis with emaciation.

(2.) For the purpose of such examination, a Veterinary Inspector may at all reasonable hours enter on any part of the premises and examine any bovine animal thereon, and require any cow to be milked in his presence, and may take samples of the milk, and the milk from any particular teat shall if he so require be kept separate, and separate samples thereof shall be furnished.

(3.) The Inspector may also take samples of the faeces or urine of any bovine animal on the premises, or of any abnormal discharge from any bovine animal thereon.

(4.) The occupier of the premises and the persons in his employment shall render such reasonable assistance to the Inspector as may be required for all or any of the purposes of this Article, and any person refusing such assistance shall be deemed guilty of an offence against the Act of 1894.

(5.) The Inspector shall as soon as possible send to the Local Authority a report showing the result of his inspection and examination and of the examination of any sample taken by him. He shall further send a copy of the report to the Department. The Local Authority, if not themselves the Sanitary Authority, shall send a copy of the report to that Authority.

Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland.

TUBERCULOSIS (IRELAND) ORDER OF 1913.

Memorandum as to certain points of procedure in connection with the above Order.

1. The Local Authority are charged with the duty of investigating, with the assistance of a Veterinary Inspector, reports received under the Order, with a view to causing the slaughter of any cow in their district shown to be suffering from tuberculosis of the udder or to be giving tuberculous milk, or any bovine animal shown to be suffering from tuberculosis with emaciation. The Local Authority may be set in motion (a) by receiving notice of suspected disease from the owner of an animal, or by other information relating to an animal kept on private premises; (b) by the discovery of a diseased animal in a market; (c) by the discovery of tubercle bacilli in a consignment of milk from a particular dairy; (d) or by receipt of a notice from a Veterinary Surgeon in conformity with the requirements of Article 3. In any such case the Local Authority should forthwith instruct their Veterinary Inspector for the part of their district where the case has arisen, or, if the Inspector for that area be not a Veterinary Inspector, the Veterinary Inspector of a neighbouring area, to carry out the necessary examination.

2. Where the report has been received in respect of a particular animal, the examination conducted by the Veterinary Inspector should not be confined to the animal which was the subject of the report, but should be extended to other bovine animals on the premises and particularly to all milch cows, and the Veterinary Inspector should make an exhaustive clinical examination of any animal there is reason to suspect of suffering from tuberculosis of the udder, from tuberculosis with emaciation, or of giving tuberculous milk. Since the Local Authority will be liable to pay full compensation for any animal slaughtered by them as regards which the post-mortem examination does not show that it was affected with tuberculosis they should be careful to see that in all cases every available test has been made use of before their final decision is reached as regards a particular animal. To this end they should issue instructions to their Veterinary Inspectors that; (a) in the case of cows suspected of having tuberculosis of the udder or giving tuberculous milk, samples of their milk should be centrifugalised and examined for tubercle bacilli with the microscope; (b) in the case of animals suspected on account of an abnormal discharge, the latter should be examined microscopically for tubercle bacilli; and (c) in the case of animals suspected to be suffering from tuberculosis with emaciation, but which are not suspected to be suffering from tuberculosis of the udder or to be giving tuberculous milk, all possible use should, with the consent of the owner of the animal, be made of tuberculin under Article 4 (1) of the Order. In the event of a diseased animal being found in a market, fair ground or saleyard, the veterinary enquiry should be extended to the animals on the premises whence the diseased animal was taken to the market, &c. In order that this may be done, the  
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(6.) If the report of the Inspector as to any animal does not show that it is suffering from tuberculosis of the udder, or giving tuberculous milk or suffering from tuberculosis with emaciation, the Local Authority shall forthwith give notice in writing to the owner or person in charge thereof that the provisions of this Order relating to precautions to be adopted with respect to milk and detention and isolation of suspected animals have ceased to apply to the animal. The Local Authority shall further send a copy of such notice to the Department.

#### *Slaughter of Diseased Animals.*

5.—(1.) Where a Local Authority are satisfied by the report of the Inspector that in their District there is a cow which is suffering from tuberculosis of the udder, or giving tuberculous milk, or a bovine animal which is suffering from tuberculosis with emaciation, the Local Authority shall with all practicable speed give notice in writing (in the Form set forth in the First Schedule hereto or to the like effect) to the owner or person in charge of the animal and also to the Department, and cause the animal to be slaughtered; provided that if, before the slaughter is carried out, the owner of the animal, or any person on his behalf, gives notice in writing to the Local Authority, or to their Inspector or other officer directed to carry out such slaughter, that the owner objects to the animal being slaughtered under the provisions of this Order, it shall not be lawful for the Local Authority to cause the animal to be slaughtered without the special authority of the Department first obtained; provided also that this special authority shall not be given in the case of any animal valued under this Order at more than thirty pounds, if and so long as the animal is detained and isolated, and the milk (if any) is dealt with in accordance with the provisions of this Order.

(2.) If the value of an animal proposed to be slaughtered, as agreed or certified under this Order, exceeds thirty pounds, the Local Authority shall not proceed with its slaughter unless so directed by the Department.

(3.) Nothing in this Article shall be deemed to interfere with the powers possessed by a Sanitary Authority, under Section 18 of the Tuberculosis Prevention (Ireland) Act, 1908, of causing the slaughter of any milch cow which is certified by a veterinary surgeon to be affected with tubercular disease of the udder.

#### *Valuation for Compensation.*

6.—(1.) Before the slaughter of an animal the Local Authority shall either agree in writing with the owner of the animal as to the value of the animal in its condition at the time of valuation, or if they shall fail so to agree shall cause such value to be ascertained by a valuer appointed by them or appointed on the application of the Local Authority by the Department, but paid by the Local Authority, and such valuer shall give to the Local Authority and to the owner a certificate in writing of the said value.

(2.) In ascertaining the value of an animal, regard shall be had to any Act, Order, or Regulation dealing with the sale or use of milk, milk products, or carcasses for human food.

(3.) The value shall be ascertained both on the basis of the certificate of examination hereinafter required showing that the animal was suffering from tuberculosis, and also on the basis of its not showing that the animal was

suffering from tuberculosis, and the amount to be paid for compensation shall depend on such certificate accordingly.

#### *Post-mortem Examination of Slaughtered Animals.*

7.—(1.) In the case of every animal slaughtered under this Order, the Local Authority shall cause the carcase, at the time of slaughter or as soon as practicable thereafter, to be examined by a Veterinary Inspector of the Local Authority, or (if so required by the owner or person in charge of the animal before it is slaughtered) by some other veterinary surgeon, who, failing agreement between the Local Authority and such owner or person, shall be nominated by the Department but paid by the Local Authority.

(2.) The Veterinary Inspector or other veterinary surgeon shall at the conclusion of his examination give to the Local Authority and to the owner of the animal a certificate of the result of the examination in the Form set forth in the First Schedule hereto or to the like effect, and shall send a copy thereof to the Department.

#### *Compensation.*

8.—(1.) If the Local Authority fail to carry out the examination required by the preceding Article, or if the certificate of such examination does not show that the animal was suffering from tuberculosis, the Local Authority shall, by way of compensation, pay to the owner thereof a sum equal to the value of the animal as agreed or certified in manner aforesaid and a further sum of twenty shillings.

(2.) If the certificate of the examination shows that the animal was suffering from tuberculosis (not being advanced tuberculosis), the Local Authority shall, by way of compensation, pay to the owner a sum equal to three-fourths of the value of the animal as agreed or certified in manner aforesaid, after deducting from such sum one-half of their reasonable costs of any valuation of the animal by a valuer appointed by the Department, and of any examination of its carcase by a veterinary surgeon other than the Veterinary Inspector.

(3.) If the certificate of the examination shows that the animal was suffering from advanced tuberculosis, the Local Authority shall, by way of compensation, pay to the owner a sum equal to one-fourth of the value of the animal, as agreed or certified in manner aforesaid or the sum of thirty shillings, whichever sum is the greater, after deducting from such sum one-half of their costs of valuation and examination as in the preceding case.

(4.) For the purposes of this Order an animal slaughtered under this Order shall be deemed to have been suffering from advanced tuberculosis

- (a) When there is miliary tuberculosis of both lungs;
- (b) when tuberculous lesions are present on the pleura and peritoneum;
- (c) when tuberculous lesions are present in the muscular system, or in the lymphatic glands embedded in or between the muscles; or
- (d) when the carcase is emaciated and tuberculous lesions are present.

#### *Precautions to be adopted with respect to Milk, &c.*

9.—(1.) The milk produced by any cow which is, or appears to be, suffering from

chronic disease of the udder or tuberculosis with emaciation, shall not be mixed with other milk until the cow has been examined by a Veterinary Inspector in accordance with the provisions of this Order, and until the owner or person in charge thereof has been notified that this Article has ceased to apply to the cow; and all milk affected by this Article shall forthwith be boiled or otherwise sterilised, and any utensil in which such milk is placed before being so treated shall be thoroughly cleansed with boiling water before any other milk is placed therein.

(2.) A Local Authority, or a Veterinary Inspector on their behalf, may by written notice apply the restrictions imposed by this Article to the milk produced by any cow specified in the notice which is suspected of giving tuberculous milk and is being examined under this Order, and such restrictions shall apply accordingly. The Local Authority or the Inspector giving such notice shall send a copy thereof to the Department.

#### *Detention and Isolation of Suspected Animals.*

10.—(1.) Every person having in his possession or under his charge any cow which is, or appears to be, suffering from chronic disease of the udder, or any bovine animal which is, or appears to be, suffering from tuberculosis with emaciation, shall keep the animal isolated as far as practicable from other bovine animals, and also keep the animal in his possession or under his charge, until the animal has been examined by a Veterinary Inspector in accordance with the provisions of this Order and the owner or person in charge thereof has been notified that this Article has ceased to apply to the animal; provided that the animal may at any time be slaughtered by the owner or person in charge.

(2.) A Local Authority, or a Veterinary Inspector on their behalf, may by written notice apply this Article to any bovine animal specified in the notice which is being examined under this Order, and such Article shall apply accordingly. The Local Authority or the Inspector giving such notice shall send a copy thereof to the Department.

#### *Suspected Animals in Markets, Fairs, and Sales.*

11.—(1.) A Veterinary Inspector or a Local Authority may by notice served on the owner or person in charge of a bovine animal exposed in a market, fairground, or saleyard which appears to him to be

- (i) suffering from tuberculosis of the udder, indurated udder, or other chronic disease of the udder; or
- (ii) suffering from tuberculosis with emaciation,

require the animal to be removed from the market, fairground, or saleyard to the premises from which it was brought thereto, or if the owner or person in charge so desires, to any other suitable premises, to be specified in the notice, and thereupon the animal shall forthwith be moved by the owner or person in charge to those premises for the purpose of examination under the foregoing provisions of this Order.

(2.) Where the premises to which the animal is required under this Article to be moved are not in the same District as the market, fairground, or saleyard, the Inspector serving the notice shall forthwith send a copy of the notice

to the Local Authority of the District in which the first-mentioned premises are situate.

#### *Diseased Animals not to be brought for Shipment.*

12.—(1.) It shall not be lawful for any person to bring, or carry, or send, or cause to be brought, or carried, or sent to any port or place of inspection at a port, for shipment, any cow suffering, or appearing to be suffering, from tuberculosis of the udder, indurated udder, or other chronic disease of the udder; or any bovine animal suffering, or appearing to be suffering, from tuberculosis with emaciation.

(2.) In the case of any breach of this Article the provisions of the last preceding Article shall apply (without prejudice to other proceedings in respect of the offence) as if the animal appearing affected had been exposed in a market, fairground, or saleyard.

#### *Cleansing and Disinfection.*

13. The occupier of any premises on which there has been a cow suffering from tuberculosis of the udder or giving tuberculous milk, or a bovine animal suffering from tuberculosis with emaciation, shall if so required in writing by an Inspector of the Local Authority cleanse and disinfect at his own expense, and to the satisfaction of the Inspector, that part of any shed or other erection in which the animal has recently been placed or kept.

#### *Powers of Inspectors of Department.*

14. Any powers exercisable under this Order by a Veterinary Inspector acting for a Local Authority shall be exercisable also by a Veterinary Inspector of the Department.

#### *Reports to the Department.*

15. Every Local Authority and their Inspectors and officers shall send and give to the Department such reports, returns, and information as to their proceedings under this Order as the Department require.

#### *Extension of certain Sections of Diseases of Animals Act, 1894.*

16. Tuberculosis shall be a disease for the purposes of the following sections of the Act of 1894 (namely):

Sections nineteen and twenty (*Slaughter in Disease and Compensation Generally*);

Section forty-three (*Police*);

Section forty-four (*General Administrative Provisions*);

and also for the purposes of all other sections of the said Act containing provisions relative to or consequent on the provisions of those sections and this Order, including such sections as relate to offences and legal proceedings.

#### *Information to be given as to certain Animals or Animals in contact therewith.*

17. Article 35 of the Animals (Transit and General) (Ireland) Order of 1913 (*Information to be given as to Diseased or Suspected Animals or Animals in contact therewith*) shall apply to

- (i) any cow which is, or is suspected of, suffering from tuberculosis of the udder or giving tuberculous milk; and
- (ii) any bovine animal which is, or is suspected of, suffering from tuberculosis with emaciation.

#### *Offences.*

18. Every person who—  
(i) fails to give the notice required by Article 2 or Article 3 of this Order; or



Local Authority in whose district the market, &c., is situated should, where necessary, communicate with any other Local Authority concerned.

3. Should suspicion first be aroused by the discovery of tubercle bacilli in milk from a dairy, the enquiry of the Veterinary Inspector should be directed to the discovery of the particular cow in the herd giving tuberculous milk.

4. It is of importance that the decision of the Local Authority should be come to without avoidable delay in view of the restrictions which Articles 9 and 10 of the Order impose on animals, particularly dairy cows, during the time that they remain under suspicion. It is suggested, therefore, that the Local Authority should make special arrangements for dealing with the reports received from their Veterinary Inspectors, and the issue of the necessary notification to the owner of the animal.

5. The Local Authority are required by Article 5 of the Order to give a Notice in writing, in the form set forth in the Schedule to the Order, to the owner of any animal of the fact that such animal has been found by them to be diseased within the meaning of the Order, and to send a copy of such Notice to the Department. It is intended that a separate Notice shall be served as regards each animal. So soon as this Notice has been issued, arrangements must be made for the slaughter of each animal found by the Local Authority to be diseased. The animal is to be valued in its condition at the time of valuation. As it is possible, however, that the clinical diagnosis made by the Veterinary Inspector prior to slaughter may not be confirmed on post-mortem examination it is provided in paragraph (3) of Article 6 of the Order that there shall be separate valuations on the basis both of the animal proving to be affected with tuberculosis and of its proving not to be so affected, and the amount of compensation will depend on the result of the examination. It may be presumed that, ordinarily, the Local Authority will be able to agree in writing with the owner of the animal in respect of a valuation made by the Veterinary Inspector. Where no such agreement is reached, however, and a valuer has to be employed to ascertain the value the special attention of the latter should be called beforehand to the provisions of the aforesaid Article 6 of the Order.

6. Slaughter may not be proceeded with in the face of written objection by the owner of the animal without the special authority of the Department, and such authority will not be given in respect of any animal valued under the Order at more than thirty pounds provided that the owner of the animal continues to observe the special requirements imposed in such circumstances. In no case is an animal valued at more than thirty pounds to be slaughtered except under the directions of the Department.

7. The compensation allowable for an animal slaughtered under the Order is governed by Article 8 of the Order, in conjunction with Article 7. As will be seen the amount of compensation is determinable by what is shown in the certificate given by the Veterinary Inspector (or, where such is arranged for under the Order, by another Veterinary Surgeon) regarding the results of examination of the carcass for tuberculosis. It is evident, therefore, that due care in making such examination will be important in every instance. As in default of such examination the owner becomes entitled to the full valuation of the animal and a further sum of twenty shillings, it is most important that post-mortem examination should be arranged for in all cases.

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8. The carcass of any animal slaughtered under the Order becomes the property of the Local Authority, and, when the requirements of Article 7 of the Order as to post-mortem examination have been duly carried out, the carcass may be dealt with as provided in Section 20 (2) of the Diseases of Animals Act, 1894. If sale be effected of any carcass found healthy the amount realised should be carried to the credit of the local rate. If a carcass be buried the usual precautions as to sinking the grave to a proper depth, slashing the hide and covering the carcass with quicklime should be adequately observed.

9. Articles 9, 10, and 13 of the Order dealing respectively with the precautions to be adopted regarding the milk of diseased or suspected cows, the detention and isolation of suspected animals, and the carrying out of cleansing and disinfection on places where diseased animals have been, are all necessary auxiliary provisions which the Local Authority should instruct their Veterinary Inspectors carefully to enforce.

10. Provision is made in Article 11 of the Order for dealing with suspicious animals exposed in Markets, Fairs, or Sales. A strict enforcement of the provisions of this Article seems to be very desirable, and the Department trust that Local Authorities will give instructions accordingly to any of their Veterinary Inspectors attending at Markets, Fairs, and Sales held within their district, so that the practice of exposing emaciated animals for sale may be discouraged. A useful stimulus will thereby be given to reporting, since the exposure of such animals in a Market when in an advanced state of disease would be attended with risk to their owner, who would be liable to legal proceedings for failure to report the case in accordance with the provisions of the Order.

11. It will further be observed that under Article 12 if an animal suffering or appearing to be suffering from any of the specified forms of tuberculosis is illegally brought to a port, or place of inspection at a port, for shipment, the provisions of Article 11 will apply also in such a case as if the animal had been exposed in a market, fair, fair ground or sale yard, and the Department's Inspectors at ports will be instructed, when any case of the kind comes under their notice, to apprise the Local Authority with a view to the necessary further action.

12. The Local Authority should duly arrange for communication with the Sanitary Authority, as occasion may require, in connection with the provisions to this effect in Articles 2 (1), 3 (1), and 4 (5) of the Order. It is further important that copies of all reports, certificates of notices made, given, or served under the Order - and particularly under Articles 4 (5), 5 (1), 7 (2), 9 (2), and 10 (2) thereof - should be promptly sent to the Department, so that the Department may be kept duly in touch with the operations in each district. Specimens of Forms (Numbered T.1 to T.13) which it is suggested should be utilised for these various purposes will be found enclosed. Further copies will, if desired, be obtainable on application to the Department.

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13. As it is of importance that accurate records should be kept by each Local Authority regarding the operations against the disease in its district, the Department suggest the adoption in this connection of a Record Book with headings similar to those in the large Form (Form A) also sent herewith. Due attention should be paid to the prompt and regular posting of the necessary entries in this Book, and the Department will be glad if the Local Authority will, in addition, kindly arrange that the Book shall be open, when desired, to any Inspector of the Department.

T. P. GILL.  
Secretary.

Department of Agriculture  
and Technical Instruction for Ireland,  
(Veterinary Branch), Dublin.

May, 1913.

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On the motion of Mr. Edward Giddens  
Seconded by Mr. James Mc Carthy J.P.  
the Order was unanimously adopted  
by the Committee

The Committee then decided to adjourn  
until Thursday the 5th June for the  
purpose of transacting the business  
as set out on agenda appearing  
on opposite page. They also approved of the  
Order entitled "Proposed New Sheep Scab Order"  
as herein set out.

## LOUTH COUNTY COUNCIL.

T. F. FILGATE,  
SECRETARY.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,  
COURT HOUSE, DUNDALK.

### Proposed New Sheep Scab Order

Owing to the number of Sheep exported into  
England from Ireland suffering from Sheep  
Scab - The English Dept. of Agr. threaten to  
close the Irish Ports if the Irish Dept. do not take  
more stringent means to stamp out the disease in Ireland.  
The Irish Dept. after making due enquiry into  
Scheduling certain Districts in Ireland where  
the disease exists - including the Mountains  
of North Louth -

The proposed Area restricted will commence at  
Dowdallshill - in a straight line to the Sea by Rose  
along the Coast line to Greenore, Carlingford Omega  
on to Narrowwater thence along the boundary line  
between Louth and Armagh to Jonesborough - along  
the old public road to Carrick back to the starting  
point at Dowdallshill -

During the prescribed period no sheep will be allowed  
to enter or leave the District -

Proceeding

26-5-13

On certain dates and places all the sheep in the  
locality are to be brought in and examined by  
the local Inspector and an Inspector from the Dept.  
all sheep affected to be isolated, clipped and  
hoice dipped inside 10 days, under the supervision  
of the Local Inspector -

After a certain number of days all the sheep  
in the locality are to be again brought in and  
examined as before - and so on until the  
disease is stamped out - when the restriction  
will be removed -

13. As it is of importance that accurate records should be kept by each Local Authority regarding the operations against the disease in its district, the Department suggest the adoption in this connection of a Record Book with headings similar to those in the large Form (Form A) also sent herewith Due attention should be paid to the prompt and regular posting of the necessary entries in this Book, and the Department will be glad if the Local Authority will, in addition, kindly arrange that the Book shall be open, when desired, to any Inspector of the Department.

T. P. GILL.  
Secretary.

Department of Agriculture  
and Technical Instruction for Ireland,  
(Veterinary Branch), Dublin.

May, 1913.

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On the motion of Mr. Edward Sweeney  
Seconded by Mr. James Mc Carthy J.P.  
the Order was unanimously adopted  
by the Committee

The Committee then decided to adjourn  
until Thursday the 5th Inst for the  
purpose of transacting the business  
as set out on agenda appearing

on opposite page. May also approved of the  
Order entitled "Proposed New Sheep Scab Order"  
as herein set out.

Mr. Wm. W. Malone,  
M. R. C. V. S. L.

COUNTY COUNCIL.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,  
COURT HOUSE, DUNDALK.

Proposed New Sheep Scab Order

Owing to the number of Sheep exported into  
England from Ireland suffering from Sheep  
Scab - The English Dept. of Agt. threaten to  
close the Drush Ports if the Irish Dept. do not take  
more stringent means to stamp out the disease in Ireland.  
The Irish Dept. after making due enquiry into  
Scheduling certain Districts in Ireland where  
the disease exists - including the Mountains  
of Anthe Louth -

The proposed Area restricted, will commence at  
Dowdallshill - in a straight line to the Sea by Rose G.  
along the Coast line to Greenore, Carlingford Omeau  
on to Narrowwater thence along the boundary line  
between Louth and Armagh to Donabrough - along  
the old public road to Carrick back to the starting  
point at Dowdallshill -

During the prescribed period no sheep will be allowed  
to enter or leave the District -

Proceedings

26-5-13

On certain dates and places, all the sheep in the  
locality are to be brought in and examined by  
the local Inspector and an Inspector from the Dept.  
all sheep affected to be isolated, dipped and  
hoice dipped inside 10 days, under the personal  
supervision of the Local Inspector -

after a certain number of days all the sheep  
in the locality are to be again brought in and  
examined as before - and so on until the  
disease is stamped out - when the restriction  
will be removed -



Chairman

Business of Council Oct 1894 to 1913

**LOUTH COUNTY COUNCIL.**

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,  
COURT HOUSE, DUNDALK,

*Executive* Finance Committee.

SIR,

You are hereby requested to attend a Meeting of the above Committee,  
to be held in the COUNCIL CHAMBER, COUNTY COURT HOUSE, at One o'clock p.m., ~~on~~  
~~on~~ *Thursday* the *5<sup>th</sup>* day of *June* 1913.

Business:

*Committee to take into consideration Tenders for  
supplying microscopes and other appliances  
necessary for carrying out work under the  
Tuberculosis (Island) Order 1913.*

Correspondence and any other business that may be brought forward.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

**T. F. FILGATE,**

Secretary County Council.

To each Member of the Committee.

Executive Committee

Minutes of Proceedings of the  
Executive Committee at their Meeting  
held in the Council Chamber on Thursday  
the 5<sup>th</sup> June 1913

Present:

In the Chair: Peter Hughes Esq. J.P.

Other Members: Edward Eastman;

Edward Ansell J.P. William Woods J.P.

Peter Woods J.P. and James Thomas Esq.

The Committee were summoned for  
the purpose of taking into consideration  
tenders for supplying microscopes and  
other apparatus necessary for carrying  
out work under the Tuberculosis (Ireland)  
Order 1913. The three Veterinary Inspectors  
— Capt. Clinton, Haswell and Donnelly  
were also present at the Meeting.

The Chairman having opened the  
Tenders received from Messrs. Barber &  
Thompson; Messrs. Walker's James & Barber  
and Messrs. Sumner & Co. for the  
various Instruments set out in the  
Department's Circular referred them to  
the three Veterinary Surgeons present  
and asking them which in their  
opinion was the cheapest. After  
due consideration they informed the  
Committee that their opinion was that  
the tender of Messrs. Sumner & Co. was  
the lowest having regard to the fact  
that they quoted 2 1/2% of the  
prices stated in their Tender.

The Committee therefore decided  
to accept the Tender of Messrs.  
Sumner & Co. and that each  
Veterinary Inspector make out a  
list stating the Instruments they  
required and that same be ordered  
direct from the Firm and the Invoice  
furnished to the Secretary of the Council.

The following letter was read and by  
the Secretary was approved

Any communication on this subject should  
be addressed to:—  
"THE SECRETARY,  
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
AND TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION  
FOR IRELAND,  
(VETERINARY BRANCH),  
13 UPPER MERRION STREET,  
DUBLIN.  
And the Number and Date of this letter  
should be quoted.

Department of Agriculture  
and Technical Instruction for Ireland,  
(Veterinary Branch),  
13 Upper Merrion Street,  
Dublin.

No. 2490/13.

4th June 1913.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of 2nd instant I have  
hereby to convey this Department's approval of the re-appoint-  
ment by your Local Authority, on the same terms as previously,  
for the dipping Periods in 1913, of the undermentioned  
Superintendents of Sheep Dipping who had been employed in  
the County last year, viz:—

Thomas McArdle,  
Owen Keenan,  
William Leonard,  
Michael McQuillan.

P. Hughes  
5-6-13

rs  
I am,

Sir,  
Your obedient servant,

J. T. Gill  
Secretary.

The Secretary,  
Louth County Council,  
DUNDALK.

*Copy of*

LOUTH COUNTY COUNCIL.

T. F. FILGATE,  
SECRETARY.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,  
COURT HOUSE, DUNDALK,

9th June 1913.

Sir,

Herewith I enclose copy of an Order unanimously adopted by the Executive Committee of this Council and which has been suggested to them by Mr. William St. John M. R. C. & S. L. of your Department and I accordingly, would esteem it a favour to receive the sanction of the Department to the order in question.

Awaiting the favour of an early reply

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

T. F. Filgate

Secretary

To

The Secretary

Dept. of Ag. & Public Instn

Executive Committee

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive  
Committee at their meeting held on Monday  
the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of September 1913.

Present:

In the Chair: Charles A. Duffy Esq. J.P.  
Other members: James W. Byrne J.P.  
John J. Murphy J.P. Patrick O'Connell; Patrick  
Hearney; James Conolly J.P. William Woods J.P.  
Patrick Byrne J.P. and Bernard Hanniff J.P.  
Esquires

Mr. Joseph J. Clinton J.S. was  
also in attendance.

Respecting the dipping tank at  
Darensdale it was decided to store it  
at the premises of Mr. Hogan, who, it  
was stated by Mr. Clinton will do so free  
of charge.

With regard to the account submitted  
to the Committee from Mr. Clinton in  
connection with the special dipping  
operations at Darensdale, Cullingford,  
and Omeath and consenting to the same

£ 44 " 19. 0 the Committee recommended payment subject to the Department's sanction.

With respect to the payments for compensation to persons owning animals slaughtered under the Tuberculosis (Ireland) Order 1913 the Committee were unanimous in recommending that all such payments be discharged through the Subsidiary Account.

In order to assist Farmers and others owning live stock who might be affected by this Order it was decided that the Secretary draw up a poster explanatory of the provisions of the Act and have same posted throughout the County.

~~The following communication~~  
Letters <sup>now read</sup> from the three Veterinary Inspectors ~~was read~~ respecting the proposed increases in their respective salaries and after discussion on the matter the Committee recommended the increases for one year only and that copies of

the Inspectors letters be forwarded to the Department for their consideration.

Letter from the Irish Pig Dealers Association dated 16<sup>th</sup> inst. endorsing copy of the following resolution, and asking its adoption by the County Council.

Resolved — That the members of the Irish Pig Dealers Association are of opinion that the time has come when the detentive power enforced on pigs exported from this country to England be removed as most of these animals are for immediate slaughter or destruction. It was unanimously adopted by the Committee.

Letter read from the Local Government Board dated 18<sup>th</sup> September 1913 No. 47,051 as follows: — The Local Government Board for Ireland have had before them the replies to queries and subsequent correspondence respecting the appointment of Mr. Charles McAlister as Secretary to the Lusk County Council and the Board direct me to state that

They approve of the appointment of Mr. H. C. Alister as Secretary to the Council at a salary of £200 a year exclusive of fees under the Franchise and Taxes Acts.

The Board desire me to add that it is presumed that the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland will be addressed as regards Mr. H. C. Alister's appointment as Clerk to the Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Acts.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

H. R. Byles

Secretary

On the motion of Mr. Connolly, seconded by Mr. Byrne, Mr. H. C. Alister was appointed Clerk to the Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Acts.

The Secretary was instructed to inform the Department of his appointment as Clerk to the Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Acts 1904 &c.

The following letter was sent

from the Department of Agriculture dated 20<sup>th</sup> September No. 4517-13.

Sir, I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 19<sup>th</sup> instant and to state in reply that the Department sanction the following payments in connection with the carrying out of the County Louth (Special Dipping Area) Ship Dipping Order of 1913 - viz:-

16/- a week each to Francis Murphy and James White

16/- a week each a special bonus of 30/- to Hugh McKeown.

4/- a day to each of four persons employed to assist in the dipping operations

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

J. P. Hill

Secretary

The Acting Secretary  
Louth County Council  
Dundalk

Letter was read from John  
Fearon Hurlock Constable Carlingford  
regarding lamp on Carlingford Pier  
which was referred to the Finance  
Committee for consideration

Chris Duffey

Chairman

13<sup>th</sup> Oct 1913 Charles Westester Secretary

## Executive Committee

Minutes of Proceedings of the  
Executive Committee at their meeting  
held in the Council Chamber on  
Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> October 1913

Present:

In the chair: P. A. Duffey Esq. J.P.  
Other members: William Woods J.P.  
James Connolly J.P. Peter Woods J.P.  
James Wynn J.P. Patrick Connell  
and Edward Hamill J.P. Esquires

The Secretary submitted accounts from  
Messrs J. J. Clifton & Co for fees  
under the Special Sheep Dipping  
Order Henry Paterson; James Murphy,  
and William Ryan for wages under  
same Order. He also submitted  
accounts from the Dundalk "Democrat"  
and Mr. A. H. Keenan, Drogheda "Argus"  
for special advertisements under sheep

Sheeping Order and Tuberculosis Order  
of 1913.

Also accounts for compensation  
in the following cases where  
Animals were slaughtered under  
the Tuberculosis (Ireland) Order of 1913  
— viz: — Lawrence H. Cook, Joseph  
Jordan; B. S. Coleman; N. B. King  
Edward McCoy, Patrick Kenahan;  
Peter Charley, Joseph Challan, W. A.  
Goran and Patrick J. Conahan

All the foregoing accounts after  
examination were passed and  
payments ordered.

Letter was read from the  
Department dated 8<sup>th</sup> inst. N<sup>o</sup> 4672/13 regarding  
their approval of the  
following rules of salary for  
a period of six months only  
viz: —

Mr. Clinton £130 per annum.

Mr. Donnelly £90 per annum.

Mr. Maxwell £90 per annum.

An account was submitted by  
Orin Keenan, Sheeping Superintendent,  
in respect of work under the County  
South (Special Sheeping area) Sheep  
Sheeping Order of 1913, and the  
Committee, after discussion, recommended  
that it be paid at the same rate  
of remuneration as the other districts  
— viz: — 10/- per week.

Letter was read from the Department  
dated 3<sup>rd</sup> inst. N<sup>o</sup> 4672/13 regarding  
the appointment of the Secretary of  
the County Council as the assistant  
officer of clerk to the Local Authority  
under the Diseases of Animals Act, and  
inquiring how much separate remuneration  
was proposed to be attached thereto.

After discussion on the foregoing  
letter the Secretary was directed to write  
to about half a dozen of the neighbouring  
Counties and also to County Carlow,  
and inquire, if any separate remuneration

was paid the Secretaries under  
the Diseases of Animals Act, and  
the Tuberculosis Order of 1913.

Veterinary Inspectors Reports.

Reports were read from  
Messrs. Chilton, Donnelly, and  
Murray the Councils Veterinary  
Inspectors for the month of  
September the contents of which  
contained nothing of any special  
importance

Peter Hughes  
Chairman

Executive Committee

Minutes of Proceedings of the  
Executive Committee at their meeting  
held in the Council Chamber on Monday  
the 27<sup>th</sup> day of October 1913.

Present:

In the Chair: Peter Hughes Esq. M.P.  
Other Members: C. A. Gaffey Esq.  
Patrick O'Scannell, James Donnelly Esq.  
Michael Meade, Bernard Hamill Esq.  
James W. Gane Esq. John J. Murphy Esq.  
Messrs. H. McAnally Esq. and William  
Hoods Esq. Esquires.

The Minutes of the previous meeting  
were read and confirmed.

Letter was read from the Department  
of Agriculture No. 5018-13 dated 25<sup>th</sup>  
inst. sanctioning payments to Owen  
Kearan, dipping Superintendent, for wages,  
rent, and cartage amounting to £5.14.0

Circular letter from the Department dated 12<sup>th</sup> September No. 4507/07 with regard to precautions against pollution of streams by sheep dipping which was initiated by the Chairman.

Further letter from the Department dated 25<sup>th</sup> inst. No. 5067/13 stating that as practically all the sheep in the special dipping area had been subjected to a second dipping after 31<sup>st</sup> July and that this would satisfy the requirements of the Principal Order as to an autumn dipping.

A discussion took place and the Chairman pointed out that large numbers of sheep were imported into the special area this season of the year, and the Committee were unanimously of opinion that an autumn dipping was a necessity but inasmuch as the sheep owners in the area had paid for two dippings in the summer it was recommended that no charge should be made for the present autumn dipping in the special area.

An application was sent from

M<sup>r</sup>. Matt M<sup>r</sup>. Gahan asking to be employed as heretofore in making up the Returns for the autumn sheep dipping period and it was decided to employ him for one week for this purpose.

Letter was sent from M<sup>r</sup>. David Stewart Schuter reporting the result of prosecutions at the July Sessions against 21 sheep owners for failing to produce their declarations of having dipped their sheep within the prescribed period and stating that fines amounting to 10/6 and costs amounting to £7.2.6 were imposed in these cases.

Letter was read from the Clerk of the Urban S. A. Council enclosing a letter from W. C. Mansfield Agent for the Wrayhart Estate, Alder, asking that a paling would be erected at the sheep dipping tank to prevent damage to the wall of a house on the property adjoining the tank.

The Committee decided that the attention of the Dipping Superintendent at Alder be called to this letter to have paling erected

Chas Duffy  
Chairman.

Executive Committee

Minutes of Proceedings of the above Committee at their meeting held in the Council Chamber on Monday the 8<sup>th</sup> day of December 1913, at one o'clock P.M.

Charles A Duffy Esq J.P. occupied the Chair  
Other members present

Patrick Byrne J.P. James Connolly J.P. Michael Omeata J.P. Joseph P. Kearney. Patrick Kearney. William Woods J.P. Joseph H. Meardle J.P. J.M. Johnson and James Wynne J.P. Esquires.

Messrs J. Clinton S & A Donnelly and W & Maxwell Veterinary Inspectors were also in attendance.

The following reports from the Veterinary Inspectors were read by the secretary :-

Mr Donnelly's Report

During the month of November I had four suspected cases reported under the Tuberculosis Order. The animals had been sent to Drogheda Port for shipment. I had 3 of them moved back to County Meath, to the premises from which they came. The fourth case after inspection and examination of the animals proved not to be a case under the Tuberculosis Order.

I had three outbreaks of Sheep Scab to deal with the animals also having been sent to Drogheda Port - In two of the cases, I had the Sheep moved to County Meath after the diseased animals had been slaughtered with the authority of the owner, in the 3<sup>rd</sup> outbreak one animal in a flock of 102. Sheep

was affected with Sheep Scab. The diseased animal was slaughtered. The remaining animals have been treated and are now quite healthy and the restrictions have been withdrawn.

I furnished your Secretary with full returns on the prescribed Forms in each case giving full particulars.

### Mr Maxwell's Report

I examined usual markets fairs &c held in the Ardee No 1 District for November. A case under the Tubercular Order occurred at Drumcashel, and after consulting with the Department of Agriculture, it was decided the animal did not fully come under the act, and slaughter was not carried out. A case of Swine fever on examination was found not to be so.

### Mr Clinton's Report

During the month of November three cases of suspected Sheep Scab occurred at Greenore Port. I had the suspected animals slaughtered by order of the Department of Agriculture all the sheep which were in contact with the suspected ones have been dipped. Five <sup>cases</sup> of suspected Tuberculosis in cows also occurred at Greenore and two similar cases in cows at Dundalk I have dealt with the animals in accordance with the order of the Department of Agriculture. The reports were intalled by the Chairman.

The Secretary submitted the following accounts in connection with Sheep Dipping

J. Mc Ardle wages	£12	1	4
W. Leonard "	12	1	4
J. Murphy sundry	0	3	4
J. Carroll	0	10	0
M. Norris Rent	1	0	0
H. Backhouse Sheep Dip	51	10	1
J. R. Connolly "	18	14	0
J. M. Over	15	1	2
P. McGee	15	9	4
L. J. Healy	2	15	0
Ardee Rural District Council	1	0	0
W. Tempest Printing	9	10	6
J. Williamson Sundry supplied	5	3	6
P. Jennings & Co "	0	11	9
M. Byrne Rent	4	0	0
M. McGahan checking returns	1	9	9
M. McQuillan Dipping allowance	2	18	6
Cooper & Kephew Rent of Tank	5	0	0
R. Sumner & Co sundry & dip	3	2	6
O. Keenan Wages	0	16	0
	£162	18	1

after Examination the committee recommended same for payment.

An account for £4 . 1 . 3 for supplying Ardee Tank with water was considered excessive and was referred back for future consideration.

### Veterinary Inspectors Salaries

The Secretary informed the Committee that the period for which the Department of Agriculture had sanctioned the increases to the Veterinary  
over

Inspectors Salaries, namely, 6 months from the 1<sup>st</sup> June 1913, had expired on the 1<sup>st</sup> December and according to the letter from the Department of Agriculture dated the 8<sup>th</sup> October 1913 No 4626/13 would require to be now received by the Committee.

After a discussion, it was proposed by Mr Patrick Byrne J.P. Seconded by Mr James Connolly J.P. and passed, that the Executive Committee recommend that the salaries of the Veterinary Inspectors, as follows: - Mr Clinton, £130 per annum and Messrs Donnelly and Maxwell, be continued at the rates named for a further period of six months from the 1<sup>st</sup> December 1913

The Secretary read report from the R.S.B. Collon notifying 3 cases of sheep owners who had not complied with the provisions of the sheep dipping order, and the Committee directed that the Solicitor should prosecute in these cases.

Chas. D. Duffy  
Chairman

### Executive Committee

minutes of proceedings of the above Committee at their meeting held in the Council Chamber Courthouse Dundalk on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 1914 at one 30 o'clock P.M.

In the Chair Charles A. Duffy Esq. J.P.

Other members Present

Messrs Joseph M. Johnson, Bernard Hamill, J.P. Michael Meade, and James Wynne, J.P. Esquires

The Secretary read the following report from the Veterinary Inspectors which were initialled by the Chairman

### Mr Clinton's Report

Dundalk

31<sup>st</sup> January 1914

The Secretary,  
Louth County Council  
Sir

I beg to report that the sheep which was found on the Great Northern Railway Company's premises affected with scab is now cured of the disease, as the owner is unknown, I have the animal detained on my premises pending instructions from the Department of Agriculture, I have had the sheep dipped periodically since it was found at the Railway, I employed a man to carry out the dipping at a charge of six shillings, Owing to the outbreak of foot and mouth disease it will be necessary for your Veterinary

Inspectors to be very particular in the inspection of all animals in the district at present. I am arranging for a meeting with Messrs Donnelly and Maxwell in the matter

your obedient servant  
J. T. Clinton

Mr Donnelly's Report

Drogheda  
9<sup>th</sup> January 1914

Gentlemen

During the month of December 1913 I had five outbreaks of sheep scab in this district. The animals in each case had been sent to Drogheda port for shipment and came either from the Dublin Market or County Dublin. I had the diseased sheep slaughtered with the permission of the owners and the uncontact animals treated. The restrictions in all cases have now been withdrawn. There were two cases reported under the Tuberculosis order. I dealt with both these and furnished your Secretary with the necessary report on the prescribed forms for each suspected case. No other outbreak of contagious disease in animals occurred during the month in this district

yours Respectfully

To  
The South Co Council, Andrew Donnelly  
Executive Committee

Mr Maxwell's Report

et dce

6<sup>th</sup> January 1914

The Secretary  
South County Council  
Dundalk

Sir

I beg to report that I examined the usual fairs markets auctioneers sales of live stock for the month of December. The diseased cow at Drumcashel which the Department stated did not come fully under the scope of the Tuberculosis Act, was sold by the owner for slaughter

I am, Sir

faithfully yours  
W. E. Maxwell

Foot and Mouth Disease

The following letter from the Department of Agriculture dated 1<sup>st</sup> February No. D.1. was read and the Secretary was directed to send copies to each of the Veterinary Inspectors with the instructions to afford every assistance possible to the officers of the Department, if called upon.

Department of Agriculture  
And Technical Instruction  
for Ireland (Veterinary Branch)  
50 and 51 Upper Mount Street  
Dublin,  
1<sup>st</sup> February 1914

No. D.1.

Foot and Mouth Disease

Sir

The Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland desire to bring specially to the notice of Local Authorities under the Diseases of Animals Act the fact that Foot and Mouth Disease has appeared again in Ireland, an outbreak having been confirmed at Neas, County Kildare, on the 30<sup>th</sup> ultimo, and another on this date, at Ballysax, in the same County.

In these circumstances, so gravely affecting the interests of the livestock trade Department trust that all Local Authorities will instruct their Inspectors to exercise special vigilance, and to impress on stockowners throughout their districts the importance of like watchfulness, so as to secure that there shall be no avoidable delay in recognising any additional cases of the disease should such unhappily occur at other places and reporting them forthwith as the law requires.

With a view of facilitating the efforts for eradication of the malady the Department also hope that your Local Authority will instruct their Veterinary officers to be ready to furnish expert assistance if called upon.

I am,

Sir,

your obedient Servant,

J. P. Gill  
Secretary.

The Clerk  
of each Local Authority.

Charles Duffy  
Chairman 6/4/14

Executive Committee

Minutes of proceedings of the Executive Committee held in the Council Chamber Courthouse Dundalk on Monday the 6<sup>th</sup> day of April 1914, at 1-30 o'clock, P. M.

In the Chair Charles A. Duffy Esq J.P.

Others members present. Michael Omeara J.P. Joseph H. Meade J.P. James Wynne J.P. John H. Murphy J.P. Michael Meade and Patrick Connell Esquires Messrs Joseph T. Clinton and William A. Maxwell, Veterinary Inspectors were also present.

The following reports from the Veterinary Inspectors were read and initialled by the Chairman

Mr Clintons Report

Dundalk

4 April 1914

Sir,

I beg to report that no case of contagious disease occurred in this district during the past month. Two cases of suspected Foot and Mouth disease were reported, but they proved on examination to be ordinary cases of timber tongue.

I have had the premises at the Great Northern Railway disinfected and have withdrawn the Detention Notice, which was served on the Company. No owner has been found for the sheep, which strayed on the railway premises and I have disposed of it for 10/-.

The smallness of the price is explained

by the fact that the animal was a mere skeleton. I would respectfully suggest that the Council issue posters throughout the district drawing attention to the Bovine Tuberculosis (Ireland) order and explaining its provisions. I believe that the majority of stock owners are not of the existence of the order.

your obedient servant

J. J. Clinton

M. K. C. U. S

The Secretary informed the Committee that the Tuberculosis (Ireland) order of 1913, had as suggested by Mr Clinton been posted throughout the entire County.

### Mr Donnelly's Report

Veterinary Report for  
March 1914

Drogheda Union

Gentlemen

I am pleased to state that during the month of March, with the exception of two existing outbreaks of sheep scab my district has been free from contagious disease amongst animals.

With regard to the two cases of sheep scab. I am having the effected and incontact animals treated for the disease and the premises disinfected as far as practicable.

I furnished your Secretary with fullest particulars on copies of the prescribed forms issued by the Department in relation to the above cases

C. A. Donnelly

To Executive Committee

### Mr Maxwell's Report

Ardee

31<sup>st</sup> March 1914

The Chairman

South County Council

Sir

I beg to report that I visited the usual fairs and markets held in the Ardee No. 1 District for the month of March, I also visited at regular periods the sheep detained on the farms of Messrs E. & C. Caraher, Coole, and of Mr Arthur Macan, Drumcashel.

I held a post mortem on the body of a heifer the property of Mr Thomas Murray, Durlstone, under the Tubercular act, and found this disease did not exist, as the animal was dead when I arrived the County Council is not called upon to pay any compensation

I am Sir

your obedient servant

W. E. Maxwell

### Sheep Scab Order

The following circular letter from the Department No. 242/14 V B was read enclosing copy order of the 23<sup>rd</sup> January 1914, and the Secretary was directed to send copies of the order to the veterinary Inspectors

Department of Agriculture and Technical  
Instruction for Ireland,  
(Veterinary Branch),  
51 Upper Mount Street,  
Dublin,

March, 1914.

No. 242/14. V. B.

Sir,  
I have to forward, herewith, to be laid before your Local Authority, copies of an Order entitled "The Sheep Scab (Local Regulations) (Ireland) Order of 1914," and, at the same time, to invite the earnest attention of the Local Authorities to the new situation, which demands that immediate and energetic measures should be taken by them to advance the object aimed at by this Order, viz., the eradication of Sheep Scab from their respective districts.

The Order confers on local Authorities additional powers for dealing with this matter, supplementary to the powers already conferred by previous Orders of the Department. It enables them to make regulations to arrest the spread of Sheep Scab in their districts by regulating the movement of sheep into them from other districts. With these powers and those already possessed by

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them; with the aid of the Inspectors or officers whom they employ, or have the power to employ; with the general support of the Royal Irish Constabulary behind their local officers; and with the further assistance which the Department are prepared to give them by means of advice and in the supervision of their staffs, the Local Authorities are now in a state of complete effectiveness for operating against this disease. All that is needed to secure success is vigour on their part, and earnest co-operation from the public of the district, and especially co-operation from those whose interests are most directly injured by the spread of the disease and most directly benefited by its suppression.

The Department wish to set before all concerned in each County—both the general public and those entrusted with any duty or placed in any position connected with the administration of the law in this matter—the importance, in the interests of the country, of an efficient enforcement of these Orders in all their details, including adequate punishment of any offences against them.

As mentioned above, a new situation has been created by the imminent danger that, unless effective measures are now taken, the export trade in Irish sheep may be subjected to damaging interruption. In Great Britain there is growing a belief that the importation of Irish sheep, amongst which cases of the disease continue to be found, is now the principal, if not the sole, obstacle to the complete elimination of the disease in that country. Prejudice has been created against sheep from Ireland, and the question of regulating or prohibiting their importation into Great

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Britain for the better protection of British flocks has been raised.

The Department desire plainly to inform the Local Authorities that, in their opinion, unless immediate steps are taken to clear the country of the disease, measures of this nature are likely to be declared at an early date. To save the country generally from the heavy loss which would thus be involved, and to secure the valuable improvement to our Irish flocks which would be the result of clearing out this disease and restoring to Irish sheep a clean bill of health, all that is needed is that the Local Authorities throw themselves with vigour into a common campaign against this pest, and that the farmers and sheep owners co-operate with them. The disease is one which can be completely extirpated simply by the practice of regular and thorough dipping.

The man who does not dip his sheep, but allows them to lapse into this unhealthy condition, and to carry infection with them wherever they go, is not only guilty of folly in his own personal interests, but is, without thinking it, a public enemy propagating infection and inflicting injury and loss upon his fellow-farmers and sheep raisers and all who depend upon the sheep raising industry in the country.

The purpose of the Orders is to see that the sheep of a county are dipped at least twice a year, and to provide, where necessary, facilities for dipping—a measure of the greatest personal advantage to owners of sheep; to see that where the disease appears it is promptly notified, so that the proper steps may be taken for its

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suppression; and to protect the markets and fairs from the entry into them of sheep affected with the disease. The Department desire to draw your Local Authority's attention to the following ways, in particular, in which they can further the object in view, viz:—

(1) By making adequate provision for having the Dipping Order fully complied with. In the Department's view it will be necessary, in most instances, to have the Local Authority's Veterinary Officers specially assigned to this duty during the dipping period, and to appoint, where necessary during that period, persons to assist them.

(2) By requiring their Inspectors to take the most prompt action in the treatment of reported cases; and to exercise the greatest care in removing restrictions.

(3) By using the persons employed to assist their Officers in supervising the dipping, who should be persons experienced in the care of sheep, to range their district with a view to the detection of unreported cases.

(4) By arranging for the systematic inspection by their Veterinary Inspectors of sheep exposed for sale at markets and fairs.

(5) By the adoption of regulations, under the enclosed Order, where it seems desirable to regulate the movement of sheep from an affected into a free district.

(6) By making it apparent that they regard the concealment of Sheep Scab, the movement of diseased sheep, and the failure to dip sheep, as serious offences committed by private individuals against the general interest, and that they consider that such offences call

for prosecution and justify the infliction of heavy penalties, and should be condemned by public opinion.

To assist the Local Authorities in the furtherance of these duties the Department, whose inspectorial staff has been strengthened for the purpose, have now arranged to co-operate in supervising the work of the officers of the Local Authorities employed in the administration of the Diseases of Animals Acts. This provision should materially help the Local Authorities in bracing up the general efficiency of their officers employed under these Acts.

The Department will further, should circumstances permit, be glad to arrange for one of their Superintending Veterinary Inspectors to confer with your Local Authority on this subject generally.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

T. P. GILL,

Secretary.

The Clerk of  
each Local Authority.

ORDER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND  
TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION FOR IRELAND.

(Dated 23rd January, 1914).

THE SHEEP-SCAB (LOCAL REGULATIONS) (IRELAND)  
ORDER OF 1914 (No. 2).

The Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland, by virtue and in exercise of the powers in them vested under the Agriculture and Technical Instruction (Ireland) Act, 1893, the Diseases of Animals Acts, 1894 to 1911, and of every other powers enabling them in this behalf, do order, and it is hereby ordered as follows:—

POWERS OF A LOCAL AUTHORITY AS TO MAKING  
REGULATIONS.

1. A Local Authority may, with a view of preventing the spreading of sheep-scab, make such Regulations as they think fit for the following purposes, or any of them:—

- (a.) For regulating the movement by land or water of sheep into their District from the District of any other Local Authority in Ireland.
- (b.) For requiring the occupier of any premises within their District to which sheep are moved from outside such District to notify forthwith the arrival of the sheep to a Constable or other member of the Police Force at the nearest Police Barrack or Station who shall forthwith transmit the information to the Clerk of the Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Acts for such District.
- (c.) For prescribing, regulating and securing the dipping within a specified period in an approved sheep-dip and in the presence and to the satisfaction of an Inspector of the Local Authority of sheep moved into their District from the District of any other Local Authority in Ireland or of sheep imported direct into their District.

- (d.) For prohibiting or regulating the movement or securing the isolation of sheep moved into their District from outside such District unless and until such sheep have been dipped as prescribed.

PROVISIONS AS TO REGULATIONS OF LOCAL  
AUTHORITY.

2. (1.) A Local Authority shall forthwith send to the Secretary, Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland, Dublin, a copy of every Regulation made by them under this Order.

(2.) If the Department are satisfied on inquiry, with respect to any Regulation or part of a Regulation made by a Local Authority under this Order, that the same is for any reason objectionable, and direct the revocation thereof, the same shall thereupon cease to operate.

(3.) A Local Authority shall send a copy of every Regulation made by them in relation to the movement of sheep under this Order to every railway company having a railway station within the District of the Local Authority, or within the part of their District to which the Regulation applies, and shall also forthwith send a copy of the Regulation to the Secretary, Railway Clearing House, 5, Kildare Street, Dublin, and to the Clerk of each Local Authority in Ireland.

(4.) For the purpose of any Regulation made by a Local Authority under this Order, an Inspector of such Local Authority may enter any premises within the District of the Local Authority and examine any sheep thereon, and such powers of entry and examination shall be in addition to any other like powers vested in the Inspector by the Act of 1894 or otherwise.

(5.) Any powers exercisable under a Regulation made by a Local Authority under this Order by a Veterinary Inspector acting for a Local Authority shall be exercisable also by a Veterinary Inspector of the Department.

POWER TO MAKE REGULATIONS NOT TO BE  
DEPUTED.

3. The power to make Regulations under this Order shall be exercised only by a Local Authority or their Executive Committee, and shall not be deputed to any other Committee nor to a Sub-Committee.

LIMITATION AS TO REGULATIONS OF LOCAL  
AUTHORITY.

4. For the purpose of this Order, or of any Regulation made by a Local Authority thereunder, sheep shall not be deemed to be moved from, into, or within the District of a Local Authority or within the part of the District to which the Regulation applies, where they are moved through the District, or such part thereof by railway from a place outside the District, or such part thereof—

- (a.) to another place outside the District, or such part thereof, without unnecessary delay and without the sheep being untrucked within the District, or such part thereof; or
- (b.) direct to a port within the District or to a lair at such port for shipment from such port within two days.

OFFENCES.

5. (1.) If a sheep is moved in contravention of any Regulation made by the Local Authority under this Order, the owner of the sheep, and the person in charge thereof, and the person causing, directing, or permitting the movement, and the person moving or conveying the sheep, and the consignee or other person receiving or keeping it knowing it to have been moved in contravention as aforesaid, and the occupier of the place from which the sheep is moved, shall, each according to and in respect of his own acts and defaults, be deemed guilty of an offence against the Act of 1894.

(2.) If the arrival of a sheep is not notified as required by any Regulation made by a Local Authority under this Order, the owner of the sheep, and the person in charge thereof, and the occupier of the place or premises at which the sheep has arrived, shall, each according to and in respect of his own acts and defaults, be deemed guilty of an offence against the Act of 1894.

(3.) If anything is otherwise done or omitted to be done in contravention of any Regulation made by a Local Authority under this Order, the owner and the lessee and the occupier and the person in charge of any place, sheep, carcass or thing in or in respect of which the same is done or omitted to be done, shall, each according to and in respect of his own acts and defaults be deemed guilty of an offence against the Act of 1894.

#### INTERPRETATION.

6. In this Order, unless the context otherwise requires—

“Approved sheep-dip” means a dip approved by the Department for sheep scab and sheep dipping in Ireland or purporting to be so approved.

“The Department” means the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland.

“The Act of 1894” means the Diseases of Animals Act, 1894.

Other terms have the same meaning as in the Diseases of Animals Act, 1894, and the Acts amending same.

#### COMMENCEMENT.

7. This Order shall come into operation on the twenty-sixth day of January, one thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

#### REVOCATION OF ORDER.

8. The Order described in the Schedule to this Order is hereby revoked.

#### SHORT TITLE.

9. This Order may be cited as the Sheep-Scab (Local Regulations) (Ireland) Order of 1914 (No. 2).

In witness whereof the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland have hereunto set their Official Seal this twenty-third day of January, one thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

(Signed),

T. P. GILL,

Secretary.

#### SCHEDULE.

Order Revoked.

No.	Date.	Short Title.
250	14th Jan., 1914.	The Sheep Scab (Local Regulations) (Ireland) Order of 1914.

#### MOVEMENT OF ANIMALS ORDER.

The following Order was also submitted to the Committee and initialled by the Chairman:—

#### ORDER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION FOR IRELAND.

(Dated 25th March, 1914).

#### THE MOVEMENT OF ANIMALS (SOUTHERN IRELAND) TEMPORARY PROHIBITION ORDER.

The Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland, by virtue and in exercise of the powers vested in them under the Agriculture and Technical Instruction (Ireland) Act, 1899, the Diseases of Animals Acts, 1894 to 1911, and of every

other power enabling them in this behalf, do order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

#### PROHIBITION OF MOVEMENT OF ANIMALS.

1. Unless and until the Department otherwise order no cattle, sheep, goats, or swine, shall be moved either by land or by water out of the area described in the Schedule to this Order.

#### OPERATION OF OTHER ORDERS.

2. Nothing in this Order shall be deemed to interfere with the operation of the provisions of Orders of the Department relating to Foot and Mouth Disease in Ireland.

#### OFFENCES.

3. If an animal is moved in contravention of this Order, the owner of the animal, and the person for the time being in charge thereof, and the person causing, directing, or permitting the movement, and the person moving or conveying the animal, and the consignee or other person receiving or keeping it, knowing it to have been moved in contravention as aforesaid, and the occupier of the place from which the animal is moved, shall each according to and in respect of his own acts and defaults, be deemed guilty of an offence against the Diseases of Animals Act, 1894.

#### COMMENCEMENT.

4. This Order shall come into operation on the twenty-seventh day of March, nineteen hundred and fourteen.

#### SHORT TITLE.

5. This Order may be cited as The Movement of Animals (Southern Ireland) Temporary Prohibition Order.

In witness whereof the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland have hereunto set their Official Seal this twenty-fifth day of March, nineteen hundred and fourteen.

(Signed),

T. P. GILL,

Secretary.

#### SCHEDULE.

So much of Ireland as lies to the south of the following boundary (roads and railway lines mentioned as forming the boundary being regarded as outside the Scheduled Area):—

Commencing at the Maiden Tower, near the sea coast east of Drogheda, thence along the river bank past Mornington to the Great Northern Railway line at Drogheda, thence by that railway line via Navan to the terminus of the line at Oldcastle, thence by the road leading from Oldcastle Railway Station to Fore, as far as the junction of that road with the direct road to Granard, thence by the Granard road by Finea Bridge and north of Bracklagh Lough as far as the Midland Great Western Railway, north of Ballywillan Station, thence southwards along the railway line to Mullingar, thence westwards by that railway line via Athlone and Ballinasloe to where the railway line crosses the road leading from Monivea through Athenry, thence along the road leading to Oranmore to the point where it is crossed by the railway line, thence along the railway line to Oranmore Station, thence in a southerly direction by the road leading to Oranmore as far as Oranmore, and thence in a direct line to the sea at Oranmore Pier.

*Erskine Dubs*  
Chairman.  
18th May 1914

# LOUTH COUNTY COUNCIL.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,  
COURT HOUSE, DUNDALK,

14th. May, 1914

## EXECUTIVE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

SIR,

You are hereby requested to attend a Meeting of the above Committee, to be held in the Council Chamber, County Court House, at One o'clock p.m., on Monday, the 18<sup>th</sup> day of MAY, 1914

### BUSINESS:

Consideration of arrangements for Summer  
Sheep Dipping.

Consideration of Veterinary Inspectors'  
Salaries.

Reports from Veterinary Inspectors.

Correspondence, and any other business that may be brought forward.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

CHARLES McALESTER,

Secretary County Council.

To each Member of the Committee.

## Executive Committee

minutes of proceedings of above committee held in the Council Chamber Courthouse Dundalk on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May 1914 at one o'clock P. M.

Present:-

In the Chair Joseph M. Johnson Esq J.P.

Other members:- John F. Murphy J.P. Michael Meade, Patrick O'Connell. and James Wynne J.P. Esquires.

The question of arrangements in connection with the sheep dipping for the present season was discussed at length, and the following Local Committees were appointed in connection with the respective dipping tanks:-

For Carlingford:- Messrs William Woods J.P. Joseph P. Keatney, and Michael Omeara J.P. Dipping Superintendent Hugh McKeivitt, whose rate of remuneration of one penny per sheep and one halfpenny per lamb was approved, subject to the Local Committee.

Ravensdale and Aghameen:- Messrs Joseph H McArdle J.P. James Connolly J.P. Peter Woods J.P. and Bernard Finegan. Dipping Superintendent J. White for Ravensdale and Owen Keenan for Aghameen at the rate of one penny per sheep and one halfpenny per lamb was approved. The Committee also approved of the payment of £1 for the season for rent of site of Aghameen and Ravensdale tanks respectively, subject to Local Committees

Ardee:- Mr A. Dorian J.P. and James Halpinny. Dipping Superintendent William

Leonard at the rate of sixteen shillings per week, and the local committee to arrange for the water supply for the tank. The rent of site £1 payable to Ardee Rural District Council was approved, subject to confirmation by the local committee.

Knockbridge. Messrs Peter Hughes J. P. and John F. Murphy J. P.

Dipping Superintendent Thomas McArdle at the rate of sixteen shillings per week. The rent of site as last year was £2 per dipping period, payable to Miss Byrne was approved subject to local committee.

Ballymakenny:- Messrs P. Donegan J. P. Patrick Callan J. P. Joseph Dolan and Denis J. Rath.

Dipping Superintendent, Michael McQuillan at the head rate of one penny per sheep and one half penny per lamb was approved and payment of the usual rent of site for tank £1 for the season to Mr H. Morris was also approved subject to local committee.

### Sheep Dipping Tanks

It was unanimously decided to continue the arrangement with Messrs Cooper & Nephew Limited as to the hire of the tanks at £1.5.0 per tank per annum

### Sheep Dip

After discussion as to the supply of sheep dip for the councils tanks

the secretary was directed to invite tenders for the supply of Dip for the year from four chemists in Drogheda, Ardee and Dundalk for the respective tanks in these districts.

### Sheep Scab Order Of 1914

The above order issued by the Department of Agriculture for the year 1914 was again under discussion and the Committee decided to ask the three Veterinary Inspectors Messrs Clinton Donnelly and Maxwell to meet in the Council Chamber Courthouse Dundalk on Friday next the 22<sup>nd</sup> instant at one o'clock, to decide whether any special regulations were necessary, and the Secretary was directed to arrange the conference accordingly.

### Reports from Veterinary Inspectors

The following reports from the Veterinary Inspectors were read and initialled by the chairman

Drogheda

2/5/1914

Gentlemen

During the month last, no fresh cases of sheep scab occurred in this district.

I dealt with the two outbreaks of this disease mentioned in my previous report and expect to be able to withdraw the restrictions in one of the cases in the course of a few days.

One suspected case under the tuberculosis order was reported but after examination of

the animal, I am of opinion it is not one to be dealt with under the order.

I furnished your Secretary with fuller information on the official Form prescribed by the Department in connection with the different cases reported.

yours respectfully

Andrew C. Donnelly

To The Louth Co Council  
(Executive Committee)

Ardee

30<sup>th</sup> April 1914

The Chairman Louth Co Council.

Sir

I have visited the usual fairs and markets held in the Ardee No. 1 District.

I held a post mortem on a Sow the property of Patrick Malone Capposegreen, said to be suffering from swine fever, I sent viscera to Dublin for examination and found disease did not exist.

I am removing Messrs Caraher detention Notice as from the 29<sup>th</sup> sheep scab. I cannot at present remove Mr Arthur Macanis as disinfection has not ever been attempted, outside of sheep scab this district is clear of disease.

I am, Sir,

faithfully yours

William Maxwell.

## Veterinary Inspectors Salaries

As the period for which the increased salaries to the Veterinary Inspectors, had been sanctioned by the Department of Agriculture, would expire on the 1<sup>st</sup> June, and as the Department had requested that the work under the Tuberculosis order of 1913 would be reviewed, the matter was discussed by the Committee and it was unanimously decided to refer the whole question of the salaries of the Inspectors to the County Council.

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### MOVEMENT OF ANIMALS.

The following Order of the Department of Agriculture was read, as also a Notice from the West Sussex County Council:—

(No. 355.)

#### ORDER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION FOR IRELAND.

(Dated 21st April, 1914.)

#### THE MOVEMENT OF ANIMALS (SOUTHERN IRELAND) TEMPORARY PROHIBITION ORDER (No. 3).

The Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland, by virtue and in exercise of the powers vested in them under the Agriculture and Technical Instruction (Ireland) Act, 1899, the Diseases of Animals Acts, 1894 to 1911, and of every other power enabling them in this behalf, do order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

##### Alteration of Scheduled Area.

1. On and after the twenty-second day of April, nineteen hundred and fourteen, The Movement of Animals (Southern Ireland) Temporary Prohibition Order shall be read as if the Area described in the Schedule to that Order were the Area described in the First Schedule to this Order.

##### Order Revoked.

2. The Order described in the Second Schedule to this Order is hereby revoked from the twenty-second day of April, nineteen hundred and fourteen, inclusive.

##### Short Title.

3. This Order may be cited as The Movement of Animals

(Southern Ireland) Temporary Prohibition Order (No. 3).

In witness whereof the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland have hereunto set their Official Seal this twenty-first day of April, nineteen hundred and fourteen.

(Signed) T. P. GILL,

Secretary.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

Scheduled Area.

So much of Ireland as lies to the south of the following boundary (roads and railway lines mentioned as forming the boundary, except the Great Southern and Western Railway Line from Clara to Banagher, being regarded as outside the Scheduled Area):—

Commencing at the Maiden Tower, on the sea coast at Mornington, thence by the course of the River Boyne to the Railway Bridge at Drogheda, thence by the Great Northern Railway Line to its junction at Navan with the Midland Great Western Line, thence southwards by the Midland Great Western Line to Kilmessan Station, thence westwards by the Athboy Branch of that Line as far as the point where it crosses the road from Navan to Trim at Peterstown, thence southwards by the road via Newtown to the junction with the road from Scurlockstown Bridge to Trim, thence by that road through Trim to Roristown as far as the junction with the bye-road over Derrindaly Bridge, thence by that road to the junction with the road from Ballivor to Trim, thence by that road to Ballivor, thence by the direct road via Raharney to Killucan, thence by the direct road from Killucan via Killucan Railway Station to the junction with the main road leading from Kinnegad to Mullingar, thence by the main road via Rochfortbridge, Tyrrellspass and Kibeggan to the Midland Great Western Railway Line at Clara, thence by that Line to its junction with the Great Southern and Western Line south of Clara, thence by that Line to Banagher Station, thence by the direct road to the River Shannon, and thence by the course of that river to the sea.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

Order Revoked.

(Article 2.)

No. of Order	Date of Order.	Short Title.
340	7th April, 1914	The Movement of Animals (Southern Ireland) Temporary Prohibition Order (No. 2).

WEST SUSSEX.

DISEASES OF ANIMALS ACTS.

FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE ORDER OF 1895.

Notice is hereby given that the Executive Committee of the Local Authority of the County of West Sussex, in exercise of the powers vested in them under Article 12 of the Foot and Mouth Disease Order of 1895, and of every other power enabling them in this behalf, have made the following Regulations:—

1. The movement from the District of any other Local Authority in England or Wales or Scotland into the District of the Local Authority of the County of West Sussex of animals landed in Great Britain from Ireland since the 21st day of April, 1914, or animals which have been in contact with any such animals landed in Great Britain as aforesaid, is prohibited.
2. Movement through the County of West Sussex by rail without untrucking is excepted.
3. The expression "animals" means cattle, sheep and goats, and all other ruminating animals and swine.
4. These Regulations shall come into force on the 8th day of May, 1914.

S. THORNELY,

Clerk of the West Sussex County Council.

County Council Offices, Horsham,

8th May, 1914.

CAUTION—Every person acting in contravention of the foregoing Regulations will be liable to a fine not exceeding £20, or if the offence is committed with respect to more than four animals, to a fine not exceeding £5 for each animal.

DEATH OF MR. M. ELCOCK, DROGHEDA.

Mr O'Connell brought under the notice of the Committee the lamented death of Mr M Elcock, Drogheda, brother of Mr

Luke J Elcock, a respected member of the County Council, and the following resolution was passed in silence:—

Proposed by Mr Patrick O'Connell,

Seconded by Mr John F Murphy, J P, and

Resolved—That we learn with regret of the death of Mr Michael Elcock, brother of our esteemed colleague, Mr Luke J Elcock, and we direct our Secretary to convey to Mr Elcock our sincere sympathy in his bereavement.

*John A. Duff*  
Chairman.

Executive Committee

Minutes of proceedings of above committee held in the Council Chamber Courthouse Dundalk on Monday the 29<sup>th</sup> day of June 1914 at one o'clock P.M.

Present:-

In the Chair Charles A Suffy Esq. J.P.

Other Members:- Thomas J. Byrne J.P.  
Thomas Murphy Patrick McGee Thomas O'Rourke. Peter Woods J.P. Michael Omeara J.P. and James Wynne J.P. Esquires.

The minutes of the previous Executive Committee meeting having been sent to each member were taken as read and confirmed by the chairman

Veterinary Inspectors Salaries

The following letter from the Department was read and initialled by the chairman:-

Department of Agriculture  
and Technical Instruction for Ireland  
(Veterinary Branch)  
50 & 51 Upper Mount St.  
Dublin  
12 June 1914

No. 2281/14

Sir  
With reference to your letter

of 6<sup>th</sup> instant respecting the decision of your Local Authority at a recent meeting to reduce by £10 per annum in each case, as from 1<sup>st</sup> instant inclusive, the salaries of their Veterinary Inspectors, Messrs Clinton, Donnelly and Maxwell. I have to state that in all the circumstances the Department approve of the local authority decision in this matter. The Department note that your local authority propose to review these rates of payment after a period of twelve months from the latter date in the light of the experience gained as to the work undertaken under the Tuberculosis (Ireland) order discharged meanwhile by these Inspectors

I am, Sir,

your obedient servant

J.P. Gill

Secretary

The Secretary,

Louth County Council  
Dundalk

Expenses under Sheep Scab (Local Regulations) Ireland order of 1914

The following letter from the County County Inspector R.J.C. was read:-

Royal Irish Constabulary  
Dundalk

3<sup>rd</sup> June 1914

The Sheep Scab Local Regulations (Ireland) Order of 1914. (No 2)

Sir

I am in receipt of your letter of 30<sup>th</sup> ultimo

together with 50 copies of Regulations for bounty of Loath made under above order. Expenses for postage and stationery will have to be incurred in transmitting a copy of the Regulations to each police station in the county and subsequently in forwarding the information required by part 1 of the order to the Secretary to the County Council.

I am therefore to request if you will pay expenses necessarily incurred, as above in giving effect to the order

I am, Sir  
your obedient servant  
R. J. Mansell  
County Inspector

The Secretary  
South Co. Council

The Secretary informed the Committee that he had sent a copy of this letter to the Department for their direction in the matter and the following letter in reply was read:-

Department of Agriculture  
and Technical Instruction for Ireland  
(Veterinary Branch)  
50 + 51 Upper Mount St.  
Dublin

9<sup>th</sup> June 1914

No. 2244/14

Sir,

With reference to your letter of 5<sup>th</sup> instant and its enclosure, I have to state that the Department will offer no objection to the payment by your Local Authority

of expenses incurred by the Police for postage and stationery in connection with Article 1 of the Council's regulations under the Sheep Scab (Local Regulations) (Ireland) order of 1914. (No 2) and that the expenditure of the local authority under this head will be regarded as ranking for recoupment from the general cattle diseases fund in the ordinary course

I am, Sir,  
your obedient servant  
J. P. Gill  
Secretary

The Secretary,  
South County Council  
Dundalk

The Committee approved of the arrangement and the letters were initialled by the chairman.

Sheep Dipping under the Local Regulations order.

The following letters from the Department of Agriculture were read:-

Department of Agriculture  
and Technical Instruction for Ireland  
(Veterinary Branch)  
50 + 51 Upper Mount St.  
Dublin

3<sup>rd</sup> June 1914

No 2158/14

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 30<sup>th</sup> ultimo and its enclosed copies of Regulations recently adopted by your Local Authority under the Sheep Scab (Local Regulations) (Ireland) order of 1914 (No 2)

It is observed that under these Regulations Sheep moved into County Louth are required to be dipped within seven days after such movement and the Department will be glad to be informed as to what arrangement your local authority propose to make with a view of securing that the dipping shall be effectually carried out.

I am, Sir,  
your obedient servant  
J. J. Gill

The Secretary,  
Louth County Council  
Courthouse Dundalk

Department of Agriculture  
and Technical Instruction for Ireland  
(Veterinary Branch)

50 & 51 Upper Mount St  
Dublin  
13<sup>th</sup> June 1914

No. 2263/14

Sir,

With reference to the final ~~part~~ paragraph in your letter of 6<sup>th</sup> instant I have to state that the local authority should utilise the services of their Veterinary Inspectors in connection with the working of the regulations adopted under the Sheep Scab (Local Regulations) (Ireland) Order but they might in the first instance consult with the Inspectors as to the best means for dealing with the matter. Owing to pressure of work at these offices the Department do not anticipate that they can

render assistance such as was afforded last year under the Sheep Dipping order in relation to a portion of County Louth, but they will be happy to advise the local authority on matters presenting difficulty that may arise from time to time, and perhaps occasionally can spare one of their Veterinary Inspectors to enquire locally into the working of the regulations.

The Department will be glad to learn the result of any final arrangements made on this subject.

I am, Sir,  
your obedient servant  
J. J. Gill  
Secretary

The Secretary  
Louth County Council  
Dundalk

Department of Agriculture  
and Technical Instruction for Ireland  
(Veterinary Branch)

50 & 51 Upper Mount St.  
Dublin, 20 June 1914

No. 2263/14

Sir

With reference to previous correspondence on the subject I have to enquire whether you are yet in a position to furnish the Department with particulars as to the nature of any arrangements that may have been made regarding the working of your local authority's regulation under the Sheep Scab (Local Regulations) (Ireland) order.

The Secretary  
Louth Co Council

I am, Sir,  
your obedient servant  
J. J. Gill, Secretary

After a protracted discussion on the subject matter of these letters, the Committee decided that in the case of sheep moved into the County, that the compulsory dipping within the seven days should be carried out in the presence of the Council's Dipping Superintendent who should notify the Council that the dipping has been properly carried out, and the Secretary was directed to notify the various Dipping Superintendents to see that this was carried out and to advise the Department that the Committee had made this arrangement.

Sheep moved into County South  
after the adoption of the Regulations

The following letter from Mr Maxwell D.S. Ardee was read and the Secretary was directed to write Mr Maxwell that the Sheep Dipping of the Sheep in the presence of the Dipping Superintendent would satisfy the Local Authority.

Ardee

24<sup>th</sup> June 1914

The Secretary,  
South County Council

Sir

I beg to report that a man named J. Rooney exposed Sheep for sale to day in the Ardee fair.

These sheep came last night, the owner states, by the 8.15 train from Bessbrook. He also stated that he had these sheep dipped in the public

Tank and produced a certificate to that effect signed by William Leonard.

Leonard received these sheep and failed to notify the police and certainly he should not owing to the appearance of these animals have taken them to a public Tank, whilst the animals are apparently healthy now, they in my opinion, showed signs of having had scab within a comparatively recent period.

The police say that on the whole it was a merely technical offence and allowed the sheep to be moved from the fair, and I am unaware at present where they have been removed to, I would also desire to know from your Council does the words in the recent order "To be isolated and dipped to the satisfaction of the local Authority apply to your Veterinary inspectors or to any servant of the Council employed for Sheep Dipping purposes. These sheep were not dipped in my presence nor did their appearance to day satisfy me that they had been dipped in a satisfactory manner.

The Police have the names and addresses of the parties concerned

I am, Sir,

faithfully yours  
W. E. Maxwell

In connection with the same matter the following letter was read from the Dipping Superintendent at Ardee, and the Secretary was directed to write to Mr Rooney Newry, the owner of the sheep in question that in future he must notify the police of the arrival of any sheep from outside County South, or a prosecution would result.

Ardee  
29<sup>th</sup> June 1914  
The Secretary South County Council  
Courthouse, Dundalk

Dear Sir

I beg to advise you that 48 sheep and 48 lambs the property of Mr P Rooney Newry, were moved from County Down to Ardee on the 23<sup>rd</sup> instant of whose arrival I was notified by the owner.

All the sheep was dipped in the Council's tank at Ardee, and have been put out on the golf links.

yours faithfully,

William Leonard

Dipping Superintendent

### Reports from Veterinary Inspectors

The following reports from Messrs Clinton, Lonnely and Maxwell were read and initialled by the chairman:-

Dundalk

29<sup>th</sup> June 1914

Monthly Report

Sir

I beg to report that a case of suspected swine fever occurred on the premises of Mr J. Murphy Blackrock. I visited the place in company with an Inspector from the Department, and the necessary steps have been taken in the matter. A case of bovine Tuberculosis occurred in a cow the property

of P. McGorman, Thornfield. The animal was slaughtered in accordance with the Tuberculosis (Ireland) order and the carcass buried.

With reference to your communication re sheep dipping in Ravensdale, Carlingford and adjoining areas I would respectfully point out that as matters are at present the order is practically useless. There is no supervision and most of the owners go through a form of dipping at their own premises which is little short of a farce.

your obedient servant  
J. J. Clinton

Ardee

2<sup>nd</sup> June 1914

The Chairman,  
South County Council  
Dundalk

Sir

I beg to report that I visited the usual fairs and markets held in the Ardee No 1 Rural District Council

On the 25<sup>th</sup> inst it was reported to me that Sheep Scab existed on a portion of Coole farm held by John Cawley, Artinalivery on visiting there I found the report to be correct. I had them dipped to my satisfaction on 27<sup>th</sup> instant.

During the month I withdrew the restrictions on Arthur Macarri Esq, premises at Drumcashel re sheep scab.

I am, Sir,  
faithfully yours  
W. E. Maxwell.

Report for May 1914

Veterinary Establishment Drogheda  
6<sup>th</sup> June 1914

Gentlemen

I inspected the fairs and markets held in my District during the month.

I have withdrawn the restrictions in the two outbreaks of Sheep Scab and no fresh cases of this disease has occurred during May.

I made inspections in one or two cases where animals were suspected to have contagious disease but found the animals not so affected.

Yours respectfully  
Andrew A. Donnelly

To South County Council  
Executive Committee

Dear Sir.

With reference to the suspected case of Tuberculosis in a Cow the property of G. Heaney Old Bridge Drogheda a preliminary report being sent you on the 10<sup>th</sup> inst.

I have to state that on microscopical examination of the discharge taken from the diseased udder no acid fast bacilli were found + therefore I do not consider it a case under the order.

Yours Truly  
Andrew A. Donnelly

To The Secretary  
South Co Council

Suspected case of Foot and Mouth Disease

The following letter from the Police was read, and the Secretary informed the Committee that the animal suspected was examined by Mr Clinton V.S. Mr Chambers, the Postal Veterinary Inspector and an Inspector from the Department of Agriculture and they were unanimous that it was not a case of Foot and Mouth Disease.

R. J. G.

Quay Street  
Lundalk

30<sup>th</sup> May 1914

I beg to report that a Bullock property of Thomas Duffy Ramparts Dundalk appears to be suffering from Foot and Mouth Disease. The animal is grazing in a field adjoining Long Avenue road, this suspected disease was detected this evening.

J. H. Leverage. A. Sgt.

To The Secretary  
Local Authority Co Louth

Hire of Tanks

The Secretary informed the Committee that he had communicated with Messrs Cooper and Kephew, Berkhamstead with reference to the reduction of the hireage for the six sheep dipping tanks in use by the County Council, and had an interview with the firm's traveller on the subject and the following letter from him was read

(see next page)

Royal Hotel Galway  
11<sup>th</sup> June 1914

To Mr McAlester  
Secretary,  
South County Council  
Dundalk

Dear Sir

I am sorry there has been delay in confirming my offer re Swim Baths but my firm's letter accepting missed me, and only came to hand this morning.

The are quite prepared to let the rental of all baths stand at 5/- per annum out of consideration of the number of years your Committee have passed us the Dip contract.

I am also advised that you have paid £35 rental on baths (4) the cost of which would have been £44 so that £9 would make these four the property of the Council. The other two which you got last year no rental has yet been paid. The cost of which is £11 each. If your Committee thought well of clearing off the first four by a payment of £9 they might wish to continue the rental of the last two at 5/- each per annum.

Thanking you again for past favours assuring you of my best attention at all times

I am yours faithfully  
E. R. Phillips

It was unanimously decided to accept the offer of 5/- per annum per tank for the six tanks used by the Council and the Secretary was directed to write Messrs Cooper accordingly.

Ravensdale, Aghameen And  
Carlingford Tanks.

The Secretary informed the Committee that the local Committee in charge of the Council's tanks at Ravensdale Aghameen and Carlingford met twice in the Council Chamber Courthouse Dundalk when the following members attended: - Messrs Joseph H McArdle J.P. Bernard Finnegan, James Connolly J.P. William Woods J.P. and Peter Woods J.P.

The Committee made the following arrangements in connection with the dipping for the present year: -

To continue the usage of the three tanks for the year, viz: - Aghameen, Ravensdale, and Carlingford; that the Aghameen tank should be kept all the season at Aghameen, with Owen Keenan as dipping Superintendent, who will receive as remuneration one penny per sheep and one halfpenny per lamb for the animals dipped, and be paid the sum of £2 for the rent of site for the tank.

That the Ravensdale tank be started to work at Ravensdale, and then removed to Annagloghan for one week for the convenience of the sheep owners in that district and subsequently to be returned to Ravensdale.

That James White Jenkinstown and John McArdle be employed as Dippers at the rate

of Sixteen Shillings per week each.

That the Barlingford tank be started on the first of July for two weeks, and then to be removed to Omeath for the last two weeks of July. It was recommended that James Meale of Barlingford be employed as assistant at the rate of Sixteen Shillings per week.

The Executive Committee unanimously approved of all the foregoing arrangements, and in addition to the approval of the rent of £1 for the site of the Barlingford Tank, and £1 for the Omeath Tank

Chairman B. Hamill  
4/8/14

### Executive Committee.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee at their Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Courthouse, Dundalk, on Tuesday, the 4<sup>th</sup> day of August 1914.

Present.

In the Chair - Bernard Hamill, Esq. J.P.

Other Members present:

J. B. W. Court, M. Meade, J. J. Murphy, J.P., Thomas Murphy and Thomas O'Rourke, Esquires.

### Minutes.

The Minutes of the previous Executive Meeting, a copy of which had been sent to each Member, were taken as read and confirmed.

### Monthly Report of Veterinary Inspectors for July 1914.

The following Reports were read and initialled by the Chairman:-

### Mr. Clinton's Report.

Sir,-

During the month an outbreak of Sheep Scab occurred in a number of sheep at Dundalk Port. The animals were consigned from Sligo to England and scab was detected in them at Dundalk Port. All the sheep (33) were slaughtered and disinfection carried out. On the 28th instant I received a wire from the police at Castlebellingham stating that three cattle were found dead on that day on a farm at Seabank, and an outbreak of anthrax was feared. Though the place is not in my district I went immediately to the farm and made an inspection of the carcasses, when I found that death in each case was due to black quarter and not to anthrax.

Your obedient Servant,

J. T. CLINTON, M R C V S.

Mr. Donnelly's Report.

Gentlemen,—

During the month of July I had to deal with three outbreaks of sheep scab, and also one suspected case. The latter, which was reported at the Local Port, proved not to be a case of the disease.

All sheep in the three cases of sheep scab have been treated, and I have been able to withdraw the restrictions. Under the Tuberculosis Order I have had two cases not notified and dealt with them according to the Order. I furnished your Secretary with copies of all the Official Forms served on the different owners of reported animals.

I remain,

Yours respectfully,

ANDREW A. DONNELLY.

Mr. Maxwell's Report.

Sir,

I beg to report that I visited and examined the usual fairs, markets, etc., held in the Ardee No. 1 District, for the month of July.

I visited on the 3rd and 5th the farm on which sheep are detained at Rathnestin for sheep scab. These sheep were efficiently dipped for the second time.

I am unable as yet to issue a withdrawal notice, as disinfection has not been carried out.

On the 15th July it was reported by the police that swine fever was supposed to have broken out on the premises of Wm Taaffe, Ardee, in my opinion, which was also the opinion of an Inspector of the Department of Agriculture, the disease was not swine fever.

During the last week of this month I examined a bullock the property of Captain Taaffe, Smarmore Castle, Ardee, suspected of tuberculosis with emaciation. On making the usual examination and tests, the animal, in my opinion, was not suffering from this disease, and also exhibited no sign of emaciation.

I am, Sir,

Faithfully yours,

W. E. MAXWELL, M R C V S, Ardee.

Tuberculosis (Ireland) Order of 1913.

The Secretary informed the Committee that two cases under this Order were reported to the

County Council as the Local Authority - two cases from Drogheda and one from Ardee, but on investigation it was found that the animals reported were not cases under the Order.

Sheep Scab at Rathnestin Farm.

A return was submitted by Mr. Maxwell, V.S., showing that the farm of Mr. R. A. B. Henry, at Rathnestin, where an outbreak of Sheep Scab has occurred, has not yet been disinfected, and that the restrictions could not be removed until disinfection was carried out.

Autumn Sheep Dipping (Ireland) Temporary Order of 1914.

The following circular letter from the Department of Agriculture was read:—

Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland,

(Veterinary Branch),

50 and 51, Upper Mount Street, Dublin,

28th July, 1914.

No. 294814.

Sir,

With further reference to the special efforts for eradicating Sheep Scab in Ireland, I have to transmit, for the information of your Local Authority, the accompanying supply of copies of an Order made by the Department on 27th instant and entitled the "Autumn Sheep Dipping (Ireland) Temporary Order of 1914." This Order, as will be observed, is designed to secure that during the autumn period of the present year, i.e., between the 1st proximo and 15th November next, sheep throughout Ireland shall be dipped twice (instead of once as in other years), with an interval of not less than seven days and not more than fourteen days between the dippings.

It is very advisable that steps should at once be taken on behalf of your Local Authority to draw the attention of their Inspectors to this new Order, and to have a notice as to the scope of the Order inserted in a newspaper circulating in their district. Some copies of a form of notice suitable for this purpose will be found enclosed.

Cont'd over

The police are also being apprised regarding the Order, and supplies of Forms for use thereunder will be sent to the Police Stations for the convenience of sheep owners.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

T. P. GILL,

Secretary.

The Clerk  
of each Local Authority.

The provisions of the Order were examined and it was set out therein that all Sheep in the Dipping Area during any part of the Autumn Dipping period shall be caused, by the owners or persons in charge thereof, to be dipped within the Dipping Area on two occasions, separated by an interval of not less than seven days or more than fourteen days, during that period.

It was decided to issue posters, to be posted throughout the County, giving the terms of the Order, and also to insert an advertisement in the "Dundalk Democrat" and "Drogheda Argus" to the like effect, so that all sheep owners should be made aware of the necessity for compliance with its provisions.

It was also unanimously decided that the Dipping Superintendents of the Councils Tanks should carry out the regulations regarding the Dipping as set out in the Order.

### Cessation of Prohibition against Removal of Animals.

The following Memorandum from the Department was read and initialled by the Chairman:-

### Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland.

#### Memorandum.

The Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland desire to intimate that their Order (No. 412) prohibiting the removal of ruminants and swine out of the area comprised within the following boundary will cease to operate on and after midnight on 30<sup>th</sup> instant, viz:- the boundary commencing at the Maiden Tower on the Sea coast near Drogheda and proceeding thence by Tawan, Trim, Kellucan, Killoggan and Clara to the Shannon at Banagher; thence by the railway line to Kilronan Junction outside Limerick; thence by the railway to Carrick-on-Suir; and thence by road to a point on the railway south-west of Kilmacthomas; thence by railway and road to the Sea-coast west of Ballyvoyle Head, Co. Waterford; thence eastwards and northwards by the coast line to the point of commencement at the Maiden Tower.

29<sup>th</sup> July, 1914.

### Police Report for Violation of Sheep Dipping Order.

A report was read from the Police Authorities notifying that a large number of persons had exposed sheep for sale at Ardce Fair without being accompanied by the necessary declaration as to the Sheep having been dipped in the Summer Dipping Period. A list of the owners was submitted and it was decided that the Solicitor be instructed to institute Proceedings against the parties named by the Police.

## Wages of Dipping Superintendents.

The following letters were read, and, after a discussion, it was unanimously recommended that those Dipping Superintendents of the Council's tanks who were paid by weekly wage should get their wages increased from sixteen shillings to eighteen shillings per week for the autumn Dipping Period, as the work would be much increased owing to the two compulsory Dippings under the Order.

Knockbridge,  
3rd August, 1914.

Secretary,  
Louth County Council.

Dear Sir,

I beg to apply for increase in my wages owing to the extra Sheeping Dipping in Autumn Period.

I am Superintendent at the Knockbridge Sheep Dipping Tank for the past eight years; and, hoping to give every satisfaction in the future, as I did in the past, I now leave it to the kind consideration of your Council to place me on equal terms with the neighbouring counties, as I am informed their Superintendents have one pound per week.

I am,  
Your obedient Servant,  
THOMAS M'ARDLE,  
Sheep Dipping Superintendent

Mullenstown,  
Ardee,  
3rd August, 1914.

Dear Sir,

I beg to apply for an increase in wages owing to the increase in number of sheep dipped in the summer period, as my books will show you. I also note that there are two compulsory dippings in the coming autumn.

Leaving all to your kind consideration and trusting to give you every satisfaction, as I have given you heretofore.

I remain,  
Your obedient Servant,  
Wm. LEONARD.

P.S.—I understand that the County Monaghan men are paid £1 per week.

The men to get the increase are— Wm. Leonard, Thos. M'ardle, Hugh M'Kevitt, Patrick O'Hagan, Jas. White and Jno. Wardle.

## Accounts for Carlingford Tanks.

An account was submitted by Hugh M'Kevitt, the Dipping Superintendent of the Carlingford Tanks, for wages for the helper employed at the tank for the summer Dipping Period. The wages were computed at 4/- per day, and the Committee referred back the account to the local Committee for Carlingford Tanks, to be arranged on the basis of 16/- per week for the period employed.

Chris Duffy  
Chairman

September 21<sup>st</sup> 1914.

## Executive Committee.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Executive Committee at their Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk, on Monday, 21<sup>st</sup> September, 1914 at one o'clock p.m.

Present-

In the Chair - Charles A. Duffy, Esq. J.P.

also present - Michael Meade, Thomas Murphy, Thos. O'Rourke, Peter Woods, J.P., James Wynne, J.P., and B. Hamell, J.P. Esquires.

Mr. Maxwell, V.S. was also in attendance.

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> of August were taken as read, and signed by the Chairman.

## Monthly Report of Veterinary Inspectors. August, 1914

The following reports were read and initialled by the Chairman -

### Mr. Clinton's Report.

Sir,

I beg to report that during the month of August two outbreaks of Sheep Scab occurred at Dundalk Port, one in sheep the property of Mr. J. Malone, Drumshambo, and the other in sheep the property of Mr. Thomas Glossy of Navan. The necessary steps have been taken in both cases

and the affected sheep slaughtered.

Two cases also occurred under the Tuberculosis Order in cows the property of J. Duddy, Limavaddy. They were sent forward for shipment at Dundalk and were detained under the provisions of the Order. Both cows were slaughtered by order of the owner, and your Council is not liable for any compensation in the matter.

Your obedient Servant,  
J. T. Clinton.

### Mr. Donnelly's Report.

Drogheda, September 6<sup>th</sup> 1914.

Gentlemen,

During the month of August I inspected the fairs and markets in this District.

Two suspected cases were notified to me under the Tuberculosis Order and I dealt with same and sent reports to your Secretary.

The District at present is free from any outbreak of contagious disease in animals. One or two suspected cases of contagious diseases reported to me, proved on inspection not to be notifiable diseases.

Yours respectfully,  
Andrew A. Donnelly.

To the Louth County Council.  
(Executive Committee)

Mr. Maxwell's Report.

Ardee, 1st. September, 1914.

The Secretary,  
South County Council, Dandalk.

Sir,

I beg to report that I visited the usual fairs, markets, etc., held in the Ardee No. 1. District for the month of August.

Though the sheep detained on the farm of Mr. R. A. B. Henry at Rathnestin, Tallanstown, are free from disease this last month, I cannot issue a withdrawal notice as the premises have not yet been disinfected. I am reporting this to the Department of Agriculture who deal with such cases.

In reply to your communication of the 26<sup>th</sup> ult. I went to the Ardee fair-green and examined sheep, which were healthy. In conjunction with Sergt. Kenny I made enquiries and learned that these sheep had been on Mr. Rooney's land at Derrycamma for some time, and as the man in charge produced a Louth declaration of dipping, I let them go.

I am, Sir,

Faithfully yours,

W. E. Maxwell.

With reference to the outbreak of Sheep Scab at Lisrenny, at the farm of Mr. R. A. B. Henry, referred to in Mr. Maxwell's report, a notice dated 8<sup>th</sup> of September was read from Mr. Maxwell withdrawing the Detention notice as the owner of the sheep had now complied with all the conditions ordered by the Inspector.

Sheep Owners who have not complied with Sheep Dipping Order.

The Secretary submitted a list of Sheep owners who had not complied with the Sheep Dipping Order in the Summer Dipping Period. This list comprised over 100 owners who had not served the notices required by the Order. In connection with this matter the following letter from Mr. Patrick McGee, J.P. Mbb., Charleville, was read.—

Charleville,

Dunleer, 20/9/14.

Dear Mr. Walester,

Sorry I cannot attend Executive Meeting. I would like to move, perhaps some gentleman would be so kind as to do so — "That in future no sheepowner be prosecuted who has got his sheep dipped in a public tank because he has failed to notify the police of his intention to do so or — has done so, but that it would be the duty of the dipping superintendent to notify the police at their respective Stations in the following or similar form supplied to the County Council — "I certify that Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ has got 100 sheep dipped at the public tank, Ardee, on the 18<sup>th</sup>

Sept, 1914. Signed  
Superintendent.

Dipping

I consider it a harassing and vexatious proceeding to prosecute any sheep owner who has got his or her sheep dipped at a public tank simply because they fail to notify the police, who have admitted at the last Luncheon Sessions that they never attend any dipping. Mr. O'Connell would be able to throw some light on the subject; of course I would not interfere with the arrangements with regard to private dipping.

Kindly let me know the result and oblige.

Faithfully yours,  
P. M. Gee.

P.S. - Perhaps I should have said that when the police are furnished with the returns from the Dipping Superintendent the police could then prosecute the defaulters in their respective districts.

P.M.

After a discussion as to whether the defaulting owners should be proceeded for non-compliance with the Order, it was

Proposed by Mr. Meade

Seconded by Mr. Woods and

unanimously carried, that a notice should be sent to each of the owners who had not returned their Declarations of having Dipped their Sheep, that if these Declarations did not reach the County Office by Monday, 28<sup>th</sup> inst., proceedings would be taken against them.

### Glenmore Dipping Tank.

A letter was read from Rev. Father Murphy, P.P., Cooley, stating he would give with pleasure, for the period required for the Autumn Dipping, a site for the Council's tank on his premises at Mullabuoy Chapel.

The Secretary was directed to convey to Father Murphy the best thanks of the Council for his kindness in granting the site, which would very much facilitate the sheep owners of the mountain. The letter was initialled by the Chairman.

### Sheep Dipping. - Local Regulations.

Notices in connection with Sheep imported into the County by Messrs. J. J. Donegan, Newtown, Patrick Callan of Tymullen, Thomas McDonnell, Priesttown, and James Moore, Ganderstown, were submitted to the Committee, and the Secretary informed them that the Veterinary Surgeons had been notified, and the Dipping ordered by the Regulations complied with.

### Cases under Tuberculosis (Ireland) Order, 1913.

The Secretary submitted notices that had been received under the above order. These included two cases in Drogheda, one at Dundalk, and one at Greenore where the

animals had been detained by the respective  
portal Inspectors, and informed the Committee  
that all copies of the Forms had been furnished  
to the Department, and that in none of the  
cases would there be any claim for  
compensation.

Charles A. Duffy

Chairman

21<sup>st</sup> Decr. 1914

## Executive Committee

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee  
at their meeting held in the Council Chamber,  
Court House, Dundalk on  
Monday, 21<sup>st</sup> December, 1914.  
at one o'clock, p.m.

Present - In the Chair, Charles A. Duffy, Esq. J.P.

Other Members: - James W. Carthy, J.P., J. Murphy,  
N. J. Murphy, James Wynne, J.P., J. F. Murphy, J.P., P. W. Gee, J.P.,  
John Morgan, J. J. Byrne, J.P. and J. P. Kearney, Esquires

Mr. Maxwell, V.S. was also in attendance

The Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Meeting  
held on 21<sup>st</sup> September, 1914, were taken as read  
and signed by the Chairman.

## Monthly Reports of Veterinary Inspectors.

The following Reports were read and  
initialled by the Chairman.

VETERINARY INSPECTORS' REPORTS FOR NOVEMBER, 1914.

Mr Clinton's Report.

Dear Sir,

On November 19th an outbreak of suspected swine fever was reported on the premises of Mr Walter Gernon, Newrath, Louth. I visited the farm and inspected the pigs. The case was reported to the Department of Agriculture who have the matter in hands. Disinfection has been carried out on Mr Irwin's farm at Lisnawilly, and the Detention Order served on him has been withdrawn. No other outbreak of contagious disease occurred in my district during the month.

Your obedient Servant,

J. T. CLINTON, M.R.C.V.S.

Mr Donnelly's Report.

Gentlemen,

During the month of November I had two reported cases under the Tuberculosis Order and dealt with same.

I made inspections at a few premises where contagious disease was supposed to exist, but found the animals were not suffering from any of the notifiable diseases.

At present there is no case of contagious disease in animals in this district.

Yours respectfully,

ANDREW A. DONNELLY.

Mr Maxwell's Report.

Sir,

I beg to report that I visited the usual fairs and markets in the Ardee No.1 District for the month of November.

I have had no reported cases of disease to examine.

I am,

faithfully yours,

W. E. MAXWELL.

Sheep Dipping Tanks.

Statement showing Receipts and Expenditure.

The following statement, showing receipts from and expenditure on the various Dipping Tanks throughout the County for the Summer and Autumn Dipping Periods, inclusive, was read, and the Secretary was directed to have it printed in detail on the Minutes for circulation among the Members of the Council. Mr. Patrick McGee pointed out that were it not for the large account for water supplied to the Ardee tank, that tank would be self supporting. He thought there should be no difficulty in procuring a site near a water supply, and thus avoid the extra expense of carting water.

SHEEP DIPPING 1914 - SUMMER AND AUTUMN PERIODS.

EXPENDITURE.

	Expenses.	Receipts.	Deficit.
	£ s d	£ s d	£ s d
<u>ARDEE TANK, 14,219 Dippings.</u>			
Wages	20 : 5 : 4		
Hire of Tank & Rent	2 : 5 : 0		
Water	9 : 8 : 9		
Sheep Dip and Sundries	34 : 1 : 5	56 : 16 : 5	9 : 4 : 1
<u>KNOCKBRIDGE TANK, 6,616 Dippings.</u>			
Wages	20 : 5 : 4		
Hire of Tank and Sundries	4 : 9 : 6		
Sheep Dip	15 : 17 : 0	33 : 0 : 10	7 : 11 : 0
<u>RAVENSDALE AND ANNALOUGHAN TANK, 1,767 Dippings.</u>			
Wages	14 : 12 : 9		
Hire of Tank, Rent, and Sundries.	8 : 7 : 8		
Sheep Dip.	6 : 8 : 0	6 : 1 : 7	23 : 6 : 10
<u>CARLINGFORD, OMEATH, &amp; GLENMORE, 5,267 Dippings.</u>			
Wages	20 : 8 : 10		
Hire of Tank, Rent, & Moving.	8 : 18 : 9		
Sundries	5 : 10 : 2		
Sheep Dip.	13 : 0 : 0	16 : 11 : 2	31 : 6 : 7
<u>AGHAMEEN, 1,773 Dippings.</u>			
Wages	5 : 19 : 0		
Hire of Tank, Rent, & Sundries.	3 : 11 : 9		
Sheep Dip.	9 : 12 : 0	6 : 5 : 4	12 : 17 : 5
<u>DROGHEDA, 2,405 Dippings.</u>			
Wages	9 : 5 : 2		
Hire of Tank, Rent & Dip.	5 : 11 : 0	12 : 6 : 11	2 : 9 : 3
<u>GENERAL EXPENDITURE</u>			
Bill Posting.	4 : 10 : 0		
Advertising	2 : 16 : 0		
Printing.	6 : 10 : 9		13 : 16 : 9
<u>Total 32,047 Dippings</u>			
			100 : 11 : 11
	Less refund	....	50 : 7 : 5
	Nett	....	50 : 4 : 6
Less recoupment from Department of Agriculture			50 : 5 : 11
nett deficit			50 : 6 : 0

Sheep Owners who have not Complied with Sheep Dipping Order.

The Secretary submitted a list of sheep owners who had not complied with the Sheep Dipping Order during the Autumn Dipping Period.

It was unanimously agreed that the same course be taken with the defaulters as with the defaulters in the Summer Period, namely, to send a circular to each informing him that proceedings will be taken if the necessary "Notice of Having Dipped" is not forthwith served on the Police.

Cases under Tuberculosis (Ireland) Order, 1913.

The Secretary submitted notices that had been received under the above Order. All the cases (five in number) had been detained at Drogheda Port by the Postal Inspectors. The Secretary informed the Committee that copies of the various forms in each case had been furnished to the Department, and that in none of the cases would there be any claim for compensation.

Swine Fever Cases.

Notices of Swine Fever at Stabannon and Newrath which had been sent from the Police

Stations in the respective districts, were read and initialled by the Chairman.

## Local Regulation Notices.

Notices were read from the Police at Dunleer and Ardee, under the Local Regulations for County Louth, as to the arrival of sheep from outside the districts and stating that the dipping required by the Regulations had been carried out.

## Hay & Straw Movement Order.

An Order from the Department of Agriculture dated 16<sup>th</sup> day of December, 1914, prohibiting the importation of Hay and Straw from Great Britain to Ireland, was read and initialled by the Chairman.

Chairman -

1<sup>st</sup> February 1915.

## Executive Committee.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee at their Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk on

Monday, 1<sup>st</sup> February, 1915 at one o'clock, p.m.

Present - In the Chair, Charles A. Duffy, Esq., J.P.  
other Members:-

Michael O'meara, J.P. William Woods, J.P.  
Peter Woods, J.P. Edward Goodman  
John J. Murphy, J.P. and James Wynne, J.P.,  
Esquires.

Mr. Maxwell, V.S., was also present.

The Minutes of the previous Meeting of the Executive Committee, were taken as read and were signed by the Chairman.

## Reports

The following Reports from the Veterinary Inspectors were read and initialled by the Chairman:-

REPORTS FROM VETERINARY INSPECTORS.

January 31st 1915.

The Secretary,  
Louth County Council.

Mr Clinton's Report for January.

Sir,

I beg to report that during the past month no case of scheduled contagious disease has occurred in this district. Two cases of suspected bovine tuberculosis were reported to me, one at Dromiskin and one at Bellurgan, but on examination of the animals I found that they did not suffer from tuberculosis.

Your obedient Servant,

J. T. CLINTON, V.S.

23rd January, 1915.

The Chairman,  
Louth County Council,  
Dundalk.

Mr Maxwell's Report for December, 1914.

Sir,

I beg to report that I examined the usual fairs and markets of the Ardee No. 1 District. P. Crosby, Mullamelia, reported to me that he had a sick pig which he thought was swine fever. The animal was suffering from indigestion.

faithfully yours,

W. E. MAXWELL.

Ardee, 1st February, 1915.

The Chairman,  
Louth County Council,  
Dundalk.

Mr Maxwell's Report for January, 1915.

Sir,

I beg to report that I visited the usual fairs, markets, &c. for the month of January, held in the Ardee No. 1 District. On the 13th an outbreak of sheep scab occurred on the farm of Edward O'Connor, Charleville, Dunleer. I visited these premises on the 12th & 13th and issued the necessary regulations in regard to same, and on the 19th & 29th I personally supervised the dipping of these sheep. On the 14th another outbreak took place on the farm at Corballis, owned by L. A. Lee-Norman in this case. I also issued the necessary notices of detention and personally supervised their dipping on the 23rd of the month.

I beg to draw your attention to the fact that these sheep were not reported under the Sheep Scab Order of May, 1914, made by your Council. I also beg to draw your attention to the fact that in its present form the Order does not fulfil the intention of the Council, viz: the prevention of the entry into this County of diseased animals. To do so, in my opinion, the Order should include the words - "or sheep exposed for sale in any fair, mart or saleyard" - and should also in my opinion be made include the Agent's, i.e. stationmasters or managers of Steam Packet Companies in the County Louth to report the arrival of any sheep at their station or depots.

Unless something like this be done, I am afraid the present Order is of little value.

I am, Sir,  
faithfully yours,  
W. E. MAXWELL.

Drogheda, Jan., 6th 1915.

Mr Donnelly's Report for December, 1914.

Gentlemen,

During the month of December, 1914, I had eight reported cases to deal with under the Tuberculosis Order.

I furnished your Secretary with full reports relating to the cases.

I am pleased to state that at present there is no outbreak existing in the district of any of the notifiable diseases.

Sheep Scab is not now at all prevalent in this part owing to the farmers complying with the conditions laid down in the recent Sheep Dipping Orders.

I am,  
Yours respectfully,

ANDREW A. DONNELLY.

To Louth County Council,  
(Executive Committee).

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Drogheda, Feb. 1st 1915.

Mr Donnelly's Report of January 1915.

Gentlemen,

During the month of January I had six cases reported under the Tuberculosis Order & dealt with same and furnished your Secretary with the necessary reports on the prescribed forms.

I had one outbreak of sheep scab in my district, but fortunately only one animal in the flock was found affected with the disease.

I had all the sheep at once dipped and the diseased animal has been dipped three times since the outbreak was first notified, and I hope in the course of ten days or so to be able to withdraw the restrictions in this case.

I am,  
Yours respectfully,

ANDREW A. DONNELLY.

## Cases under Tuberculosis Ireland Order, 1913.

The Secretary submitted notices that had been received under the above order. All the cases (six in number) had been detained at Drogheda Port by the Postal Inspectors.

The Secretary informed the Committee that copies of the various Forms in each case had been furnished to the Department, and that in none of the cases would there be any claim for compensation.

## Sheep Scab.

Secretary submitted notices received from two of the Veterinary Inspectors, of the outbreak of Scab as follows:

Farm of Edmund O'connor, Charleville  
and " " L. A. Lee Norman, Corballis.

both

reported by Mr. Maxwell, who stated in his report that the sheep had been purchased from Robert Skelly, Banbridge, and that all the sheep had been dipped twice since the outbreak.

Farm of Mrs Maguire of Sheelard.

reported by Mr. Donnelly, who stated that all the sheep were dipped once and the affected animals dipped on three occasions and were progressing satisfactorily.

## Tuberculosis (Ireland) Order, 1914.

Circular letter from the Department of Agriculture dated 18th January, 1915, was read, notifying that the Tuberculosis (Ireland) Order, 1913, had been revoked, and that a new Order entitled the Tuberculosis (Ireland) Order of 1914, dated 30th December 1914, had been issued, in which the scope of the Old Order had been enlarged so as to include all obviously tuberculous cattle. The new features of the present Order are as follows:-

- (1) to enable the Local Authority to give general direction to their Officers to carry out the prescribed slaughter and thus avoid delay.
- (2) That only one valuation has to be made, viz: the market value of the animal.
- (3) the omission of the provision which expressly allowed slaughter of a suspected animal by the owner or person in charge.
- (4) a sub-section to prevent the movement of a suspected animal from premises where it came under suspicion except to premises to which the Local Authority or an Inspector direct its removal.
- (5) giving authority for payment of fees for notification of suspected animals to veterinary surgeons other than the Veterinary Inspectors of the Local Authority.
- (6) the giving of power to the Local Authority to proceed immediately with the slaughter of animals found to be suffering from one of the forms of tuberculosis specified in the Order without waiting for specific directions in the case.

It was notified that the Order would come into operation on 1st February, 1915, and requesting that a copy of the following advertisement be issued before that date. The Secretary informed the Committee that he had sent

the advertisement to the County newspapers as directed:-

County Council of Louth.

Tuberculosis (Ireland) Order of 1914.

### NOTICE.

The attention of persons owning or having charge of Cattle in the County Louth is directed to the above named Order of the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland which comes into operation on 1st February, 1915. An effect of the Order is to bring within the scope of the existing provisions with regard to bovine tuberculosis all bovine animals suffering from a chronic cough and showing definite clinical signs of tuberculosis. Local Authorities are empowered to slaughter any bull, cow, ox, heifer or calf which they are satisfied is suffering from this form of the disease and to pay compensation for animals so slaughtered on the same conditions as apply to cows slaughtered as suffering from tuberculosis of the udder, or as giving tuberculous milk, and bovine animals slaughtered as suffering from tuberculous emaciation. Under the Order the valuation of an animal for the purposes of compensation will be made on one basis only, viz: the market value before slaughter.

Under the Order every person having in his possession or under his charge

- (1) any cow which is or appears to be suffering from tuberculosis of the udder, indurated udder, or other chronic disease of the udder; or
- (2) any bovine animal which is or appears to be suffering from emaciation due to tuberculosis; or
- (3) any bovine animal which is suffering from a chronic cough and showing definite clinical signs of tuberculosis

is required to notify the Police of the fact without delay and to keep the animal isolated from other animals as far as practicable (Article 10) until the animal is slaughtered or the permission of the Local Authority for its removal is obtained. He is also required, if the animal be a cow to take certain precautions with regard to milk and milk vessels (Article 9).

The Order forbids the movement to a Port for shipment of any animal suffering or appearing to be suffering from any of the forms of disease specified in the preceding paragraph, and prescribes steps which may be taken in the event of any such animal being brought to a Port for shipment or exposed for sale in a market, fairground, or saleyard.

Persons desiring fuller information as to the provisions of the Order can obtain copies of the Order by applying to

The Secretary,  
Department of Agriculture and  
Technical Instruction for Ireland,  
(Veterinary Branch),  
DUBLIN.

By Order  
(Signed) CHARLES McALESTER,

Clerk of the Local Authority under the Diseases  
of Animals Act for the County of Louth.

Court House,  
Dundalk,  
25th January, 1915.

The Secretary informed the Committee that copies of the Forms under the Order had been forwarded to the Veterinary Inspectors as directed by the Department, which was approved by the Committee.

### Revocation of Foot and Mouth Disease Regulations.

Notice was submitted from the West Sussex County Council, which stated that the Local Authority of West Sussex had revoked the Regulations made by them on 8th May 1914 dealing with the movement into their County of animals from Ireland and animals which had been in contact with animals from Ireland.

Charles A. Duffy  
Chairman

26<sup>th</sup> April 1915

## Executive Meeting.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee at their Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk on

Monday, 26<sup>th</sup> April, 1915

at one o'clock p.m.

Present - In the Chair - Charles A. Duffy, Esq. J.P.

Other Members:

J. Murphy, Wm. Woods, J.P., J. O'Rourke, M. Meade, J.P. Kearney, J.F. Murphy, J.P., J.J. Byrne, J.P., and John Morgan, Esquires.

Messrs. Clinton, Donnelly and Maxwell, V.S. were in attendance.

The Minutes of the previous Meeting of the Committee were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

## Veterinary Inspectors' Reports.

The following Reports were read and initialled by the Chairman.

Mr. Clinton's Report.

Dundalk, 26<sup>th</sup> April, 1915.

Sir,

on the 19<sup>th</sup> inst. a case of suspected tuberculosis

in a cow was reported to me from Greenore Port. I visited the premises and found the cow affected with induration of the udder. She was removed to Mr. White's, Dundalk and slaughtered by order of the owner, Mr. Francis W'hee, Holyhead. No compensation is payable by your Council in the case.

No other case of contagious disease occurred in the district during the month.

Your obedient servant,  
J. J. Glenton, M. R. C. V. S.

### Mr. Donnelly's Report.

Veterinary Establishment  
Drogheda. 12<sup>th</sup> April, 1915.

Gentlemen,

During the month of March I had two reported cases under the Tuberculosis Order and I dealt with same and furnished your Secretary with the necessary Reports.

At present there is no animal in the district under restrictions in connection with the Diseases of Animals Act.

Yours respectfully,  
Andrew A. Donnelly

### Mr. Maxwell's Report.

Ardee, 1<sup>st</sup> March, 1915.

Sir,

I beg to report that I visited the usual fairs, markets held in the Ardee No. 1. District for the month of January. I visited the detained sheep at Charleville on the 8<sup>th</sup> and the sheep being healthy issued the necessary withdrawal papers. I visited the sheep detained at Corballis on the 9<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> and these animals being also healthy issued the usual withdrawal notices.

In both cases I am pleased to say the cleaning and antiseptic precautions were done in a most efficient manner.

During the month a case under the Tuberculosis Act was reported to your Council, but the animal died before examination. Details from the "Knacker" showed Tuberculosis to have existed in the animal.

Yours faithfully  
W. S. Maxwell

## Sheep Dipping Order of 1915.

The following circular letter from the Department of Agriculture notifying the issue of The Sheep Dipping (Ireland) Order of 1915

recently made by the Department was read -

No. 1399-14.

Department of Agriculture and  
Technical Instruction for Ireland,  
(Veterinary Branch),  
50 & 51, Upper Meunt Street,  
DUBLIN.

19th April, 1915.

Sir, I have to transmit herewith, for the information and guidance of the Local Authority, copies of an Order entitled the Sheep Dipping (Ireland) Order of 1915, made recently by this Department under the Diseases of Animals Acts.

The Orders previously existing, entitled respectively the Sheep Dipping (Ireland) Order of 1912, and the Autumn Sheep Dipping (Ireland) Temporary Order of 1914 are, in effect, re-enacted by this further Order, which comes into force on 1st proximo; that is to say, the new Order will continue the provisions initiated last year, substituting a double for a single dipping in the autumn period, in addition to the usual summer dipping.

From the representations made by the Department on former occasions the Local Authority are aware that it is essential in the interests of the sheepbreeding industry, that effective action should be taken with the object of eradicating Sheep Scab. The extent to which this disease still prevails in Ireland (vide the attached return as to its distribution in 1914) constitutes a grave menace to the sheep export trade. Already that trade has severely felt the pressure of the regulations called for by the frequency of outbreaks and should the landing of Irish Sheep in Great Britain be further restricted the results might be very inimical to the prosperity of sheep farming in this country. It will accordingly be seen how necessary it is that all concerned in dealing with the disease should co-operate effectively for its suppression. The Department trust, therefore, that the active co-operation of your Local Authority may be relied upon in so important a matter.

As regards the present Order, the Local Authority should take adequate steps to enforce it properly in their district. In this connection, I have to suggest that the Local Authority, if they have not yet exercised their powers of appointing Inspectors to see that dipping is effectively carried out, should now do so, under Article 20 of the Order. Many Local Authorities have already taken this course, and it would be distinctly for the general advantage if similar useful action were taken in all districts.

With a view to the effective publication of the Order the Department will forward, at an early date, a supply of placard Notices for posting throughout your Local Authority's district. The customary arrangements are also being made for the supply to sheep owners (through the Police or otherwise) of Forms for use under the Order.

I am, Sir,  
Your obedient Servant,

T. P. GILL,  
Secretary.

The Clerk,  
of each Local Authority.

In the return accompanying the circular of outbreaks of Sheep scab in Ireland during the year 1914 out of the total of 474 outbreaks 19 occurred in the County of Louth.

The Sheep Dipping Order was also before the Meeting and the Committee decided that all the necessary arrangements for the dipping of sheep in the County be discussed at a further Meeting of the Committee, and in the meantime that the posters when received from the Department should be posted throughout the County.

## Revision of Veterinary Inspectors' Salaries

The next business on the Agenda was the revision of the Salaries paid to the three Veterinary Surgeons, Messrs. Clinton, Dundalk, Donnelly, Drogheda, and Maxwell, Ardee.

The Secretary stated that their Salaries at present stood as follows:-

Mr. Clinton	£120 per annum
Mr. Donnelly	£80 . . . . .
Mr. Maxwell	£80 . . . . .

of these sums £68, £50, and £50 respectively were paid in respect of extra duties imposed in connection with the Tuberculosis (Ireland) Order. The standing salaries for the ordinary duties which the Veterinary Inspectors were appointed to transact

were £52, £30 and £30.

The Department had only sanctioned these salaries temporarily and the period of sanction expired on the 1<sup>st</sup> June, 1915, and were to be reviewed by direction of the Department in view of the work performed by the Veterinary Inspectors under the Tuberculosis Order.

The Secretary submitted return giving the number of cases for the past twelve months dealt with under the Tuberculosis Order, as follows:-

Mr. Clinton 4 cases  
Mr. Donnelly 19  
Mr. Maxwell 2

The great bulk of these cases were detentions of animals at the Ports of Drogheda, Dundalk and Greenore.

The Committee were of opinion that a scale of fees for cases dealt with under the Order would be more satisfactory than salaries, and the Secretary submitted the scale of fees which had been transmitted by the Department in January of the present year:-

After discussion the following resolution was passed unanimously:-

Proposed by John F. Murphy, Esq. J.P.  
Seconded by J.P. Kearney, Esq. and

Resolved: That we recommend the County Council to adopt the scale of fees for work by the Veterinary Inspectors under the Tuberculosis Order as submitted by the Department in their letter of 22<sup>nd</sup> January, 1915, as follows, and that they come into operation on the 1<sup>st</sup> June, 1915.

## Tuberculosis Ireland (Order)

TUBERCULOSIS (IRELAND) ORDER OF 1913.

SCALE OF FEES PREPARED BY THE VETERINARY MEDICAL ASSOCIATION OF IRELAND.

1. For clinical examination of the first animal a fee of --- --- --- --- £0:10:6  
Each additional animal on the same premises --- £0: 1:0  
The maximum amount under this head not to exceed £1.
2. When the premises are more than 15 miles distant a fee for the first animal of - --- £1: 1:0
3. For applying the Tuberculin Test up to four animals --- --- --- --- £2: 2:0  
Each animal over four --- --- --- --- £0: 5:0
4. Post Mortem Examinations -- --- --- --- £1 :1:0
5. Microscopic Examination -- --- --- --- £0:10:6
6. Mileage at the rate of 1s per mile one way, or railway fare.

No further charges to be made for reports or valuations.

## Dipping Tank for Cattle.

The resolution on above subject submitted by the County Committee of Agriculture and referred to the Executive Committee, was next considered. The resolution recommended the County Council to erect an experimental tank in the County for the treatment of the disease known as "Red Water in Cattle" by Dipping.

After discussion the Secretary was directed to request the opinion and advice of the Department on the matter, and if possible information as to the probable cost.

## Tuberculosis (Ireland) Order of 1914.

The Secretary submitted notices that had been received under the above order. The Secretary informed the Committee that copies of the various forms had been furnished to the Department, and that in no case was there any claim for compensation.

## Sheep Scab & Swine Fever.

Notices of Sheep Scab at Corballis and Charleville received from Mr. Maxwell, V.S., and one case of Swine Fever reported by the Police were submitted, and initialled by the Chairman.

Charles A. Duffy,  
Chairman:-  
17<sup>th</sup> May 1915.

## Executive Committee

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee at their Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk on

Monday, 17<sup>th</sup> May 1915  
at one o'clock, p.m.

Present:- In the Chair, Charles A. Duffy, Esq. J.P.

Other Members:-

Patrick W. Lee, J.P., T. J. Byrne, J.P., Peter Woods, J.P., John J. Murphy, J.P., and Michael Meade, Esquires.

## Arrangements in connection with Dipping Tanks.

The Committee had under consideration the arrangements in connection with the Council's tanks for the Summer and Autumn Dipping Periods of the present year.

Owing to the great expenditure in connection with the tank in use last year at Ravensdale and Annaloughan

and the lack of support of its usage by sheep owners in the district, it was decided to discontinue the working of the tank.

The following Local Committees were appointed to manage the other tanks provided by the County Council:-

Carlingford. - Messrs. Wm. Woods, J.P.,  
J.O. Kearney, Peter Woods, J.O. and  
M. O'neara, J.P.

The Committee decided that the Superintendent to be appointed should be paid at the Head Rate of 1 per sheep and  $\frac{1}{2}$  per lamb for all sheep dipped at the tank, and the Local Committee were empowered to appoint the Superintendent, and make arrangements for tank site, etc.

Aghameen. - Messrs. J. H. Wardle, J.P., J. Connolly, J.P.,  
Peter Woods, J.O. and B. Finnegan.

Mr. Owen Keenan appointed Superintendent and to be paid 1 per sheep and  $\frac{1}{2}$  per lamb.

Knockbridge. - Messrs. J. F. Murphy, J.P., M. Wardle,  
J. J. Byrne, J.P., and Bernard Stuges,  
Newtown, Knockbridge.

Thomas Wardle appointed Superintendent at 18/- (eighteen shillings) per week.

Ardee. - Messrs. P. W'Lee, J.P., Jas. W'Lee, Roodstown,  
Jas. W'Donald, Mullacloe, R. Stokes, Ardee,

Jas. Halpenny, J.P. and J. B. Kieran, J.P., Ashville.

William Leonard appointed Superintendent at 18/- (eighteen shillings) per week, and the Local Committee, to arrange if possible for a site for the tank more convenient to the water supply.

Ballymakenny. - Messrs. P. Donegan, J.P.,  
P. Ballan, J.O., Joseph Dolan and  
Denis J. Rath.

Michael McQuillan appointed Superintendent and to be paid at the Head Rate of 1 per sheep and  $\frac{1}{2}$  per lamb.

The Secretary was directed to request quotations for the supply of Dip to the various tanks from Merchants in Ardee, Drogheda and Dundalk.

## Sheep Scab.

Notices were read from Mr. W. B. Maxwell, V.S., of an outbreak of sheep scab on farm of Mrs. J. Chester-Walsh, Williamstown. Out of a total of 514 sheep 27 animals were affected, and Detention Notice had been served on the owner of the farm.

## Tuberculosis (Ireland) Order of 1914.

Notices were tabled of two cases under the above Order, one at Commons, Dromiskin, and the other at Paughanstown, Ardee. Both cases were still under supervision of the Veterinary Inspectors.

Chas. A. Duffy  
Chairman:-

## Executive Committee.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee at their Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk, on

Monday, 19th July, 1915, at  
One o'clock, p.m.

Present: In the Chair: Charles A. Duffy, Esq., J.P.

Other Members: Thomas O'Rourke, J.P., J. J. Byrne, J.P.,  
James McBarthy, J.P., William Woods, J.P.  
and Michael O'Keefe, J.P., Esquires

The Minutes of the previous Meeting of the Executive Committee were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

## Veterinary Inspectors' Report.

The following report from the Veterinary Inspectors for the month of July were read and initialled by the Chairman:-

Mr. J. Clinton's Report.

Dundalk,

July Report.

Sir,

I beg to report that during the month a case of suspected scab occurred amongst Mrs Dickie's sheep at Fairhill. Samples of wool were taken by the Department of Agriculture's Veterinary Inspector and the Board confirmed the existence of the disease. All the sheep have been restricted to the farm and have been dipped.

A case of scab has also occurred in a sheep the property of Mr John Long of Grange, Carlinsford. The affected animal has been slaughtered by owner and the remaining sheep dipped.

Your obedient Servant,  
J. J. Clinton.

Mr. Donnelly's Report.

Veterinary Establishment,  
Drogheda,

July, 1915.

Gentlemen,

During the month of June there was one outbreak of Swine Fever in my district. The disease was confined to the pigs on one premises in the town of Drogheda. The Veterinary Officers of the Department valued the animals and had them all slaughtered and the premises have since

been thoroughly disinfected.

Yours respectfully,  
Andrew A. Donnelly.

Mr. W. E. Maxwell's Report.

Ardee, 5th July, 1915.

The Chairman,  
Louth County Council,  
Dundalk.

Dear Sir,

I have inspected the usual fairs held in the Ardee No. 1 District for the month of June. I supervised the dipping of the sheep belonging to Mrs Chester Walsh, Castlebellingham on the 12th 13th and 14th June. On the 26th June I personally gave notice to Mrs R. W. Walsh re disinfection and subsequently also a written notice. He promised to have same carried out. The wet weather is interfering so far.

I am,  
faithfully yours,  
W. E. Maxwell.

Slaughter of Animals (Ireland) Order of 1915.

Letter was read from the Department of Agriculture enclosing copy of the above Order which came into operation on 24th June. The provisions of the Order make it illegal in

Ireland to slaughter or for the owner to cause or permit to be slaughtered:

- (1) Any animal which is visibly or obviously in-calf or in-pig, or
- (2) Any calf under the age of twelve weeks (male calves of the following dairy breeds excepted, viz: Channel Ireland, Ayrshire and Kerry breeds).

The letter was initialled by the Chairman.

### Omeath Sheep Dipping Tank.

The Secretary read correspondence in connection with the site for the Omeath Sheep Dipping Tank. Mr William Woods on behalf of the Local Committee had obtained a site for the tank at Knocknagoran, but a letter from the owner of the land stated that the water for use at the tank would require to be carted. Letter was also read from the dipping Superintendent that the site at Knocknagoran was not suitable owing to the insufficient supply of water, and stating that he had arranged for a site at Omeath where the water was plentiful, for the sum of £2.

The Committee approved of the taking of this site for the tank and directed the Secretary to have the tank removed from Annaboughan

to Omeath.

### Sheep Scab Notices.

The notices served by the Veterinary Inspectors in the various cases of sheep scab were submitted and initialled by the Chairman. The following are the cases referred to:

Mrs Chester Walsh, Williamstown: Sheep have now been declared free of disease and the detention notice withdrawn.

John Long, Grange: The animal affected was slaughtered.  
Mrs B. Dickie, Fairhill: Sheep have now been declared free of disease and the detention notice withdrawn.

Patrick McShane, Greenore: Detention notice withdrawn.

### Swine Fever.

Case of swine fever at 78, Trinity Street, Drogheda, was notified by police, and a memorandum from the Department that examination of the intestines by the Veterinary Officers of the Department discovered that in their opinion swine fever did exist. The premises are now thoroughly disinfected.

John Duff  
Chairman.

## Executive Committee.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee at their Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk, on

Monday, 9th August, 1915, at  
One O'clock, p.m.

Present: In the Chair: Charles A. Duffy, Esq., J.P.  
Other Members:

Peter Woods, J.P., Michael Meade,  
N. J. Murphy, J.P., James McCarthy, J.P.,  
Patrick McGea, J.P., J. F. Murphy, J.P.,  
and Thomas O'Rourke, Esquires.

The Minutes of the previous Meeting of the Executive Committee were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

## Veterinary Inspectors' Salaries.

The next business on the Agenda was the consideration of an application signed by three Veterinary Inspectors of the Council for an increase in their salaries. This letter had been referred to the Executive Committee by the County Council.

The Secretary stated that the standing salaries of the Veterinary Inspectors (apart from fees under Tuberculosis (Ireland) Order) were as

follows: Mr J. J. Clinton, Dundalk £52 per annum.  
Mr Donnelly, Drogheda £30 per annum.  
and Mr Maxwell, Ardee £30 per annum,  
and that their duties for this salary included attendance at, and inspection of the various fairs and markets held in each district; dealing with outbreaks of sheep scab and swine fever, and issuing the proper notices in each case; supplying the County Council and the Department with copies of all such notices served; reporting to the Executive Committee on their work, monthly, and generally work under the Diseases of Animals Acts, excluding work under the Tuberculosis (Ireland) Order of 1914.

After discussion it was unanimously decided, on the suggestion of the Chairman, that in order that the Council might be in a position to see what fees would be payable under the Tuberculosis (Ireland) Order of 1914 for a period of six months, from the 1st day of June, 1915, when the scale of fees came into operation, that the matter stand adjourned for six months, and the Secretary was directed to table the application for consideration at the end of that period.

## Veterinary Inspectors' Reports

The following was the only report received for the month of July, and it was read and intalled by the Chairman:-

Veterinary Establishment,  
Drogheda,  
July 31st, 1915.

Gentlemen,

During the month of July there occurred no outbreak of any of the notifiable diseases in my district. I made inspections in a few cases personally reported to me, but found the animals were not suffering under the Contagious Diseases of Animals Acts.

Yours respectfully,  
Andrew A. Donnelly.

To the Louth County Council,  
(Executive Committee.)

The Secretary was directed to direct the attention of the other two inspectors to their omission to supply the usual monthly reports, and to say that in future if they had nothing to report they should notify the Council to that effect.

### Sheep Scab at Grange.

Notice was read and initialled by the Chairman of removal of detention notice served by Mr Clinton on Mr John Long, Grange, in above case.

Chas Duffy  
Chairman

## Executive Committee.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee at their Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk, on

Monday, 20th September, 1915,  
at One O'clock, p.m.

Present:- In the Chair:- Charles A. Duffy, Esq., J.P.

Other Members:

J.P. Kearney, Michael Meade, Thomas O'Rourke,  
T.J. Byrne, J.P., and Bernard Finnegan, Esquires.

The Minutes of the previous Meeting of the Executive Committee were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

### Veterinary Inspectors' Reports - August 1915.

The following reports were read and initialled by the Chairman.

Mr Clinton's Report.

Dundalk,  
September, 1915.

Dear Sir,

During the month of August I dealt with the following outbreaks of sheep scab:-

P. Goodman,	Greent, Dundalk,	(15 sheep)
L. Goodman,	Park Street, Dundalk,	(34 sheep)
Thomas Malone,	Drumhambo	(22 sheep)
Joseph Murphy,	(Derrybeg) at Greenore,	(41 sheep)
Patrick Rooney,	Mountmills, at Greenore,	(48 sheep)

In all the cases the affected sheep were slaughtered and the remainder isolated and dipped.

Yours truly,  
J. T. Clinton

Mr. Donnelly's Report.

Veterinary Establishment,  
Drogheda  
September 4th, 1915.

Dear Sir,

I beg to report that during the month of August 1915, there was no outbreak of contagious disease in this district and no animals are at present under restrictions.

Yours faithfully,  
Andrew A. Donnelly.

Mr Maxwell's Report.

Ardee,  
8th September, 1915.

Sir,

I have inspected the usual fairs and markets in the Ardee No. 1 District for the month of August. During the month I have seen the detained sheep at Corballis, Ardee, dipped twice and visited them at other periods. A fresh outbreak occurred at Dowdstown, Ardee, which I am taking precautions against.

I have had disinfected the premises of Gree's, John Street, Ardee.

The usual forms have been supplied.

Yours truly,

W. E. Maxwell,

Ardee.

The Secretary,  
Louth County Council,  
Dundalk.

Non-compliance with Sheep Dipping Order.

Reports were read from the police from Dunlevy and West Gate, Drogheda, giving lists of persons who had exposed their sheep for sale without being accompanied by a declaration that they were dipped within the Autumn

period as prescribed by the Sheep Dipping Order of 1915. In Dunleer fair on the 1st September the Sergeant reported that eleven owners had exposed their sheep. In Drogheda market on 14th September the Constable reported that five defaulters had exposed their sheep, and on the 11th instant one owner had also failed to comply with the Order.

Mr J. J. Byrne, J.P., suggested that the owners of the sheep should be written to to produce the declarations that the sheep had been dipped, and if the declarations were produced that no prosecutions should ensue in these cases.

The matter was discussed at length and it was ultimately

Proposed by J. P. Kearney, Esq.

Seconded by Michael Meade, Esq.

that all owners who had exposed their sheep for sale as reported by the police and had failed to produce the declaration when requested to do so, be prosecuted under the Order, and that the Solicitor of the Council be directed to issue summonses.

This resolution was passed, J. J. Byrne, Esq., dissenting.

### Sheep Scab Cases.

The various notices served by the Veterinary Inspectors in the cases of sheep scab were examined by the Committee and initialed by the Chairman. The cases were as follows:—

L. A. Lee Norman, Corballis.  
Thomas Malone, Drumchambo.  
Peter Goodman, Dundalk.  
J. P. Rooney, Mountmills, Newry.  
Laurence Goodman, Dowdstewn.  
Joseph Murphy, Derrybeg.  
William Woods, Carlingford.

### Parasitic Mange.

Notice was tabled from Mr Donnelly of a case of Parasitic Mange at John Street, Drogheda. The final report stated that the animal had been slaughtered and buried, and the premises and harness thoroughly disinfected.

### Swine Fever.

A case of Swine Fever at Mullenstown Ardee was reported by the Police and the premises were declared an infected place by the Veterinary Inspector, Mr Maxwell.

## Sheep Dipping Defaulters.

The Secretary submitted lists of sheep owners who had failed to return the Forms for the Summer Dipping Period according to the terms of the Order. After discussion the Secretary was directed to notify the owners that if they did not return the Forms within seven days prosecutions would ensue.

Chairman:

## Executive Committee.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee at their Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk, on

Monday, 1st November, 1915  
at one o'clock, p.m.

Present: In the Chair: Charles A. Duffy, Esq., J.P.

Other Members:-

J. J. Byrne, J.P., Bernard Hamill, J.P.  
P. McGeer, J.P., John F. Murphy, J.P.,  
and Laurence McKeown, Esquires.

The Minutes of the previous Meeting of the Executive Committee were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

## Veterinary Inspectors' Reports

The Reports of the Veterinary Inspectors as follows; for the months of September and October were read and initialled by the Chairman.

VETERINARY INSPECTORS' REPORTS.

Mr Clinton's Report for September, 1915.

On 10th Sept. 41 sheep, the property of Joseph Murphy of Derrybeg, were detained at Greenore Port for scab. The necessary steps were taken, the affected sheep being slaughtered and the remainder dipped at Greenore and returned to the owners farm by order of the Department of Agriculture. On the same date 48 sheep the property of Mr P. Rooney, Mountmills, were also detained at Greenore for scab. The affected sheep were slaughtered. The remainder were dipped at Greenore and returned to Mr Rooney's farm.

Your obedient Servant,

J. T. CLINTON.

Mr Clinton's Report for October, 1915.

On October 7th, twenty four sheep were detained at Dundalk Port owing to the presence of scab amongst them. They were the property of Thomas Malone, Drumshambo and were consigned to England. All of them were slaughtered on the premises by order of the owner. On October 30th four lambs suffering from scab were found in a consignment sent by Mr J. Shevlin to Dundalk Port from Carrickmacross. The necessary steps are being taken in the case.

Your obedient Servant,

J. T. CLINTON.

Mr Donnelly's Report for September, 1915.

During the month of September I had to deal with one outbreak of sheep scab (the animals coming from Co. Down). There was a case of parasitic mange in a horse, the animal being destroyed, and I had one or two cases of suspected swine fever. I also inspected a couple of hundred sheep imported into the County from Dublin and Ballinasloe.

Your Secretary has been furnished with full particulars and all the necessary reports relating to each case.

Yours respectfully,

ANDREW A. DONNELLY.

Mr Donnelly's Report for October, 1915.

There has been no outbreak of any of the notifiable diseases amongst animals in my district during the month of October, 1915.

There are no animals at present under restrictions. I made inspections in one or two suspected cases reported to me but found the animals free from any of the scheduled contagious diseases.

Yours respectfully,

ANDREW A. DONNELLY.

The Secretary,  
Louth County Council.

Mr Maxwell's Report for September, 1915.

I beg to report that I visited the usual fairs, markets, etc. held in the Ardee No. 1 District, during the month of September.

On the 5th, 12th, 21st and 30th of the month, I visited the detained sheep at Dowdstown, and issued a withdrawal notice on the 30th September.

A fresh outbreak of scab occurred on the 30th September on the lands of John Brawley of Artnalivery, Ardee, and I issued the usual notices. Swine fever was reported on P. McFoggart's premises at Debidee, Ardee, and at a Mrs. McGee's, Tallonstown. In neither case was the disease swine fever.

I am, faithfully yours,  
W. E. Maxwell.

Mr Maxwell's Report for October, 1915.

I beg to inform you that I inspected the usual fairs, markets, etc. held in the Ardee No. 1 District for the month of October. The outbreak of sheep scab which occurred on the farm of John Brawley, Artnalivery has been attended to and the sheep were dipped in my presence on the 15th October. The usual notices have been served in all the cases reported to me.

I am, faithfully yours,  
W. E. Maxwell.

The Secretary submitted the notices from the Veterinary Inspectors in the following cases:

Swine Fever

Mary McGeer Tullanstown  
Patrick Byrne Garveystown  
Lester Doran Karristown

Sheep Scab

John Crowley Artnaliverry  
L. Goodman Dowdstown  
Matthew Shelly Hammondstown  
Thomas Malone Dundalk Steampacket Yard  
James Shevlin - Do -

Salary of Clerk to Local Authority

The following letter from the Department of Agriculture was read:

No. 3670/13.  
Department of Agriculture and  
Technical Instruction for Ireland,  
(Veterinary Branch)  
50 & 51, Upper Merrion Street,  
Dublin, 16th October, 1915.

Sir,

Having regard to the suspension of the Tuberculosis (Ireland) Order as from the 1st ultimo, the Department find it necessary to advert to the question of the rate of remuneration

attached to your Office of Clerk to the Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Acts, and to direct attention to the terms of their letter of 16th December, 1913, in which approval of the present rate of remuneration was conveyed.

It will be observed that the Department's approval of the proposal to attach a salary of £100 per annum to the post was given subject to revision in the event of a cessation of work under the Tuberculosis Order. It became necessary, therefore, to consider the question of such revision now that the operation of the Order has been suspended for the time being and that there is, apparently, no reported case of bovine tuberculosis remaining to be dealt with in the County.

I have, accordingly, to request that, at the first opportunity, you will be so good as to place the matter before your Local Authority with a view to their considering what rate of remuneration should be attached to the office in question in the altered circumstances at present existing.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,  
J. P. Gill,  
Secretary.

The Secretary,  
Louth County Council,  
Court House,  
Dundalk.

The original letter from the Department dated 18th December, 1913, No. 6147/13 in which the Department approved of the appointment of the Secretary of

the County Council as clerk to the Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Acts was read in which they expressed approval of the proposal to attach a salary of £100 per annum to the office, but stipulated that this approval might be subject to revision in the event of cessation of work under the Tuberculosis (Ireland) Order.

The Committee after considering the proportion of work under the Tuberculosis Order which was a very small proportion of the entire work under the Diseases of Animals Acts unanimously decided to reduce the salary of the clerk to the Local Authority by the sum of £10 per annum, and directed the Secretary to inform the Department of Agriculture of their decision.

Chas Duffy  
Chairman

## Executive Committee.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee at their Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk, on

Monday, 29th day of November, 1915,  
at one o'clock, p. m.

Present: In the Chair: Charles A. Duffy, Esq., J.P.  
Other Members:

William Woods, J.P., Michael Meade,  
James Wynne, J.P., Thomas O'Rourke,  
James J. McGe, J.P., and Bernard Hamill, J.P.,  
Esquires.

The Minutes of the previous Meeting of the Executive Committee were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

## Sheep Dipping.

The accounts in connection with the above for the work, etc. at the Council's tanks at Ballymakeenny, Ardee, Knockbridge, Aghameen, Carlingford and Omagh, were examined and recommended for payment. The accounts were for wages of dipping superintendents, rents of tank sites, water supply, dip and

printing, and amounted to the sum of £89:10:2.

The Secretary submitted Return showing the receipts and expenditure in connection with the Council's tanks for the year 1915, as follows:-

	No. of Dippings.	Receipts.	Expenditure	Result
Aghameen	2133	£ 7:9:4	£ 18:9:4	deficit 11:0:0
Carlingford & Omagh	5071	17:6:8	34:7:10	17:1:2
Ballymakenny	1873	9:16:10	14:6:5	4:9:7
Ardee	14269	58:12:1	49:4:4	profit 9:7:9
Knechbridge	5583	26:15:5	39:11:8	deficit 12:16:3
Total dippings	28929			

The statement was initialled by the Chairman who congratulated Mr James McGeer on the successful running of the Ardee tank.

The Secretary was directed to write the dipping superintendents and ascertain what dip was left over after the season's work, and arrange for the storing of same. He was also instructed to arrange for the storage of the Omagh tank till next year.

The Secretary informed the Committee that six of the sheep owners had dipped their sheep at the Knechbridge Tank only once in the Autumn period, although the Order made two dippings compulsory, within a period of not less than seven days or more than fourteen days. He was directed to write to these owners and inform them of the fact and of the necessity of

returning a declaration to the police before the 15th December, as to the second dipping.

### Maintenance of Live Stock (Ireland) Order of 1915. (No. 2).

The following Order was read and initialled by the Chairman:-

#### MAINTENANCE OF LIVE STOCK (IRELAND) ORDER OF 1915 (No. 2).

THE Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland by virtue and in exercise of the powers vested in them under the Maintenance of Live Stock Act, 1915, and for the purpose of maintaining a sufficient stock of animals, do hereby order as follows:-

*Sucking Calves not to be slaughtered or exported.*

1. From and after the date of commencement of this Order, no sucking calf shall

- (a) be slaughtered, or be caused or permitted by its owner to be slaughtered; or
- (b) be moved out of Ireland, or be caused or permitted by its owner to be moved out of Ireland.

*Exceptions from Restrictions.*

2. The restrictions imposed by the foregoing Article shall not apply to

- (a) slaughter of an animal under the powers conferred by the Diseases of Animals Acts, 1894 to 1914, or any Order made thereunder; or
- (b) slaughter of a male calf of any of the following dairy breeds, that is to say, Channel Island, Ayrshire or Kerry breeds; or
- (c) slaughter of an animal necessary or desirable on account of accidental injury to the animal or its illness; or

(d) slaughter or movement out of Ireland of an animal if in the opinion of the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland the slaughter or movement out of Ireland is desirable for any exceptional reason or purpose and the slaughter or movement is authorised by a licence granted by the Department or by an officer of the Department.

*Application of Order.*

3. This Order applies to Ireland.

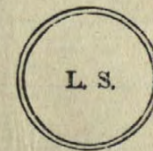
*Commencement.*

4. This Order shall come into operation on the twenty-second day of November, nineteen hundred and fifteen.

*Short Title.*

5. This Order may be cited as the MAINTENANCE OF LIVE STOCK (IRELAND) ORDER OF 1915 (No. 2).

In witness whereof the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland have hereunto set their Official Seal this seventeenth day of November, nineteen hundred and fifteen.



T. P. Gill,

Secretary.

## Sheep Scab.

Reports from the three Veterinary Inspectors on the following cases of sheep scab under their care and the Forms in accordance with the Diseases of Animals Acts were submitted and initialled by the Chairman:-

James Sheelin, Barrickmacross. (Dundalk Port)  
Matthew Shelly, Hammondstown.  
John Crowley, Artnalivery.  
David Farrell, Bookstown, Kells (Drogheda Port)  
J. Chadwick, Lancashire. (Drogheda Port)

## Delegates to Louth County Convention.

Circular letter was read from the Honorary Secretaries of the United Irish League Louth County Convention to be held on Sunday the 5th December, at Dundalk, and requesting that four delegates be appointed to represent the County Council.

On the motion of the Chairman  
Seconded by Mr O'Rourke,  
the following gentlemen were appointed to represent the Council:

Messrs: Michael Meade, N. J. Murphy, J. P.  
Joseph Dolan and Thomas B. McBourt.

## Recoupment Diseases of Animals Acts.

The Secretary submitted half yearly return of the expenses under the Diseases of Animals Acts the Secretary was directed to apply to the Department for the amount of the recoupment payable to the County Council, amounting to the sum of £101.15.6 for general and £1.10.0 under Tuberculosis (Ireland) Order of 1914.

Chairman James Wynne

## Executive Committee

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee at their Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk, on

Monday, 10th January, 1916,  
at one o'clock, p.m.

Present: In the Chair: James Wynne, Esq. J.P.

Other Members:

Thomas O'Rourke, James J. McGee, J.P.,  
Patrick McGee, J.P., Bernard Hamill, J.P.  
and John F. Murphy, J.P., Esquires.

The Minutes of the previous Meeting of the Executive Committee were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

## Reports from Veterinary Inspectors.

The following Reports were read, and initialled by the Chairman:

### Mr Clinton's Report.

On the 13th December, 1915, an outbreak of scab occurred in a consignment of lambs forwarded to Dundalk Port for shipment to England by Mr James Marmion. The lambs were purchased from a Mr P. Hanlon of Piedmont and had been grazing on Mrs Malone's land at Haynestown. The lambs were slaughtered at Dundalk Port by order of the owner. In com-

pany with a Departmental Inspector I visited the farm at Haynestown and examined the remaining sheep there (76 in all) No other case of scab was found. I had all the sheep dipped under my personal supervision. In the case of J. Shevlin's sheep already reported, the affected animals were slaughtered and the remainder (40) dipped.

### Mr Donnelly's Report.

During the month of November there were two outbreaks of sheep scab. In one case the animals came from Co. Meath and in the other from Dublin market. The animals (92) that came from Dublin market were all slaughtered with the owner's authority. In the other case the diseased animal was slaughtered and the in-contacts dipped twice inside 10 days and afterwards allowed to go forward for shipment at Drogheda Port.

During the month of December 1915, I had two outbreaks of sheep scab. The diseased animals were slaughtered and the in-contacts twice dipped and I have been able to withdraw the restrictions. There are no other animals in the district under restrictions at present date.

## Mr Maxwell's Report.

I beg to report that I visited and inspected the usual fairs and markets held in the Ardee No. 1 District for the month of November. I had the detained sheep the property of Matthew Skelly, Hammondstown, Dunleer dipped on the 2nd & 16th of the month. On the 15th I released the sheep detained on the farm of John Crawley, Artnalivery, Ardee. In consequence of Matthew Skelly selling a ram to Henry Sloan, Aclare Castle, Dunleer, the sheep on Mr Sloan's farm had to be examined, but were found free from disease. Both Crawley's and Skelly's farms have been properly disinfected. I examined a pig the property of James Hughes which the owner thought might have swine fever, but the disease was indigestion. All the necessary forms, etc. have been forwarded in connection with these cases.

During the month of December I visited the fairs and markets held in Ardee, No. 1 District. The detention placed on Matthew Skelly's farm, Hammondstown, Dunleer, has been withdrawn by me as from the 8th of this month, the usual forms in connection with this case have been forwarded to the Council. A suspected case of scab at H. Craig's farm Bohermore, Ardee, was found not to exist.

### Sheep Scab Outbreaks.

Notices and forms in connection with the following cases of Sheep Scab, which occurred in County Louth since the last Executive Meeting were read and initialled by the Chairman:-

John Crowley, Artnalivery; (2 outbreaks)  
M. Skelly, Hammondstown; M. Coghlan, Maynestown  
H. Slean, Athclare; James Shevlin, Dundalk Port;  
David Farrell, Drogheda Port; J. Marmion, Dundalk Port;  
Jane Smyth, Drogheda Port; and  
Sandy Fennell, Junior, Dundalk Port.

### Foot and Mouth Disease (Ireland) Order, 1915.

Letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 1st December, No. 4303/1915, enclosing copies of an Order dated 24th November, entitled as above. The Order embodied certain provisions (1) for the restrictions of movements of

animals and of persons in certain cases.  
(2) restrictions of movement of hay and straw,  
and (3) control of dogs. The Order was initialled by the Chairman.

### Sheep Dipping (Appointment of Inspectors (Ireland) Order of 1915.

Letter was read from the Department of Agriculture, dated 1st December, No. 4303/1915, enclosing copy of an Order as above, made 24th November, 1915.

The following are the important provisions of the Order; and after discussion it was decided to refer the consideration of the Order to the County Council:-

#### Local Authorities to appoint Inspectors of Sheep Dipping.

2. Every local authority shall temporarily appoint, for service during the prescribed dipping periods, as many additional inspectors as may be necessary to enable proper supervision to be maintained on behalf of the local authority with a view to securing the effective dipping of sheep in their district under the principal Order.

#### Department's approval required for appointments.

3. Appointments under this Order and the remuneration of persons appointed shall in all instances be subject to approval by the Department.

#### Provision against delay, &c., in appointing.

4. If it appears to the Department that a local authority has failed

- (a) to make, within a reasonable time, the appointments required by this Order, or
- (b) to make a sufficient number of such appointments,

the Department may issue to such local authority a certificate, under the seal of the Department, specifying what number of appointments, or of further appointments, as the case may be, are requisite for the purposes of the Order in the district of the local authority, and specifying also, if the Department see fit, the rates of remuneration of the inspectors to be appointed and the areas for which they should respectively act, and the local authority, on receipt of such certificate, shall proceed, without avoidable delay, to make the requisite appointments in accordance with the terms of the certificate.

Chris Duffey  
Chairman

LOUTH COUNTY COUNCIL.

Secretary's Office,  
Court House, Dundalk,  
10th February, 1916.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Sir,

You are hereby requested to attend a Special Meeting of the above Committee to be held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk, at One o'clock p.m. on MONDAY, the 14th day of February, 1916.

BUSINESS

Consideration of Appointment of Inspectors' (Ireland) Order.  
Reconsideration of Veterinary Inspectors' Salaries.  
Reports from Veterinary Inspectors.  
Correspondence, and any other business that may be brought forward.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,  
CHARLES McALESTER,  
Secretary.

To each Member of the Committee.

Executive Committee.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee at their meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk, on

Monday, 14th February, 1916,  
at one o'clock, p.m.

Present: In the Chair: Charles A. Duffy, Esq., J.P.

Other Members:

Peter Woods, J.P., James McBarthly, J.P.  
B. Finnegan, Thomas B. McCourt,  
B. L. Coleman, J.P., James Wynne, J.P.  
J. F. Murphy, J.P., B. Hamill, J.P.  
J. T. McGeer, J.P., and Patrick McGeer, J.P., Esquires.

The Minutes of the previous Meeting of the Executive Committee were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

Sheep Dipping (Appointment of Inspectors) Order of 1915.

The Committee proceeded to consider the above Order which provides that every Local Authority shall temporarily appoint for service during the prescribed dipping periods as many additional Inspectors as may be necessary to secure the effective dipping of sheep in their district.

The order further provides that if the local authority fail within a reasonable time to make a sufficient number of such appointments, the Department may under seal specify what number of appointments or of further appointments are requisite for the purposes of the Order, and the rates of remuneration of the Inspectors to be appointed and the areas for which they should respectively act, and the local authority on receipt of such certificate shall proceed to make the requisite appointments in accordance with the terms thereof.

Circular letter was read from the Department dated 25th January, 1916, No. 261/16 requesting the Committee to report to the Department what arrangements are proposed to be made in compliance with the Order.

A letter was read from the Clare County Council protesting against the issue of the Order which was considered by them unnecessary.

A long discussion ensued in which Mr B. K. Coleman suggested that the owners of private swim baths should be appointed Inspectors at their own tanks but the Committee did not approve of the suggestion. The Committee considered that the tanks worked under the control of the County Council were sufficient to do the work in the County for public dipping. Eventually the following resolution was unanimously passed:

Proposed by Mr James T. McGee, J.P.

Seconded by Mr Patrick McGee, J.P.

and

Resolved: That we recommend the Superintendents of the Council's tanks at Ballymakeny, Ardee,

Kneckbridge, Aghameen, Carlingford and Omagh, be appointed Inspectors in their several districts to supervise the dippings at tanks in private ownership in addition to their work at the Council's tanks; that a certain number of days in each week be arranged for work at the Public tanks and the other days be devoted to the business of inspection. That all the Inspectors be paid two shillings per week extra to their usual wages or fees for inspecting work during the working periods of summer and autumn dippings.

### Veterinary Inspectors' Salaries.

The recommendation of the application from the Veterinary Inspectors for an increase of salary which had been adjourned from the Council Meeting of the 29th July 1915, for six months was again before the Committee. A letter from Mr J. T. Clinter, V.S. was read withdrawing his application.

After a short discussion on the motion of Mr J. F. Murphy, J.P., seconded by Mr Peter Woods, J.P., the matter was further adjourned for a period of six months from today's Meeting.

### Reports from Veterinary Inspectors.

The following reports were read and initialled by the Chairman:

REPORTS FROM VETERINARY INSPECTORS.

Mr Clinton's Report.

Sir,

During the month of January an outbreak of scab occurred in sheep the property of J. McNally, Carrickmacross, at Dundalk Port. The animals were slaughtered by order of the owner, and the hides disinfected. Restrictions were removed from sheep detained at Heynestown on grazing land the property of P. Hanlon, Piedmont.

With reference to your circular regarding sheep dipping order, I am of the opinion that the only efficient method of dipping is by the swim bath. So far as I know there are only 4 of those in my district viz. the one owned by Mr O. Keenan at Aghameen, and those owned by your Council at Stonetrough, Amaverna and Carlingford. The last two are of course movable baths. A few years ago the Department ordered all the sheep in the area between Dundalk and Omeath to be dipped under Veterinary supervision in swim baths. This order was carried out thoroughly, with the result that for a couple of years afterwards not a single case of scab was reported in the district. Under the present system there is practically no supervision over the dipping and in most cases it is only a matter of form. Dipping by means of the swim bath is, I believe, less dangerous to the sheep than that done by the hand bath. In the latter case the sheep have to be turned on their backs and held forcibly down. Only a few hundred can be done in this way by three men in a day, whereas, with the swim bath two men can easily do over a thousand a day.

J. T. Clinton.

Mr Maxwell's Report.

I beg to report that I visited the usual fairs and markets held in the Ardee No. 1 District for the month of January. I visited the detained sheep at Artnalivery, the property of John Crawley on the 8th, 13th, 22nd and 24th, and had them thoroughly dipped. I have not yet removed notice. The necessary forms, etc. have been duly forwarded by me to your Secretary.

Wm. Maxwell.

Mr Donnelly had nothing of any interest to report during the month of January.

Sheep Scab Notices.

Notices received from the Veterinary Inspectors and the Department of the following cases of sheep scab were read and initialled by the Chairman: - William Hughes, Dreggheda, Edward McNally, Carrickmacross (from Dundalk Port), John Crawley, Artnalivery and Patrick Hanlon, Piedmont.

At this stage of the proceedings the Chair was taken by Patrick Meher, Esq., J.P.

Work under Diseases of Animals Acts.

The Secretary submitted a return of certain work under the Diseases of Animals Acts during the past year, as follows: Preparation of 21 lists of police sub-districts for owners of sheep in the County; compiling lists of individual sheep owners, 803 names for Summer period and 800 for Autumn period; 1400 notices for the two periods; checking and entering declarations received, about 1600 for the two periods; preparation of dipping Superintendents' books, and checking the accounts; various circulars to owners of arrangements for dipping.

preparation of returns to the Department of summer and autumn dippings, the total number of dippings being in the year 1915 (one for summer and two for autumn) in all 116,730 dippings; preparation of recoupment claims to the Department; minutes and correspondence.

Chas. A. Duffy

Chairman:

## Executive Committee.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee at their Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court-House, Dundalk, on

Monday, 6th March, 1916,

at one o'clock, p.m.

Present: In the Chair: Charles A. Duffy, Esq., J.P.

Other Members:

Thomas Hourke, James T. McFar, J.P.,

J. V. McQuillan, N. J. Murphy, J.P.

Patrick McFar, J.P., Michael Meade,

Edward Godman, Thomas B. McCourt,

Wm. Woods, J.P., James Wynne, J.P.

James McBarth, J.P., Bernard L. Colman, J.P.,

and John T. Murphy, J.P., Esquires.

The Minutes of the previous Meeting of the Executive Committee were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

## Sheep Dipping (Local Regulation) (Ireland) Order of 1916.

The Secretary read circular letter from the Department of Agriculture dated 25th February, 1916, No. 142-16-V.B., enclosing copies of the above Order made by the Department in connection with Sheep Dipping. The Order gives power to the Local

Authority to make such regulations as they think fit for requiring that any dipping or double dipping of sheep prescribed in the principal order shall be carried out under such conditions and at such times and places as may be specified in a Notice signed by an Inspector of the Local Authority and served by post or otherwise on the owner or person in charge of the sheep referred to in the Notice.

That this Notice dispenses with the usual Notice of Intention to Dip.

That each copy of the regulations made must be approved by the Department of Agriculture.

That the power to make the regulations shall only be exercised by the Local Authority or their Executive Committee.

That any Inspector of the Local Authority may subject to their direction, enter any premises within their district and examine any sheep thereon, and that such powers of entry and examination shall be in addition to any other like powers vested in the Inspector by the Act of 1894.

That anything done or omitted to be done in contravention of any regulation made by the Local Authority under this Order, the owner and the person in charge of any sheep in respect of which the same is done or omitted to be done, and the lessee and the occupier of the place in which such sheep are located shall be deemed guilty of an offence against the Diseases of Animals Act, 1894.

The terms of the Order were discussed by the Committee and attention was directed to the first Article in the Order, - that the Notice to the owners for dipping appointments should be signed by an Inspector of the Local Authority, - and it was

pointed out that as the dipping Superintendents would be the Inspectors under the Principal Order, and that the clerical work might be confusing and troublesome to the working Superintendents, the Department suggested that to relieve this difficulty the Clerk to the Local Authority might be appointed an Inspector for the purposes of ratification.

Accordingly, on the motion of Mr Wm. Woods, J.P.

Seconded by Mr B. L. Coleman, J.P.

it was unanimously agreed that the Clerk to the Local Authority be appointed an Inspector under the Appointment of Inspectors Order.

No further arrangements were made about the drafting of any other local regulations, and the Committee adjourned.

Chas. Raduff  
Chairman.

## Executive Committee.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee  
at their Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House,  
Dundalk, on

Monday, 10th April, 1916  
at one o'clock, p.m.

Present: In the Chair: Charles A. Duffy, Esq., J.P.

Other Members:

Thomas O'Shourke, James T. McGe, J.P.

Joseph H. McArdle, J.P., Bernard L. Coleman, J.P.

J. F. Murphy, J.P., and Bernard Hamill, J.P., Esquires.

The Minutes of the previous Meeting of the  
Committee were taken as read and signed by the  
Chairman.

## Veterinary Inspectors' Reports.

### Mr Clinton's Reports

During the month of February ~~no~~ cases of suspected  
scab occurred at Dundalk Port amongst a lot of sheep  
consigned to England. Wool from the suspected  
animals was forwarded to the Department, but no  
parasites were found. The two suspected animals  
were killed by owner, and the remainder dipped and  
forwarded to England. No other case of infectious  
disease occurred in the district. I beg to report  
that during the month of March no case of  
infectious disease occurred in my district.  
A case of suspected scab was reported at Dundalk

Port, but on examination of the animal, scab was not  
found to exist.

Joseph T. Clinton, V.S.

### Mr Donnelly's Report.

During March I had to investigate one or two cases  
of suspected swine fever, but I found the animals in each  
case were not suffering from the disease. I also made  
inspections in one or two other cases where contagious  
disease was supposed to exist. There are no animals  
in the district at present under restrictions.

A. A. Donnelly, V.S.

The reports were initialled by the Chairman.

No formal report was received from Mr Maxwell, but  
the Secretary submitted forms sent in by him for cases  
of Sheep Scab on the farm of J. Brawley, Artravivory, Ardes,  
including the withdrawal of the detention notice.

## Appointment of Inspectors

The following letter from the Department of Agri-  
culture was read and initialled by the Chairman. The  
Secretary informed the Committee that with respect to  
his appointment as an Inspector for the purpose of  
notifying officially the fixtures made for the dippings  
during the dipping periods, it was not his intention  
to make any claim for any remuneration.

No 961/16

Department of Agriculture,  
Dublin, 3rd April, 1916.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge with thanks the receipt

of your letter of 29th ultimo, indicating the point reached as regards the formulation of revised sheep dipping arrangements for your county.

There will be no objection as far as the Department are concerned to the proposed increase of 2/- per week in the rate of remuneration of the Superintendents of the dipping tanks, and it is presumed that their names and their respective rates of remuneration as so increased will be communicated to the Department in due course for approval. It is also presumed that the Department will be notified in the event of remuneration being attached to the appointment (which it is observed the Executive Committee have recommended) of the Clerk of the Local Authority as an Inspector for the purpose of notifying officially the fixtures made for the dippings during the dipping periods. It is noted that a special meeting of the Executive Committee will be held on 10th instant to consider and pass local regulations for the County Louth under the Local Regulation Order of 1916, and the Department will be glad to receive a copy of such regulations in due course.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

J.P. Gill, Secretary.

Secretary, Louth County Council.

The Sheep Dipping (Local Regulations) (Ireland) Order of 1916

The consideration of the above Order of the Department of Agriculture came up on Special Notice on the Agenda. The Secretary read the circular letter from the Department and the general terms of the Order. In clause 1 of the Order it

enacted that the Local Authority may make such regulations as they think fit for the following purpose that is to say:— for requiring that any dipping or double dipping of sheep prescribed in the principal Order shall be carried out under such conditions, and at such time and place as may be specified in a notice signed by an Inspector of the Local Authority and served by post or otherwise on the owner or person in charge of the sheep referred to in the notice.

A discussion took place on this clause and Mr. McGeer directed the attention of the Committee to the confusion that would likely arise if this notification were sent to sheep owners for inspections at unsuitable times to them. He held that the proper course to adopt would be for the owner to serve notice of his intention to dip and that the selection of the date of dipping should be left to him, and that the notice should be sent to the Local Inspector and not to the Police as provided in the principal Order. This view was held by the Committee, and the following resolution was passed unanimously:—

Proposed by James J. McGeer, Esq., J.P.

Seconded by Bernard L. Bolman, Esq., J.P. and

Resolved: That the selection of the date of the dipping be left to the owner of the sheep to be dipped, and that the notification of the date be sent to the local Inspector appointed by the county council under the Sheep Dipping (Appointment of Inspectors) (Ireland) Order of 1915, and not to the Police.

John Duffly

Chairman

## Executive Committee.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee  
at their Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House,  
Dundalk on

Monday, 15th May, 1916,  
at One o'clock, p. m.

Present: In the Chair; Charles A. Duffy, Esq., J.P.  
Other Members: James J. McGea, J.P.; Thomas O'Rourke;  
B.L. Coleman, J.P.; Bernard Hamill, J.P.; James Wynne, J.P.;  
and William Woods, J.P., Esquires.

The Minutes of the previous meeting of the Committee  
were taken as read, and signed by the Chairman.

## Veterinary Inspectors Reports.

The following report was read:-  
Drogheda, 13th May, 1916.

Gentlemen,

During the month of April in this district there  
has been no outbreak of contagious disease in animals  
and no animals are at present under restrictions.

I made inspections in a few cases reported to me  
personally where contagious disease was supposed to  
exist, but found the animals were not suffering from  
any of the notifiable diseases.

Yours respectfully  
Andrew A. Donnelly.

South County Council,  
Executive Committee

The Secretary was directed to request Messrs Clinton  
and Maxwell to send in their reports for the month of  
April.

## Tenders for Sheep Dip.

The following tenders for the supply of dip for the  
Council's tanks in Ardee and Dundalk districts were  
accepted.

Ardee. Mr Patrick McGea, @ 10/- per dozen packets.

Dundalk. Messrs H. Backhouse & Co. @ 9/- per dozen packets.

The only other tender received was from Mr Patrick Ward  
Dundalk, for Dundalk District @ 9/9 per dozen packets.

## Dipping Superintendents of Council's Tanks for 1916.

The Committee recommended the following  
appointments:-

Ballymakenny Tank: Michael McQuillan, to receive the  
following fees:- one penny (1<sup>d</sup>) per sheep  
and one halfpenny (1/2<sup>d</sup>) per lamb, for all  
dippings at the tank.

The following gentlemen to act as local committee:-  
Messrs Patrick Donegan, J.P.; P. Ballan, J.P.; Joseph Dolan,  
and D. J. Rath.

Ardee: William Leonard, @ 18/- per week during the full  
dipping periods.

Local Committee: Messrs P. McGea, J.P.; J. J. McGea, J.P.;  
James McDonnell, Mulladoe, R. Stokes, Ardee,  
J. Halffenny, Ardee, and J. C. Kieran, J.P., Ashville.

Knockbridge: Thomas McArdle @ 18/- per week during the full dipping periods.

Local Committee: Messrs J. F. Murphy, J.P., M. McArdle, B. L. Coleman, J.P., and B. Hughes.

Aghaman: Owen Keenan to receive the following fees - one penny (1<sup>d</sup>) per sheep and one halfpenny per lamb, for all dippings at the tank.

Local Committee: Messrs J. H. McArdle, J.P., J. Connolly, J.P., O. Woods, J.P., and B. Finnegan.

Carlingford: Patrick O'Hagan to receive the following fees: one penny (1<sup>d</sup>) per sheep and one halfpenny per lamb for all sheep dipped at the tank.

Local Committee: for Carlingford and Omeath tanks: Messrs William Woods, J.P., J. P. Kearney, O. Woods, J.P., and M. A. Meara, J.P.

The question of appointing a superintendent for the Omeath tank was left to the local committee for a recommendation.

The committee unanimously recommended that all the Superintendents act as Local Inspectors under the Appointment of Inspectors (Ireland) Order for the inspection of dippings at the private tanks of sheep owners at the remuneration of 2/- per week for the time covered by the Summer and Autumn Dipping Periods. The committee further recommended that the following rates be charged at all the Council's tanks for the dippings: -

Large Sheep,	1 <sup>d</sup> each.
Their lambs,	1 <sup>d</sup> each.
Small Sheep	1 <sup>d</sup> "
Their lambs	1 <sup>d</sup> "

It was decided to leave the definition of the areas of inspection of the various inspectors to the local committees.

## Local Regulations

The following local regulations for the county of South under the Sheep Dipping (Local Regulations) (Ireland) Order of 1916, were passed unanimously: -

The Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland.

Sheep Dipping (Local Regulations) (Ireland) Order of 1916,  
Administrative County of South.

In exercise of the powers conferred on them by the above mentioned Order of the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland and with a view to a better execution and enforcement of the provisions of the Sheep Dipping (Ireland) Order of 1915, the County Council of the Administrative County of South, being the Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Acts, have at a Meeting held on 15th day of May, 1916, made the following Regulations: - viz:

1. Any owner or person in charge of sheep who is served by post or otherwise with a Notice in the form in the Schedule hereto signed by an Inspector of the Local Authority shall, in respect of the sheep referred to in such Notice, carry out, or cause to be carried out, the dipping or dippings prescribed by the Sheep Dipping (Ireland) Order of 1915, under the conditions and at the time and place or times or places specified in such Notice.

2 All dippings taking place under the foregoing Regulation must be made in the presence of a Local Inspector, appointed by the Louth County Council as Local Authority and all sheep must be dipped by thorough immersion <sup>as provided</sup> in the principal Order.

3 Any Notice of Intention to dip served on the Police by a sheep owner, or person in charge of sheep, will be transmitted to the Local Inspector appointed by the County Council for the District where the sheep are located.

It is desirable that sheep owners should arrange with the Local Inspectors the day on which they intend to have the dippings done.

### Schedule.

Form of Notice      Sheep Dipping

Regulation of the Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Act for the Administrative County of Louth:

To \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

Take Notice that the Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Act for the Administrative County of Louth require the sheep to the number of \_\_\_\_\_ or thereabouts in your possession or under your charge at \_\_\_\_\_ to be dipped during the Summer (Autumn) Dipping Period (as defined by the Sheep Dipping (Ireland) Order of 1915) under the following conditions and at the following time(s) and place(s) viz.:-

Conditions \_\_\_\_\_

Time(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Place(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Inspector of the Local Authority.

Note: where sheep are required by a Notice under the above Regulation to be dipped at a specified time and place, the owner or person in charge need not notify the Police of his intention to dip.

Failure to comply with the terms of a Notice served under the above Regulation is an offence against the Diseases of Animals Act entailing liability to severe penalty or prosecution.

### Sheep Dipping Order (Ireland) Forms.

The following resolution was

Proposed by Mr James J. McHa, J.P.

Seconded by Mr Bernard L. Coleman, J.P.

and passed unanimously, and the Secretary was directed to forward same to the Department that the owners or persons in charge of sheep being exposed for sale, whose names have been previously returned to the Council by the Council's Inspector as having dipped their sheep within the prescribed time and in the proper way, be no longer obliged to accompany same with any further forms.

Chas. Duffey  
Chairman

## Executive Committee.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee at their Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk, on

Monday, 29th May, 1916,  
at one o'clock, p.m.

Present: In the Chair: Charles A. Duffy, Esq., J.P.  
Other Members: J. F. Murphy, J.P.; Michael Meade,  
James Wynne, J.P.; Joseph H. McArdle, J.P.; Peter Woods, J.P.  
and Bernard Finnegan, Esquires.

The Minutes of the previous Meeting of the Committee were taken as read, and signed by the Chairman.

## Meetings of Local Committees of the County Council's Tanks.

The following report was submitted and approved:-

The following Local Committees met at the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk, on Monday the 22nd May, 1916.

In the Chair at all Committees:- C. A. Duffy, Esq., J.P.

Ardee:- Present: J. J. McGea, J.P.; and James McDonnell, Esquires  
The question of the water supply for the tank was discussed and the Secretary was directed to invite quotations per load as required from Laurence Ballan and Joseph Brown, both of Ardee. It was also decided that a poster be prepared setting out the dipping regulations and that same be posted at all the tanks.

The area of inspection by the local inspector, William Leonard, was fixed as follows:- The Electoral Divisions of Ardee Rural, Ardee Urban, Blonkeen, Mansfieldstown, Tallanstown, Castlebellingham, Collon, Dromin and Drumcar.

Drogheda: There was no attendance of any member of the Local Committee, consequently no business was transacted.

Knockbridge: The following gentlemen were present:  
B. L. Colman, J.P.; M. McArdle; and B. Hughes, Esquires.

The area of inspection by the local Inspector, Thomas McArdle, was fixed as follows: Electoral Divisions of Dundalk Rural, Faughart, Castletown, Darver, Dromiskin, Kaggardstown, Barronstown, Castlering, Kilanny, Louth and Upper Breggan.

Aghameen. All the members of this committee attended:-  
J. H. McArdle, J.P.; James Connolly, J.P.; B. Finnegan and P. Woods, J.P., Esquires.

A discussion took place as to the suitability of the site for this tank, which had for some time been fixed at Aghameen, Mr J. H. McArdle contended that there should be two tanks for the area, and moved that if a second tank could be procured that it should be hired and used at Ravensdale and one other suitable site for the dipping periods.

This was seconded by Mr Connolly, and the proposition was carried, - Mr Peter Woods, dissenting. The Secretary was directed to write Messrs Coopers and arrange for the hire of an additional bath, and Mr J. H. McArdle, agreed to try to arrange for a suitable site.

The area of inspection of the Local Inspector, Owen Keenan, was fixed as follows:- Electoral Divisions of Ballymascanlon, Jenkinstown, Ravensdale and Rathcar.

Carlingford. The only member of the Committee in attendance was W<sup>m</sup>. Woods, Esq., J.P. Mr W<sup>m</sup>. Woods stated that the superintendent who did the work last year was not available and he agreed to try and get a suitable man to act for Carlingford and Omeath.

The following area was fixed provisionally: Carlingford Electoral Divisions of Carlingford and Granee, and if a site at Piedmont was not procured, Rathcor was to be included.

Omeath. The Electoral Division of Drummullagh.

The Secretary submitted letter from Messrs Cooper offering a second hand tank for which they would charge hire at the same rate as the other tanks hired by them, namely: - 5/- (five shillings) per year. The Committee unanimously accepted the offer and the Secretary was directed to ask to have the tank sent on at once.

It was also arranged that this tank be used at Ravenedale and Annaloughan, alternately, and the appointment of a Superintendent for this tank was left in the hands of Messrs Finnegan and Connelly.

### Carlingford and Omeath Tanks.

The following arrangements were made in connection with above tanks, namely, that the appointment of the superintendents be left to Mr William Woods and the local Committee.

### Ballymakenny Tank.

The Committee directed the Secretary to convene a meeting of the local Committee to be held in Drogheda on Thursday, 1st June.

Mr N. J. Murphy, J.P. was appointed a member of this Committee.

The tender of Mr L. J. Healy, Drogheda, for the supply of dip to Ballymakenny Tank @ 11/- per dozen packets was accepted.

### Water for Ardee Tank

The following tenders for the supply of water for the dipping periods to Ardee tank were received: -

L. Gallan, Lisdale Street, Ardee, @ 14/- per load.

J. Breen, The Greens, Ardee, @ 10/- per load.

The last named tender, being the lowest was accepted and the following sureties were approved of: -

Julia Breen and William E. Hopkins.

### Veterinary Inspectors Reports.

The following reports were read and initialled by the Chairman

Dear Sir,

I beg to report that no case of infectious disease occurred in my district during the month of April.

Yours truly,  
J. J. Clinton.

Sir,

I beg to report that I examined the usual fairs and markets of the Ardee No. 1 Rural District for the month of April. In the No. 1 District I have had no reported cases of disease.

I am Faithfully yours,  
W. E. Maxwell.

## Certificate of Dipping

The following letter was read and initialled by the Chairman:

No. 1392/16

Department of Agriculture  
Veterinary Branch,  
Dublin, 23rd May, 1916.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 17th instant, asking the Department to give effect to a resolution adopted by the Executive Committee of your County Council in the following terms:-

"That the owners or persons in charge of sheep being exposed for sale, whose names have been previously returned to the Council by the Council's Inspector as having dipped their sheep within the prescribed time and in the proper way, be no longer obliged to accompany same with any further forms."

In reply I have to state that the point to which the resolution is directed has been considered more than once previously by the Department. They have, however, been unable to discover means of satisfactorily obviating the practical difficulties which procedure such as that recommended in the resolution would be bound to involve. If the sheepowner, when exposing his sheep for sale, were to bring the Dipping Inspector's Certificate with him, the Police, especially if he were not well known to them, would scarcely be satisfied without some evidence in addition that the animals exposed by him formed part of the lot described in the certificate and the need for a declaration supplementary to the certificate would thus, in any case, arise. On the

other hand, if no document were required to be brought with the sheep, and if the Police were to be content merely with verbal statements by owners or persons in charge of sheep at fairs that the animals exposed by them had all been dipped as required, there can be little doubt that a door would thereby be opened to widespread evasion of the Order.

In all the circumstances the existing provision requiring that sheep exposed for sale during the market-regulation periods shall be accompanied by one document only, i.e. a declaration in specified terms relating solely to those animals, is regarded as that most adapted to the needs of the case, and the Department accordingly regret that they cannot see their way to accept your Committee's proposal on the subject.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,  
J. P. Gill,  
Secretary.

Christy Duffy

Chairman.

## Executive Committee.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee  
at their Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court  
House, Dundalk, on

Monday, 26th June, 1916.

at one o'clock, p. m.

Present: In the Chair: Charles A. Duffy, Esq., J.P.

Other Members:

Thomas O'Rourke, James Wynne, J.P., Laurence Goodman,  
J. J. Murphy, J.P.; Peter Woods, J.P.; B. Finnegan,  
J. H. McArdle, J.P., and B. L. Coleman, J.P., Esquires.

The Minutes of the previous Meeting of the Committee  
were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

## Ballymakenny Tank.

The following report was read and unanimously  
approved:-

### BALLYMAKENNY TANK COMMITTEE.

As directed by the County Council, a Meeting of the Local Com-  
mittee of the Ballymakenny Tank was held in Drogheda Court House on  
Tuesday, the 6th June, 1916, at the hour of two o'clock p.m.

Present : - In the Chair: P. Donegan, Esq., J.P.

Other Members: P. Callan, J.P. and N. T. Murphy, Esquires.

In accordance with the advertisement issued the Committee pro-  
ceeded to appoint a Dipping Superintendent and Local Inspector for the  
district.

Applications were read from the following :-

Denis Tiernan, Newhouse, Termonfeekin.

John J. Kerr, Phillipstown, Ballymakenny, and

Patrick F. McKeon, Priorstown, Termonfeekin.

The latter two candidates both attended in person and were inter-  
viewed by the Committee.

After a short discussion the following resolution was passed  
unanimously :-

Proposed by N. T. Murphy, Esq.

Seconded by Patrick Callan, Esq., J.P., and

Resolved :-

That we hereby appoint John J. Kerr, Phillipstown,  
as Dipping Superintendent for the Ballymakenny Tank and Local In-  
spector for the Drogheda District at the salary of £1 per week for  
the Summer and Autumn Dipping periods.

It was unanimously arranged that the Inspector make inspections  
on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday in each week, and that he  
attend at the tank on each Monday and Tuesday.

It was recommended that he be paid his wages each fortnight and  
that he be instructed to lodge all monies received by him for dipping  
fees each fortnight.

## Duties of Dipping Inspectors under Local Regulations.

Mr B. L. Coleman stated that there appeared to be some  
misapprehension in regard to the duties of the Inspectors  
under the Local Regulations passed by the Council. He  
understood, and he believed the Inspectors did also, that they  
were only to inspect dippings carried out at proper swim  
baths, but it appeared now that they had to attend at  
all private dippings whether performed in a swim bath  
or in a hand bath. He did not think it would be  
possible for an Inspector to get through his work unless  
dippings in baths other than swim baths were done  
away with, and that those people who had not

swim baths were compelled to bring their sheep to the County Tank.

Mr P. Woods agreed with Mr Coleman's views.

The Secretary informed the Committee that the Inspector at Ardee tank had called at the office this morning and had handed him six notices of Intention to Dip served on him for dippings at places far removed from each other. They were all to take place on this day - Monday - and it would be impossible for him to inspect them all. This Inspector also complained that in a few cases when he had gone to inspect dippings on the days specified in the notices, no dippings took place, nor was there any preparation made at the place for the dippings. The Secretary further informed the Council that he had written the Department requesting whether they approved of the dippings in hand baths and whether it would be within the powers of the Council to compel owners not having a proper swim bath to dip at the Council's tank. The following reply to this letter was read:-

No. 1810/16

Department of Agriculture,  
Veterinary Branch, Dublin,  
20th June, 1916.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 19th instant in reference to the question of securing in the process of sheep dipping the "thorough immersion" which the Sheep Dipping Order requires.

In reply I have to state that while dipping in swim baths is, without doubt, the more expeditious and economical method of dipping, it is not impracticable, the Department are advised, by proper manipulation to effect a thorough immersion in a less capacious bath. The process in this case is of course a tedious one and the practice of using small vessels such as you describe would naturally increase the difficulties of supervision; but it does not appear to the Department that it would be competent for the Local Authority for that or other reason to require dipping in their district to be carried out in swim baths.

If, however, swim-baths were provided by the Local Authority it would apparently be open to them, under the Regulations at present in force in County Louth, to require any owner who had not suitable means of dipping of his own, to carry out dipping in one of these baths. The procedure in such cases would be to insert the requisite condition as to the manner of dipping in the Notice specifying the time and place at which the dipping is required to be done. I am, Sir, Your obedient Servant,

Louth County Council.

J. P. Gill, Secretary

After discussion, the Secretary was directed to write again to the Department pointing out the difficulties which had arisen in connection with the inspections and the impossibility of carrying out the work properly unless dipping in hand baths was abolished, and requesting a direction in the matter from the Department. He was also directed to call a Meeting of the Executive Committee when the reply came to hand.

### Tank Superintendents.

On the motion of Mr Bernard Finnegan,  
Seconded by Mr Peter Woods, J.P.

Thomas McTermitt (Dosey) of Cadymakellet was unanimously appointed Dipping Superintendent at the Ravensdale and Annaloughan tank at a salary of 18/- per week.

The Secretary informed the Committee that the Carlingford Local Tank Committee had appointed Hugh McKeivitt, Carlingford, Superintendent at the Carlingford tank, and Owen Traynor of Corrahit, Superintendent at the Omeara tank. These men would also act as local Inspectors for the areas served by their tanks.

The Committee unanimously approved of these appointments.

### Sheep Scab.

Forms in connection with the following cases of sheep scab in the County were submitted by the Veterinary Inspectors, Messrs Donnelly and Clinton

respectively

J. G. O'Neill, at Drogheda Port.

Michael Dowe at Dundalk Port.

As notified on the Forms the affected animals were slaughtered and the animals not affected were isolated and dipped

### Autumn Double Dipping.

The following letter was read and initialled by the Chairman:-

No. 1475/16

Department of Agriculture,  
Veterinary Branch,  
Dublin, 30th May, 1916.

Sir,

I have to advert to your letter of 25th instant and to the resolution which, as you indicate, was unanimously passed by your County Council at their adjourned Quarterly Meeting on that day, in the following terms :-

"Resolved, that as all sheep in this County must be dipped  
"in the presence of a local inspector appointed by the County  
"Council, we hereby request the Department to forego that part  
"of their regulations compelling sheep owners to dip their  
"sheep twice within a certain time during the Autumn period,  
"as sheep owners find this regulation very injurious to heavy  
"breeding ewes".

In reply I have to state that the circumstances of the life history of the insect which produces Sheep Scab render it most desirable that the prescribed double dipping at an interval of not less than seven or more than fourteen days in the Autumn Period should be persevered in, if the end aimed at, viz., the eradication of the disease from the Country, is, in due course, to be attained. The Department could not, therefore, but regard a suspension of the double-dipping requirement as a retrograde step in existing circumstances, and it is accordingly regretted that they are unable to entertain the proposal in your Council's resolution.

At the same time they wish to say that there is no reason to consider that the second dipping should necessarily be injurious to "heavy breeding ewes", especially as it is competent to start the arrangements for the two dippings in such cases as early as may be wished after 31st July.

I am, Sir,  
Your obedient Servant,  
T. P. Gill,  
Secretary.

Secretary, Louth County Council.

Chris. A. Duffy  
Chairman

## Executive Committee

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee at their meeting held in the Council Chambers, Court House, Dundalk, on Monday, 10th July, 1916, at One o'clock, p.m.

Present: In the Chair: Charles A. Duffy, Esq., J.P.

Other Members:

Thomas O'Rourke, B. L. Coleman, J.P.; J. P. Kearney;  
D. J. Bath; and L. Goodman, Esquires.

The Minutes of the previous Meeting of the Committee were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

## Veterinary Inspectors' Reports

The following reports were read, and initialled by the Chairman:-

### Mr Clinton's Report - June, 1916.

During the month I visited the fairs and markets in my district as usual. On June 24th an outbreak of scab occurred in one lamb amongst a lot of 13 the property of Mr M. Dawe of Church Street, Dundalk. The affected animal was slaughtered and the remainder dipped under my supervision. Other necessary steps will be taken regarding disinfection, etc.

Your obedient Servant,

J. T. Clinton.

### Mr Donnelly's Report.

During the month of June I had one case of sheep in a lot of 79 sheep brought in from the County Meath. The diseased animals were slaughtered with the owner's permission and the in-contacts dipped twice.

Your Secretary was furnished with full particulars of the case on the prescribed forms of the Department. I had no other outbreak of contagious disease in animals, but made inspections in a few suspected cases reported to me.

Yours respectfully,

Andrew A. Donnelly.

### Mr Maxwell's Report.

I beg to report that I visited the fairs and markets held in the Ardee No. 1 District for the month of June.

Though I have no official case of disease to report, I learn from outside sources that sheep scab is still prevalent in this district, but as I can get no names, I cannot personally investigate.

W. E. Maxwell.

## Sheep Dipping (Local Regulations)

As directed by the Committee, the Secretary had written to the Department informing them of the difficulties of inspection, by the Local Inspectors, of private dippings, which, the Department had stated, might be legally performed in hand baths. A very large number of sheep owners adopted this method, with the result that on several occasions a number of Notices of Intention to Dip on the same day and at the same time, but at widely divergent parts of their districts, were served on the Local Inspectors. It was impossible, under the circumstances for the Inspectors to attend at all the dippings, and unless the dipping in hand baths was abolished, it would be impossible to carry out the Regulations.

The following reply had been received from the Department:-

No. 1893/16.

Department of Agriculture,  
Veterinary Branch,  
29th June, 1916.

Sir,

In reply to your further letter of 27th instant respecting certain difficulties arising in connection with the supervision of sheep dipping in County Louth, I have to point out that the object of the Regulation requiring sheep owners to carry out dipping at such time and place and under such conditions as the Local Authority may direct is to place the Local Authority in a position to overcome the difficulties mentioned.

Such Regulation being in force in County Louth the Local Authority may, by the due service of notices thereunder, arrange the dipping of every owner's sheep so as to admit of the dipping being supervised in each instance by one of the Dipping Inspectors. Moreover, in cases where there is reason to believe that the facilities for dipping on the premises of any owner are not such as to allow of adequate personal supervision of the dipping the Local Authority may require the dipping to be carried out under conditions which admit of such supervision, e.g., in the public dipping tank in charge of the Dipping Inspector.

I have to add that it should be practicable through the Police to ascertain beforehand the kind of dipping facilities which each owner possesses.

I am, Sir,  
Your obedient Servant,  
T. P. Gill,  
Secretary.

Secretary, Louth County Council.

*The Secretary was directed to write again to the Department stating that the Inspectors would be unable to carry out their duties under the Local Regulations, if dipping in hand baths was not abolished.*

### Dipping Inspectors.

*The following letter was read, and initialed by the Chairman:*

No. 1892/16.

Department of Agriculture,  
Veterinary Branch,  
29th June, 1916.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 27th instant respecting the arrangements recently made by your Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Acts in connection with the supervision of sheep dipping in County Louth, I have hereby to express the Department's approval of the temporary appointment by the Local Authority of the undermentioned

persons as Tank superintendents, and also as Local Inspectors under the Appointment of Inspectors (Ireland) Order, with remuneration (in the Summer and Autumn Dipping Periods) as indicated opposite their respective names, viz:-

John J. Kerr, .. Ballymakenny	...	18/- per week, and 2/- as Inspector.
William Leonard, Ardee.	...	18/- per week and 2/- as Inspector.
Thomas McArdle, Knockbridge	...	18/- per week and 2/- as Inspector.
Thomas McDermott, Ravensdale	...	18/- per week and 2/- as Inspector.
Owen Keenan, Aghameen	...	Fees of 1d per sheep and 1/2d per lamb, and 2/- per week as Inspector.
Hugh McKeivitt, Carlingford	...	same
Owen Traynor, Omearh	...	same.

I am, Sir,  
Your obedient Servant,  
T. P. Gill,  
Secretary.

Secretary, Louth County Council.

### Inspection of Sheep Dipping Stations

Letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 7th July 1916, No. 2004/16, enclosing copy of report of their Inspector, Mr. Norris, M.R.C.V.S., on his inspection of the Council's sheep dipping tanks in Carlingford and Omearh districts. The report stated that Mr. Norris visited the tank at North Commons, Carlingford, where it is conveniently situated at the foot of the Carlingford mountain. The bath is of the portable swim bath type and has a capacity 240 gallons of wash. The "run" from the draining pen would be improved by the addition of a few battens placed crosswise at the exit of drainer to give the sheep a foothold as they run out. There is a drop of about a foot from the end of drainer to ground, and this might be improved so that the run would slope gradually.

from the end of the drainer. The surface of the catch pen and the ground surrounding would be improved by being concreted or shated in wood. In wet weather the ground becomes boggy, and in addition to its other drawbacks the condition would help to foul the bath considerably. McKeivitt, the Inspector in charge, appears to be a satisfactory man. Mr Norris also visited Corrahit (Omeath) tank where the hurdles to form the draining pen had not yet arrived. The Inspector also awaited a supply of forms, etc. from the County Council. The dipping season is later at Omeath than at Barlingford. The location of the tank appears to be convenient and the Inspector, Owen Treaner, is an active young man engaged in sheep farming, who will, no doubt, be a satisfactory man for the work.

Mr Norris, in his general remarks, states that the work of supervision of private dippings will be almost impossible, unless the Local Authority put in force the provisions of the Local Regulations Order, requiring sheep owners to dip at the Council's tanks, as a number of owners prefer to dip at home in most unsuitable tubs.

Mr Norris considers that the County Council would do well to consider the question of erecting permanent swim baths of a fairly large size, built of concrete. These would give a better service than temporary baths, and would in the end be less expensive.

The report was initialed by the Chairman.

The Secretary informed the Committee that immediately after the confirmation of the

appointment of Treaner by the Executive Committee, he had been given all books necessary, and that the hurdles had been sent to Omeath.

### Sheep Scab Cases.

Various forms in connection with cases of sheep scab in sheep the property of the following owners, were sent in by the Veterinary Inspectors and initialed by the Chairman:-

George Ogle, Gormanstown, Drogheda Port.

J. G. O'Neill, Oldcastle,

Michael Dawes, Dundalk, Dundalk Port.

Thomas Thornton, Newtowndarver.

Chas O'Duffy

Chairman.

## Executive Committee.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee  
at their Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House,  
Dundalk, on

Monday, 7th August, 1916

at One O'clock, p.m.

Present: In the Chair: Charles A. Duffy, Esq., J.P.

Other Members:

Bernard Finnegan; James Wynne, J.P.,  
J.H. McShule, J.P.; Lawrence Goodman, Bernard Hamill, J.P.,  
and Thomas Hourie, Esquires.

The Minutes of the previous Meeting of the Committee  
were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

## Inspectors Reports

The following Reports were read:-

### Mr Clinton's Report.

On July 8th an outbreak of scab occurred in a flock of 15 sheep  
the property of Thomas Thornton, Newtowndarver. The sheep have been  
dipped three times and the necessary measures taken to stamp out the  
disease. An outbreak of scab was also detected in a flock of twenty  
three sheep at Dundalk Port which were consigned to England by  
Mr M. Curran, Sligo. The affected animals were slaughtered and the  
in-contact ones dipped. A case of swine fever has occurred on the  
premises of Michael Hanlon, Ramparts, Dundalk. The matter is being  
at present dealt with by the Department of Agriculture.

J. T. Clinton.

### Mr Donnelly's Report.

During the month of July I had two outbreaks of sheep scab at  
the Drogheda Port, the animals in each case coming from Co. Meath.  
The diseased animals were slaughtered and the in-contacts dealt with  
and your Secretary was furnished with full reports and particulars in  
the matter. There was no other case of contagious disease in  
animals occurring in this district during the month.

Andrew A. Donnelly.

### Mr Maxwell's Report.

I beg to inform you that I attended the usual fairs and markets  
held in the Ardee No. 1 District for the month of July. I have no  
case of contagious or infectious disease to report for this month.

W. E. Maxwell.

The various Forms in connection with the cases of  
sheep scab and swine fever served by the Police  
and Veterinary Inspectors were tabled and initialled.

## Sheep Dipping Tanks

The following letter was read, but no action was  
decided on in the matter:-

No. 2077/16

Department of Agriculture,  
Veterinary Branch,  
Dublin, 24th July, 1916.

### Sheep Dipping.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of 12th instant containing a further  
expression of the views of the Diseases of Animals Acts Executive Com-  
mittee of the Louth County Council on the procedure needful to make  
sheep dipping effective in the County, I have to state that it would  
be a mistake to suppose that the Department regard the dipping in hand  
baths as other than a makeshift arrangement which it would be un-  
desirable to have recourse to when better means can be provided. The  
Department are at one with the Committee in strongly favouring dipping  
in central baths under supervision as against the scattered dipping of  
small flocks in tubs, which renders adequate inspection impossible.

But the Department consider that the readiest way to attain the  
desired end of having dipping carried out at central points is by the  
full exercise of the Local Authority's powers under the Sheep Dipping

(Local Regulations) (Ireland) Order of 1916 in pursuance of which the Inspectors can serve notices requiring dipping to be carried out at the place, &c., specified in the notice. It is hoped that this view of the matter will commend itself to the Committee and that they will be so good as to take action accordingly.

I am, Sir,  
Your obedient Servant,  
T. P. Gill,  
Secretary.

Secretary, Louth County Council.

### Autumn Sheep Dipping.

The Committee directed the Secretary that all the arrangements in force for the Summer Dipping Period should be continued during the Autumn Period.

### Dipping Superintendent's Salaries.

Applications were read from William Leonard Dipping Superintendent, Ardee Tank, and Thomas McArdle, Dipping Superintendent, Knockbridge Tank, requesting advances in wages owing to the increased work. Each of the Superintendents asked that their wages for all the work of dipping and inspections be increased to 30/- per week.

After long discussion the following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by Bernard Hamill, Esq., J.P.  
Seconded by Lawrence Goodman, Esq.  
and

Resolved: That we recommend that the wages of William Leonard and Thomas McArdle, as dipping superintendents be increased from 18/- to 25/- per week during the Autumn Period.

and that they get an additional 2/- per week each during the same period as local Inspectors.

Chris Duffey  
Chairman.

## Executive Committee

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee  
at their Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court-  
House, Dundalk, on

Monday, 18th September, 1916,  
at One o'clock, p.m.

Present: In the Chair: Charles A. Duffy, Esq., J.P.

Other Members:

Thomas O'Rourke, William Woods, J.P., James Wynne, J.P.,  
Peter Woods, and James J. McGe, J.P., Esquires.

The Minutes of the previous meeting of the Committee  
were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

## Veterinary Inspectors' Reports

Mr Clinton's Report - August 1916.

During the month of August an outbreak of scab occurred in a flock  
of 113 sheep consigned to England by Mr J. Woods of Carrickmacross. The  
affected animals were slaughtered and the remainder dipped on two  
occasions. A further outbreak occurred at Dundalk Port on August 14th  
in 35 sheep consigned to England by J. Woods, Carrickmacross. The animals  
affected (9) were slaughtered and the remaining 26 dipped on two occasions.  
The Department have ordered a prosecution in this case. The necessary  
regulations having been complied with I have withdrawn the Detention  
Order served on Mr T. Thornton, Newtowndarver.

J. T. CLINTON.

Mr Donnelly's Report.

During the month of August no outbreak of contagious disease in  
animals occurred in my district. I made inspections in a few suspected  
cases but found the animals were not suffering from any of the notifiable  
diseases.

Andrew A. Donnelly.

## Mr Maxwell's Report

I beg to report that I examined the usual fairs, markets, &c held  
in the Ardee No.1 District for the month of August. During that month  
no cases of contagious or infectious disease has been reported to me.

W. E. MAXWELL.

In reply to Mr James J. McGe, the Chairman stated  
that Mr Maxwell's Report was dated from Ardee.  
Mr McGe said he was not satisfied that Mr Maxwell  
was resident in Ardee. The Secretary stated that  
as directed by the County Council he had written  
Mr Maxwell asking whether he resided within the  
district of Ardee in accordance with the terms of  
his appointment, and had received a reply from  
him (which had already been before the Finance  
Committee) stating that his address was:

op. J. Kavanagh, William Street, Ardee. This had  
been considered satisfactory by the Committee.

The reports were initialled by the Chairman.

## Sheep Dipping Defaulters

The Secretary submitted list of persons who had  
failed to comply with the Sheep Dipping Order  
during the Summer Period, and the Committee  
unanimously directed that the names should be  
sent to the District Inspectors of the Royal Irish  
Constabulary, to deal with the defaulters.

## Cost of Sheep Dipping

The following statement, showing the receipts  
and expenditure at the various dipping tanks  
worked by the County Council, during the Summer  
Period 1916, together with the number of sheep dipped.

at each, was submitted. The Secretary stated that for the Ravensdale, Carlingford and Omeath tanks sums of £12:12:5, £10:1:7 and £12:12:4, respectively were included for hurdles, etc., although these amounts were paid during the Summer Period of this year, the hurdles, etc. would of course form plant for these tanks and be used in future years. These expenditures were extraordinary and could not be properly charged against the working of the tanks for the Summer Period only. The return was initialed by the Chairman.

SUMMER PERIOD 1916.

W. Leonard, Ardee Tank.	Receipts...	27: 10: 4
Wages	£8:13: 4	
Sheep dip	13:19:11	
Rent	1: 0: 0	
Water	2: 2: 6	
Sundries	5: 0	
		<u>26: 0: 9</u>
Profit ...		<u>£1: 9: 7</u>

Dipped at Council Tank sheep and lambs 6146.  
Inspected 14 Private Tanks.

Thomas McArdle, Knockbridge Tank.	13: 0: 7
Wages	£8:12: 4
Sheep Dip	5: 8: 0
Rent	2: 0: 0
	<u>15: 0: 4</u>
Loss ...	<u>£1:19: 9</u>

Dipped in Council Tank Sheep and lambs 2763.  
Inspected 34 Private Tanks.

J. J. Kerr, Ballymakenny Tank	1: 18: 11
Wages	£7:14:11
Sheep Dip	3: 6: 0
Rent	1: 0: 0
	<u>12: 0: 11</u>
Loss ...	<u>£10: 2: 0</u>

*Council*  
Dipped in Private Tank 761  
Inspected 82 Private Tanks.

Owen Keenan, Aghameen Tank.	2: 17: 4
Fees	£2: 7: 2
Wages for Inspection	16: 0
Sheep Dip	2:14:0
Rent	1: 0: 0
Sundries	5: 0
	<u>7: 2: 2</u>
Loss ...	<u>£4: 4: 10</u>

Dipped in Council Tank 688  
Inspected 71 Private Tanks

Thomas McDermott, Ravensdale Tank.	Receipts...	£1: 4: 4
Fees	£2:14:0	
Wages for Inspection	6: 0	
Rent & Cartage	1:16:0	
Sheep Dip	2:14:0	
Hurdles.	3:18:0	
		<u>11: 8: 0</u>
Loss ..		<u>£10: 3: 8</u>

Dipped in Council Tank 292 sheep and lambs.  
Inspected 46 Private Tanks.

Hugh McKeivitt, Carlingford Tank.	£8: 7: 1
Fees	£6:17:10
Wages for Inspection	16: 0
Rent	1: 0: 0
Sheep Dip	2:14:0
Hurdles	10:1:7
Sundries	1:6:0
	<u>22:15: 5</u>
Loss ..	<u>£14: 8: 4</u>

Dipped in Council Tank 1980  
Inspected 15 Private Tanks.

Owen Traynor, Omeath Tank	5: 9: 0
Fees	£4:11:10
Wages Inspection	8: 0
Sheep Dip	2:14:0
Sundries & rent	4:3: 6
Timber - Hurdles	9: 8:11
	<u>21: 6: 3</u>
Loss	<u>£15:17: 3</u>

Dipped in Council Tank 1308  
Inspected 13 Private Tanks.

SUMMARY.

Loss on Knockbridge Tank	£1: 19: 9	
,, Ballymakenny	10: 2: 0	
,, Aghameen	4: 4: 10	
,, Ravensdale	10: 3: 8	
,, Carlingford	14: 8: 4	
,, Omeath	15: 17: 3	
	<u>56: 15: 10</u>	
Less profit on Ardee Tank	1: 9: 7	
	<u>55: 6: 3</u>	
Printing & Posting	11: 19: 6	
Total	67: 5: 9	Gross Loss £67: 5: 9
Less Extra expenditure-Ravensdale New Tank.	£ s d 12:12:5	
,, Carlingford Tank	10: 1: 7	
,, Omeath	12:12:4	<u>35: 6: 4</u>
Net Loss - Summer Period	...	<u>£31:19: 5</u>

## Claims for Compensation

Letters were read from John Donnelly and Peter Beyle both of South Connors, Carlingford, claiming compensation for two sheep each, alleged to have died as a result of dipping at the Council's tank at Carlingford. From the Superintendent of the tank, Hugh McKeivitt, was submitted, in which he stated that these sheep were dipped as usual in a dip of one packet of sheep dip to twenty gallons of water.

The Secretary was directed to inform the applicants that their claims could not be entertained, as the County Council accepted no responsibility for the loss of the sheep.

## Application for Increase.

Letter was read from Owen Keenan, Dipping Superintendent at Aghaneer tank, stating that he had inspected between fifty and fifty-five dippings at private tanks in the districts of Jenkinstown, Rathcor and Ballymascarron during the Summer Period, and had to travel long journeys to them in some cases. He had received only 2/- per week for this work, and hoped the Committee would allow him something more.

After discussion

On the motion of Peter Woods Esq, J.P.

Seconded by James T. McGeer Esq, J.P.

it was unanimously recommended that the remuneration to Owen Keenan for inspections of private dippings during the Autumn Period be at the rate of 5/- per week.

## Exportation of Animals Order Amendment.

The above Order of the Department was submitted to the Secretary and initialled by the Chairman. The Order provides that after 31st August 1916, at each approved place of inspection a sufficient amount of suitable food and water shall be provided by the owner or occupier of the place of inspection, for the use of animals detained in such place.

## Notices.

Various notices served by the Veterinary Inspectors in case of swine fever and sheep scab were submitted and initialled by the Chairman.

Chas. Duffy  
Chairman.

## Executive Committee

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee  
at their Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court-  
House, Dundalk, on

Monday, 27th November, 1916,  
at 10.30 o'clock, a.m.

Present: In the Chair: Charles A. Duffy, Esq., J.P.

Other Members:

James Wynne, J.P.; Michael Meade, P. Woods, J.P.;  
B. Hamill, J.P.; and William Woods, J.P., Esquires.

The Minutes of the previous Meeting were taken as read  
signed by the Chairman.

### Reports

#### Mr Donnelly's Report.

During the month of October I had two outbreaks  
of sheep scab to deal with. The animals came from County  
Louth for shipment at Drogheda Port. The diseased  
animals were slaughtered and the in-contacts moved  
under supervision of the police to the farms from  
whence the animals came. I made a few inspections  
in cases where animals were suspected of having  
contagious disease, but found the animals were  
not suffering from any of the notifiable diseases.  
Your Secretary has been furnished with full  
reports on the prescribed forms relative to disease  
in animals.

Andrew A. Donnelly

#### Mr Maxwell's Report - September

I beg to report that I examined the usual fairs  
and markets of Ardee No. 1 District for the month of  
September. No cases of infectious or contagious disease  
has been reported to me during that period.

W. E. Maxwell.

#### October.

I beg to report that no cases of disease has occurred  
in the Ardee No. 1 District for the month of October. I  
visited the usual fairs, markets, etc., and found every-  
thing healthy.

W. E. Maxwell.

No report had yet been received from Mr Clifton,  
but the various papers in connection with the case dealt  
with by him during the period since last meeting, together  
with those of the cases dealt with by Messrs Donnelly and  
Maxwell, were submitted and initialled by the Chairman.

The cases reported were as follows:-

At Dundalk Port: John Cunningham, J. Woods,  
Thomas Malone, Patrick M. Morrow; F. & B. McKeown;  
Thomas Malone (second case); Henry Walker (boothill)

At Drogheda Port: Stephen Henly; Cornelius Lynch; Eagle  
Lodge, Drogheda (Co. Meath); Thomas Mullen, Rathmullen;  
James Kilty; Thomas Dwyer.

Greenore Port: Bernard Quinn, Lamough (three cases)

Glogherhead Port: John Brown, Parsonstown.

Chas. A. Duffy  
Chairman

## Executive Committee

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee  
at their Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Courthouse,  
Dundalk, on

Monday 11th December, 1916

at 10.30 o'clock, a.m.

Present: In the Chair: Charles A. Duffy, Esq. J.P.

Other Members:

J.P. Kearney, P. Woods, J.P.; B. L. Coleman, J.P.;  
Michael Meade, B. Finnegan, J. M. McArdle, J.P.;  
and John Morgan.

The Minutes of the previous Meeting of the Committee  
were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

### Expenses - Autumn Dipping Period.

The Secretary submitted detailed return showing  
the number of sheep and lambs dipped at the  
various County Council tanks during the Autumn  
Period, together with statement of receipts and  
expenditure thereat. The following summary  
showing the nett loss on the working of the tanks  
during the Autumn Period was also submitted  
and initialed by the Chairman.

### SUMMARY - RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE.

	Receipts	Expenditure		
Ardée Tank	£44: 2: 0	£43: 15: 6	Profit	£0 : 6 : 6
Knockbridge	22: 11: 6	28: 16: 0	Loss	£6 : 4 : 6
Ballymakenny	10: 12: 0	20: 2: 0	..	9 : 10 : 0
Aghameen	10: 9: 10	20: 17: 10	..	10 : 8 : 0
Ravensdale	2: 5: 10	18: 8: 0	..	16 : 2 : 2
Carlingford	12: 10: 6	18: 18: 1	..	6 : 7 : 7
Corrakit	8: 10: 2	15: 17: 6	..	7 : 7 : 4
Printing Account ... ..			..	8 : 15 : 0
				£64 : 14 : 7
			Less	6 : 6
				£64 : 8 : 1
			Less Department's contribn.	32 : 4 : 0
			Net Loss ..	£32 : 4 : 1

## Inspectors' Reports.

The following reports from the Veterinary Inspectors  
were read and initialed, and it was unanimously  
decided that at next meeting of the Committee Local  
Regulations to meet the circumstances mentioned in  
Mr Clinton's report be considered.

### Mr CLINTON'S REPORTS - OCTOBER & NOVEMBER 1916.

I beg to report that during the months of October and November I  
dealt with a large number of outbreaks of sheep scab which occurred at  
the shipping Ports of Dundalk and Greenore. In all there were over  
380 sheep detained and with the exception of one lot of ten sheep (one  
of which was affected) all of the animals came from outside the County.  
The disease did not originate in County Louth but was detected in the  
sheep when they were brought into the Ports for shipment. When the  
disease (sheep scab) is found to exist it is my duty to detain the sheep  
and to serve notice of detention on the owner. I have then to see to  
sheep (both affected and in-contact ones) dipped on two occasions within  
ten days and to make periodic inspections of them in the meantime. This  
especially in the case of sheep detained at Greenore means an enormous  
amount of work and is brought about by diseased sheep being taken into  
Co. Louth and over which I can have previously no control, and for whose  
condition I am not responsible. I think it is unfair that I should be  
compelled to deal with animals which have contracted disease in other  
Counties and which are allowed to be moved out of the districts where the  
disease originates. I would respectfully ask your Council to authorise  
me (if it is within their power to do so) to have diseased sheep sent  
back from the Ports to the district from which they came. I am one of  
the very few Veterinary Inspectors in Ireland who have two big shipping  
Ports in their district.

J. T. CLINTON

Mr MAXWELL'S REPORT.

I beg to report that I examined the usual fairs and markets held in Ardee No. 1 District for the month of November. Francis Reilly, Bohernamore reported a pig suffering from swine fever. I examined the animal and in my opinion the animal died from another disease.

W. E. MAXWELL

Notices.

Copies of Notices of withdrawal of Detention Notices served on Bernard Quinn of Camblough, and P. McShane of Greenore, were submitted and initialled.

Police Notice of swine fever in a pig the property of Francis Reilly, Bohernamore, was submitted and initialled.

Charles A. Duffy  
Chairman.

Executive Committee

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee at their Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk, on

Monday, 30th April, 1917, at 10.30 o'clock, a.m.

Present: In the Chair: Charles A. Duffy, Esq. J.P.  
Other Members: B. Hamill, J.P.; J.P. Kearney; P. Woods, J.P.; W. Woods, J.P.; and J.T. Magee, J.P., Esquires.

The Minutes of the previous meeting of the Committee were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

Reports.

The reports of Messrs Donnelly and Maxwell, Veterinary Inspectors, since last meeting were submitted and initialled by the Chairman. The reports contained nothing of importance.

The Secretary was directed to write Mr Clinton, Inspector in Dundalk District, for his report, which had not yet been received.

Sheep Dipping

Letter was read from the Department dated 5th April 1917, No. 6571 stating that arrangements would be made by them this year as in other years for the carrying out of the provisions of the Sheep Dipping (Ireland) Order of 1915, and suggesting that Local Authorities should make their preliminary arrangements as early as possible.

It was unanimously agreed that the Local

Committees and Tank Superintendents appointed in connection with the Order last year should be reappointed. The following are the names of the members of the committees and the Superintendents:-

Ballymakenny Tank: J. J. Kerr, Superintendent.

Committee: Messrs P. Donegan, J.P., P. Callan, J.P., Joseph Delan and D. J. Rath, and N. J. Murphy, J.P.

Ardee: William Leonard, Superintendent.

Committee: Messrs P. McGea, J.P., J. J. McGea, J.P., James McDonnell, Mullacloe, P. Stokes, Ardee, J. Malpinny, Ardee, and J. C. Keiran, J.P., Ardee.

Knockbridge: Thomas Mc Ardle, Superintendent.

Committee: Messrs J. F. Murphy, J.P., M. Mc Ardle, B. L. Coleman, J.P., and B. Hughes, Newtown.

Aghameen: Owen Keenan, Superintendent.

Committee: Messrs J. H. Mc Ardle, J.P., P. Woods, J.P., B. Finnegan and Patrick Connelly.

Carlingford: Hugh Mc Keivitt, Superintendent.

Committee: Messrs W. Woods, J.P., J. P. Kearney, P. Woods, J.P., and M. O'Keary, J.P.

Omeath: Owen Traynor, Superintendent.

Committee: Messrs W. Woods, J.P., J. P. Kearney, P. Woods, J.P., and M. O'Keary, J.P.

The Secretary stated that the tank which had been set at Ravensdale last year during the entire dipping period, had been a great loss of money, and was not availed of to any extent, and the committee

agreed that Owen Keenan, the Superintendent at Aghameen should have charge of the tank this year in addition to his usual one, and that the tank be only set at Ravensdale for a period to be decided by the Local Committee.

Mr J. T. Mc Gea, J.P., suggested that owing to the loss on all the tanks save one, last year, a charge for dipping should be made this year which would prevent such losses. The committee were unanimous on this point, and the Secretary was directed to place on the Agenda for next meeting of the Executive Committee to be held on 14th May, the question of dipping charges, and also the question of the wages of the Superintendents.

### Movement of Diseased Sheep.

With reference to a suggestion of Mr Clinton, V.S., which had been approved by the Council, that sheep which had been sent for shipment at Ports in his District, and ~~are~~ detained on account of Scab, should be returned to the District from which they came, the Department wrote in a letter dated 26th January No. 228/17, that there was no provision in the Order for such movement of diseased sheep, nor could the Local Authority frame such a regulation, nor would it be desirable to do so. The only way in which such sheep could be dealt with was by detention in accordance with the Order. The letter was initialled by the Chairman.

## Importation Order.

An Order by the Department dated 29th December, 1916, with reference to the Importation of Sheep from Scotland was read and initialled. The Order provides that sheep brought direct from Scotland to certain Ports in Ireland shall be accompanied by a declaration that for three months previous to date of shipment no case of contagious disease had existed on the premises from which they are brought and that the sheep imported were in Scotland during such period: a certificate of a Veterinary Surgeon given on the date of movement that no animals on the premises from which the sheep were moved ~~were~~ were suffering from any contagious disease to which sheep are liable. In the case of sheep purchased at a sale, the surgeon's certificate must accompany the animals.

## Notices

Notices from the various District Veterinary Inspectors respecting sheep scab and swine fever were submitted and initialled by the Chairman.

Charles A. Duffy  
Chairman

## Executive Committee

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee at their Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk, on

Monday, 14th May, 1917, at 10.30 o'clock, a.m.

Present: In the Chair: Charles A. Duffy, Esq., J.P.  
Other Members: J. J. McFar, J.P.; P. Woods, J.P.; J. P. Kearney, W. Woods, J.P.; J. Wynne, J.P.; and Bernard Hanill, J.P., Esquires.

## Report

Mr Clinton's report for the month of March was submitted and initialled by the Chairman. The report stated that the restrictions on sheep at Ladywell, the property of Mr Rooney, had been withdrawn, and that an outbreak of suspected swine fever was being dealt with.

## Charges for Dipping.

The Committee considered the question of the charges for dipping sheep at the Council's tanks and were unanimously of the opinion that the rates should be increased by one halfpenny ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) all round, and this was decided on. The rates will accordingly be as follows:—

Large Sheep	two pence	(2 <sup>d</sup> )
Their Lambs	three halfpence	(1 $\frac{1}{2}$ )
Small Sheep	do	do
Their Lambs	do	do

## Wages of Superintendents.

The committee next considered the wages and remuneration of the dipping Superintendents and it was unanimously agreed that the rates for work at the tanks be the same as last year but that the allowance of two shillings (2s) weekly for work as Local Inspectors under the Order be increased to four shillings (4s) weekly, except in the case of Owen Keenan, who had the mountain district to cover, and whose remuneration for this work last year was five shillings (5s) and it was agreed that this be continued. It was also agreed that Mr Owen Keenan should act as Local Inspector for the Ravensdale District this year at a remuneration of 4s weekly.

The following wages and remuneration were accordingly recommended:-

William Leonard, Ardee. 2s weekly, with 4s weekly as Local Inspector.

Thomas McAdle, Knockbridge. 2s weekly, with 4s weekly as Local Inspector.

J. J. Kerr, Ballymakenny. 1s weekly, with 4s weekly as Local Inspector.

Owen Keenan, Aghameen and Ravensdale.

One penny per sheep and one halfpenny per lamb, and 5s weekly as Local Inspector for Aghameen, and 4s weekly for Ravensdale.

Hugh McNeill, Carlingford. One penny per sheep and one halfpenny per lamb and 4s as Local Inspector.

Owen Trauot, Omeath. One penny per sheep and one halfpenny per lamb with 4s as Local Inspector.

## Tenders.

For the supply of dip to the Council's tank at Ardee, two tenders were received; Mr James Mc Butcheon, Ardee, who tendered at 12s6 per dozen packets, and Mr Hugh Stouss @ 13s. Mr Mc Butcheon was declared contractor, his being the lowest tender.

Only one tender each was received for the supply to the Drogheda and Dundalk tanks as follows, and each was accepted:-

Drogheda - L. J. Healy @ 12s9 per dozen

Dundalk - H. Backhouse & Co. 11s per dozen.

For the supply of water to the Ardee tank, the following tenders were received:-

Lawrence Ballan, Ardee, @ eleven pence (11s) per load  
John Breen, Ardee, @ one shilling (1s) per load.

Mr Ballan's tender being the lowest was accepted.

## Repairs.

The Secretary was directed to have any necessary repairs to the tanks carried out.

Chairman,  
Rev. Foster.

## Executive Committee

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee  
at their Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court  
House, Dundalk, on

Monday, 6th August, 1917,

Present: In the Chair: Sir A. Vere Foster, Bart.

Other Members: J. J. Mc Gee, J.P.; T. B. McCourt; P. Woods, J.P.;  
J. Wynne, J.P.; J. H. McArdle, J.P.; and J. P. Kearney, Esquires

The Minutes of the previous Meeting of the Committee  
were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

### Veterinary Inspector for Ardee Rural District

As directed by the County Council the Committee  
considered the question of the terms and salary for  
the Veterinary Inspector to be appointed for the Ardee  
No. 1 Rural District, and the following letters were read:

Dundalk,  
2nd August, 1917.

Dear Sir,

Mr William E. Maxwell, Veterinary Surgeon, one of the Inspectors  
appointed under the Diseases of Animals Act has instructed me that his  
services have been dispensed with by the County Council of Louth without  
any justification and in face of the fact that no dereliction of duty on  
his part had been alleged or attempted to be proved, and that the Notice  
of the meeting at which this illegal action was taken was not given to  
him in such reasonable time as to enable him to attend.

Would you please send me a copy of the agreement under which the  
conditions of Mr Maxwell's appointment were defined, and also of any  
minutes referring to his discharge, with the names of the proposer and  
seconder on each occasion, in order to enable me to advise my client.

Yours faithfully,

T. P. COFFEY.

The Secretary,  
Louth County Council,  
DUNDALK.

After discussion, the Committee decided unanimously  
to refer the letter to the Council's solicitor and directed the  
Secretary accordingly.

Letter from Department.

No. 1763/17.

Department of Agriculture and  
Technical Instruction for Ireland,  
(Veterinary Branch),  
DUBLIN.

31st July, 1917.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 27th instant  
relative to the case of Mr Maxwell, Veterinary Inspector for the area  
comprised within the Rural District of Ardee No. 1, who has ceased to  
comply with the condition originally attaching to his appointment which  
required him to reside within that District.

It is observed that the County Council, as the Local Authority  
under the Diseases of Animals Acts, have consequently declared the  
position vacant, and I have to say that the Department will not, in the  
circumstances, withhold their approval of any notice given in accordance  
with the Officers of Local Authorities (Ireland) Order of 1899 determining  
the appointment.

I have also to say that should the action above indicated result in  
a decision on Mr Maxwell's part to reside again in the District and on  
the part of the Local Authority to reappoint him, the Department would be  
prepared to approve of such re-appointment on the former conditions. If  
however, a new appointment has to be made the Department, having regard  
to the present need of the Army for Veterinary Surgeons, would be able  
to approve only of a candidate who could show that he was not eligible  
for the Army Veterinary Corps.

I am, Sir,  
Your obedient Servant,

T. P. GILL,  
Secretary.

The Secretary,  
Louth County Council,  
DUNDALK

The Secretary was directed to have this letter inserted  
in the Minutes.

The Committee then considered the question of the  
terms, salary and conditions of the new appointment.  
After discussion the following resolution was passed  
unanimously:-

Proposed by Mr T. B. McCourt,  
Seconded by Mr J. J. Mc Gee, J.P.,

and

Resolved:

That we hereby fix the salary of the Veterinary Inspector for the Rural District of Ardee No. 1, at the sum of £20 per annum, that the appointment be made at the next Meeting of the County Council to be held on the 16th day of August, 1917, and that as usual the person appointed must reside within the said Rural District of Ardee No. 1.

Mr Clinton's Report.

The following was read and initialled by the Chairman:

Dundalk,  
August 1st 1917.

MONTHLY REPORT JULY 1917.

Dear Sir,

I enclose returns on forms 3 and 4 as they show I have dealt with six outbreaks of scab during the month and a total of 541--  
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sheep. Fifty one sheep have been slaughtered. The remainder have been dipped and the necessary steps taken regarding detention, etc.

Your obedient Servant,

J. T. CLINTON, V.S.

The Secretary was directed to write Mr Donnelly, V.S., the Inspector for the Drogheda District to send in his report at once.

Notices and Reports

The Secretary submitted all the Notices and Reports from the Veterinary Inspectors received in the following cases and suspected cases, since the last Meeting of the Committee:-

Rabies: A dog the property of Mr M. J. Moore Bayle, suspected of rabies.

Swine Fever: At the premises of Mr M. O'Hanlon, Dundalk.

Sheep Scab: At Dundalk Port: Mr P. Woods, Owner.

" Mr P. McNally, "

" Mr Woods, "

At Greenore Port: Mr R. Parks, "

At Drumhilla: Mr M. Quigley, "

At Merches, Dundalk: Mr P. Hoey, "

At Drogheda Port: Mr M. Brilly, "

Summer Dipping Returns-Council's Tanks.

As all the Dipping Superintendents had not yet sent in their returns, it was decided to postpone the report of the work done at the Council's tanks during the Summer period until the next meeting of the Committee.

B. Hamill Chairman

## Executive Committee

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee at their Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk, on

Monday, 3rd September, 1917, at 10.30 o'clock, a.m.

Present: In the Chair: Bernard Hamill, Esq., J.P.

Other Members: J. Wynne, J.P.; Bernard Fitzgerald, J. O'Rourke, J. J. McGeer, J.P., Esquires, and Sir A. W. Foster, Bart.

The Minutes of the previous Meeting of the Committee were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

### Cost of Sheep Dipping - Summer 1917

The Secretary submitted detailed statement showing receipts and expenditure at each of the tanks worked by the County Council during the Summer Dipping Period 1917, and the nett loss or profit on each tank.

The Statement was examined in detail by the Committee and initialled by the Chairman:-

The following tanks showed a profit:- Ardee £10.6.0; Knockbridge £2.10.7. The following showed a loss for the period:- Ballymakeenny £8.16.10; Aghameen £8.13.11; Ravensdale £6.12.10; Carlingford 13/7, and Omeara £7.9.8.

### Ardee Veterinary Inspector

The following letter was read:-

3/17.

Department of Agriculture and  
Technical Instruction for Ireland,  
Dublin, 22nd August, 1917.

With reference to your letter of 17th instant intimating that the Louth Council at their meeting on the previous day had passed a resolution appointing Mr Owen D. Neary, M.R.C.V.S., Veterinary Inspector for the rural district of Ardee No.1, I have to direct attention to the Department's letter of 31st ultimo, and to state that the Department are prepared to approve the appointment of Mr Neary if it can be shown that he is not eligible for appointment as a commissioned officer in the Army Veterinary Corps. Should it be shown, however, that Mr Neary is eligible for employment in that capacity the Department will be unable to approve of his appointment as Veterinary Inspector to your Local Authority pending the termination of the war. In either case the Department consider that the proper course for the Council is to make a temporary arrangement for the discharge of the Veterinary inspection duties in the Ardee district by the Inspectors of the other districts of the County Louth, Mr Donnelly and Mr Clinton, these Inspectors dividing the duties between them; and to reserve the question of Mr Neary's appointment until after the war. The Department will be prepared to sanction this arrangement.

I am, Sir,  
Your obedient Servant,

T. P. GILL,

Secretary,  
Louth County Council.

Secretary.

After discussion the Secretary was directed to inform the Department that as the money available for division, £30, per annum, was so small, and the distance from Dundalk and Drogheda so great, it was the opinion of the Committee that the attendances at fairs and markets, as well as other necessary inspections, would be unlikely to receive proper attention, if the district were divided as suggested, and in the circumstances the Committee could not agree to make these temporary appointments. He was further directed to request Mr Neary to satisfy the Department of his eligibility for the position, and to request the Department to appoint Mr Neary, temporarily, pending their permanent sanction.

### Ravensdale Tank

The Secretary stated that this tank had not been availed of to any extent during the fortnight it was

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### Ardee Veterinary Inspector

The following letter was read:—

No. 1923/17.

Department of Agriculture and  
Technical Instruction for Ireland,  
Dublin, 22nd August, 1917.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of 17th instant intimating that the Louth County Council at their meeting on the previous day had passed a resolution appointing Mr Owen D. Neary, M.R.C.V.S., Veterinary Inspector for the rural district of Ardee No. 1, I have to direct attention to the Department's letter of the 31st ultimo, and to state that the Department are prepared to approve of the appointment of Mr Neary if it can be shown that he is not eligible for service as a commissioned officer in the Army Veterinary Corps. Should it happen, however, that Mr Neary is eligible for employment in that capacity the Department will be unable to approve of his appointment as Veterinary Inspector to your Local Authority pending the termination of the war. In the latter case the Department consider that the proper course for the Council to adopt is to make a temporary arrangement for the discharge of the Veterinary inspection duties in the Ardee district by the Inspectors of the two other districts of the County Louth, Mr Donnelly and Mr Clinton, these officers dividing the duties between them; and to reserve the question of Mr Neary's appointment until after the war. The Department will be prepared to sanction this arrangement.

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Your obedient Servant,

T. P. GILL,

The Secretary,  
Louth County Council.

Secretary.

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### Ravensdale Tank

The Secretary stated that this tank had not been availed of to any extent during the fortnight it was

set there, forty-eight sheep and lambs only having been dipped, the result being that there was a substantial loss on its working. He requested a direction whether he would arrange for a tank at Ravensdale again during the Autumn Dipping Period, and the matter was referred to the local committee.

### Undipped Sheep

The Secretary stated that M. Crowley of Woodhouse, and George Harris of Mooremount, had failed to give notice of Intention to Dip their sheep during the summer period, in accordance with the Sheep Dipping (Ireland) Act of 1915, and each of these men had 38 sheep which were not yet dipped.

The committee unanimously ordered prosecutions in these cases, and the Secretary was directed to instruct the solicitor in the matter.

### Reports

The following reports were read, and the notices in connection with the cases referred to therein were submitted and initialled by the Chairman:-

#### Mr Clinton's Report.

Dundalk, 31st August, 1917.

Dear Sir,

During the month of August I dealt with seven fresh outbreaks of scab involving 231 sheep. The majority of these consisted of sheep sent to Dundalk for shipment from other districts outside County Louth. Twenty-three bad cases were slaughtered, and all the remaining sheep dipped twice under my supervision. I have withdrawn restrictions in the case of Mr Parks' sheep, and those of Mr P. Hoey, Merches.

Yours truly,

J. T. CLINTON.

#### Mr Donnelly's Report.

Gentlemen,

During the month of August I had one case of sheep scab in my district and I have had all the sheep on the premises dipped four times and hope to be able to remove the restrictions on the farm shortly.

I made inspections in one or two instances of animals reported to me personally, but none of the cases were the animals suffering from any of the notifiable diseases.

Yours respectfully,

ANDREW A. DONNELLY.

The Secretary,  
Louth County Council.

*B. Donnelly*  
Chairman

## Executive Committee.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee at their Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk, on

Monday, 12th day of November, 1917, at 10.30 o'clock, a.m.

Present: In the Chair: Bernard Hamill, Esq., J.P.

Other Members: Sir A. Vere Foster, Bart.; J. Wynne, J.P.; B. Finnegan; P. Woods, J.P.; and T. B. McCourt, Esquires.

The Minutes of the previous Meeting of the Committee were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

The Special business before the Meeting was the consideration of the question of arranging temporarily for work of Veterinary Inspections in the Ardee Rural District, pending the sanction of Mr. Neary's appointment.

Letter was read from the Department which had already been before the Committee, stating that if Mr. Neary was eligible for the Army Veterinary Corps, his appointment as Inspector in the Ardee District could not be sanctioned until after the war, and suggesting that the Council should arrange for Messrs. Clinton and Donnelly to do the work in the meantime.

Letter dated 4th October was read from Mr. Neary stating he had written the Department for information as to whether he was eligible for Military Service, and had been referred to the War Office. He had taken no further action in the matter.

No action was recommended by the Committee and no order was made.

## Maintenance of Live Stock

The Department submitted Regulations under the Maintenance of Live Stock (Ireland) Order of 1917, relating to incalf animals, whereby it is ordered that such animals shall not be slaughtered or moved out of Ireland.

The Order was read and initialled.

## Mr. Donnelly's Report.

The following report was read:

Drogheda.

Gentlemen,

During September there were two cases of sheep scab in the district; one at Morganstown, Dunber, and the other reported to me among sheep at the Drogheda Port. In the latter case the animals came from Dublin market and two animals out of a total of twenty two (22) showed signs of the disease. All the sheep were slaughtered. In the Morganstown case the sheep, in my opinion, are now healthy, and I have been able to remove restrictions. The Secretary has been furnished with full particulars of each case on the official forms.

Yours respectfully,

Andrew A. Donnelly.

The Secretary submitted the notices referred to in Mr. Donnelly's report, as well as other forms in connection with outbreaks of sheep scab in the County and at the Ports of Drogheda and Dundalk. These were examined and initialled by the Chairman.

P. M. J. J.  
Chairman

## Executive Committee.

A Meeting of the Executive Committee was convened for Monday, 26th November, 1917, at Court House, Dundalk, but as a quorum (five) did not attend, no business was transacted.

T. McFall

## Executive Committee.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee at their Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk on

Monday, the 7th day of January, 1918, at the hour of 1.30 o'clock p.m.

Present: In the Chair: Patrick McFee, Esq., J.P.

Other Members: James Wynne, J.P.; N. J. Murphy, J.P.; B. Mill, J.P.; W. Woods, J.P.; J. L. McFee, J.P.; Thomas O'Rourke, and M. Meade, Esquires.

The Minutes of the previous meeting of the Committee were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

## Veterinary Inspectors Reports.

The following reports were read and initialled by the Chairman:

### REPORTS FROM VETERINARY INSPECTORS.

#### Mr Clinton's Report.

I beg to report that I have visited the fairs and markets in my district during the month of December. No case of infectious disease occurred during the month. Suspected sheep scab occurred on the farm of P. Mills, Jenkinstown, but on visiting the place and examining the flock of sheep, I found that sheep scab did not exist there.

J. T. CLINTON.

Mr Donnelly's Report.

During the month of December 1917, I had two outbreaks of sheep scab in the district. One case occurring at the Drogheda Port and the animals coming in from Co. Meath, and the other case occurring on a farm at Listoke, near Drogheda. I have furnished your Secretary with full particulars of each outbreak on the usual official forms.

ANDREW A. DONNELLY.

To Louth County Council,  
Executive Committee.

Veterinary Inspector for Ardee District.

The Committee then considered the letter from the Department of the 6th December last with reference to the appointment of Mr Neary, V.S. The Department suggested that pending the sanction to this appointment the County Council should appoint the other two Inspectors of the County to temporarily perform the duties in the Ardee Rural District.

After discussion the following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by J. J. Necha, Esq., J.P.

Seconded by N. J. Murphy, Esq., J.P.

and

Resolved: "That we hereby appoint Mr Joseph T. Clinton, V.S., Dundalk, to act as temporary Veterinary Inspector in Ardee No. 1 Rural District, pending the sanction by the Department to Mr Neary's appointment."

Arising out of the discussion on the foregoing resolution, the Secretary was directed to write Mr Neary to furnish him with his birth certificate with a view to submitting same to Department to prove he was overage for Military Service.

Sheep Scab Notice.

The following notices were tabled and were initialled by the Chairman of outbreaks of sheep scab: - N. Mathews, Cappagh, Mr Cairnes, Listoke, Messrs Smith, Colpe, and Wm. Lorde at Drogheda Post.

Maintenance of Live Stock Order.

The above Order issued by the Department prohibiting the slaughter or exportation of in calf cattle or milch cows was read and initialled.

Sheep Scab Prosecutions.

Letter was read from Mr O'Connell, Solicitor, stating that Margaret Brawley and George Loris were fined each 5/- and 10/- costs for failure to notify the police at Dunlisk of intention to dip sheep.

James Wynne  
Chairman

## Executive Committee

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee at their Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk, on  
Monday, 13th May, 1918, at 1:30 o'clock, p.m.

Present: In the Chair: J. Wynne, Esq., J.P.  
Other Members: P. Woods, J.P.; J. J. Murphy, J.P.; B. Finnegan;  
M. McArdle, and J. J. McGea, J.P., Esquires.

The Minutes of the previous meeting of the Committee were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

### Veterinary Inspectors' Report.

Reports of Mr Clinton and Mr Donnelly, Veterinary Inspectors were read and initialled. Mr Clinton reported one case of mange in an aged mare which had since died, and the premises had been disinfected. As Temporary Inspector for Ardee District, Mr Clinton reported that no contagious disease had occurred there. Mr Donnelly had no cases or outbreaks to report from Drogheda Rural District. The various notices sent in by the Inspectors were submitted and initialled.

### Arrangements for Summer Dipping Period.

The following reappointments, wages of Inspectors and Dipping Superintendents for the various tanks were unanimously recommended for approval by the County Council. On the motion of

Mr J. J. McGea, J.P.  
Seconded by Mr P. Woods, J.P.

Ardee: William Leonard: 25/- per week as Superintendent, and 4/- (four) weekly as Local Inspector.

Knockbridge: J. McArdle; 25/- per week as Superintendent, and 4/- (four) weekly as Local Inspector.

Ballymakenny: J. J. Kerr: 18/- per week as Superintendent, and 4/- (four) weekly as Local Inspector.

Aghameen: O. Keenan: 5/- (five) per week as Local Inspector Aghameen, and scale rate of one penny per sheep and one halfpenny per lamb for all dippings carried out at Aghameen tank.

Carlingford: H. McKeivitt, 4/- per week as Local Inspector and scale rate same as for Aghameen.

Omagh: O. Treanor. 4/- per week as Local Inspector and scale rate same as for Aghameen.

The question of the appointment of a Local Inspector for the Ravensdale district which had last year been done by Owen Keenan in addition to his Aghameen District was, on the suggestion of Mr B. Finnegan referred to the Local Committee.

### Local Committees

The following Local Committees were unanimously reappointed:

Ardee: Messrs P. McGea, J.P.; J. J. McGea, J.P.; James McDonnell, Mullacloe; R. Stokes, Ardee; J. Halperny, Ardee, and J. L. Keenan, J.P., Ardee.

Knockbridge: Messrs J. J. Murphy, J.P.; M. McArdle; B. L. Coleman, J.P. and B. Hughes, Newtown.

Aghameen: Messrs J. H. McArdle, J.P.; P. Woods, J.P.  
B. Finnegan; and Patrick Connolly, J.P.

Carlingford: Messrs W. Woods, J.P.; J.P. Kearney; P. Woods, J.P.  
and M. O'Meara, J.P.

Omagh: Messrs W. Woods, J.P.; J.P. Kearney; P. Woods, J.P.  
and M. O'Meara, J.P.

Ballymakenny: Messrs P. Donegan, J.P.; P. Ballan, J.P.  
Joseph Dolan; D. J. Rath, J.P.; and N. T. Murphy, J.P.

### Rates for Dipping.

The Secretary stated that the rates for dipping last year were: Large sheep 2<sup>d</sup> each; their lambs 1<sup>d</sup> each. Small sheep and lambs 1<sup>d</sup> each, but although this was an increase on the previous year's rate, there had been losses on the working of all the tanks except Ardee and Knockbridge:

On the motion of Mr J. T. Mc Gee, J.P.  
Seconded by Mr P. Woods, J.P.

it was unanimously agreed that these rates should be increased by 2<sup>d</sup> all round, namely: Large sheep 2<sup>d</sup> each; their lambs 2<sup>d</sup> each. Small sheep and lambs 2<sup>d</sup> each.

The Secretary was directed to arrange as usual for the supply of dip, repairs to tanks, and any other necessary details.

Chairman.

### Aghameen Tank Committee.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Aghameen Tank Local Committee at their Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk, on

Monday, 27th May, 1918, at 12.30 o'clock p.m.

Present: In the Chair: P. Woods, Esq., J.P.  
Other Members: B. Finnegan, and J. H. McArdle, J.P., Esquires.

The Committee met to consider the question of arrangements for dipping in the Ravensdale and Annaloughan districts, which question had been referred to them by the Executive Committee.

After discussion it was agreed  
On the motion of B. Finnegan, Esq.  
Seconded by P. Woods, Esq., J.P.

That the Dipping Tank be set at Annaloughan during the third week in June, and at Ravensdale during the fourth week in June and first week in July, and that it be set for a week at Annaloughan and for a fortnight at Ravensdale during the Autumn Dipping Period also. That Thomas McDermott (Doxy) of Ballymabellet be appointed local Inspector for these areas at a wage of 5<sup>s</sup> weekly during the Summer and Autumn periods, and that during the periods when the tank is set he receive in addition the sum of eighteen shillings (18<sup>s</sup>) per week.

Chairman.

## Executive Committee

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee at their Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk, on

Monday, 3rd June, 1918, at 1.30 o'clock, p.m.

Present: In the Chair: J. Wynne, Esq., J.P.  
Other Members: J. T. McGeer, J.P.; J. F. Murphy, J.P.; J. H. Mc Ardle, J.P.; W. Goodman; P. Woods, J.P. and M. Mc Ardle, Esquires.

The Minutes of the previous Meeting of the Committee were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

This Meeting was specially called in accordance with a direction of the Finance Committee, to consider the question of supplies of dip and the provision of tanks for dipping. Up till now, the Council have hired tanks from Messrs Cooper & Nephew at a charge of 5/- per annum. The Secretary stated that the hiring of the tanks was conditional on the Council's use of Coopers Dip. The Secretary had been directed to ask Coopers at what price they would sell the tanks at present in use, so as to leave the Council free to use any dip they might choose.

He was also directed to enquire from other makers of dip whether tanks could be supplied. Messrs Mc Dougall & Co. in reply to the Secretary's query said they had only two tanks placed with dealers in County Louth, and the Committee agreed that these would be altogether insufficient.

No other offers of tanks were received.

Messrs Cooper wrote offering for sale the seven tanks at present on hire to the Council at £8.10.0 each and stated these would now cost new up to £26.

After considerable discussion

On the motion of J. H. Mc Ardle, Esq., J.P.

Seconded by James T. Mc Geer, Esq., J.P.

It was unanimously agreed that it be recommended to the County Council that the seven tanks at present on hire from Messrs Cooper & Nephew be purchased from that firm, provided half the cost of purchase is borne by the Department of Agriculture, and that we direct our Secretary to place the consideration of this recommendation on the Agenda for the Annual Meeting of the Council, in order that action in respect to dipping during the Summer Period may not be delayed.

It was also unanimously agreed that pending the decision of the Council and the Department, the residue of last year's stock of Coopers Dip be used, and more, if necessary, purchased, and that the members of the Council suggest names of suitable dips, so that the Secretary may have information and quotations for the Annual Meeting.

The Secretary was also directed to obtain quotations for supplies of water to Arda Tank.

J. Wynne  
Chairman

## Executive Committee.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee at their Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk, on

Monday, 24th June, 1918, at 10.30 o'clock, a.m.

Present: In the Chair: P. Mc Gee, Esq., J.P.

Other Members: J. T. Mc Gee, J.P.; B. Finnegan; J. T. Murphy, J.P.  
B. V. Coleman, J.P., and J. Wynne, J.P., Esquires.

The Minutes of the previous Meeting were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

## Dip

The Meeting was specially called to decide on the brand of dip to be used in the Council's tanks during the present year. The County Council had, at their Annual Meeting decided that McDougalls Highland and Quibbels, should be the brands from which one should be selected.

After consideration, the views of those present having been given as to the qualities of the dips named, it was unanimously decided:-

On the motion of J. T. Murphy, Esq., J.P.

Seconded by J. T. Mc Gee, Esq., J.P.,

and

Resolved: That we hereby decide that the dip known as "Highland" and manufactured by Messrs Robertson, Oban, be the dip selected for use at the Council's tanks during the Summer and Autumn Dipping Periods this year.

The Committee then proceeded to consider tenders for supplies of dip to the various tanks.

For Ardee District Supplies, quotations were received from Messrs Mc Gee, Barney and Mc Butcheon.

For Drogheda District: No tender was received for "Highland", but Mr L. J. Healy, quoted for the other dips - McDougalls & Quibbels. It was agreed that he be given another opportunity of quoting for "Highland", and if the price were satisfactory that the Secretary have power to deal with same, and order supplies as required.

For Dundalk District: the only quotation received for "Highland" dip was that of Messrs Backhouse & Co.

As some of those tendering had given the weights of the packages of dip and others had not, the Committee were unable to decide which tender was the more favourable, and it was agreed that the Secretary be directed to ask information from those who tendered as to the weight of dip contained in one dozen packets, and that he be empowered to place the contract in accordance with the most favourable offer, on consideration of weights and prices.

## Superintendents' Wages.

On the recommendation of the County Council the question of the wages of the Superintendents at Ballymakenny and Ravensdale Tanks was considered by the Committee. The Council had recommended that subject to the approval of the Executive Committee

after consideration of the facts of the case, the wages of the Ballymakenny Superintendent should be increased from 18/- to 25/- per week with 4/- weekly as Local Inspector.

In reply to a question, the Secretary stated that the loss on this tank last season was £18.3.7. Under the circumstances the Committee agreed they could not recommend an increase, and referred the matter back to the County Council for consideration.

No action was taken with regard to the wages of the Ravensdale Tank Superintendent whose wages were same as Kerr's, but who was not employed throughout the entire season.

### Veterinary Inspectors' Reports

Reports from the Veterinary Inspector for the month of May were tabled. No outbreak of disease had occurred in the County during the month.

The reports were initialled.

C. M. J. J.  
Chairman

## Executive Committee

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee at their Meeting held in the Council Chamber Court House, Dundalk, on

Monday, 9th August, 1918, at 10.30 o'clock, a.m.

Present: In the Chair: C. Mc Ga, Esq., J.P.  
Other Members: J. O'Hourke; M. Meade; M. W. Keara, J.P.; W. Woods, J.P.; and B. Sinnegan, Esquires, and Sir A. Vere Foster, Bart., D.L.

The Minutes of the previous meeting of the Committee were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

### Reports

The only report received was from Mr. A. T. Donnelly, V.S. Drogheda, who stated that no cases of notifiable disease had occurred in his district during July, and no animals were under restriction. The report was initialled.

### Cost of Sheep Dipping

The Secretary submitted detailed statement showing receipts and expenditure at each of the tanks worked by the County Council during the Summer Dipping Period 1918, and the nett loss or profit on each tank. The statements was examined in detail by the Committee and initialled by the Chairman.

The following tanks showed a profit: Adco £13.11.4

Knockbridge £4.17.4. The following showed a loss:-  
Ballymakenny £16.2.7. Aghameer £9.15.0. Revesdale  
£5.6.2. Carlingford £4.12.9. Omeath £1.13.11. The nett  
loss on the working of the tanks was £19.1.9, half of which  
would be borne by the Department.

Application was read from Mr John J. Kerr, Superintendent  
at Ballymakenny Tank, requesting that he should be put  
on the same wages as the Inspectors in Ardee and  
Knockbridge, namely, £1.5.0 per week as Superintendent  
and 4/- per week as Local Inspector. In reply to the  
Chairman the Secretary said Mr Kerr was at present  
receiving 18/- per week as Superintendent and 8/- per  
week as Local Inspector. At last meeting of the County  
Council an Application from Kerr, referred back from  
the Executive Committee, had been considered, and  
in view of the large number of private inspections made  
by him. His wages as Local Inspector had then been  
increased from 4/- to 8/- per week, but no change was made  
in his wages as Superintendent.

After consideration, in view of the loss on the tanks  
during the summer period, the Committee decided that  
an increase was not justifiable.

The Department wrote in a letter dated 6th August,  
No. V.B. 2174/18, conveying their approval of the increase  
from 4/- to 8/- per week of the wages of John J. Kerr, as Local  
Inspector in the Ballymakenny District referred to above.

### Foot Rot.

Circular letter dated 1st August No. V.B. 1658/18 was  
read from the Department, drawing attention to the  
necessity for the adoption of measures to prevent sheep  
suffering from foot rot, and especially breeding sheep,

being exposed for sale at markets, fairs or sale yards,  
and requesting County Councils to exert their influence  
against the practice of marketing affected sheep. The  
Department suggest as a cure, in addition to the paring of  
the feet, that the sheep should be walked through a bath  
containing to a depth of about three inches, a solution of  
copper sulphate in the proportion of one lb to one  
gallon of water.

The Committee were of opinion that the Department  
should make an order preventing the marketing of  
sheep affected with foot rot, and the Secretary was  
directed to inform the Department accordingly.

### Maintenance of Live Stock (Ireland) (Lamb) 1918.

Order was read from the Department prohibiting the  
slaughter or export of female lambs, except in special cases,  
particulars of which were given.

The order was initialed

### Notices

The usual notices were served by Mr J. T. Clinton, V.S., in  
the case of lambs suffering from sheep scab and consigned  
to England by Mr Patrick McNamee, Gubbaaney, and detained  
at Dundalk Port by the Postal Inspector.

Chairman.

## Executive Committee.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee at their meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk, on

Monday, 9th December, 1918, subsequent to Meeting of Finance Committee held at one o'clock.

Present. In the Chair: P. Mehta, Esq., J.P.  
Other Members: Sir Vere Foster, Bart. Esq.; J. Wynne, J.P.  
P. Woods, J.P.; M. Meade; J. O'Rourke; J.P. Kearney;  
W. Woods, J.P.; J. F. Murphy, J.P.; and T. B. Macardle, Esq.,  
Esquires. B. Finegan, J. Dolan, P. Donagan Esquires.

The Minutes of the previous meeting of the Committee were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

### Veterinary Inspectors' Reports.

Mr J. T. Blinton reported that he had dealt with two outbreaks of sheep scab during the month of November, viz: James Brown, Carlingford; 14 sheep, and J. Woods, Carrickmacross, 24 sheep. All of the animals had been dipped and the usual precautions taken.

Mr A. A. Donnelly reported that during October he dealt with three outbreaks of sheep scab. In two of the cases the animals had been brought into the town from County Meath. In the third case the animals had been purchased in Ardee fair and were detected at Drogheda Port. With the consent of the owner all the animals, both diseased and in-contact were slaughtered in the local abattoir.

During November he had two outbreaks of sheep scab in his district. In one case all the animals, sixty in number were slaughtered, and the premises disinfected. In the other case the animals were treated by dipping.

The forms of notification in these cases were submitted and initialled.

### Sheep Dipping - Autumn Period 1918.

The Secretary submitted return showing losses and profits on the various County tanks during the Autumn Dipping Period as follows:

Losses: Knockbridge 6/1; Ballymackenny £19.12.2;  
Ravensdale and Annaloughan £6.14.0;  
Aghameen £3.8.8.

Profits: Ardee £4.16.2; Carlingford £4.5.0;  
Corrakit £3.1.9.

Net loss £17.18.0. Number of sheep dipped in Council's tanks 13,202.

The Return was initialled.

P. Mehta  
Chairman.

## Executive Committee.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee at their Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk, on

Monday, 12th day of May, 1919, at 1.30 o'clock, p.m.

Present: In the Chair: P. McGeer, Esq., J.P.  
Other Members: P. Woods, J.P.; J. Wynne, J.P.; J. McGeer, J.P. and M. Mc Ardle, Esquires.

The Minutes of the previous meeting of the Committee were taken as read and signed.

## Report

The only report received was that of M. Donnelly for the month of March, in which he stated that no outbreaks of contagious diseases had occurred in his district during the period.

## Ardee Veterinary Inspector.

The Department wrote on 8th May No. 1110/19, approving of the County Council's appointment of Mr O. D. Keary, M.R.C.V.S. Ardee, as Veterinary Inspector for the Ardee No. Rural District under the Diseases of Animals Acts at the salary of Thirty pounds (£30) per annum.

## Arrangements for Dipping.

The following arrangements for the summer and autumn dippings at the various tanks were recommended for approval by the County Council.

### Ballymakenny.

Remuneration: One penny per sheep and one half penny per lamb, with eight shillings per week as local Inspector. The Secretary to arrange for superintending.

Local Committee: Messrs P. Donagan, J.P.; P. Callan, J.P.

<sup>J. Callan</sup> Joseph Dolan; O. J. Rath, J.P.; and N. J. Murphy, J.P.  
7 weeks during year @ £1.10.0 + 8/- as local Inspector

Ardee: Superintendent: William Leonard, 28/- per week, and 4/- per week as local Inspector.

Local Committee: Messrs P. McGeer, J.P.; J. McGeer, J.P.; James McDonnell, Mullacloe; R. Stokes, Ardee; J. C. Kieran, J.P. Ardee.

Knockbridge: Superintendent: Thomas McArdle:

28/- per week and 4/- per week as local Inspector.

Local Committee: Messrs J. F. Murphy, J.P.; M. McArdle; B. L. Coleman, J.P.; and B. Hughes, Newtown.

Aghameen: Superintendent: Owen Keenan.

Remuneration at the rate of one penny per sheep and one half penny per lamb, with 5/- weekly as local Inspector.

Local Committee: Messrs J. H. McArdle, J.P.; P. Woods, J.P. B. Finnegan and P. Connolly.

Barlingford: Superintendent: Hugh McKeivitt.

Remuneration: One penny per sheep and one half penny per lamb and 4/- per week as local Inspector.

Local Committee: Messrs W. Woods, J.P.; J. P. Kearney; P. Woods, J.P. and M. O'Hara, J.P.

Omeath: Superintendent: Owen Traynor:

Remuneration: One penny per sheep and one halfpenny per lamb, and 4/- per week as Local Inspector.

Local Committee: Messrs W. Woods, J.P.; J.P. Kearney, P. Woods, J.P. and M. O'Meara, J.P.

It was decided that no tank would be set at either Ravensdale or Annaloughan this year, as no sheep were dipped in the tank at either place last year.

It was unanimously decided that the dip to be used in the Council's tanks during the year should be "Highland" as last year, and the Secretary was directed to procure quotations for supplies.

James Wynne  
Chairman.

## Executive Committee

Minutes of proceedings of the Executive Committee at their meeting held in the Council Chambers Court on

Monday, 26th May, 1919, at 1.30 o'clock, p.m.

Present: In the Chair: J. Wynne, Esq., J.P.  
Other Members: J. T. Melger, J.P.; S. Feehan, P. Woods, J.P., L. Goodman, and W. Woods, J.P., Esquires.

The minutes of the previous meeting of the Committee were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

## Tenders for Dip.

The following tenders for "Highland" Dip for the Council's Tanks during the Summer and Autumn dipping periods, 1919, were tabled:-

Messrs P. Melgorish & Co, Dundalk,	14/3	per dozen packets;
H. Backhouse & Co, Ltd,	13/-	" " "
Patrick Ward,	14/-	" " "
J. Barney, Ardee	12/8	" " "
Patrick Melger,	13/2	" " "
J. McCutcheon	13/3	" " "

The tender of Mr J. Barney at 12/8 per dozen, being the lowest received, was accepted, and it was unanimously agreed that he should supply the dip for the entire County, same as last year's contractor.

## Ballymakenny Tank.

The Secretary reported that, as instructed at last meeting, he had written Mr M. McQuillan, asking whether he would accept the position of Superintendent at Ballymakenny Tank for the coming seasons, at the remuneration of one penny per sheep and one halfpenny per lamb for all sheep dipped at the tank. Reply was read from Mr McQuillan stating he would not be a candidate for the position.

The Secretary was directed to convene a meeting of the Ballymakenny Local Committee for Thursday next, to make arrangements for the working of the tank, their decision to be final and to be acted upon.

## Ardee Tank.

The Secretary stated that the Ardee Tank Superintendent had reported that a new drainer was necessary. After discussion, Mr J. T. McGeer was asked to arrange for repairs to the drainer, as it was agreed that a new one was not yet required.

The Secretary was directed to invite quotations for the supply of water to this tank, from Messrs J. Breen, and L. Ballan, Ardee; Thomas Martin, Riverstown, and Thomas Conlon, Ardee, the lowest tender to be accepted.

## Orders.

Order of the Department re Modification of Live Stock Restrictions, and re Parasitic Nanges, were tabled and initialled.

## Sheep Scab.

Forms relative to Scab in Sheep, the property of E. McVally, were submitted from Mr J. T. Clinton, and initialled.

The Secretary was directed to write Mr Clinton for his report for the month of April, and ask him to send in his report for May immediately the month ended.

P. M. J.

Chairman.

## Executive Committee.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee at their meeting held in the Court House, Dundalk, on

Tuesday, 10th June, 1919, at 1.30 o'clock, p.m.

Present: In the Chair: Mc Gee, Esq., J.P.

Other Members: J. T. Mc Gee, J.P.; J. Wynne, J.P.; R. L. Coleman, J.P.; W. Woods, J.P.; and B. Hamill, J.P., Esquires.

The Minutes of the previous meeting of the Committee were taken as read, and signed by the Chairman.

## Ballymakenny Tank.

The Secretary stated he had called a meeting of the above Tank Committee both in Dundalk and Drogheda, and had failed to secure a quorum. The business to be transacted was the question of appointment of a Superintendent. Michael McQuellan had declined the position, which he had been offered at the remuneration of one penny per sheep and one half penny per lamb for sheep dipped at the tank, and stated besides that he could not this year take the position on any terms. Thomas Ballan, of Ballymakenny, had offered to do the work for thirty shillings per week, and J. J. Kerr, last year's superintendent, had requested the same terms for the work.

After consideration, it was decided to offer the position to J. J. Kerr at twentyeight shillings per

week, with four shillings as Local Inspector, and if he refused, that the position be offered to Thomas Ballan.

As there was a considerable loss on this particular tank last year, it was unanimously agreed that it be set for three weeks only during the Summer and for four weeks only during the Autumn period this year. It was also decided that the Secretary be empowered to get the work done on the best terms.

## Knockbridge and Ardee Tanks.

Application was read from Thomas McArdle, Superintendent at Knockbridge tank, for an increase of wages. In reply to the Chairman, the Secretary stated that the Ardee tank superintendent, William Leonard, had been paid twentyeight shillings per week for the Autumn period last year. Before that he had been receiving twentyfive shillings per week, same as Thomas McArdle.

It was unanimously agreed that the wages of both the Knockbridge and Ardee tank superintendents be twentyeight shillings per week during both periods of the year, with the usual allowances of four shillings per week as Local Inspectors.

## Water for Ardee Tank.

The tender of Thomas Conlon, John Street, Ardee, for the supply of water to Ardee tank at ten pence per load, being the only one received, was accepted.

## Report.

Mr Donnelly, V.S., reported that there had been no outbreak of infectious diseases in his district during the month of May.

A. H. Hill

Chairman.

## Executive Committee

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee at their meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk, on

Monday, 1st September, 1919 at 1.30 o'clock p.m.

Present: In the Chair: C. McJee, Esq., J.P.  
Other Members: B. Finnegan, S. Tishan, J. J. Murphy, J.P.;  
W. Woods, J.P.; J. Wynne, J.P. and McKeever, Esquires.

The minutes of the previous meeting of the Committee were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

## Reports

Mr O. D. Neary, V.S. wrote that he had nothing of importance to report for the month of July.

Mr A. A. Donnelly, V.S. reported one outbreak of sheep scab in the month of July and another in August. In each case the diseased sheep and the in-contacts had been slaughtered.

Mr J. J. Clinton, V.S., reported that during August an outbreak of scab in a lot of 190 lambs occurred. The affected animals were slaughtered and the in-contacts were dipped on two occasions before being shipped to England.

The reports were initialled.

## Aghameen and Ravensdale Inspection.

An application from Owen Keenan for an increase on his present allowance (5/- weekly) for inspection of work in the Aghameen District was referred to the local committee.

The question of appointing a local Inspector for the Ravensdale District was also referred to the local committee.

## Sheep Dipping Expenditure

The Secretary tabled statement showing receipts and expenditure at the council's tanks during the Summer Dipping Period.

The following tanks showed a profit:

Ardee £18.11.7 and Barlingford £2.18.11.

The following showed a loss:

Ballymakenny £6.6.5; Knockbridge £1.2.2; Aghameen £4.9.9 and Omeath 0/-.

Adding cost of printing and repairs the nett loss on the working of the tanks for Summer 1919 was £2.9.1 as against a loss of £19.1.9 for the same period last year. This was considered satisfactory, and the return was initialled.

## Sheep Dipping Defaulters.

The Sergeant in charge of the Ballymascanlon R.I.B. Barracks reported that two sheep owners had failed to give notice to the police of their intention to dip their sheep, so that while the dipping may have been carried out, the local Inspector was not in attendance. The committee directed the Secretary to inform the

defaulters that if the requisite forms showing that the sheep had been dipped were furnished, no further action would be taken.

The police reported that four other sheep owners in the same district had not notified the police of their intention to dip their sheep, but had informed the local Inspector, and the dippings had been duly carried out under supervision. It was decided by the committee that no action be taken in these cases.

## Notices

Copy Notice of withdrawal of Detention Order in the case of Mary Sands, and Copy Notice of Detention for Slaughter of Sheep the property of Thomas Brannigan, were tabled and initialled.

## Importation Order.

Order suspending as from 4th August, 1919, the Importation (Sheep from Scotland) Order 1916 (No. 3) was received from the Department and initialled.

James Wynne  
Chairman. 12/1/20

## Aghameen and Ravensdale Tank Committee.

Minutes of Proceedings of above Committee at their meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk, on

Monday, 8th September, 1919, at the hour of 12.30 o'clock, p.m.

Present: In the Chair: B. Linnegan, Esq.  
Other Members: Mr P. Connolly, J.P., and afterwards Mr P. McGeer, J.P., Chairman of the Council.

The Committee met to consider matters referred to them by the Executive Committee, namely, the application of Mr Owen Keenan, Aghameen Local Inspector and Dipping Superintendent for an increase on present rate of wages (5/- weekly) as Local Inspector; and also the question of local inspections in the Ravensdale District.

It was decided after discussion to appoint a local Inspector for the Ravensdale District for the balance of the Autumn Dipping Period, and the Secretary was directed to endeavour to arrange with Thomas McDermott, former Inspector, at a salary not exceeding 10/- weekly.

The wages of Owen Keenan as Local Inspector was considered and it was decided to recommend an increase of 2/- (two shillings) weekly.

Chairman

## Executive Committee

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee at their Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk, on Monday 17th January 1920 at the hour of 1.30 o'clock p.m.

Present:-

In the Chair:- J. Wynne Esq., J.P.

Others present:-

J. O'Rourke. J. J. Murphy J.P. J. Morgan, S. Fehaw, and L. Goodman, Esquires

The Minutes of the previous Meeting were taken as read and signed by the Chairman

## Bovine Tuberculosis (Ireland) Order 1914

Letter was read from the Department dated 22nd December 1919 No. VB 3718/9 enclosing copy of above Order, which, revokes the Suspension of the Tuberculosis (Ireland) Order of 1914 as from 1st January 1920, when the Order comes into operation again, under the title of the Bovine Tuberculosis (Ireland) Order 1.

After discussion the Order was unanimously adopted, and the resumption of the duties of all officers concerned, was ordered.

The Secretary was directed to forward to Mr. O.D. Neary, V.D. Ardee District, the instruments - purchased by the Council for the use of the late Mr Maxwell, V.S. in carrying out tests under the order.

## Reports

Mr. A. A. Donnelly V.S. Drogheda reported that during December, there was no outbreak of contagious Disease in his district, and no animals were under restrictions

Mr. O. D. Healy V.S. Ardee, reported similarly regarding his district.

No report was received from Mr. J. P. Chinton V.S. Dundalk, and the Secretary was directed to write for same.

## Sheep Dipping (Autumn) 1919

The Secretary submitted statement showing Profits and Losses on the various public tanks set by the Council during the Autumn Dipping Period 1919, as follows.

### Profits:-

<u>Ardee</u>	£ 7. 18. 8.
<u>Castlingford</u>	6. 15. 6.

### Losses:-

<u>Aghameen</u>	£ 6. 7. 4.
<u>Knockbridge</u>	9. 7. 6.
<u>Ballymakeeny</u>	7. 17. 6.
<u>Omeath</u>	3. 19. 9.

In addition the sum of £5 had been paid for local inspections in Ravensdale District, but no tank had been set there, and, consequently there were no receipts

The Statement was read and initialled.

P. H. J. L.

## Executive Committee.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee at their meeting held in the Council Chamber Court House, Dundalk on Monday, 10<sup>th</sup> May, 1920 at the hour of 1.30 o'clock p.m.

Present:- In the Chair:- P. M'Gee Esq. J.P.  
Other Members J. Wynne J.P., J. McCarthy J.P., J. Goodman J.P., J. F. Murphy J.P., W. Woods J.P., B. Finnegan, J. J. M'Gee, J.P., M. Meade and J. O'Rourke, Esquires.

The minutes of the previous meeting were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

The Committee met to arrange for the Dipping of Sheep at the Council's Tanks during the coming season.

The Secretary stated that he had requested tenders for Highland Dip from the merchants in the County and had received same as follows:- J. Carney, Ardee, 11/4 per dozen plus 3/6 for cases. N. Backhouse & Co. 17/9 per dozen. Mr. J. Healy, Drogheda quoted for Cooper's and Mc Donagall's Dip but stated he could not quote for "Highland". The tender of Mr. J. Carney @ 11/4 plus 3/6 per case was accepted.

and the Secretary was directed to try and arrange for an allowance for the return of empty cases.

It was decided that tanks be set as last year, at Ardee, Knockbridge, Ballymakenny, Aghameen, Carlingford, and Omeath, and that last year's Inspectors be appointed to carry out the dipping at each, and also to superintend the private dipping in their districts, at the same remuneration as last year.

The Secretary stated that the charges for dipping last year were 2<sup>3</sup>/<sub>2</sub> for large sheep, and 2 for small sheep & lambs. Owing to increased cost of dip the Committee decided to increase the rate by 1/2 all round, for the coming season, making the charge for large sheep 3, and for small sheep & lamb 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>.

### Veterinary Inspectors' Reports.

The Reports of Messrs Clinton, Donnelly, & Neary the Veterinary Inspectors for, Dundalk, Drogheda, and, Ardee respectively were read and initialed.

Seamus E. O'Murphy

Chairman

### Executive Committee

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee at their meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk on Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> August 1920 at the hour of 4.30 o'clock p.m.,

Present. In the Chair:- James Murphy Esq.  
Other Members:- P. J. Butler, M. Campbell, H. Collier, P. J. Daly, Patrick J. Hughes, Peter Hughes, C. P. Kearney, J. P. Kearney, J. Chievan, M. Keivan, J. H. McArdle, P. McArdle, G. McDough, James McEill and Peter Woods, and Alderman Philip Hanahan.

The minutes of the previous meeting of the Committee were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

Veterinary Inspectors' Reports. Reports were read from Mr O. D. Neary, V.S. Ardee District, stating that 10 cases were reported to him during the month of July. Mr H. A. Donnelly, V.S. Drogheda District reported that one case of Sheep scab in his district during the month of July, and that the diseased animal was slaughtered and the in-contacts dipped twice under his supervision and that he had now withdrawn the restrictions on the farm.

No Report was received from Mr J. D. Clinton V.S. and the Secretary was directed to request him to send in his receipt for the month of July at once.

Application from Ardee Knockbridge Dipping  
Superintendents:-

A joint application from William Leonard, Ardee, and Thomas McArdle, Knockbridge, for increase of wages was read. The returns of the Dippings at the two tanks were inspected by the Committee and it was found that during the present year's Summer period 4054 Sheep and lambs were dipped at Ardee, and 1872 at Knockbridge.

After discussion, on the motion of Mr McCampbell, seconded by Mr McKiernan, it was decided to recommend that William Leonard receives 35/- per week as Dipping Superintendent and 5/- per week as local Inspector, and that Thomas McArdle's wages remain as at present viz 28/- per week as Dipping Superintendent, and 4/- per week as local Inspector.

Mr Peter Hughes dissented from this decision as he moved to have both dippers placed on the same footing as to wages.

Water for Ardee Tank:- An application was read from Thomas Cohnon, the Contractor for the supply of water to Ardee Tank for an increase from 10<sup>d</sup> to 11/- per load, and on the motion of Mr McCampbell, seconded by Mr McKiernan it was decided to recommend the increase.

Carlingford Tank Site An application from Mr Donnelly for an increased rent for the site of Carlingford Tank was referred to the local Committee.

Local Committees:- The Secretary was directed to convene a meeting of the Executive Committee for Monday 30th August 1920 for the appointment of local Committees for the County Council tanks.

Seamus E. O'Meara  
Chairman

## Executive Committee.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee at their meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk, 30th August 1920. subsequent to Finance meeting held at 4.30 o'clock. pm.

Present:- In the Chair J. E. Murphy Esq.  
Other Members:- McGuill, M Campbell, CP Kearney, M J Keenan, Peter Hughes, P Deery, N. J. Murphy JP, Patrick Hughes, JP Kearney, J Mc Ardle, P. Woods, C. D. Neary and T. J. McGahan JP. Esquires

The Minutes of the previous meeting were taken as read and signed by the Chairman

The following Committees were appointed to supervise, the working of the Council's Tanks, and to report on the working of the Tanks. at the end of the period

Ards:- Messrs P. McGee, J. McGee, James McDonnell, J. Keenan, CP Kearney, and M Campbell.

M. M. Campbell, to act as Secretary.

Ballymakenny:- Messrs P. Donegan, P. Callan, Joseph Dolan, D. J. Rath, N. J. Murphy, P. J. Butler, C. McDonough.  
M. Murphy to act as Secretary.

Knockbridge:- Messrs J. Murphy, M. Mc Ardle, B. Coleman, Bernard Hughes, C. Neary, J. McGinness

M. Neary to act as Secretary.

Aghameen:- J. Mc Ardle, P. Woods, B. Finnegan, P.

Connolly, M. P. Woods to act as Secretary.

Carlingford & Meath. Messrs:- W. Woods, JP Kearney, P. Woods, M. O'Meara, M. Hardy and M. O'Hanlon M. Hardy to act as Secretary.

Application from Owen Keenan, Superintendent Aghameen for revision of wages was referred to the Local Committee for a report.

Signed E. O'Murphy

Chairman

## Executive Committee

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee at their meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk, on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November, 1920 after Finance Committee meeting.

Present:- In the Chair:- J. J. McGee Esq.  
Other members:- J Byrne, McCampbell, C.P. Kearney, J. Keenan, Mr Keenan, Mr Guinness and J Stanley Esquires.

The minutes of the previous meeting were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

Veterinary Inspector's Reports:- Mr A. H. Donnelly (note) reported that during the month of September he had one outbreak of Sheep Scab, particulars of which were submitted. He stated that he had been called to examine Sheep, the property of Mrs Inthill, Lisstoke, Drogheda, which were suffering from skin lesions, the result of dipping at the Coumab tank, in a bath, in which the Dip had not been sufficiently diluted. Letter in this matter was also read from Mrs Inthill.

Both report & letter were referred to the Ballymakenny Tank Committee.

Mr Neary wrote that there were no cases reported to him during the month of September

various forms in connection with outbreak in the Drogheda & Dundalk Districts were submitted and intalled.

Mr N. J. Murphy, Hon<sup>or</sup>ary Secretary, Ballymakenny Local Tank Committee, wrote he had called a meeting of the Committee, at which only himself & Mr P. Butler attended. He suggested that the members of the old Committee be written to and asked whether they would be prepared to act. The Secretary was directed accordingly.

No order was made on an application of Mr John Donnelly for an increase from £2. to £4 per rent of Tank site at Carlingford.

The recommendations of the Aghameen Tank Committee that the wages of Owen Keenan be increased from 5/- to 7/- per week, as Local Inspector for Aghameen district and that he receive <sup>10/-</sup> for works as Local Inspector in Ravensdale District were adopted.

Mr W. Hardy, Honorary Secretary Omeath Tank Committee wrote that the hurdles of the Tank required repairing. It was decided that as the dipping period was practically at an end the work be left over till next year.

Patrick D. O'Dea  
Chairman

## Executive Committee.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee at their meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> day of May 1921, subsequent to Finance Meeting.

Present: In the Chair:- Peter Hughes Esq.,  
Other Members:- J. J. McGee, J. Kieran, M. Campbell, John Kearney, M. Kieran, P. Woods, P. J. Daly, P. J. Butterly & Mr Cunniss A. Collier, and J. F. Donegan Esquires.

The Minutes of the previous meeting of the Committee were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

Ballymakenny Tank Site:- Letter was read from Messrs Gerrard & Co., Solicitors, Drogheda, stating that Mr Norris, of Ballymakenny, from whom the Council rented a site for their Dipping Tank, now required same for his own use, and asked when he could have possession. The Secretary was directed to reply that possession would be given up at the end of this year's Dipping Season.

Ardee Tank:- With reference to complaint recently made by the Ardee Rural Council, William Leonard wrote, that he had complied with the Council's request to lock the Gate

leading to the Dipping Tank.

Supplies of Dip:- The only tender received for Dip was that of Mr J. Carney, Ardee, who tendered at 15/7 per dozen to Drogheda and 16/- per dozen to Ardee and Dundalk. The tender was accepted.

Dipping Forms:- The Department wrote that they were arranging for the supply of the necessary forms, in connection with the Sheep Dipping to Local Authorities, as well as to the Police.

Dipping Arrangements:- The following Committees were appointed to supervise the Dipping arrangements in the various Districts and the Dipping Superintendents named were appointed at the wages set out:-

## Tank Committees.

Ardee Messrs P. McGee, J. J. McGee, Jas. McDonnell, J. C. Kieran, C. P. Kearney & M. Campbell.  
M. Campbell Secretary.  
Dipper William Leonard 35/- . 5/- Local Inspector.  
~~Water Supply. This Conton 1/- per load~~

<sup>See next page</sup>  
Carlingford Messrs William Woods.  
J. P. Kearney, John Rice, M. Hardy, Mr O'Hanlon, P. Woods.  
Dipper Hugh McKeivitt @ 1<sup>st</sup> a Sheep

½ Lamb. + 4/- as Local Inspector.

Ballymakenny:- Messrs J. Donegan, Jm Govern,  
Jas McDonnell, P Butlerly & G.  
McDonagh, D. Rath & T. J. Murphy.  
A. Murphy Secretary.

Dipper Thos Callan 30/- per week, for  
3 weeks Summer + 4 weeks Autumn  
8/- as Local Inspector for Seasons.

Knockbridge:- Messrs J. Murphy, Mm Ardle,  
B. L. Coleman, B. Hughes, C J Neary,  
& Jm Guinness  
C J Neary Secretary.

Dipper Thos M Ardle, 28/- per week  
4/- as Local Inspector.

Aghameen:- Messrs Jm Ardle, P. Woods, B. Finnegan  
P. Connolly.

P. Woods Secretary  
Dipper O Keenan, Fees of Sheep &  
½ Lamb. + 7/- as Local Inspector  
10/- for Ravensdale District Inspections

Dipping Fees:- The Committee fixed the charges  
for dipping at 3/- per Large Sheep  
2½/- for Small Sheep & Lambs as  
last year.

Omeath:- Owen Treanor as Dipper and Local  
Inspector at same terms as Corlingford.  
1½/- Sheep & 1½/- Lamb + 4/- as Local Inspector

Chairman

Seamus E. O'Murphy

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## Executive Committee.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive  
Committee at their meeting held in the Council  
Chamber, Court House, Dundalk on Monday  
22nd. May, 1922, at 4 o'clock pm.

Present:- In the Chair:- Alderman James E. Murphy, D.  
Other Members:- J. C. Kiran, M. Campbell, P. McEee,  
P. J. Daly, Y. J. Donegan, Peter Woods, and J. Coburn,  
Esquires.

The Minutes of the previous meeting  
of the Committee were taken as read and signed by  
the Chairman.

Reports were read from Messrs O. D. Neary  
& J. T. Chilton, stating that no cases of infectious  
diseases had occurred in their districts during  
the past month.

No report was received from Mr A. A.  
Donnelly, and the Secretary was directed  
to apply for same.

Letter was read from the Department  
requesting the Local Authority to take all necessary  
steps to enforce the Sheep Dipping regulations, which  
within recent years have not been observed as they  
should be in the interest of Sheep Industry.

The Secretary was directed to ask the  
Police Authorities to co-operate with the Council and  
its officers in carrying out the regulations, & it was

also decided to ask them to arrange for the distribution of the various forms, as was done by the old Police force. It was also decided to authorise the Police to enforce the Regulations

On the motion of:- J. C. Keenan, Esq.,  
Seconded by:- M. Campbell, Esq.

It was decided to discontinue the use of "Highland Dip" and to use the Irish Sheep Dip, manufactured by the Irish Disinfectants Company, Dublin which had been approved by the Department. The Secretary was directed to procure quotations and to place order for same.

Dipping Arrangements:- The following Committees were appointed to supervise the dipping arrangements in the various districts and the Dipping Superintendents named were appointed at the wages set out. It was also decided that the Local Committees in conjunction with the Superintendents should arrange a scheme for the more effective inspections of Private Dippings

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Ardle:- Messrs P. McEee, J. J. McEee, James McDonnell, J. C. Keenan, C. P. Kearney and M. Campbell.  
Mr. M. Campbell, Secretary.

Dipper - W. Leonard, 35/- 15/- Local Inspector.

Carlingford:- Messrs W. Woods, J. P. Kearney, P. Woods, John Rice, M. Hardy and M. O' Hanlon.  
Mr. M. Hardy, Secretary

Dipper - Hugh McKevitt, at 1<sup>st</sup> Shep. 2 Lamb and 4/- as Local Inspector.

Ballymakenny:- Messrs J. Donegan, J. McGoveran, Jas. Mc Donnell, D. J. Rath, A. J. Murphy, P. J. Butlerly and G. McDonough.  
Mr. A. J. Murphy, Secretary.

Dipper - Thomas Ballan, 30/- per week for three weeks Summer, 4 weeks autumn, and 8/- as Local Inspector for seasons.

Knockbridge:- Messrs J. F. Murphy, M. Mc Ardle, B. L. Coleman, B. Hughes, C. J. Neary, and J. Mc Guinness.  
Mr. Neary, Secretary.

Dipper - Thomas McArdle, 28/- per week and 4/- as Local Inspector.

Aghameer:- Messrs J. McArdle, P. Woods, B. Donegan, P. Connolly.  
Mr. Woods, Secretary.

Dipper - Owen Keenan, Kes - 1<sup>st</sup> Sheep 2<sup>nd</sup> Lambs, and 4/- as Local Inspector and 10/- for Ravenodale District Inspections.

Omeath:- Owen Leonard as Dipper and Local Inspector at 1<sup>st</sup> Sheep and 2<sup>nd</sup> Lambs and 4/- per week as Local Inspector.

George E. O'Sullivan

Chairman.

## Executive Committee.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee at their Meeting held in the Court House, Dundalk, on Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> May, 1923, and subsequent to Finance Committee Meeting held at 10.30 o'clock a.m.

Present: - In the Chair: - Alderman Murphy, T.D.  
Other Members: - Peter Woods, Peter Hughes, T.D., and B. Hamill, Esquires.

The Minutes of the previous Meeting of the Committee were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

Sheep Dipping Order: - Mr. J. I. Clinton, V.L. wrote suggesting that the Council should take steps to have the Sheep Dipping Order properly carried out during the coming Dipping Seasons. For the last few years the Order had not been satisfactorily complied with, and he believed that many cases of scab were not reported.

He suggested that the Council should order every sheep owner in the County to make a return of the number of sheep in his possession on a particular date, and that all sheep should be dipped in the Council's tanks, and that no private dipping should be allowed.

Consideration of the matter was adjourned.

Appointment of Inspectors etc was ordered to be placed on Agenda for next Executive Meeting to be held on 22<sup>nd</sup> May.

Letter re Trespass on Ardee Sewage Tanks was adjourned.

George Woods  
Chairman.

## Executive Committee.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee at their Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk, on Tuesday, the 22<sup>nd</sup> Inst, 1923, at 4 o'clock p.m.

Present - in the Chair: - Peter Hughes, Esq. T.D.  
Other Members: - J. C. Kieran, M. Campbell, P. J. Daly and P. Woods, Esquires.

The Minutes of the previous Meeting of the Committee were taken as read, and signed by the Chairman.

Complaint was read from the Ardee No. 1 Rural District Council that owing to the gate leading to the Ardee Dipping Tank being left unlocked, trespass and injury to the Sewage Tanks had taken place.

The Secretary was directed to instruct the Dipping Superintendent that when the Tank is not being used the gate must be kept locked, and the key handed to Mr. Vincent Mathews.

Sheep Dipping Arrangements: - The Secretary was directed to ask the Superintendent of the Civic Guard whether the Guard would undertake the duties formerly discharged by the R.D.C. with regard to Sheep Dipping.

The following appointments of Superintendents and Committees were made, and the Secretary was directed to inform the Superintendents that they must make a monthly return of inspections of private dippings: -

### Tank Committees, 1923.

Ardee: - Messrs P. McGee, J. J. McGee, James McDonnell, J. C. Kieran, C. P. Kearney and M. Campbell.

Mr. M. Campbell, Secretary.

Dipper - W. Leonard, 35/- per week and 5/- as local Inspector.

Carlingford: - Messrs W<sup>m</sup>. Woods, J. P. Kearney, P. Woods, John Rice, M. Hardy and M. O'Hanlon

Mr. M. Hardy, Secretary.

Dipper - Hugh McKeivitt, at 1d. Sheep and 2d. Lamb, and 4/- as Local Inspector.

Ballymakenny: - Messrs J. Donegan, J. McGovern, Jas. McDonnell, D. J. Rath, H. J. Murphy, P. J. Butterly and G. McDonough.

Mr. H. J. Murphy, Secretary.

Dipper - Thomas Callan, 30/- per week for three weeks summer and four weeks autumn, and 8/- as Local Inspector for seasons.

Knockbridge: - Messrs J. F. Murphy, M. Mc Ardle,  
B. L. Coleman, B. Hughes, C. J. Heary and J. McLurison.

W. Heary, Secretary

Dipper - Thomas Mc Ardle, 28/- per week and 4/-  
as Local Inspector.

Aghameen: - Messrs J. H. Mc Ardle, P. Woods,  
B. Finnegan, P. Connolly.

W. Woods, Secretary.

Dipper - P. Keenan. Fees - 1d. Sheep and 2d. Lamb  
and 7/- as Local Inspector, and 10/- for Ravensdale  
District Inspections.

Omeath: - Owen Treanor as Dipper and Local  
Inspector at 1d. Sheep and 2d. Lamb and 4/- per week  
as Local Inspector.

Charges for Dipping were fixed at 3d. for large  
Sheep and 23d. for Small Sheep and Lambs.

The Secretary was directed to procure a supply  
of "I. S. D." Liquid Dip.

No order was made on the letter from Mr. Clinton  
V. S., which was read at last meeting of the Committee  
and Consideration adjourned.

Chairman

## Executive Committee.

Minutes of Proceeding of the Executive  
Committee at their Meeting held in the Council  
Chamber, Court House, Dundalk, on Monday  
5<sup>th</sup> May, 1924.

Present: - In the Chair: - Aldermen Murphy, T.D.  
Other Members: - Mr. Campbell, P. Woods,  
T. Butterly, C. P. Kearney, P. Hughes, T.D.,  
P. McGee, J. F. Murphy, James Coburn,  
J. McGuill, G. McDonough, Mr. J. Keeran,  
and P. J. Daly, Esquires.

The Minutes of the previous Meeting  
of the Committee were taken as read and  
signed by the Chairman.

Dip: - The Secretary was directed to ask  
the manufacturers of I. S. D. Dip whether  
they had yet put a powder Dip on the market,  
and if so to request the Analysis of same.  
The Committee considered the liquid I. S. D.  
unsatisfactory.

The following arrangements for the Coming  
Dipping Seasons were unanimously approved.

## Tank Committees, 1924.

Ardee: - Messrs P. McGee, J. F. McGee, James McDonnell,  
J. C. Keeran, C. P. Kearney and Mr. Campbell.

Mr. M. Campbell, Secretary.

Dipper - W. Leonard, 35/- per week and 5/- as Local Inspector

Carlingford: - Messrs Wm Woods, J. P. Kearney, P. Woods, John Rice, M. Hardy and M. O'Hanlon.

Mr. M. Hardy, Secretary.

Dipper Bond. McKerritt, at 1d Sheep and 2d Lamb, and 4/- as Local Inspector.

Ballymakenny: - Messrs J. Donegan, J. McGovern, Jas McDonnell, D. J. Rath, G. S. Murphy, P. J. Buttery, and G. McDonough.

G. S. Murphy, Secretary.

Dipper - Thomas Callan, 30/- per week for three weeks summer and four weeks autumn, and 8/- as Local Inspector for seasons.

Knockbridge: - Messrs J. F. Murphy, M. McElrath, B. L. Coleman, B. Hughes, C. J. Heary & J. McEunnes.

Mr. H. Heary, Secretary.

Dipper - Thomas McElrath, 28/- per week and 4/- as Local Inspector.

Aghameen: - Messrs J. H. McElrath, P. Woods, B. Funnigan, P. Connolly.

Mr. Woods, Secretary.

Dipper - P. Keenan, Fees - 1d Sheep and 2d Lamb and 7/- as Local Inspector, and 7/- for Ravensdale District Inspections.

Omeath - Owen Treanor as Dipper and Local Inspector at 1d Sheep and 2d Lamb and 4/- per week as Local Inspector.

Charges for Dipping were fixed at 3d for large Sheep and 2d for small Sheep and Lambs.

Samuel E. O'Connell

Chairman

## Executive Committee.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee at their meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May, 1925.

Present:— In the Chair:— Alderman Murphy, J.D.  
Other Members:— Mr. Campbell, P. Mc Gee, J. C. Keran, P. Woods, P. McDonough, J. T. Mc Gee, J. T. McGahon, Mr. J. Keran, and P. Butterley Esquires.

The Minutes of the previous meeting of the Committee were taken as read, and signed by the Chairman.

The Committee met to make arrangements for Sheep Dipping Periods 1925.

It was agreed that as the present Council goes out of office before the Autumn Dipping Period begins, arrangements for the Summer Period only should be made.

Tenders for Dip:— For the supply of Dip the following tenders were received and Messrs Backhouse & Co, Dundalk were declared Contractors being the lowest.

<u>L. J. Healy, Drogheda.</u>	14/6 per doz	see Stores
<u>J. McLutcheon, Ardee.</u>	14/9	" Cge Paid
<u>J. Carney, Ardee.</u>	14/9	" "
<u>A. Backhouse &amp; Co Ltd, Dundalk.</u>	14/0 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>3</sub>	" " to Ardee
	14/2 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>3</sub>	" " Drogheda
	13/10 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>3</sub>	" " Carlingford
	13/11 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>3</sub>	" " Omeath

The following Inspectors & Superintendents at the Wages stated were appointed.

Ardee:— W. Leonard 35/- per week & 5/- as Local Inspector.  
Carlingford:— B. MacKivitt @ 1<sup>d</sup> per sheep & 2 per lamb dipped, & 4/- as Local Inspector.

Ballymakenny:— Thomas Callan @ 30/- per week for 3 weeks in summer period and 8/- as Local Inspector.

Knockbridge:— J. Mc Ardle @ 28/- per week and 4/- as Local Inspector.

Aghameen:— P. Keenan @ 1<sup>d</sup> per sheep and 2<sup>d</sup> per lamb dipped and 7/- as Local Inspector for Aghameen and 7/- for Ravenusdale.

Omeath:— Owen Brennan @ 1<sup>d</sup> per sheep + 2<sup>d</sup> per lamb dipped and 4/- per week as Local Inspector.

The Charges for Dipping were fixed at 3<sup>d</sup> for Large Sheep and 2<sup>d</sup> for Small Sheep and Lambs.

James T. McFee  
Chairman

## Executive Committee

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee, at their meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk on Monday, <sup>27<sup>th</sup> July 1925</sup> subsequent to meetings of Finance and Proposal Committees.

Present:- In the Chair:- J. T. Mc Kee, Esq.

Other Members:- Mrs. Markey, Mrs. Campbell and D. Blundell, J. Brown, J. Butcherly, M. Campbell, P. Carroll, M. Connor, P. Deery, P. F. Donegan, J. Duffly, M. Ferguson, J. Hughes, J. P. Kearney, J. F. Murphy, S. McCabe, J. McCarthy, P. McDonnell, P. F. McEalon, P. McKee, P. McGuinness, M. O'Hanlon, W. J. O'Reilly, P. O'Rourke, M. Dringley, H. Reilly, P. Woods and W. Woods, Esquires.

The minutes of the previous meeting of the Committee were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

Letter was read from the Department approving of the arrangements made by the County Council for the Summer Dipping Period, and enquiring whether anything had been done regarding the provision of permanent concrete tanks at Ardee and Dundalk. It was decided that the Ardee Tank in use at present was sufficient for the requirements, and with reference to the tank at Dundalk it was decided that the following should interview the Manager, Dundalk and Heavy Steam Packet Co., regarding the site for same:-  
Messrs. P. F. McEalon, J. Hughes, and P. O'Rourke.

On the motion of Mr. Campbell.  
Seconded by Mr. Carroll.

the Committee decided to approve for the Autumn Dipping Period, of the arrangements made for the Summer Dipping Period. These were as follows:-

Ardee - W. Leonard 35/- per week and 5/- as Local Inspector.

Barlingford - B. McKerr at 1d. per sheep and 1/2d. per lamb dipped, and 4/- as Local Inspector.

Ballymakenny - Thomas Ballan, at 30/- per week for three four weeks in Autumn period, and 8/- as Local Inspector.

Knockbridge - J. McAule, at 28/- per week and 4/- as Local Inspector.

Aghameen - P. Keenan, at 1d. per sheep and 1/2d. per lamb dipped, and 7/- as Local Inspector for Aghameen and 7/- for Ravensdale.

Omeara - Owen Beano, at 1d. per sheep and 1/2d. per lamb dipped, and 4/- per week as Local Inspector.

The charges for dipping were fixed at 3d. for large sheep and 2 1/2d. for small sheep and lambs.

The Tender of Thomas Brannigan, Irish Street, Ardee, accepted for supply of water to Ardee Tank at one shilling per load.

James T. McKee  
Chairman.

Executive Committee

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee at their meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk, on Monday, the 10<sup>th</sup> August, 1925, subsequent to meeting of the Finance Committee, held at 4.30 o'clock, p.m.

Present:- In the Chair:- J. J. Mc Gee, Esq.

Other Members:- Mrs. Markey, Mrs. Campbell and P. J. Buttery, M. Campbell, P. Barrall, M. Connor, P. Deery, J. Duffy, M. Ferguson, J. P. Kearney, J. F. Murphy, J. McCabe, J. McCarthy, J. F. McGahan, P. Mc Gee, P. J. Mc Guinness, W. Quigley, P. Woods, M. O'Hanlon, W. J. O'Reilly and J. O'Rourke, Esquires.

The minutes of the previous meeting of the Committee were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

At last meeting the Committee approved of the continuance during the Autumn Dipping period of the arrangements in force during the Summer Dipping Period. Details of the arrangements had been taken as read, but new members of the Council had subsequently expressed a wish to have them reconsidered. The Secretary read the arrangements, which were as follows:-

Ardee:- W. Leonard, 3s/- per week and 5/- as Local Inspector.

Barlingford:- B. Mc Keitt, at 1d. per sheep and 1/2d. per lamb dipped, and 4/- as Local Inspector.

Ballymakenny:- Thomas Ballan, at 30/- per week for ~~three~~ four weeks in ~~Summer~~ <sup>Autumn</sup> Period, and 8/- as Local Inspector.

Knockbridge:- J. McArdle at 25/- per week and 4/- as Local Inspector.

Aghameen:- P. Keenan, at 1d. per sheep and 1/2d. per lamb dipped, and 7/- as Local Inspector for Aghameen, and 7/- for Ravensdale.

Armeath:- Owen Treanor, at 1d. per sheep and 1/2d. per lamb dipped, and 4/- per week as Local Inspector.

The charges for Dipping were fixed at 3d. for large sheep and 2 1/2d. for small sheep and lambs.

On the motion of J. F. Murphy it was decided that the Knockbridge Tank be open for Public Dipping only during the month of September this year, and that notice accordingly should be given to the Inspector and the public.

Lane at Dundalk Quay:- The Secretary reported that a deputation, consisting of Messrs. McGahan, Hughes and O'Rourke, had visited the premises of the Dundalk and Newry Steam Packet Co., with a view to locating a site for the Dipping Tank which the Department desire to have erected there. The Manager of the Company was not at home on the occasion of their visit, but the Committee selected a site in the paddock grounds which was very suitable, and which would interfere in no way with the Company's requirements. Mr. Patterson had, however, refused permission to put the tank on this site. The Secretary was directed to inform the Department accordingly, and to request a direction.

James J. Mc Gee  
Chairman.

Executive Committee

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee at their meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk on Monday, the 2<sup>nd</sup> May, 1926, subsequent to meeting of Finance Committee held at 10.30 o'clock, a.m.

Present:- In the Chair - J. J. Mc Gee, Esq.

Other Members:- Mrs Markey and J. Bellew, W. Blood, P. J. Butterly, M. Campbell, P. Carroll, P. J. Daly, P. Deery, M. Ferguson, J. Hughes, J. J. Murphy, J. McCabie, P. Mc Donnell, J. J. Mc Galor, P. J. Mc Guinness, J. O'Rourke, H. Reilly and W. Woods, Esquires.

The Minutes of the previous meeting of the Committee were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

The Committee met to make arrangements for Sheep Dipping in the County.

The Secretary was directed to enquire re Irish Dip, and to ask the Department's opinion as to the merit of same.

He was also directed to procure quotations for Dip, and for the supply of water to Ardee Lark.

The following Inspectors and Superintendents, at the wages stated, were appointed:-

Ardee - W. Leonard, 35/- per week and 5/- as Local Inspector.

Carlingford - B. Mc Kevitt, at 1d. per sheep and 1/2d. per lamb dipped, and 4/- as Local Inspector.

Ballymakenny - Thomas Ballan, at 30/- per week for three weeks in Summer period, and 8/- as Local Inspector.

Knockbridge - J. McArdle, at 28/- per week and 4/- as Local Inspector.

Aghameen - P. Keenan, at 1d. per sheep and 1/2d. per lamb dipped, and 7/- as Local Inspector for Aghameen, and 7/- for Ravensdale.

Omearh - Clara Leonard, at 1d. per sheep and 1/2d. per lamb dipped, and 4/- per week as Local Inspector.

The charges for dipping were fixed at 3d. for large sheep and 2 1/2d. for small sheep and lambs.

Chairman.

## Bovine Tuberculosis

The following members were present at a Sub-Committee meeting in connection with above on Monday, 3rd May, 1926:

In the Chair: - J. J. Mc Gee, Esq.

Other members: - Mrs. Markey and D. Blood, J. McCabe, J. Bellew, P. Carroll, J. F. Murphy, M. Campbell, and J. O'Rourke, Esquires.

The Committee met to consider the Bovine Tuberculosis Order under the Diseases of Animals Act. The Order came into force on 1st April 1926.

The Department's letter dealing with the matter was read. It emphasised the necessity for the Order, the carrying out of which should be entrusted to the existing Veterinary Inspectors for the County. The Department suggested the following additions to their salaries for the performance of duties under the Order:-

Mr. Clinton, V.S., £35. Mr. Neary, £25 and Mr. Donnelly £15 per annum.

The Committee, on the motion of Mr. O'Rourke seconded by Mr. Campbell, recommended the adoption of the Order, and the fixing of the above salaries.

Chairman.

## Executive Committee.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee at their meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk, on Monday, 16th May, 1927 subsequent to meeting of Finance Committee held at Eleven o'clock a.m.

Present: - In the Chair: - J. J. Mc Gee, Esq.  
Other Members: - Mr. Markey and Mr. Campbell and J. Browne; D. Blood; Mr. Campbell; P. Carroll; Mr. Connor; P. Deery; J. F. Donegan; J. Duffy; J. McCarthy; J. F. Mc Galor; P. J. McGuinness; R. McDonnell and P. Woods Esquires.

The Minutes of the previous meeting of the Committee were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

Appointments: - The Committee unanimously approved of the appointment of the following Dipping Superintendents and Local Inspectors for the Dipping Season at the remuneration set out:-

Order: - Mr. Leonard 35/- per week as Superintendent, and 5/- per week as Local Inspector.

Knockbridge: - Thomas Mc Ardle 28/- per week as Superintendent, and 4/- per week as Local Inspector.

Ballymakenny: - Thomas Callan 30/- per week for three weeks in Summer period and four weeks in Autumn period, and 8/- per week during Dipping Season as Local Inspector.

Aghameen: - Peter Keenan <sup>d</sup> 1 per sheep and <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> per lamb. 7/- per week as Local Inspector for Aghameen District, and 7/- per week for Ravenhill.

Carlingford: - Bernard McKevitt <sup>d</sup> 1 per sheep and <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> per lamb, and 4/- per week as Local Inspector.

Omeath: - Owen Treanor <sup>d</sup> 1 per sheep and <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> per lamb, and 4/- per week as Local Inspector.

<sup>d</sup> The Charges for Dipping were fixed at 3 per head for large sheep, and 2½ per head for small sheep and lambs.

The Secretary was directed to ask for prices for Burke's Sheep Dip for comparison with those on Trade Department's list.

Chairman.

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## Executive Committee.

Minutes of Proceedings of the above Committee at their meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk, on Monday, 13<sup>th</sup> May, 1929, subsequent to meeting of Finance Committee held at Eleven o'clock, a.m.

The members in attendance at the Finance Meeting were present.

The Minutes of the previous meeting of the Committee were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

The following arrangements for the Dipping Season were approved, detail regarding sites to be dealt with by the Local Committees.

Ardee: - W<sup>m</sup> Leonard 30/- per week as Superintendent, and 5/- per week as Local Inspector.

Knockbridge: - Thomas McArdle 28/- per week as Superintendent and 4/- per week as Local Inspector.

Ballymakenny: - Thomas Callan 20/- per week for three weeks in Summer period, and four weeks in Autumn period, and 8/- per week during Dipping Season as Local Inspector.

Aghameen: - Peter Keenan 1 per sheep and <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> per lamb, 7/- per week as Local Inspector for Aghameen District.

and 7/- per week for Ravensdale.

Carlingford: - Bernard McKevitt 1 per sheep and 1/2 per lamb, and 4/- per week as Local Inspector.

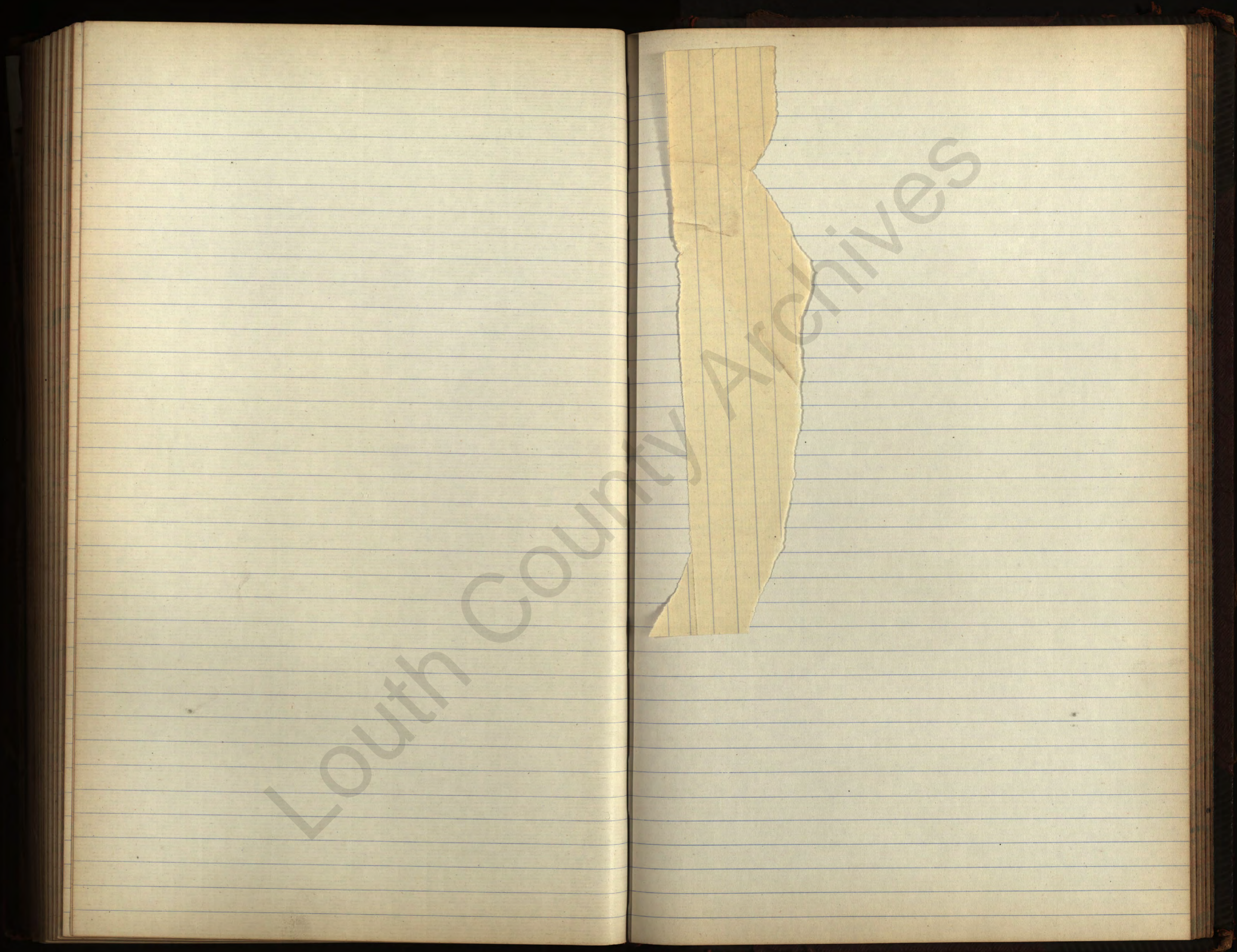
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Sheep Dip: - George Gilbert, 23 Eustace St, Dublin.  
(Mallin's) at 10/3 per doz packets. one packet weight  
1: 1/4 to 17 gallons of water.

New Tank for Ardee: - Subject to approval of Department the Secretary was empowered to order the new type tank offered by Messrs Cooper, McDougall & Robertson for Knockbridge District at £14:5:0

Chairman.



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