The Chairman accordingly declared the Amendment carried.

Resolution as passed by the Galway Town Commissioners of which the following is a copy was read—

"That no Legislation on the Land Question can be "considered satisfactory unless the large grazing "farms throughout Ireland be broken up and divided "between the poor tenants in the Congested Districts, thereby "partly undoing the evil work of bygone days, when "the predecessors of these tenants were mercilessly "driven into the bogs and barren rocky soil of "the West and North Coast of Ireland; and that "we request that Mr. G. Balfour will, when introducing "his promised Land Bill in the next Session of "Parliament, devise some means to remedy this long-"-standing evil."

Same was adopted on the motion of Cobr. Clock seconded by Cobr. Drew.

A report of which the following is a copy was read —

Borough Surveyor's Office
Drogheda 25th Septr. 95.

To the Town Commissioners,
Borough of Drogheda.

Gentlemen

Thomas McCann has neglected to carry out the Order made by the Justice at Petty Sessions on the 9th inst. that he should secure his premises in Dyer Street to my satisfaction. It will be necessary for you therefore to make an order to have the work carried out.

Your obdt Servt.
Nicks Hatch

Cobr. Drew proposed and Aldn. Kelly seconded — "That the Borough Surveyor carry out in accordance with his report on the house in Dyer Street occupied by Mr. McCann"

Same was declared carried.

Aldn. Farrell rose stating that as the Comtee. appointed to consider his action with reference to the Council Minute Book had not as yet sent in a report he begged to move that the Town Clerks Salary be reduced by £5,

Cobr. Clock proposed as an Amendment and Cobr. McGuinness seconded — "That the Committee appointed to investigate the altercation between Alderman Farrell & the Town Clerk be permitted to bring in their report on this day fortnight and that alderman Downey's name be added to the Committee."

A division was then taken when there voted —

For the Amendment	For the Resolution
Messrs- L. J. Clock,	Messrs- N. Farrell
J. B. Kelly	L. Moore
P. Lyons	J. Slevin
J. McGuinness	J. Bridy
J. Downey. (5)	S. Jordan
	P. Reddy
	P. Drew
	J. Dolan
	T. H. Simcocks
	F. Fogarty
	W. T. Skeffington. (11)

The Mayor thereupon consulted Mr. J. H. McCann Solr. to Corporation, and acting on his advise decided that he could not entertain Aldn. Farrells motion- whereupon Aldn. Farrell handed in

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in second Notice of Motion.

Bernard Ruely Chairman

Wednesday 16th October 1895.

At a Meting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday the 16th day of October 1895, at the hour of 12 o'Clock noon

His Worship the Mayor, presided,
also present
Aldermen – N. Farrell, J. Downey, C. Tighe, and J.B. Kelly
Town Councillors – T. Galbraith, L. Moore, P. Drew, L.J. Elcock, J. Crilly, J. Dolan, J. McGuinness, P. Reddy, P. Lyons, T. Fallon, T. Daly, F. Fogarty, and W.T.S. Keffington.

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The Minutes of last Meting held on 2nd October 1895, were read and signed.

A report of which the following is a Copy was read and adopted on the motion of Cobr. Dolan seconded by Cobr. Drew—

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 2nd October 1895, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment—

Salaries

Mace Bearer	1 Week	1	3	0
Caretaker of Mayoralty House	1 Month,	1	14	8
Market Collector,	1 "	1	13	4
		£4	11	0

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Amount forward		44 „ 11 „ 0
Town Clerk	1 Month	7 „ 1 „ 8
Clerk to Town Commissioners	1 „	3 „ 6 „ 8
Executive Sanitary Officer	1 „	2 „ 1 „ 8
Sanitary Sub Officer,	1 „	5 „ 0 „ 0
Clerk of Local Authority,	1 „	1 „ 5 „ 0
Registrar of Court of Conscience	3 Months	2 „ 10 „ 0
E. Nulty Esq Mayor,	3 „	62 „ 10 „ 0
		88 „ 6 „ 0
Night Watch to 1st Oct. 95,		5 „ 19 „ 0
Roads & Paths,		5 „ 0 „ 3
Weigh Master, Hay Market,		1 „ 0 „ 0
Repairs, Houses Magdalene Street,		5 „ 4
Cleaning Offices,		2 „ 6
County,		12 „ 11 „ 11
Sheehy,		9 „ 14 „ 8
		122 „ 19 „ 8

The following Accounts were paid—

P. Dowdall, Clerk Dragheda Union, For assistance to Pl.	10 „ 0
P. Fay, for Clothing to replace those destroyed,	4 „ 13 „ 10
B. McAreavey, Do.	1 „ 1 „ 0
Water Works Co. 1 quarters supply,	29 „ 15 „ 0
B. McDonnell on a/c of Contract for Concreting,	100 „ 0 „ 0
Miss E. Browne, ½ years rent,	9 „ 9 „ 6
Gas a/c for Sept. 95.	30 „ 13 „ 0
Irish Times, Advt. for Solr. re loan,	16 „ 0
	£299 „ 17 „ 10

The following account was ordered to be paid on the motion of Alm. Downey seconded by Coln. Dolan—

Irish Independent Co. Advt. for Solr. re loan	15 „ 0

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Alderman Farrell moved proposed pursuant to notice of motion, and Councillor Crilly seconded — 'That the Town Clerk's salary be reduced by the sum of Twenty Five Pounds Sterling'

Councillor Galbraith proposed as an amendment, and Alderman Downey seconded, — 'That the Town Clerks salary be not reduced' A division was then taken, when there voted —

For the amendment.		For the Resolution	
Aldermen	C. Tighe	Ald.	N. Farrell
"	J.B. Kelly	Cols	J. Dolan
"	J. Downey	"	P. Drew
Councillors	G. Galbraith	"	F. Gogarty
"	L.J. Elcock	"	W.F. Kieffington
"	J. McGuiness	"	J. Crilly (6.)
"	G. Daly		
"	F. Lyons		
"	T. Fallan (7.)		

Councillor Reddy having declined to vote, the Chairman accordingly declared the amendment carried.

A report of which the following is a copy was read: — 'Your Committee having met on Tuesday 8th October 1895, beg to report as follow — That Mr. Valentine Kilbride Solicitor be instructed to draft Bill to be read for approval at Council Meeting to be held on 16th October 1895, before submitting same to Public Meeting

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'and that letter to Drogheda Water Works Co. as submitted by Mr. Kilbride be approved of.

(Signed) Bernard Nulty,
Chairman

Dated 8th October 1895.

Same was adopted on the motion of Councillor Elcock seconded by Alderman Kelly.

Letter read from Mrs. Brady objecting to pay more than ~~six~~ pence per week for Stall Meat Market.

Alderman Kelly moved, and Col. Elcock seconded:— "That the Corporation assert their right to possession of the footpath at Meat Market Gate, at present occupied by Mrs. Brady."

Same was declared carried

Application read from A. Scott to have Concrete Water-table laid along his premises Paradise Row.

Cobr. Fogarty proposed and Cobr. Tadan seconded:— "That a concrete channel be put down along the front of Mr. Scotts house at Paradise Row, Mr. Scott to pay one-third of the Cost."

Same was declared carried.

A report of which the following is a Copy was read:—

Wednesday 16th October 1895.

Borough Surveyors Office
Drogheda 15th October 1895.

To the Council of the Corporation
Borough of Drogheda.

Gentlemen,

About 60 new lanterns are required for the public lamps, I would recommend that square stormproof lanterns, suitable for the incandescent burners be adopted.

Your obdt. Servt.
Nichs. Hatch.

The report was adopted on the motion of Cobr. Tadan seconded by Cobr. Drew, and the Town Clerk was directed to invite Tenders for same.

A report of which the following is a Copy was read.—

Drogheda 15th October 1895.

To the Council of the Corporation
Borough of Drogheda.

Gentlemen,

Your Committee appointed to confer with the Directors of the Gas Co. with reference to the disputed clauses in the Specification, met them on the 11th inst and having discussed the matter very fully we beg to report— That the Specification as amended (in red) will be accepted by the Gas Co. and we recommend the Council to adopt same.

Signed, Bernard Nulty Mayor.

Same was adopted on the motion of Cobr. Dolan seconded by Cobr. Drew.

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Cobr. Elcock proposed and Cobr. Dolan seconded:— "That a Committee consisting of Ald. Kelly and Messrs. Fogarty, Reddy, Dolan, and Elcock be appointed to take such steps as may be necessary to have the Tithe Rent Charge paid by this Corporation reduced in accordance with the great reduction in the price of wheat and other produce."

Same was declared carried.

Resolutions, as passed by the Baltymena Town Commissrs. of which the following are Copies were read and adopted on the motion of Aldn. Downey seconded by Aldn. Tighe—

1st "That we, the Board of Town Commissioners, in Meeting assembled, express our dissatisfaction with, and disapproval of, the present state of the law on the subject of ground rents, which throw the entire burden of Taxation on the owner or occupier of property, and allows the ground landlord, who draws from one-fourth to one-seventh of the entire valuation in the shape of ground rent, to go "scott free"

2nd "That we seek the aid of other Town Commissrs. and Boards of Guardians in Ireland to assist us in redressing this grievance; and that Copies of this Resolution be sent to the Chief Secretary for Ireland, Lord Salisbury, Mr. Russell and to those Members of Parliament who have been conspicuous in advocating the just claims of Tenant farmers in Ireland."

Bernard Nulty Chairman

Monday 28th October 1895.

Borough Funds (Ireland) Act 1888.

At a Meeting of the Burgesses of the Borough of Drogheda, being the persons qualified to vote at an Election of their Members of the Governing Body held in the Record Court, Court House, on Monday the 28th. day of October 1895, at the hour of 12 O'Clock noon.

His Worship the Mayor presiding.

The Town Clerk having read notice convening the meeting pursuant to Section 7 of the above Act—

It was proposed by His Worship the Mayor, Bernard Nulty Esq. and seconded by Aldn. John Bellew Kelly ——— "That this meting of the Burgesses of the Borough of Drogheda hereby approve of the Promotion of a Bill in the ensuing Session of Parliament of 1896 to carry into effect the following objects or some of them namely.

1. To extend the Borough Boundary so as to include the following places and districts that is to say:—
So much of the following lands as are situate outside the existing Borough boundary viz:— So much of the Townland of Mell as lies to the North of River Boyne, East of a line drawn from the junction of the Rathmullen Road with the lane which connect it with the Donore Road to the junction of the Slane and Collon Roads at Leonards Cross, Southeast of a straight line drawn from the said junction at Leonards Cross to where the Bleach Lane meets

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the boundary stream between the townlands of Moneymore and Yellowbatter and West of the boundary of the townland of Moneymore.
So much of the townland of Moneymore as lies to the South-east of the above last described line East of the boundary of the town-land of Mell and North-west and West of the boundary of the townland of Yellowbatter.
So much of the townland of Yellowbatter as lies to the South-west of a straight line drawn from the above named junction of the Bleach lane with the stream dividing the townlands of Moneymore and Yellowbatter to the North-east corner of Greenhills lawn East of the townland of Moneymore and West of the townland of Newtownstalaban.
So much of the townland of Newtownstalaban as lies to the South West of the same line. West of a line running along the fence of said lawn to the South-east corner at the Strand road and North of the River Boyne

All the foregoing lands being in the Parishes of Saint Peters Drogheda and Tullyallen and Baronies of Drogheda and Ferrard and County of Louth. Also. the following lands situate in the Parishes of St Marys Drogheda and Donore. Barony of Lower Duleek and County of Meath
So much of the townland of Newtown as lies to the West of a straight line drawn from the afore-mentioned South East corner of Greenhills lawn to the Eastern end of the boundary of said Townland of Newtown on the Dublin Road North of the boundary of the boundary of the townland of Colpe. South of boundary of townland of Lagavooren and East of the boundaries of the townlands of Lagavooren and Bryanstown.
So much of the townland of Colpe as lies to the West of the above described line. North of the townland of Bryanstown and South of the townland of Newtown.
So much of the townland of Bryanstown as lies to the North of a straight line drawn from the above described termination

of the boundary of the townland of Newtown on the Dublin Road to the corner of Blackbush lane and the townland of Lagavooren South of Blackbush Budge on the Oldcastle Kells and Navan Railway. South and East of the boundary of the townland of Lagavooren and West of boundaries of the townlands of Newtown and Colpe.
The whole of the townland of Lagavooren except so much as lies to the South of a straight line drawn from the junction of the boundary with the road to Naul to the Southern angle of the western abutment of the iron Railway Bridge over the Platten Road and except so much as lies to the South West of a straight line drawn from said angle of said abutment to the South West corner of the townland of Ballsgrove on the Donore Road.
The whole of the townland of Ballsgrove.
So much of the townland of Rathmullen as lies to the North East of a straight line drawn from the South West corner of the townland of Ballsgrove to the junction of the Rathmullen road with the lane which connects it with the Donore road East of a straight line drawn from thence across the River Boyne to the junction of the Slane and Collon roads at Leonards Cross and South of the River Boyne.
And to empower the Corporation to add the new or added district or districts or any portion of the same to any one or more of the existing Wards within the Borough

2. To enable the Corporation to supply the Borough with a sufficient supply of water for all public and private purposes (the present supply being insufficient) and for that purpose to acquire by purchase the undertaking and property of the Drogheda Waterworks Co. Limited either by agreement or compulsorily at a price to be ascertained by Arbitration and to add to, alter, repair, and enlarge same and if considered necessary to construct and maintain new waterworks and to purchase and acquire lands and any water or right to take

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water either within or without the Borough and to provide that all monies expended or to be expended for waterworks purposes shall be exempted from the operation of Section 238 Subsection 2 of Public Health (Ireland) Act 1878 and to enable the Corporation to make and levy water rates and to fix and obtain charges for supplying water.

3. To empower the Corporation to acquire land for for and to erect artizans and Labourers Dwellings and to effect such other improvements within the Borough as may from time to time be deemed necessary or expedient.

4. To empower the Corporation to regulate the markets within the Borough

5. To empower the Corporation to establish and maintain a body of watchmen of such number as they may deem adequate to the requirements of the Borough

6. To empower the Corporation to impose taxes on unoccupied houses and buildings and building plots.

7. To enable the Corporation to control advertising hoardings so that they cannot be erected against or in front of any wall or house or private ground facing a public thoroughfare without the consent of the Corporation

8. To empower the Corporation to regulate the fares to be charged by owners of Hackney cars, cabs, and carriages as well within the Borough as for distances not exceeding ten Statue beyond the Borough boundary.

9. To empower the Corporation to borrow by the creation and issue of Redeemable Municipal Stock a sum not exceeding the sum of One hundred thousand pounds to be charged upon the property funds and rates of the Corporation and to be applied in redemption or conversion of the existing debt of the Borough and in the discharge of any expenditure sanctioned or to be sanctioned by Parliament or otherwise.

10. To empower the Corporation to redeem any existing security or Mortgage of the Corporation by repayment of the

principal sum thereby secured or to enter into arrangements with the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland or with other bodies and persons holding securities or Mortgages of the Corporation for the exchange or conversion thereof into the said Stock or for the payment off of such securities and debts and to empower holders with limited interests to enter into any such arrangement.

11. To authorize the investment of Trust Funds in such Stock as aforesaid and to exempt the Corporation from any liability in respect of notice of any Trust affecting such Stock

12. That any expense incurred in pursuance of this Resolution shall be payable out of the Borough Fund of the Municipal Borough.

13. And that the Town Clerk is hereby authorized to direct the insertion of Notices and Valentine Kilbride Solicitor is hereby authorized to prepare a Bill in accordance with this Resolution subject to such alterations, amendments, and additions as may be deemed expedient and to take all necessary steps preliminary to the promotion of the aforesaid Bill in the Session of Parliament of 1896."

Same was unanimously declared carried

Patrick Reilly Chairman

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Friday 1st November 1895.

At a Quarterly Statutory Meting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Friday the 1st day of November 1895, at the hour of 12 Oclock noon

His Worship the Mayor, presided, also present

Aldermen – J.B. Kelly, J. Downey, S. Jordan, and T.H. Simcocks

Town Councillors – P. Lyons, T. Daly, G. Galbraith, J. Slevin, L. Moore, J. Crilly, J. Dolan, P. Drew, L. Mcock, T. Tallan, F. Fogarty, W.T. Skeffington, and J. McGuinness.

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The Minute of last Meeting held on 16th October 1895, were read and signed.

Reports of which the following are Copies were read and adopted on the motion of Cobr. Dolan seconded by Cobr. Drew –

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 9th October 1895, and having examined the following accounts recommend them for payment –

Salaries

Mace Bearer	1 Week	1 " 3 " 0
Treasurer	3 Months	37 " 10 " 0
		£38 " 13 " 0

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Amount forward	38 " 13 " 0
Night Watch to 8th inst.	5 " 19 " 0
Road & Paths,	4 " 15 " 11
Repairs, Houses Potato Market,	1 " 9 " 4
Fire Brigade,	2 . 8
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 " 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
County,	14 " 16 " 7
Sheets,	11 " 12 " 8
	£78 " 11 " 1

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 16th October 1895, and having examined the following accounts recommend them for payment –

Mace Bearer 1 Weeks Salary	1 " 3 . 0
Night Watch to 15 Oct. 95.	5 " 19 . 0
Roads & Paths,	3 " 15 . 0
Repairs, Houses Potato Market,	1 " 12 " 0
Fire Brigade,	2 . 8
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 " 0 " 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 " 6
County,	12 " 6 " 11
Sheets,	10 " 8 . 7
	36 . 9 " 11

The following Accounts were paid –

P. Weldon, S. S. D. Milk for Analysis &c	1 " 2
F.W. Brittain, Carbolic Acid and Chloride of Lime (per Contract)	3 " 11 " 10
W. Thomas Burial Fee (St. Mary's Churchyard)	4 " 10
Miss Moore, for Lime,	15 " 0
Irish Independent Co. Advt. for Solr. re Loan	15 " 0
	£42 " 0 " 9

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The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 23rd October 1895, and having examined the following account recommend them for payment

Salaries

Mace Bearer 1 Week	1 " 3 " 0
Car Inspector 4 Weeks	1 " 0 " 0
Inspector of Pairies 1 Month	1 " 0 " 0
Clerk of Petty Sessions, 3 Months	12 " 10 " 0
	15 " 13 " 0
Night Watch to 22nd Oct. 95	5 " 19 " 0
Roads and Paths,	3 " 18 " 8
Repairs, Crossing West Gate,	1 " 13 " 0
Fire Brigade,	7 " 8
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 " 0 " 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 " 6
County,	14 " 18 " 10
Streets,	10 " 16 " 11
	£ 54 " 3 " 7

The Council in Committe beg to report that they met on Wednesday 30th October 1895 and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment —

Salaries

Mace Bearer	1 Week	1 " 3 " 0
Car Inspector	5 Weeks	1 " 5 " 0
		£ 2 " 8 " 0

~~Wednesday~~ Friday 1st November 1895.

Amount forward	2 " 8 " 0
Night Watch to 29th Oct. 95.	5 " 19 " 0
Roads and Paths,	3 " 1 " 6
Repairs, Houses Potato Market,	1 " 17 " 4
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 " 0 " 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 " 6
County,	5 " 17 " 4
Streets,	10 " 9 " 9
	30 " 15 " 5

The following Account was paid —

J.M. Corry 12 Sample Boxes for Analysis	12 " 0
	£ 31 " 7 " 5

The following Accounts were submitted and payment of each ordered on the motion of Aldn. Downey seconded by Cobr. Drew —

J.K. McCann Solr., Law Costs in connection with Loan £100,000,	17 " 10 " 11
Dean Bros Fund 2 years rent	8 " 18 " 7
Reps. late J.T. Simpson 5 years rent Watch House	10 " 11 " 7
Half years Grant Protestant Infant Schools	10 " 10 " 0

Cobr. Drew proposed and Aldn. Simcock seconded — "That the Statutory Meetings be held on the same date for the coming year as they had been for the past year."

Same was declared carried.

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A Lease was this day sealed and attested, in presence of the Council, by Bernard Nulty Esq. Mayor, Alderman T. H. Lincocks, and Town Councillors L. Moore and J. Slevin, unto Mr. Michael Collins Dublin Road, of all that and those, that Plot or Parcel of Ground situate on the West side of Old Corn Market Hill, and extending therefrom to Puleek Street, in the Parish of Saint Marys and Co. of the Town of Drogheda as delienated on the Map thereof for a term of 75 years from 29th September last, at the yearly rent of £7. with Covenants to expend not less than £500, (Building) and to insure in the sum of £500.

There was but one Tender submitted for supply of Horse Feeding to 31st October 1896.

That of Mr. Michl Tighe West Street, offering to supply—Best White Oats at 13/6 per Brl.

" Bran " 9d " Stone

" Crushed Corn " 5/6 " Cwt. was accepted on the motion of Cllr. Galbraith seconded by Cllr. Fallan

There were two applications, for the appointment of Water Engineer, to value Water Works, and prepare Plans for improvement and extension of same for the purpose of proposed Loan of £100,000, read.——— That of G. Newenham Kelly Esq. C.E. &c, Laurence Street, Drogheda, offering his services at 2½ per Cent on his estimate of the cost of enlarging and improving generally the Water Works, (and £3.3.0 per day for valuing the existing Water Works) was accepted on the motion of Aldn. Lincocks seconded by Cllr. Galbraith in accordance

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accordance with the following Resolution—Viz—"That the application of Mr. Kelly be accepted, to value Water Works, make Plans of same, and also additional land that may be required, for the purpose of enlarging the present Works, and to report generally on the state of the Works, at the sum of £3.3.0 per day, including all expenses, and 2½ per cent on the outlay in case the works are carried out; no percentage to be paid on money given to W. Works for the works."

Patk. A. Reilly Chairman

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Thursday 7th November, 1895.

At a Special Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Thursday 7th day of November 1895 at the hour of 12, O'Clock noon.

His Worship the Mayor presided
also present
Aldermen J.B. Kelly, C. Tighe & S. Jordan
Town Councillors J. Crilly, L.J. Alcock,
T. Fallan, P. Reddy, P. Lynch, F. Gogarty,
J. Slevin & P. Lyons

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The Town Clerk called the Roll and read Notice convening the Meeting.

Councillor Alcock proposed and Alderman Tighe seconded. — That the resolution appointing G.N. Kelly Esq. C.E. passed at the Quarterly Meeting of the Corporation on 1st November be amended in such a manner that Mr. Kelly be paid a bulk sum of £200 — for all his services necessary, re Valuation of Water Works making plans &c. instead of 3 Guineas per day and 2½ per Cent on the outlay on new works. The payments to be made — £100 — on completion and lodgment of Plans with the new Bill and the remaining £100 — on the 1st day of May 1896

~~Alderman Tighe seconded the Motion~~
Same was declared carried.

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Letter read from G.N. Kelly Esq. C.E. of which the following is a copy: —

Engineer's Office
25 Laurence Street
Drogheda.
7th November 1895

Dear Sir

Following your letter of the 30th Ult. together with the order from the Corporation of Friday evening the 1st inst. — I have since then gone into the matter of their requirements and now enclose to you my report with tracings of plans and sections — I have also forwarded by post last night all plans sections and information to your legal Agent Wm Kilbride of Dame Street, Dublin.

I am Yours faithfully
J. Newham Kelly

Peter Connolly Esq.
Town Clerk
Drogheda.

No order made.

Report read from G.N. Kelly Esq. C.E. giving his estimate of the value of present Water Works, probable cost of new works, filtering beds, excavations &c. and lands to be taken for New Works, together with tracings of plans & sections relative same.

No Order made.

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A letter of which the following is a copy was read: —

Drogheda Water Works Co. Ltd.
6th November, 1895.

Bernard Nulty Esq.
Mayor of Drogheda.

Dear Sir

In reply to yours of Yesterday my Directors have instructed me to say that your Engineer W. Kelly has their permission to go on the lands and inspect the works. He can also see plans &c. at this office.

Respectfully Yours
Patrick Reddy
Sec.

Same was considered Satisfactory.

Bernard Nulty Chairman

Wednesday 20th November, 1895.

At a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday the 20th day of November 1895, at the hour of 12 O'clock noon.

P. Reilly Esq. J.P. presided,
also present
Aldermen — C. Tighe, J. Downey, J. B. Kelly, and S. Jordan.
Town Councillors — J. Reilly, T. Fogarty, P. Drew, T. Callan, L. Moore, J. Slevin, L. J. Clock, P. Lynch, T. Fallan, P. Reddy, T. Galbraith, J. Dolan, & P. Lyons.

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The Minutes of last Meting held on 1st November 1895, were read and signed.

Reports of which the following are copies were read and adopted on the motion of Aldn Jordan seconded by Aldn. Tighe.

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 6th November 1895, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment —

Salaries

Mace Bearer	1 Week		1 . 3 . 0
Caretaker of Mayoralty House	1 Month		1 . 14 . 8
Market Collector	1 "		1 . 13 . 4
Town Clerk	1 "		7 . 1 . 8
		£	11 . 12 . 8

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Amount forward		11 „ 12 „ 8
Clerk to Town Commissioners 1 Month		3 „ 6 „ 8
Executive Sanitary Officer 1 „		2 „ 1 „ 8
Sanitary Sub Officer 1 „		5 „ 0 „ 0
Clerk of Local Authority 1 „		1 „ 5 „ 0
		23 „ 6 „ 0
Night Watch to 5th Novr. 95		5 „ 19 „ 0
Roads and Paths,		5 „ 0 „ 0
Fire Brigade,		2 „ 8
Repairs Houses Rope Walk,		1 „ 12 „ 0
Weigh Master, Hay Market,		1 „ 0 „ 0
Cleaning Offices,		2 „ 6
County,		13 „ 7 „ 11
Streets,		13 „ 13 „ 0
D'Arcy Adot &c. 2 years Contract		1 „ 10 „ 0
		66 „ 2 „ 6

The following Accounts were paid

P. Meaney, 6 Brls Lime at 1/3 per Brl.	9 „ 0
Commissrs. Public Works, Principal & Interest (Sewer Loan)	127 „ 17 „ 11
Dean Lord Trust 2 years rent	8 „ 18 „ 7
Reps. late J. T. Simpson 2 years rent (Watch House)	10 „ 11 „ 7
Half years Grant Protestant Infant Schools	10 „ 10 „ 0
J. H. McCann Solr. Law costs in connection with Loan £100,000,	17 „ 10 „ 11
	£342 „ 0 „ 6

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 13th November 1895. and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment—

Wednesday 20th November 1895.

Mace Bearer 1 Weeks Salary	1 „ 3 „ 0
Night Watch to 12th Novr. 95	5 „ 19 „ 0
Roads and Paths,	10 „ 4 „ 6
Repairs Corporation Houses,	9 „ 4
Fire Brigade,	2 „ 8
Limewashing Market House	10 „ 0
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 „ 0 „ 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 „ 6
County	5 „ 13 „ 0
Streets,	10 „ 15 „ 5
	35 „ 19 „ 5

The following Account was paid—

D. Kenny, Burial Fees (Lord)	7 „ 6
	£36 „ 6 „ 11

The following Accounts were submitted and payment of each ordered on the motion of Alder. Jordan seconded by Cobr. Drew—

M. Lynch, Cabinet Maker, repairs &c	2 „ 7 „ 0
P. Connor, cleaning Chimneys	9 „ 0
Tithe Rent Charge (E. Blackburne)	1 „ 11 „ 0
„ „ „ (Land Commission)	3 „ 0
„ „ „ (Lord Drogheda)	40 „ 13 „ 2
V. Kilbride, Solr. Law Costs in connection with proposed Loan £100,000,	300 „ 0 „ 0
J. H. McCann Solr. Counsels Fee re Caseys Brewery	7 „ 7 „ 0

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Ald.n Jordan moved pursuant to Notice of Motion and Ald.n Kelly seconded — "That the sum of £200:0:0 be paid Mr. Kilbride Solicitor, on a/c of Parliamentary Agents expenses, also to have insertion of Bill in Dublin Gazette"

Same was declared carried

Application read from Potato Market Collector for Frieze Over Coat.

Same was complied with on the motion of Ald.n Jordan seconded by Cobr. Dolan

There were two Tenders submitted for supply of Oil Coats for Workmen.

That of M. Stokes 104 West Street offering to supply same at 9/6 was accepted on the motion of Cobr. Moore seconded by Cobr. Crilly.

There were Two Tenders submitted for supply of Frieze Over Coats for Watchmen.

That of J. Callaghan Shop Strat offering to supply same at £1:13:0 each was accepted on the motion of Cobr. Moore seconded by Cobr. Crilly — also Two Tenders for Pilot Cloth Over Coat for Chief of Night Watchmen.

That of T. Murphy West Street offering to supply same at £3:3:0 was accepted on the motion of Cobr. Clock seconded by Cobr. Crilly.

A letter of which the following is a Copy was read —

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No. 41 M/1895 Local Government Board
Miscellaneous. Dublin 12th November 1895.

Sir,

I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to draw attention to the fact that the assessments for the audit of the accounts of the ~~Corporation~~ of Drogheda made in respect of the years ended in August 1893 and 1894, respectively amounting to £20.12.0 still remain unpaid, and to request that the Corporation will be good enough to forward to the Board a cheque for the ~~sum~~ mentioned without further delay.

I am
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
Thos. H. Mooney
Secretary.

To The Town Clerk
Town Hall, Drogheda.

The Town Clerk was directed to write the L.G.B. informing them that the Audit for 1893 not being yet received, and the audit for 1894 not yet made, the Corporation decline to pay the amount applied for.

Same was declared carried.

Letter read from Wilfrid Daly & Monks Sols, Laurence St, on behalf of Mrs Rourke, John St. executrix of the late Mr. Michael Finegan John Street, asking the Corporation to grant a Building Lease instead of a

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Lease for 31 years as granted to the said Wm. Finegan.

Councillor Gogarty proposed & Ald. Jordan seconded — That the Committee to inspect property out of lease, and the Engineer be requested to visit the premises in John Street with the view of giving new lease.

Same was declared carried.

Application read from Messrs Daly & Monks, Sols., on behalf of Miss Cahill West St. for permission to assign House & premises 103 West St. unto the Rt. Rev. Mgr. Murphy P. P. St. ~~Mary's~~ Peter's Drogheda.

Same was complied with on the motion of Col. Lynch seconded by Alderman Kelly.

~~A letter of which the following is a copy was read:~~

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Laurence St. Drogheda
13th Novr. 1895.

~~Corporation to Collins~~

Dear Sir

Wm Collins called on me yesterday and stated that he considered £500— too large a sum to expend on buildings on the Premises comprised in the new lease of 1st Novr. inst. He says

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he is willing to expend the sum of £300— Will you kindly bring the matter before the Council. I may add that before Wm. Collins executed the Lease I advised him to read it over.

Yours truly
John H. McCann
Esq
P. Connolly, Town Clerk.

The Town Clerk was directed to write Wm Collins stating that the Corporation will not strictly enforce expenditature stated in Lease.

Communications read from National Telephone Co. informing the Corporation that on and after 1st Novr. inst their terms for service would be £7— per annm. instead of £3— as formerly

The Town Clerk was directed to write the Telephone Co. to disconnect machine.

Councillor Elcock proposed & Col Crilly seconded — That the Corporation of Drogheda representing as it does the Merchants & Traders of the Town respectfully request His Grace the Duke of Norfolk, Her Majesty's Post-Master General, to appoint Wm Hugh McCleary Post Master of Drogheda. Wm McCleary has been stationed here as assistant for the past 19 years and during that period by his uniform courtesy & admitted ability has gained the entire confidence of the Community at large.'

Same was declared carried.

Bernard Kelly — Chairman.

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Monday 25th November 1895.

On this day Alderman Simon Jordan, as presiding Alderman for West Gate Ward, held an Election of Two Town Councillors for said Ward, to fill the vacancies caused by the retirement of Bernard Nulty of West Street Drogheda, and William T. Skeffington of West Street Drogheda, whose periods of Office expired; when the said Bernard Nulty and William T. Skeffington were declared duly elected, and said Elections were duly published pursuant to the requisites of the Statutes.

Peter Lynch Chairman

On this same day Alderman J. Downey as presiding Alderman for Fair Gate Ward, declared the Election of Two Town Councillors for said Ward, caused by the retirement of John Slevin of Magdalene Street Drogheda and Peter Lyons of West Street Drogheda, whose periods of Office expired; when the said John Slevin and Peter Lyons were declared duly re-elected, and said Elections were duly published pursuant to the requisites of the Statutes.

_____ Chairman.

On this same day Alderman Christopher Tighe, as presiding Alderman for St. Laurence Gate Ward, held an Election of Two Town Councillors for said ward, to fill the vacancies caused by the retirement of Laurence Moore of Shamrock House and Bessenwell Lane Drogheda, and Thomas Fallan of

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of James Street Drogheda, whose periods of Office expired; when the said Laurence Moore and Thomas Fallan were declared duly elected, and said Elections were duly published pursuant to the requisites of the Statutes.

Peter Lynch Chairman

Tuesday 3rd December 1895.

On this day His Worship the Mayor, Bernard Nulty Esq, declared the Election of Two Borough Assessors for the Borough of Drogheda, caused by the retirement of Christopher McNamara of George Street Drogheda, and Thomas McCourt of Bull Ring and John Street Drogheda; whose periods of Office expired; when the said Christopher McNamara was declared duly re-elected, and Patrick McQuaid of Chord Road Drogheda was duly declared elected in room of the said Thomas McCourt, and said Elections were duly published pursuant to the requisites of the Statutes.

Peter Lynch Chairman

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Monday 2nd December 1895

At a Statutory Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Monday the 2nd day of December 1895, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon —

His Worship the Mayor, presided,
also present
Aldermen — J. B. Kelly, J. Downey, T. H. Suncocks, and S. Jordan
Town Councillors — G. Galbraith, L. J. Elcock, J. Mc Guinness, T. Callan, J. Daly, P. Drew, W. T. Skeffington, P. Reilly, P. Lyons, L. Moore, F. Fogarty, P. Lynch, J. Dolan, P. Reddy, J. Slevin, J. Crilly and T. Fallan.

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The Town Clerk having called the Roll and read Notice convening the Meeting — Aldn. Suncock rising said he had great pleasure in proposing Town Councillor Peter Lynch ~~for the Mayoralty as Mayor~~ for the year 1896.

Cobr. Reilly having seconded the Motion, the Chairman asked if there were any other Candidates to be proposed, there being no response, Cobr. Lynch was thereupon declared unanimously elected Mayor for the year 1896.

The Mayor-Elect in suitable terms thanked the Council for the honour conferred on him.

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Aldn. Jordan proposed and Cobr. Elcock seconded, that the names of the following Gentlemen be forwarded to His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant, as eligible to fill the Office of High Sheriff of the County of the Town of Drogheda for the year 1896. — Viz —

Rt. Hon. Thomas A. Dickson, The Sycamores Drogheda.
Joseph Crilly, Esq. J. P. Drogheda.
Francis Fogarty Esq. J. P. Drogheda.
Same was declared carried.

Peter Lynch Chairman

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Wednesday 4th December 1895.

At a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday the 4th day of December 1895 at the hour of 12 o'clock noon

His Worship the Mayor, presided, also present

Aldermen – J. Downey, and C. Tighe.
Town Councillors – L. Moore, J. Slevin, L. J. Elcock, P. Lynch, P. Reddy, J. Dolan, and T. Fogarty.

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The Minutes of last Meeting held on 20th November 1895, were read and signed.

Reports of which the following are copies were read and adopted on the motion of Alds Tighe seconded by Cobr. Slevin –

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 20th November 1895, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment

Salaries

Mace Bearer	1 Week	1 „ 3 „ 0
Inspector of Dairies	1 Month	1 „ 0 „ 0
		£2 „ 3 „ 0

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Amount forward	2 „ 3 „ 0
Night Watch to 19th Nov. 95	5 „ 19 „ 0
Roads and Paths,	10 „ 14 „ 10
Fire Brigade,	2 „ 8
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 „ 0 „ 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 „ 6
County,	4 „ 6 „ 3
Streets,	10 „ 11 „ 1
Postage Stamps, (Town Clerks Office)	10 „ 0
	36 „ 7 „ 4

The following Accounts were paid

M. Lynch, Cabinet Maker, repairs &c		2 „ 7 „ 0
P. Connor, Cleaning Chimneys,		9 „ 0
Title Rent Charge	(E. Blackburne)	1 „ 11 „ 0
" " "	(Land Commission)	3 „ 0
" " "	(Lord Drogheda)	40 „ 13 „ 2
V. Kilbride, Solr. Law Costs in Connection with proposed Loan		200 „ 0 „ 0
J. H. McCann, Solr. Counsels Fee re Case of Brewery,		7 „ 7 „ 0
		£288 „ 17 „ 6

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 27th November 1895, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment –

Salaries

Mace Bearer	1 Week	1 „ 3 „ 0
Car Inspector	5 Weeks	1 „ 5 „ 0
		£2 „ 8 „ 0

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Amount forward	2 " 8 " 0
Night Watch to 26th inst.,	5 " 11 " 2
Roads and Paths,	9 " 5 " 7
Repairs Corn Market,	16 " 8
Fire Brigade,	2 " 8
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 " 0 " 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 " 6
County,	8 " 4 " 3
Streets,	10 " 12 " 6
Gas a/c for Octr. 95,	47 " 5 " 8
Poll & check Clerks at Elections on 25th inst.	3 " 3 " 0
	88 " 11 " 7

The following Accounts were submitted and payment of each ordered on the motion of Aldn. Tyke seconded by Cllr. Fogarty—

E. Harrisson, Window Frames &c	12 " 0
J. Farrelly, repairs to Locks &c	5 " 0
T. Sinnot V.S. attendance on Horse,	1 " 1 " 0
Col. Cooper 1 years rent	4 " 8
Water Work Co. 1 quarters supply	26 " 3 " 6
Gas a/c for Nov. 95	57 " 5 " 9
Dkda Independent Co. a/c for Printing and Advt.	37 " 14 " 6
A. McDougall, Do.	44 " 4 " 0
Half years grant Blue School	21 " 0 " 0

Draft Lease unto Nuns of Sienna Convent Drogheda, as prepared by Mr. J. H. McCann Solr. submitted.

Same was approved of on the motion of Cllr. Moore, seconded by Cllr. Nolan.

Communications, read from General Post Office Dublin, asking the Corporations consent to the erection of a Telegraph Pole, on the footpath, by the wall of St. John's Almshouse, at an offsett of about 20 feet from Corner of William Street, on the understanding that the Postmaster-General makes good any damage which may be done in the execution of the work; also to the fixing of 4 Spikes in the River wall at Wellington Quay.

Consent was granted on the motion of Cllr. Fogarty seconded by Alderman Downey.

Peter Lynch Chairman

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Friday 13th December 1895.

At a Special Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Friday the 13th day of December 1895 at the hour of 12 o'clock noon

His Worship the Mayor, presided,
also present
Aldermen - T. H. Simcocks, S. Jordan, C. Tighe, J. Downey, and J. B. Kelly.
Town Councillors - P. Drew, J. McGuiness, J. Dolan, L. J. Elcock, J. Reilly, T. Fogarty, P. Lynch, T. Callan, and T. Fallon.

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The Town Clerk called the Roll and read Notice convening the Meeting.

Petition read, as forwarded by Mr. Kilbride Solr., requesting Parliament's leave to bring in proposed Bill, re Loan £20,000 &c.

Alderman Kelly proposed, and Alderman Jordan seconded, — "That the Corporate Seal be affixed to the Petition to Parliament, relating to proposed Bill."

Same was unanimously declared carried.

Letter read from Secretary, Drogheda Water Works Company, stating that not having a full Board of Directors at last Meeting, the question of leaving the fixing of the price of the Water Works Co's undertaking to Arbitration, was deferred, pending Meeting of a full Board.

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Alderman Simcocks proposed, and Councillor Elcock seconded, — "That the Solicitor for the Corporation be instructed to offer a sum of £18,000 to the Waterworks Company, for their interest in the Waterworks undertaking, and in the event of the Co. refusing to accept same, that the matter be referred to arbitrators, to be approved of by the Corporation and the said Company. This Offer is made on the understanding that the proposed Bill be passed in Parliament."

Same was unanimously declared carried

Peter Lynch Chairman

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Wednesday 1st. January 1896.

At a Statutory Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday the 1st. day of January 1896 at the hour of 11 o'clock forenoon, to swear in the Mayor for the year 1896.

His Worship the Mayor, Cobr. B. Aulty, presided, also present

Aldermen – J. Dawney, J. B. Kelly, and L. Jordan.
Town Councillors – L. Moore, T. Fallan, L. J. Elcock, P. Reddy, J. Dolan, P. Lynch, J. Slevin, F. Fogarty, W. T. Skeffington, J. Daly, J. Crilly, P. Drew, T. Callan, and P. Reidy.

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The Town Clerk called the Roll and read Notice convening the Meeting.

The Mayor Elect, Councillor Peter Lynch, in presence of the Assembly, made the usual Declaration before B. Aulty Esq. J. P. Alderman L. Jordan, and Town Councillors J. Dolan, and P. Reddy, and having taken the Oath of allegiance, and Oath appertaining to the Office of Mayor, and Justice of the Peace, was duly invested by the outgoing Mayor, Councillor B. Aulty, with the Chain of Office of Mayor and Chief Magistrate of the Borough of Drogheda for the year 1896.

The Ex-Mayor having vacated the Chair, Councillor Lynch took his seat as Chairman.

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A letter of which the following is a copy was read. —

Chief Secretarys Office
Dublin Castle
14th. December 1895.

Sir

Referring to the list of Gentlemen selected by the Town Council of Drogheda as eligible to serve the Office of High Sheriff of that town for the ensuing year, I am directed by the Lord Lieutenant to acquaint you, for the information of the Town Council, that His Excellencys Warrant appointing Mr. Francis Fogarty J.C. to the Office in question has been duly prepared and forwarded.

I am,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant
J. B. Dougherty.

The Town Clerk
Drogheda

Alderman Kelly proposed, and Alderman Jordan seconded, that a vote of thanks be tendered to the Ex-Mayor, Councillor B. Aulty.

Same was unanimously declared carried; after which the Ex-Mayor, in suitable terms, returned thanks.

Dr. Wm. Bradley, Ex-High Sheriff, then invested Councillor F. Fogarty with Chain of Office of High Sheriff for 1896, after which Councillor Fogarty returned thanks for the honour conferred.

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Councillor Nulty proposed a vote of thanks to the Ex. High Sheriff for his services in Office during the past year.

Same having been seconded by Councillor Reilly, was unanimously declared carried, and suitably responded to by Dr. Bradley.

Peter Lynch Chairman

Wednesday 15th. January 1896.

At a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday the 15th. day of January 1896, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon

His Worship the Mayor, presided,
also present
Aldermen T. H. Simcock, S. Jordan, J. Downey, and J. B. Kelly.
Town Councillors J. Drew, L. Daly, B. Nulty, L. Moore, W. T. Skeffington, J. McGuinness, J. Dolan, L. J. Allcock, J. Reilly, T. Fogarty, J. Slevin, and T. Fallan.

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The Minutes of last Meeting held on 4th. December 1896, were read and signed.

Reports of which the following are copies were read, and adopted on the motion of Councillor Fogarty, seconded by Councillor McGuinness

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 4th. December 1895, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment—

Salaries

Mace Bearer	1 Week	1 . 3 . 0
Caretaker of Mayoralty House	1 Month	1 . 14 . 8
Market Collector,	1 "	1 . 13 . 4
Town Clerk,	1 "	7 . 1 . 8
Clerk to Town Commissioners	1 "	3 . 6 . 8
Executive Sanitary Officer,	1 "	3 . 1 . 8
		£17 . 1 . 0

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Amount forward		17 „ 1 „ 0
Sanitary Sub Officer	1 Month	5 „ 0 „ 0
Clerk of Local Authority	1 „	1 „ 5 „ 0
Borough Surveyor	3 Months	35 „ 0 „ 0
		58 „ 6 „ 0
Night Watch to 3rd Decr. 95		6 „ 0 „ 2
Roads and Paths,		2 „ 13 „ 2
Repairs Meat Market,		1 „ 5 „ 4
Fire Brigade,		2 „ 8
Weigh Master, Hay Market,		1 „ 0 „ 0
Cleaning Offices,		2 „ 6
County,		15 „ 3 „ 3
Streets,		13 „ 2 „ 4
		95 „ 15 „ 5

The following Accounts were paid—

E. Harrisson, Window Frames &c	12 „ 0
J. Farrelly, repairs to locks &c	5 „ 0
T. Simcox, V. S. attendance on horse,	1 „ 1 „ 0
Col. Cooper, 1 year's rent,	4 „ 8
Water Works Co. 1 quarters supply,	26 „ 3 „ 6
Gas a/c for Novr. '95	57 „ 5 „ 9
Dkeda Independent Co. a/c for Printing & advertising	37 „ 14 „ 6
A. McDougall Do.	44 „ 4 „ 0
Half year's grant Blue School,	21 „ 0 „ 0
	284 „ 5 „ 10

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 11th December 1895, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment—

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Mace Bearer 1 weeks Salary	1 „ 3 „ 0
Night Watch to 10th Decr. 95	5 „ 19 „ 0
Roads and Paths,	5 „ 4
Fire Brigade,	2 „ 8
Repairs Stalls Meat Market,	13 „ 4
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 „ 0 „ 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 „ 6
County,	18 „ 18 „ 9
Streets,	13 „ 0 „ 8
	£41 „ 5 „ 3

The following Resolution was proposed by Cobr. Cleock, seconded by Cobr. Dolan and unanimously declared carried—"That this Meeting do now adjourn out of respect to the Memory of the late Mr. P. Mathews Mount Hanover, and that we tender to Mrs Mathews and family our sincere Condolence in her great bereavement, and express but the universal sympathy felt by the people of Drogheda at the lamented death of her husband, who had ever been a faithful friend of the old town."

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 18th ~~January~~ December 1895, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment—

Salaries

Mace Bearer	1 week	1 „ 3 „ 0
Inspector of Dairies	1 Month	1 „ 0 „ 0
		2 „ 3 „ 0
Night Watch to 17th Decr. '95		5 „ 19 „ 0
Roads & Paths,		5 „ 4
Limewashing Watch House,		4 „ 0
		£8 „ 11 „ 4

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Amount forward		8 . 11 . 4
Fire Brigade,		2 . 8
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0	
Cleaning Offices,		2 . 6
County,	19 . 17 . 0	
Streets,	13 . 9 . 7	
M. Pentony, Carpenter Work,	4 . 7 . 6	
R. Moonan, repairs to Harness &c,	1 . 5 . 0	
H. McClellen, Polling Booths, Elections 25th Ult		16 . 6
	£	45 . 12 . 1

The following Resolution was proposed by Cobr. Lynch (Mayor-Elect), seconded by Cobr. Fagarty, and unanimously declared carried — That this Meeting do now adjourn in consequence of the death of Dr. Daniel Ambrose (M. P. South Louth), and that the Town Clerk send Vote of Condolence to his wife and family.

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 8th January 1896, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment —

Salaries

Mace Bearer	1 Week	1 . 3 . 0
Registrar of Court of Conscience	3 Months	2 . 10 . 0
Treasurer,	3 .	37 . 10 . 0
B. Hatly, Esq. Mayor	3 .	62 . 10 . 0
Sir C. A. Cameron, Analyst,	1 year	20 . 0 . 0
		125 . 15 . 0
Night Watch to 1st Jany. 96.		5 . 19 . 0
Roads & Paths,		11 . 18 . 2
	£	141 . 10 . 2

Amount forward		141 . 10 . 2
Fire Brigade,		2 . 8
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0	
Cleaning Offices,		2 . 6
County,	3 . 10 . 8	
Streets,	16 . 3 . 6	
Sanitary, (Sewers and Disinfecting House)		15 . 8
C. Weldon, Commission on Collection of Rents,	2 . 19 . 6	
Do. Milk for Analysis, &c,		9 . 11
P. Connor, Cleaning Chimneys,		10 . 0
Gas a/c. for Decr. 95	53 . 4 . 0	
	£	218 . 8 . 7

The following Accounts were submitted and payment of each ordered on the motion of Alderman Sincocks seconded by Councillor Tallan —

Water Works Co. repairs to Fountains &c	1 . 7 . 2
M. Stokes 14 Oil Coats at 8/6 per Contract,	5 . 19 . 0
T. W. Hardman & Sons ½ years rent	30 . 19 . 2
Trustees Poor of St Johns Do.	21 . 0 . 1
Patriotic Assurance Co.,	3 . 4 . 6
Reps late J. T. Simpson Solr. Taxed Law Costs	115 . 5 . 10
J. A. Kelly C. E. on a/c of services and travelling expenses in connection with proposed Loan	110 . 0 . 0

A letter of which the following is a Copy was read —

"Engineers Office
"Laurence Street
"Drogheda 7th Jan. 1896.

"In Parliament
"Session 1896

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"Drogheda Corporation

Dear Sir

A lodgement of Plans, Sections, and estimates with New Bill has been made, and affidavit sworn Kindly send me cheque as arranged, together with ten pounds for travelling expenses, 8th, 9th, 10th November, London and back, at the request of the Mayor, (B. Tully Esq.), for the purpose of holding an interview with your Parliamentary agents at Westminster. I do not make any charge for time.

Yours faithfully
J. Newenham Kelly

Peter Connolly Esq.
Town Clerk
Court House
Drogheda."

Councillor Tully proposed and Councillor Fogarty seconded, — "That Mr. Kelly Engineer be paid £10. on a/c of his services in making valuation & plans of the Water Work's for property and including travelling expenses to London."

Same was declared carried. —

— Councillor Moore dissenting

A letter of which the following is a copy was read —

106 West Street
Drogheda, January 14th 1896

Dear Sir

I beg to apply for the consent of the Corporation of Drogheda to the assignment by Mrs. Esther Greene to Christopher Roche of the lease dated 10th Octr. 1884, of part of the lands of Manimore.

Yours faithfully
H. J. Verdon.

Peter Connolly Esq.
Town Clerk
Town Clerk's Office
Drogheda.

Consent was granted on the motion of Alderman Simcocks, seconded by Councillor Reilly.

Application read from Messrs. Hayes & Sons, Solicitors, Laurence Street for consent of Corporation to assignment of lease from Miss M. A. Bredin to Alderman John Downey of premises Magdalene Street.

Consent was granted on the motion of Councillor Fogarty, seconded by Councillor Tully.

The following letters were read —

Mount Hanover
Drogheda Dec. 20th 1895.

Dear Sir,

Will you have the goodness to convey to the Members of the Corporation my most sincere thanks for their kind expression of sympathy in my great trial, and accept my thanks for your own personal expression of regret.

I remain, Dear Sir,
Yours Sincerely
L. Mathews

Peter Connolly Esq.
Town Clerk.

Warren House
Upper Tooting
Jany. 6th 96.

Dear Sir

Kindly convey to the Corporation of Drogheda my sincere thanks for the respect they have shown to the memory of my beloved husband, and my deep gratitude for their kind sympathy with myself and family in our sad bereavement.

Peter Connolly Esq.
Town Clerk
Drogheda.

I am, Dear Sir
Yours Sincerely
Anna Ambrose.

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Town Clerks Office
Court House, Drogheda
15th Jany 1896.

To
The Mayor Aldermen & Comcil
of the
Corporation of Drogheda.

Gentlemen

Referring to the reduction of my Salary as Town Clerk, without my consent, I have hitherto abstained from moving in the matter, as I believed that the amount would have been restored to me in a short time.

As this has not been done, I am bound in my own protection to notify you, that I am advised that said reduction was illegal, and that I do not, nor have I ever assented to such reduction.'

Yours Obediently
Peter Connolly
Town Clerk.

There was no order made.

Report read from Borough Surveyor, stating that— "The only remedy I can suggest for the Urinal in Bessexwell Lane is to remove the present structure and replace it by one properly constructed.'

'Appended is a draft Notice relative to the cleansing of footways, for your approval'

'The Gas Committee might consider Tenders I have received for the supply of storm proof Street Lanterns.'

The report was adopted on the motion of Alderman Kelly seconded by Ald. Jordan.

Comcil Elcock proposed and Councillor Moore seconded, — 'That Messrs. S. Jordan, B. Nulty, T. H. Simcocks & T. Gogarty with the Mover & Seconder be appointed a finance Committee.'

Same was declared carried.

Comcillor Elcock proposed and Col Moore seconded — That the finance Committee already appointed be also appointed as a Committee of inspection of property out of Lease.

Same was declared carried.

Alderman Simcocks proposed and Col Daly seconded, — That the Loan Committee be reappointed for 1896, with the addition of Alderman Kelly.

Same was declared carried.

Alderman Simcocks proposed & Ald Kelly seconded, — That the following be appointed as Lamp-inspecting Comte. Viz- Messrs Crilly, Drew, Dolan, and Daly.

Same was declared carried.

Peter Elcock Chairman

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Borough Funds (Ireland) Act 1888.

At a Second Special Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House, on Monday the 27th day of January 1896, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon, to confirm Resolution passed at Special Meeting held on 20th September 1895 re Loan £100,000 &c pursuant to Section 5 of above Act.

His Worship the Mayor, presided,
also present
Aldermen – J. B. Kelly, J. Downey, S. Jordan, and T. A. Simcocks.
Town Councillors – P. Draw, J. Daly, J. Dolan, B. Scully, T. Fogarty, J. Slevin, J. Crilly, T. Callan, and L. J. Elcock.

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The Town Clerk called the Roll and read notice convening the Meeting.

Cobr. Scully proposed, and Councillor Elcock seconded, — "That the Council hereby confirm the propriety of promoting a Bill deposited in Parliament pursuant to the resolution of the Council of the 20th day of September 1895"
Same was unanimously declared carried.

Alderman Jordan proposed, and Alderman Kelly seconded, — "That the following Members of Parliament shall be asked to back the Drogheda Corporation Loan Bill in Parliament – Namely – Sexton, Healy, Kilbride, Redmond, Harrington, Dillon, Field, Horace Plunkett. Same was unanimously declared carried.

Peter Lynch Chairman.

Wednesday 5th February 1896

At a Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday the 5th day of February 1896, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon.

His Worship the Mayor, presided,
also present
Aldermen – S. Jordan, J. Downey, J. B. Kelly, and C. Tighe.
Town Councillors – P. Reddy, P. Drew, J. Daly, B. Scully, J. Dolan, L. J. Elcock, P. Lyons, P. Reilly, T. Galbraith, J. Moore, T. Callan, W. T. Skeffington, J. McGuiness and J. Crilly.

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The Minutes of last Meeting held on 15th January 1896, were read and signed

Reports of which the following are Copies were read and adopted on the motion of Councillor Moore, seconded by Councillor Reddy –

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 15th January 1896, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment –

Mace Bearer 1 week's Salary	1 . 3 . 0
Night Watch to 4th Jany. '96.	5 . 19 . 0
Roads & Paths,	18 . 11 . 3
Repairs, yards Green Lanes,	8 . 0
	£26 . 1 . 3

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Amount forward	26 „ 1 „ 3
Hoarding Stockwell Lane,	10 „ 0
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 „ 0 „ 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 „ 6
County,	1 „ 19 „ 10
Streets,	12 „ 16 „ 7
	42 „ 10 „ 2

The following Accounts were laid –

Water Works Co. repairs to Fountains &c.,	1 „ 7 „ 2
Owen Lochrin, Bottles for Analysis,	6 „ 4
M. Stokes, 4 oil Coats at 5/6 per Contract	5 „ 19 „ 0
J. W. Hardman & Sons ½ years rent	30 „ 19 „ 2
Trustees Poor of St. Johns Do.	21 „ 0 „ 1
Patriotic Assurance Co.	3 „ 4 „ 6
Reps. late J. J. Simpson, Solr, Taxed Law Costs,	115 „ 5 „ 10
J. A. Kelly L.C., on a/c of Services and travelling expenses in connection with proposed loan	110 „ 0 „ 0
£	330 „ 9 „ 3

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 22nd. January 1896 and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment –

Salaries

Mace Bearer	1 week	1 „ 3 „ 0
Inspector of Dairies	1 Month	1 „ 0 „ 0
Clerk of Police Court	3 Months	12 „ 10 „ 0
		14 „ 13 „ 0
Night Watch to 21st. January 96,		5 „ 19 „ 0
Roads & Paths,		19 „ 11 „ 10
£		40 „ 3 „ 10

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Amount forward	40 „ 3 „ 10
Fire Brigade,	10 „ 8
Repairs Houses Narrow West Street,	10 „ 8
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 „ 0 „ 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 „ 6
County,	3 „ 18 „ 8
Streets,	13 „ 9 „ 4
Sanitary, (Cleansing Brooks, & Disinfecting House)	10 „ 8
Sergt. Jas. Currin, Adjusting Weights, Beams, & Scales,	1 „ 0 „ 9
Patk. Clarke, Do.	1 „ 0 „ 0
	67 „ 7 „ 1

The following Account was paid –

J. D. Byrne, M.D. for Disinfectants,	9 „ 4
£	62 „ 16 „ 5

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 29th. January 1896, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment –

Salaries

Mace Bearer	1 week	1 „ 3 „ 0
Car Inspector,	4 Weeks	1 „ 0 „ 0
		2 „ 3 „ 0
Night Watch to 28th. Jany. 96		5 „ 19 „ 0
Roads & Paths		14 „ 8 „ 10
Stripping Roofs,		2 „ 8
Weigh Master, Hay Market,		1 „ 0 „ 0
Cleaning Offices,		2 „ 6
County,		12 „ 15 „ 8
Streets,		11 „ 0 „ 10
£		37 „ 16 „ 6

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Amount forward	37 . 12 . 6
The following Account was paid —	
D. Weldon L.S.O. Milk for Analysis,	3 . 4
	£37 . 16 . 1

The following Accounts were submitted and payment of each ordered on the motion of Councillor Reilly, seconded by Alderman Jordan —

C.E. McCann, Rate Collector, assisting ~~Town Clerk~~ in preparation of Surgess List 1895	3 . 0 . 0
J.K. Kornback, Stationery (per T.C.)	4 . 6
Gas Co. a/c for Jany 96.	59 . 6 . 4
Grand Jury Cess,	18 . 0 . 11
Reps. Patten, ½ years rent	25 . 7 . 8
Poor Rate.	29 . 3 . 0
J. Callaghan, 4 Frieze Over Coats at £3.13.0. (per Contr.)	11 . 11 . 0

A letter of which the following is a copy was read, —

Town Clerks office
Court House, Drogheda,
5th Feby 1896.

To
The Mayor Aldermen and Councillors
of the Drogheda Corporation.

Gentlemen

The duties of my Office having considerably as Town Clerk having been considerably increased, I respectfully beg to apply for an increase of Salary

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I am, Gentlemen
Yours Obediently
Peter Connolly
Town Clerk.

Councillor Nulty proposed and Councillor Fallan seconded, — "That the Town Clerk's Salary be increased by £50-0-0 a Year over his present Salary which is from all sources £165-0-0 making a total of £215-0-0 a Year."

Alderman Jordan proposed as an amendment, that the Town Clerks Salary be not increased.

A division having been taken. there voted — for the Amendment — Ald. Jordan, Councillors Moore, Reilly, Drew, Dolan, Reddy & Sheffington (7.) — for the Resolution — Aldermen Kelly, Downey & Tighe, Councillors — Fallan, Nulty, Elcock, Galbraith, Lyons, McGuiness & Daly - (10.) Councillor Reilly having declined to vote, the Chairman accordingly declared the Resolution carried.

A Lease was this day sealed and attested in presence of the assembly, by Peter Lynch Esq. Mayor, Alderman J. Downey, and Councillors G. Daly & J. McGuiness, unto Eliza Molloy, Mary Gavin, & Mary D'Arcy, all of Vienna Convent, Parish of St. Peters, and County of the Town of Drogheda, Spinsters, of a lot of ground on the North side of the road leading from Laurence Gate

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to Green Hills in the Parish of St. Peter and County of the Town of Drogheda, delineated and bounded as per Map for a term of Seventy Five Years from 29th September 1894 at the yearly rent of £3..10..0 with Covenants to expend £1000..0..0 in buildings, and to Insure in the Sum of £500..0..0.

Councillor Daly moved pursuant to Notice of Motion and Ald. Kelly seconded, — 'That the requirements for Fire Brigade according to report as given by the Capt. and Sec. of V.F.B. not to exceed Fifty pounds be complied with.'

Same was declared carried and a Committee consisting of mover and seconder and Councillors Elcock & ~~Compston~~ Kelly were appointed to take Charge of Same.

A letter of which the following is a copy was read. —

Re Corporation & Miss Rourke

Dear Sir/

Our Client has been with us in reference to the Lease of premises on North Side of John Street. She is prepared to take the Lease for 31 Years from the present time at the yearly rent of £5.0.0 provided the Council are agreable. Please let us hear from you and oblige.

Yours truly
Daly Thornks & Sols.

Peter Connolly Esq
Town Clerk.

A letter of which the following is a copy was read. —

Laurence St. Drogheda
4th Feby 1896.

Dear Sir/ re Killineer

With reference to the money lodged in Court herein. I beg to say in reply to your letter that I received no written instructions

Councillor Kelly proposed and Alderman Tighe seconded, — 'That Miss Rourke of John Street get a Lease of premises in John Street at £5.0.0 — five pounds per annum.

Same was declared carried.

A letter of which the following is a copy was read. — Laurence St. Drogheda 4th Feby 1896.

Dear Sir/ re Killineer

With reference to the money lodged in Court herein. I beg to say in reply to your letter that I received no written instructions in the matter to make application to draw out same & without such I would not feel justified in doing so. I nearly had a conversation with the Treasurer on the subject. Moreover in my opinion the money in question can only be used for the purpose of investment as it forms portion of the Corporate being the product of land sold. I wish to put the matter clearly before the Council so that there may be no misunderstanding about it. I shall now proceed with all expedition.

Yours faithfully
John H. McCann
Sol.

Peter Connolly Esq
Town Clerk.

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Instructions were given Mr McCann who was present, to recover the money as soon as possible; and the Town Clerk was directed to write Mr McCann requesting him not to take verbal instructions in future from any Official of the Corporation.

Peter Lynch — Chairman

Wednesday 19th " February 1896

At a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday the 19th day of February 1896, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon

His Worship the Mayor, presided,
also present
Aldermen — S. Jordan, J. B. Kelly and J. Downey.
Dozen Councillors — P. Callan, J. Crilly, E. Scully, P. Fogarty, L. Moore, J. Slevin, L. J. Reock, P. Fallan, P. Drew and J. Dolan.

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The Minutes of last Meeting held on 5th February 1896, were read and signed.

Reports of which the following are Copies were read, and adopted on the motion of Councillor Moore, seconded by Councillor Fallan.

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 5th " February 1896, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment—

Salaries

Mace Bearer	1 Week	1	3	0
Market Collector	1 Month	1	13	11
Town Clerk	1 "	11	5	0
Clerk to Town Commissioners	1 "	3	6	8
Executive Sanitary Officer	1 "	2	1	8
Sanitary Sub Officer	1 "	5	0	0
Clerk to Local Authority	1 "	1	5	0
Summons Server, Court of Conscience	3 Months	1	5	0
		£26	19	8

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Amount forward	26 . 19 . 8
Night Watch to 4th Feby 96.	5 . 12 . 1
Roads & Paths,	14 . 12 . 3
Stripping Roofs,	2 . 8
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
Fire Brigade,	14 . 0
County,	2 . 6 . 8
Streets,	11 . 1 . 1
	62 . 10 . 11

The following Accounts were paid—

P. Meaney for Lime	9 . 0
C. E. McCann, Rate Collector, for assisting in preparation of Burgess List 1895	3 . 0 . 0
J. K. Ronback, Stationery, per Town Clerk,	4 . 6
Gas Co. a/c for January 96.	59 . 6 . 4
Grand Jury Cess	18 . 0 . 11
Reps Patten 1/2 year's rent,	25 . 7 . 8
Poor Rate,	27 . 3 . 0
J. Callaghan, 7 Freize Beer Coats at £1. 13. 0 each,	11 . 11 . 0
	£209 . 13 . 4

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 12th February 1896, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment—

Mace Bearer 1 week's Salary	1 . 3 . 0
Night Watch to 11th Feby. 96.	5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,	1 . 14 . 6
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
	£9 . 19 . 0

Wednesday 19th February 1896.

Amount forward	9 . 19 . 0
County,	12 . 17 . 9
Streets,	11 . 1 . 4
Postage & Receipt Stamps, (Treasurers Office)	1 . 10 . 0
J. K. McCann Solr. on a/c Law Costs,	5 . 0 . 0
	£40 . 8 . 1

The following Accounts were submitted, and payment of each ordered on the motion of Councillor Elcock, seconded by Councillor Fogarty—

A. Murphy, 14 pairs Leggings at 3/6 (per Contract)	1 . 15 . 0
M. Tighe, Horse Feeding (per Contract)	17 . 4 . 0
T. Murphy, Clothing for P. Garvey and P. Kenney,	10 . 7 . 6
Albert & Co. winding & regulating Boisel Clock for 1895,	8 . 0 . 0

Solr. Elcock proposed and Councillor Fogarty seconded, — That the finance Committee of the Corporation meet on the Tuesday evenings previous to the Council Meetings at 6.45 o.c., in order to examine and pass accounts &c. &c.

Same was declared carried.

Application read from Wm. James Smyth Esq. for consent of Corporation to assignment from Miss Moore to Wm. P. Connor of Lands situate at Dromore.

Councillor Elcock proposed and Councillor Drew seconded, — 'that the required permission be given to Miss Moore of Lime Kilns Dyke, to have conveyance made of Corporate property sold by her to Patrick Connor.'

Same was declared carried.

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A letter of which the following is a copy was read:—

Lawrence Street
Drogheda 15th Feb. 96.

Sir

I have received instructions from Mr Arthur Davidge of Lisdornan to take proceedings against the Corporation for negligence in the erection and maintenance of a man-hole situate in Duleek Street whereby a mare of his worth £50.— was knocked down and injured to such an extent that she subsequently died; and unless the Corporation compensate my client for his loss I shall be obliged to institute proceedings for recovery of damages.

Your Obedient Servant
James Smyth

To
Peter Connolly Esq.
Town Clerk.
Drogheda.

The Town Clerk was directed to acknowledge receipt.

Report read from Borough Surveyor, stating that the supply of Hay for the Horses is nearly exausted, that it would be necessary to get some before next meeting. — Comcillors P. Lyons, G. Galbraith, B. Kelly, and His Worship the Mayor were requested to provide same.

Instructions were given the Town Clerk to write Mr McCann ~~Sol~~ drawing his attention to appeals lodged — — re- Caseys Brewery Co.

Peter Connolly Chairman

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Wednesday 26th February 1896.

At a Special Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday the 26th day of February 1896, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon, to consider application from Mr. Kilbride, Solicitor, for £250, re Loan, and report from Committee of inspection of property out of Lease.

B. Tuthy Esq. J.P. (Ex Mayor) presided, also present

Aldermen — J. W. Kelly, C. Teeke, and J. Downey.

Town Councillors — T. Fogarty, L. J. Elcock, T. Callan, and C. Daly.

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The Town Clerk called the Roll, and read Notice convening the Meeting.

A letter of which the following is a copy was read —

4 Dame Street,
Dublin 18th Febry. 1896.

Drogheda Corporation.

Dear Sir,

I received your letter of the 15th inst. inclosing Mr. Horace Plunkett's letter. I send you herewith copy of letter received from my Parliamentary Agents which please bring before the Corporation at their Meeting on to-morrow. I would be glad if the Corporation would send me a Cheque for £250, on a/c, £200 of which, (as you will see by letter) I will have to send my agents.

Yours faithfully
Valentine Kilbride.

Peter Connolly Esq.
Town Clerk
Drogheda

Wednesday 26th February 1896.

The following is copy of letter read, referred to in above.—

18 Abingdon Street,
Westminster S.W.,
Febry. 13th 1896.

Dear Sir,

Drogheda Corporation.

This Bill is to commence in the House of Lords, and will be read a first time early next week, and must be read a second time within 7 days afterwards. The fee payable on 2nd reading is £108, and to cover this, and other fees, we shall feel obliged if you will let us have a further Cheque on account for £200. Petitions against the Bill will have to be lodged within a week of the second reading, so you will soon know what opposition you have to contend with.

Yours truly
Valentine Kilbride Esq. Hargreaves &c.
4 Dame Street, Dublin.

Councillor Elcock proposed, and Alderman Downey seconded, — "That the sum of £250:0:0 be sent to Mr. Kilbride, to defray the necessary expenses of the second reading, and other fees, of the Corporation Loan Bill."

Same was declared carried.

Councillor Elcock proposed, and Alderman Downey seconded, — that the Town Clerk write Mr. Kilbride Solicitor, requesting to be informed, for the information of the Council, if ~~it~~ the time is ~~not~~ yet ~~too late~~ to insert a clause in proposed Bill, to have the Municipal Franchise Rating reduced to £1:0:0.

Same was declared carried, Councillor Callan dissenting.

Peter Connolly Chairman

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Wednesday 4th March 1896.

At a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday the 4th day of March 1896, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon

His Worship the Mayor, presided,
also present,
Alderman J. Downey.
Town Councillors— P. Drew, B. Scully, J. Dolan, L. J. Elcock, J. Slevin, J. Galbraith, T. Fallan, and L. Moore.

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The Minutes of last Meeting held on 19th February 1896, were read and signed.

Reports of which the following are Copies were read, and adopted on the motion of Councillor Fallan, seconded by Councillor Drew—

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 19th February 1896, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment—

Salaries

Mace Bearer	1 Week	1 . 3 . 0
Inspector of Pavies	1 Month	1 . 0 . 0
		2 . 3 . 0
Night Watch to 5th February 1896		5 . 19 . 0
Roads & Paths,		8 . 7 . 11
Fire Brigade,		2 . 8
	£	16 . 12 . 7

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Amount forward		16 . 12 . 7
Weigh Master, Hay Market,		1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,		2 . 6
County,		1 . 2 . 0
Streets,		9 . 2 . 0
Sanitary,		1 . 14 . 0
		29 . 13 . 1

The following Accounts were paid—

Fullerphy, 14 pairs leggings at 2/6 per Contract	1 . 15 . 0
M. Tighe, Horse Feeding, Do.	17 . 4 . 0
Fullerphy, Clothing for P. Garney & P. Lanney,	10 . 7 . 6
Albert & Co. Winding & regulating Tobell Clock for 1895	8 . 0 . 0
£	66 . 19 . 7

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 26th February 1896, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment—

Salaries

Mace Bearer	1 Week	1 . 3 . 0
Car Inspector,	4 Week	1 . 0 . 0
		2 . 3 . 0
Night Watch to 25th February 96,		5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,		9 . 17 . 7
Fire Brigade,		2 . 8
Weigh Master, Hay Market,		1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,		2 . 6
County,		1 . 1 . 10
Streets,		14 . 15 . 3
Sanitary (Sewers &c.)		2 . 4 . 0
J. Kelly ½ years Interest on Mortgage,		178 . 18 . 2
		£216 . 14 . 0

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Amount forward 216 . 4 . 0

The following Accounts were paid

P. Kenny, Burial Fees (Chord)	7 . 2
Miss Verdon, Bottles for Analysis,	7 . 6
V. Kilbride, Solr., Fees in connection with proposed Loan,	250 . 0 . 0
	£466 . 18 . 8

The following Accounts were submitted, and payment of each ordered on the motion of Solr. Sulty, seconded by Councillor Drew.—

T. Hatch, for Ordnance Shots re proposed Loan,	5 . 6 . 6
Gas Co. a/c for February '96.,	57 . 9 . 9
Water Works Co. Quarters supply &c.,	27 . 10 . 5
Reps. late J. Collins, Carpenter Work &c.,	26 . 1 . 7
P. Daly, repairs to Corporation Fixtures,	10 . 19 . 7
C. Murphy, Ironmongery,	5 . 8 . 1
T. Harbinson Do.	10 . 11 . 5
Income Tax,	14 . 11 . 8
Lt. Col. Smith, 1 years rent (Laurence Gate)	2 . 13 . 6

A letter of which the following is a Copy was read.—

Laurence Street
Drogheda 26th Feby. 1896.

Corporation to Miss Anne Rourke.

Dear Sir

I beg to enclose Draft Lease herein for approval of the Council. Please have blanks for date of commencement of lease and amount of insurance filled in, and Kindly return Draft to me at your earliest convenience that I may have it engrossed.

Yours faithfully
John A. McKenna.

Peter Connolly Esq.
Town Clerk.

Wednesday 4th March 1896.

Councillor Alcock proposed, and Alderman Downey seconded, that Draft Lease as submitted be approved of, and that the amount to be fixed for insurance on Property leased to Miss Rourke be the sum of One Hundred Pounds £100; also that Lease be dated from 25th March inst.

Same was declared carried.

A letter was read from L.G.B. Auditor, stating that he would audit the Accounts of the Corporation on Thursday 26th March inst. at the hour of 10 o'clock A.M.

A letter of which the following is a copy was read.—

No. H/Misll. 195. Local Government Board
Miscellaneous Dublin 26th February 1896.

Sir,

I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to draw attention to previous correspondence, applying for payment of the amount, viz—£20:12:0, due by the Corporation of Drogheda for the audit of their Accounts, and to state that as another will shortly be made, the Board trust that the Corporation will, without fail, forward a cheque for the amount on receipt of this communication—.

I am,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant
D. J. MacSheahan
Assistant Secretary.

The Town Clerk
Town Hall
Drogheda.

The Town Clerk was directed to refer the L.G.B. to former communications on the subject.

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A letter of which the following is a copy was read.—

Bellewstown House
Drogheda March 3rd 1896.

Dear Sir

A woman, named Catherine Lynch, has built a house, partly of wood and partly of brick on the Commons of Bellewstown.

I have written to Mr. Moore, and he says he has no right to interfere as it is more than ten yards from the road.

I have been informed that the Corporation of Drogheda have a right to prevent it.

Kindly bring the matter before them. Both Mr. Boylan of Hilltown, and I as the largest rate payers object to it. It seems strange that people are allowed to build houses where they like.

Yrs. truly
J. L. Langan.

The Town Clerk was directed to forward Copy of letter to Mr. McCann Solicitor, and have his opinion on the matter.

A letter of which the following is a copy was read.—

Laurence Street
Drogheda 24th Feby. 1896.

Dear Sir / Corporation v Casey's Brewery Co.

I am in receipt of your letter of 20th inst. and beg to say that the appeals will be on for hearing at Dundalk Assizes on 4th Prox., and that everything necessary is done up to the present as far as the Corporation is concerned.

Yours faithfully
John H. McCann.

P. Connolly Esq
Town Clerk.

No order made.

Peter Lynch Chairman

Monday 9th March, 1896.

At a Special Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Monday the 9th day of March 1896 at the hour of 12 O'Clock noon; to consider petition from the Drogheda Water Works Co. against the promotion of the Drogheda Corporation Bill 1896; and Report from Committee of Inspection of Property out of Lease.

His Worship the Mayor presided
also present
Aldermen J. Downey and J. B. Kelly
Town Councillors B. Nulty, J. McGuinness, F. Gogarty L. J. Elcock, T. Lyons, J. Clavin, T. Fallon and G. Galbraith.

The Town Clerk called the Roll and read copy of Notice convening the Meeting

A letter of which the following is a copy was read:— 4 Dame Street, Dublin
27th Feby 1896.

'Drogheda Corporation'

Dear Sir /

I send you herewith copy Petition against Bill on behalf of the Drogheda Water Works Co. which I received from my Parliamentary Agents this morning. Please bring it before the Corporation at their next Meeting and let me have their views thereon.

Yours faithfully
Valentine Kilbride

Peter Connolly Esq
Town Clerk
Drogheda.

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The Town Clerk having read copy of Petition as forwarded by Wm. Kilbride Esq. a lengthened discussion then ensued condemning the action of the Water Works Co. in opposing the Corporation's Bill, and protesting against many of the statements contained in different paragraphs (particularly that of the 7th of said Petition) as being most unfounded and misleading.

Letter read from Wm. Kilbride enclosing copy letter received from his Parliamentary Agents from the Board of Trade, requesting to have the following clause inserted in Bill and stating that he had no objection to its being inserted: ——

Clause.

Saving rights of the Crown in the foreshore.

"Nothing contained in this Act shall authorise the Corporation to take use or in any manner interfere with any portion of the shore, or bed of the sea, or of any river, channel, creek, bay or estuary, or any right in respect thereof belonging to the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty. in right of the Crown and under the management of the Board of Trade, without the previous consent in writing of the Board of Trade on behalf of Her Majesty (which consent the Board of Trade may give) neither shall anything in this Act contained, extend to take away, prejudice, diminish, or alter any of the estates, rights, privilages, powers or authorities vested in or

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enjoyed or exercisable by the Queen's Majesty Her heirs or successors."

There being no objection to the foregoing clause the Town Clerk was directed to inform Wm. Kilbride of its approval.

Letter also read from Wm. Kilbride enclosing copy of letter received by his Parliamentary Agents from the Office of Woods &c. requesting to have the following clause inserted in Bill and stating that he had no objection to it

Clause

Saving rights of Crown under Crown Lands Act.

"Nothing contained in this Act, or to be done under the authority thereof shall in any manner affect the title to any of the subjects, or any rights, powers, or authorities mentioned in or reserved by Sections 21 and 22 of "the Crown Lands Act of 1866" and belonging to or exercisable on behalf of Her Majesty, Her Heirs, or Successors."

There being no objection to the foregoing clause the Town Clerk was also directed to inform Wm. Kilbride of its approval.

Letter read from Wm. Kilbride dated 23rd March 1896 stating that he did not think that there would be any use in trying to get a clause to reduce the franchise in the House of Lords, but that he did not

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anticipate that there would be much difficulty in doing so when the Bill gets into the House of Commons.

Comcillor Elcock proposed and Alderman Downey seconded, —"That in the Drogheda Corporation Bill now before Parliament a clause be inserted to have the Municipal Franchise reduced from £10. — as existing at present, to £4. — The qualification of Aldermen and Comcillors to remain as at present."

Luke J. Elcock
(Signed) John Downey
March 9th 1896.

Comcillor Clevin proposed as an amendment that said clause be not inserted. Comcillor Tallan having seconded the amendment, a division was then taken, when there voted for the Amendment. for the Resolution

Amendment.	Resolution
Mssrs. J. Clevin	Mssrs L. J. Elcock
T. Tallan	P. Lyons
T. Gogarty	J. McGuinness
(3.)	B. Nulty
	J.B. Kelly
	J. Downey
	(6.)

The Chairman accordingly declared the Resolution carried.

Peter Lynch Chairman

Wednesday 1st April 1896.

At a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday the 1st day of April 1896, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon

His Worship the Mayor, presided,
also present
Aldermen — J. Downey, S. Jordan, J. B. Kelly, and C. Tighe.
Town Councillors — T. Daly, B. Nulty, W. T. Heffington, T. Gogarty, J. Clevin, L. Moore and T. Tallan.

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The Minutes of last Meeting held on 4th March 1896 were read and signed.

Reports of which the following are Copies were read and adopted on the motion of Alderman Jordan, Seconded by Councillor Gogarty —

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 4th March 1896, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment —

Salaries

Mace Bearer	1 Week	1 . 3 . 0
Market Collector	1 Month	1 . 13 . 4
Town Clerk,	1 "	11 . 5 . 0
Clerk to Town Commissioners	1 "	3 . 6 . 8
Executive Sanitary Officer	1 "	2 . 1 . 8
Sanitary Sub Officer	1 "	5 . 0 . 0
Clerk of Local Authority,	1 "	1 . 5 . 0
Caretaker of Mayoralty House	2 Months	3 . 9 . 4
Borough Surveyor	6 "	25 . 0 . 0
		£ 64 . 4 . 0

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Amount forward	64 . 4 . 0
Night Watch to 3rd March 96	5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,	3 . 2 . 5
Fire Brigade,	2 . 8
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
County,	12 . 8 . 11
Streets,	10 . 13 . 4
Sanitary, (Sewers &c.)	1 . 10 . 8
	99 . 3 . 6

The following Accounts were paid—

N. Hatch & Co. Ordnance Sheets re proposed Loan,	5 . 6 . 6
Gas Cos. a/c for February 96,	57 . 9 . 9
Water Works Co. 1/quarters supply &c.,	27 . 10 . 3
Reps late J. Collins, Carpenter Work &c.,	26 . 1 . 7
B. Daly, repairs to Corporation Carts &c.,	10 . 14 . 7
P. Murphy, Ironmongery,	5 . 8 . 1
H. Harbinson, Do.	10 . 11 . 5
Income Tax,	14 . 14 . 8
J. St. Geo. Smith, 1 years rent (Lawrencestile)	2 . 13 . 6
	£259 . 18 . 8

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 11th March 1896, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment. —

Mace Bearer Weeks Salary,	1 . 3 . 0
Night Watch to 10th March 96	5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,	10 . 6 . 6
Fire Brigade,	2 . 8
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
	£18 . 11 . 2

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Amount forward	18 . 11 . 2
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
County,	3 . 2 . 0
Streets,	11 . 3 . 7½
Sanitary, (Cleansing Sewers)	2 . 2 . 6
Grand Jury Cess,	1 . 0 . 7
Grand Jury Fines,	1 . 4 . 0
J. Curtis, expenses as Witness to Dundalk Assizes,	10 . 0
	£37 . 16 . 4½

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 25th March 1896, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment—

Salaries

Mace Bearer	1 Week	1 . 3 . 0
Car Inspector	4 Weeks,	1 . 0 . 0
Inspector of Pavicies,	1 Month	1 . 0 . 0
		3 . 3 . 0
Night Watch to 24th inst.		5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,		8 . 6 . 7
Fire Brigade,		2 . 8
Weigh Master, Hay Market,		1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,		2 . 6
County,		2 . 14 . 8
Streets,		9 . 15 . 11
Sanitary, (Sewer Meat Market,)		2 . 11 . 4
		£33 . 15 . 7

The following Resolution was proposed by Councillor Dolan, aconded by Councillor Reddy, and unanimously declared carried – Viz – That this Meeting do now adjourn as

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as a mark of respect to the Memory of the late Mrs Farrell, wife of Alder. Farrell, and that the Town Clerk do send Vote of Condolence to Alder. Farrell and Family in their great bereavement.

The following Accounts were submitted and payment of each ordered on the motion of Cor. Nulty, seconded by Alder. Jordan.—

Miss E. Browne 6 years rent	9 . 10 . 0
J. A. McCann Solr. Law Costs,	17 . 17 . 3
Daly & Monks " " re Casey & Treacy	9 . 13 . 0
Hayes & Sons " " re McCormack	1 . 1 . 6
R. B. Daly & Son rent,	6 . 5 . 5

A letter of which the following is a Copy was read—

17 Peter Street
31st March 1896.

Dear Sir,
I feel very grateful to the Members of the ~~Corporation~~ Council for their sympathy with me in my deep affliction.
Yours truly
Nicht. Farrell

P. Connolly (Esq.)
Town Clerk

A deputation from the Drogheda Chamber of Commerce waited upon the Council for the purpose of establishing a Pork market in Drogheda. After some discussion Alderman Kelly proposed, and Councillor Gogarty seconded,— 'That the request of the deputation from the Chamber of Commerce be considered on next Council meeting.'
Same was declared carried.

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Councillor Daly moved pursuant to Notice of Motion, given by Councillor Elcock, —'That we respectfully ask the Nuns of Presentation Convent to reconsider their decision as to putting out their tenants in Duke Street —these tenants being unable to obtain other houses in Drogheda in which to reside or carry on their business.'
Alderman Jordan seconded the Motion which was declared carried.

Alderman Kelly moved pursuant to Notice of Motion, given by Councillor Elcock, —'That the Loan Committee be empowered by the Corporation to appoint witnesses ~~to~~ to pay all their necessary expences attending in London in furtherance of the Local Bill now before Parliament.'
Alderman Downey seconded the Motion, which was unanimously declared carried.

Letter read from Trefors Daly & Monks Solicitors, stating that their client Miss Rourke of John Street is anxious to obtain a building Lease of 75 years, at an increased rent of 5/- per annum instead of the 31 years lease as approved of by the Corporation, and that she is prepared to expend some hundreds of pounds in building &c. —It was decided that the 'Committee of Inspection of property out of Lease' do inspect the premises and report on same.

Councillor Nulty proposed and Alderman Jordan seconded, —'That all legal documents in connection with premises

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belonging to the late Wm Henry Moore, now bought by Wm Gannon be handed over to Wm McCann & he report on the matter to next 2nd meeting.'

Same was declared carried.

Report read from Borough Surveyor stating that 'Wm Byrne, Engineer to the Harbour Commissioners handed him the appended letter yesterday, — that he went with him to the Slob-land and arranged where the Street-sweepings can be easily deposited should you give directions to send them there. — The supply pipe from Fairy Well got broken. I am getting it repaired.

The public fountain in Trinity St requires, repairs it would I think to order one to replace it. It could then be properly repaired and kept in stock'

Copy of Wm Byrne's letter.

Tuesday, March 31st. 96.

N. Hatch Esq.

Dear Sir,

At todays meeting of my Board His Worship the Mayor and the Commissioners present requested me to see you, and arrange to have the Corporation refuse delivered on the Slob-land from this date'

Faithfully Yours

Fras T. Byrne

The report was adopted on the motion of Alderman Downey seconded by Col Moore.

Peter Lynch Chairman

Wednesday 15th April 1896

At a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday the 15th day of April 1896, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon

His Worship the Mayor, presided,

also present

Aldermen - J. Downey, S. Jordan, and J. B. Kelly.

Town Councillors - L. Moore, J. Reilly, B. Kelly, J. Slevin, T. Fogarty, J. McGuinness, P. Draw, and L. J. Elcock.

The Minutes of last Meeting held on 1st April 1896, were read and signed.

The following Accounts were submitted and payment of each ordered on the motion of Alderman Jordan, seconded by Councillor Fogarty —

M. Faulkner, repairs to Harness	11 . 6
M. Gallagher, Do.	7 . 11
P. Murphy, Ironmongery,	12 . 8
J. Kennicks, 6 Brls. Lime @ 1/6 per Brl	9 . 0

At this stage Mr. James Curtis stood up, and commenced reading a document, stating that on Friday 10th inst. he had a private interview with Mr. R. J. Newell L. G. B. auditor as to the legality of the paying of Salaries before the day on which they fall due; that he authorized him to state that it is highly improper and illegal to fill a cheque for any salary before such Salary is due, and that he will surcharge gentlemen signing such Cheques; that although the Mayor has full authority to stop this evil practice it would be better if the following were entered on

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on the Minutes – Viz ——— That applications for Salaries be read out to the Meeting; that no cheque be filled for any Salary before the day on which it falls due; and that the Mayor do rigidly pass over all applications unless they be certified by Mr. Curtis ~~Clerk~~. Treasurer of

Councillor Pew proposed and Councillor Moore seconded, that the foregoing be adopted.—— Alderman Kelly proposed as an amendment that it be not adopted until it be brought before the Finance Committee for their consideration.—— Cobr. Nulty seconded the amendment after which a division was taken when there voted,—

For the amendment	Against
Messrs- L. J. Elcock,	Messrs. J. Crilly, J. Slevin,
J. McGuinness, B. Nulty,	L. Moore, P. Pew, S. Jordan,
J. B. Kelly, & J. Downey. (5)	and T. Fogarty. (6)

The Chairman accordingly declared the amendment lost.

For the Resolution	Against
Messrs. J. Crilly, J. Slevin,	Messrs. J. Downey and
L. Moore, P. Pew, S. Jordan,	B. Nulty. (2)
and T. Fogarty, (6)	

Aldn. Kelly and Councillors Elcock and McGuiness declined to vote stating that the matter was entirely illegal, whereupon the Chairman declared the Resolution carried, after which Cobr. Elcock handed in the following protest – Viz – "I protest against the resolution now carried by the Council Viz – the direction given by the auditor to the Council, re payments of Salaries at the suggestion of the Treasurer as being illegal due notice of same not having been given."

Peter Lynch Chairman

Wednesday 22nd April 1896.

At a Special Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday the 22nd day of April 1896, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon, to consider communication from Navan Town Commissrs. re Boyne Navigation Bill,

His Worship the Mayor, presided,

also present—

Aldermen— S. Jordan, J. Downey, and J. B. Kelly.

Town Councillors— T. Callan, J. Slevin, B. Nulty, T. Fogarty, and L. J. Elcock.

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The Town Clerk called the Roll, and read Notice convening the Meeting.

A communication of which the following is a Copy was read:—

Navan, 15th Apl. 1896.

At a Special Meting of the Navan Town Commissioners held on Thursday the 14th April 1896,

Mr. Luke Smyth C.T.C. presiding,

Others present Messrs- Michael Denning, John Spicer, Peter Murray, Peter Finegan, Wm Lawlor, P.R. McNamara, John Quinn.

On the motion of Mr. John Spicer, seconded by Mr. P. McNamara, the following resolution was unanimously passed:—

That we, the Members of the Navan Town Council strongly condemn the action of certain Irish Members of Parliament in opposing the Second Reading of the Boyne Navigation transfer Bill, and we hereby call on our County Members to aid in having the Bill passed, and we also urge on the Treasury to push on the measure as they agreed to and guaranteed

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guaranteed to do, as it is one of the greatest importance to the trade of Navan and district.

It is further resolved that a Copy of the above resolution be sent to our County Members, also to the Solicitor to the Board of Works, and to the Drogheda Corporation and Boyne Commissioners asking them to adopt a similar resolution.

James Lawler
Town Clerk.

Alderman Jordan proposed, and Councillor Elcock seconded;— "That we the Corporation of Drogheda strongly condemn the action of certain Irish Members of Parliament in opposing "The Boyne Navigation Bill" and we hereby call upon all Irish Representatives to support the Treasury in having the measure passed without further delay as it will confer immense advantages on the commerce of Drogheda, Navan, and adjoining districts.

Same was unanimously declared carried, and the Town Clerk was instructed to send Copies of Resolution to Messrs J. E. Redmond, J. Dillon, T. M. Healy, J. H. Parnell, and Horace Plunkett M. P. soliciting their support.

Peter Lynch Chairman.

Wednesday 20th May 1896

At a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday the 20th day of May 1896, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon,

His Worship the Mayor, presided.

also present—

Aldermen— S. Jordan, J. Downey, and J. B. Kelly.

Town Councillors— Le Moore, T. Callan, J. Slevin, T. Fogarty, J. Reilly, B. Tully, J. Mc Guinness, P. Reddy, P. Drew, and P. Reilly.

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The Minutes of last Meeting held on 15th April 1896, were read and signed.

Reports of which the following are Copies were read and adopted on the motion of Councillor Reilly, seconded by Councillor Moore.—

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 1st April 1896, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment

Salaries		
Mace Bearer	1 Week	1 . 3 . 0
Market Collector	1 Month	1 . 13 . 4
Town Clerk	1 "	11 . 5 . 0
Clerk to Town Commissioners	1 "	3 . 6 . 8
Executive Sanitary Officer	1 "	2 . 1 . 8
Sanitary Sub Officer	1 "	5 . 0 . 0
Clerk of Local Authority	1 "	1 . 5 . 0
		£25 . 14 . 8

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Amount forward		25 . 14 . 8
Registrar of Court of Conscience 3 Months		2 . 10 . 0
Mr James Curtis	3 "	37 . 10 . 0
Peter Lynch Esq J.P. Mayor	3 "	62 . 10 . 0
		128 . 4 . 8
Night Watch to 31st March 96		5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,		6 . 13 . 1
Fire Brigade,		2 . 8
Weigh Master, Hay Market.		1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,		2 . 6
County,		6 . 11 . 8
Streets,		10 . 4 . 10
P. Weldon Commission on collection of Rents,		2 . 18 . 7
		162 . 7 . 0

The following Accounts were laid —

Miss E Browne 2 years rent,		9 . 10 . 0
J. A. M'Cann Solr. Law Costs,		17 . 17 . 3
Daly & Monks " " " re Lacey's Brewery		9 . 13 . 0
Hayes & Sons " " " re M'Cormack,		1 . 1 . 6
R. B. Daly & Son Rent		6 . 5 . 5
		£206 . 4 . 2

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 8th April 1896, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment —

Mace Bearer 1 week Salary	1 . 3 . 0
Night Watch to 7th April 96	5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,	6 . 16 . 11
Fire Brigade,	2 . 8
	£14 . 1 . 7

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Amount forward	14 . 1 . 7
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
County,	8 . 0
Streets,	9 . 15 . 4
Sanitary, (Sewer at Marsh &c)	11 . 4
Gas Coy. a/c for March 96	48 . 7 . 8
	£74 . 6 . 5

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 15th April 1896, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment —

Mace Bearer 1 Weeks Salary	1 . 3 . 0
Night Watch to 14th inst.	5 . 19 . 0
Roads & Paths,	2 . 7 . 5
Fire Brigade	2 . 8
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
County,	16 . 0
Streets,	10 . 6 . 7
Sanitary,	1 . 5 . 4
	23 . 2 . 6

The following Accounts were paid —

W. Faulkner repairs to Harness,	11 . 6
M. Gallagher, Do.	7 . 4
P. Murphy Ironmongery,	12 . 8
H. Rennicks 6 Brls. Lime at 1/6	9 . 0
	£25 . 3 . 0

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 22nd April 1896, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment —

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Salaries

Mace Bearer 1 week	1 . 3 . 0
Inspector of Dairies 1 Month,	1 . 0 . 0
Clerk of Police Court 3 Months	12 . 10 . 0
	14 . 13 . 0
Night Watch to 21st April 96	5 . 19 . 0
Roads & Paths,	3 . 15 . 6
Fire Brigade,	2 . 8
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
County,	1 . 1 . 4
Streets,	10 . 2 . 2
Sanitary, (Sewers &c)	1 . 2 . 0
	£58 . 13 . 4

The Committee recommend that the Steam Bicycles &c the property of Wm Flint, at present stationed in Hay Market be removed from their present site, as they cause an obstruction to the Public thoroughfare, and that the Market Collector give the proprietor the required Notice to remove them before Saturday's Market.

The Committee also recommend that the Borough Surveyor be directed to have the waste Bank at Johnsgate levelled and to report to next Meeting on the probable cost of having it enclosed by a wire railing and having grass sown on it so that it could be utilised for the purpose of exhibiting Circuses &c.

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 6th May 1896, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment—

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Salaries

Mace Bearer 2 weeks	2 . 6 . 0
Car Inspector 5 "	1 . 5 . 0
~~Inspector of Dairies~~ Market Collector 1 Month,	1 . 13 . 4
Sanitary Sub Officer 1 "	5 . 0 . 0
	10 . 4 . 4
Night Watch to 5th May 96	11 . 18 . 0
Roads & Paths,	9 . 6 . 9
Fire Brigade,	2 . 8
Repairs to Corporation Houses,	14 . 0
Levelling bank Johnsgate,	1 . 13 . 7
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	2 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	5 . 0
County,	15 . 4
Streets,	21 . 9 . 3
Sanitary,	18 . 0
Postage & Receipt Stamps (Treasurers Office)	1 . 10 . 0
	£61 . 16 . 11

The following resolution was declared carried "That this Meeting of the Council adjourn out of respect to the memory of the late alderman T. H. Simcocks, and that a note of Condolence be sent to his wife and family."

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 13th May 1896 and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment—

Salaries

Mace Bearer 1 Week	1 . 3 . 0
Caretaker of Mayoralty House 2 Months	3 . 9 . 4
	£4 . 12 . 4

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Amount forward	£ 12 4
Night Watch to 12th May 96	5 19 0
Roads & Paths	1 19 10
Fire Brigade,	2 8
Limewashing Watch House	1 0 0
Levelling bank St John's gate,	16 0
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 0 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 6
County,	7 4
Streets,	10 0 3
Sanitary, (Cleansing Manholes & Dyke Hardmans garden	5 5
Gas Acc for April 96,	25 2 4
	51 7 8

The following Accounts were paid—

P. Bellew, 75 Brls. Lime at 1/2 (per Contract)	4 7 6
P. Connor Do	4 7 6
Dr Hamill, Bottles for Analysis,	2 0
Commissrs of Public Works, Principal & Interest (River Loan)	125 14 11
	£186 9 7

A letter of which the following is a Copy was read:—

New Quay
May 17th 1896.

Dear Sir

On behalf of myself and Family I beg to tender my grateful thanks to the Members of the Corporation for their kind and sympathetic letter on the occasion of my sad bereavement in the death of my dear husband.

Faithfully Yours
M. Simcocks.

Peter Connolly Esq
Town Clerk.

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A letter of which the following is a copy was read:— 4, Dame Street
Dublin 19th May 1896.

Dear Sir

I send you herewith copy of a letter received by me from Messrs Hargreaves & Co. requesting me to let them have a further cheque for £150.— on account of their costs in the second House. Please bring it before the Corporation at next meeting and procure and send me cheque for £200.— £150.— of which I shall forward to Messrs Hargreaves & Co. You might also procure and send me cheque for £121.17.0 to pay newspaper accounts particulars of which are as follows:—

Drogheda	Independent	56.10.0
"	Argus	39.17.0
	Conservative	3.16.0
Meath	Herald	21.14.0
		£121.17.0

The Bill was read a third time in the House of Lords on yesterday.

Yours faithfully
Valentine Kilbride

Peter Connolly Esq.
Town Clerk, Drogheda.

Copy

18, Abingdon Street, London
Westminster S. W.
May 15th 1896.

Dear Sir

Drogheda Corporation

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We have given notice of third reading of this Bill in the House of Lords for Monday next after which it will be sent down to the Commons. We must therefore ask you to be good enough to let us have a further cheque for £150.— on account of costs in the second House.

Yours truly
Hargreaves & Co

Valentine Kilbride Esq.
4. Dane Street Dublin.

Alderman Kelly proposed and Comcillor Nulty seconded, — That Messrs Hargreaves & Co. be paid £150.— and Mess Kilbride £250.— on account of expences incured re Loan Bill for Drogheda Corporation.

Same was declared carried.

There were three Tenders submitted for supply of Stones Gravel & Sand from 1st May 1896 to 1st May 1897. — that of John Hanratty of Mell, offering to supply

Broken Stones	@	3/4	per ton
Romd Gravel	"	2/4	" "
Paving Stones	"	2/-	" "
Building Sand	"	2/-	" "
Paving Sand	"	2/-	" "

— was accepted on the motion of Comcillor Moore seconded by Alderman Jordan.

Application read from Messrs Hayes & Sons, Sols for consent of the Corporation to assignment from Martin Butterly to

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Martin Butterly & Co. Ltd. of premises Besserwell Lane Parish of St. Peter Drogheda

Same was granted on the motion of Col Moore seconded Comcillor Reddy.

Letter read from R. J. Kennell Local Government Board Auditor, enclosing Report and Abstract of accounts of the Corporation for years ended 31st Decr. 1893 & 1894.

The Town Clerk was directed to have same printed and advertised in local papers.

Comcillor Gogarty proposed and Ald. Jordan seconded, — That our Solicitor get instructions to prepare Lease for Rev. Archd. Murphy of the premises in Fair Street for the new Parochial House at the rent of £5.—

Same was declared carried.

Chairman

Report read from Committee re Town Clerk not going to London in connection with Loan.

Same was deferred for further consideration.

Peter Lynch Chairman

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At a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday ~~the~~ 3rd day of June 1896, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon—

His Worship the Mayor, presided,
also present
Aldermen— C. Tighe, J. B. Kelly, S. Jordan, and J. Downey.
Town Councillors— L. Moore, T. Fallan, P. Reilly, J. Dolan, J. Slevin, P. Reddy, T. Callan, F. Fogarty, J. Crilly, S. Daly, G. Galbraith, W. T. Skeffington, ~~and~~ P. Drew, and B. Nulty.

The Minutes of last Meeting held on 20th May 1896, were read and signed.

Reports of which the following are Copies were read and adopted on the motion of Cobr. Drew, seconded by Cobr. Fallan—

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 20th May 1896, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment—

Salaries

Mace Bearer 1 Week,	1 „ 3 „ 0
Inspector of Dairies 1 Month	1 „ 0 „ 0
Summons Server, Court of Conscience 3 Months	1 „ 5 „ 0
	£3 „ 8 „ 0

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Amount forward	3 „ 8 „ 0
Night Watch to 19th May 96,	5 „ 19 „ 0
Roads and Paths,	2 „ 12 „ 0
Fire Brigade,	2 „ 8
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 „ 0 „ 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 „ 6
County,	12 „ 8
Streets,	13 „ 1 „ 5
	26 „ 18 „ 3

The following Accounts were paid—

P. Weldon S.S.O., Milk for Analysis &c,	4 „ 2
V. Kilbride Solr., Fees in connection with Corporation Loan Bill,	200 „ 0 „ 0
	£227 „ 2 „ 5

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 27th May 1896, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment.—

Salaries

Mace Bearer 1 Week,	1 „ 3 „ 0
Tax Inspector 4 Weeks,	1 „ 0 „ 0
Town Clerk 1 Month,	11 „ 5 „ 0
Clerk to Town Commissrs. 1 „	3 „ 6 „ 8
Executive Sanitary Officer 1 „	2 „ 1 „ 8
Clerk of Local Authority, 1 „	1 „ 5 „ 0
	20 „ 1 „ 4
Night Watch to 26th May 96,	5 „ 14 „ 0
Roads and Paths,	4 „ 2 „ 3
Fire Brigade,	2 „ 8
	£30 „ 5 „ 3

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Amount forward,	30 „ 5 „ 3
Linewashing houses from Lanes &c,	12 „ 0
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 „ 0 „ 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 „ 6
County,	1 „ 0 „ 0
Streets,	9 „ 18 „ 7
	£42 „ 18 „ 4

The following Accounts were submitted and payment of each ordered on the motion of Alderman Tighe, seconded by Councillor Gogarty. ——

Dkda. Advt. Co. ½ years Contract to 1st May	1 „ 10 „ 0
A. Moy Locks &c,	19 „ 6
J. Kelly & Son Sacking,	12 „ 0
½ years Tithe Rent Charge (Blackburne)	1 „ 17 „ 4
Do. " " " (Marquis of Drogheda)	56 „ 2 „ 8
G. A. Kelly &Co., Fees in connection with Corpn Bill,	100 „ 0 „ 0
Commons Fund ½ year's rent,	8 „ 18 „ 7
Reps late J. F. Simpson, Do. " " (Water House)	12 „ 1 „ 8
T. W. Hardman & Sons Do. " "	33 „ 9 „ 4
Drogheda Iron Works Co.,	24 „ 0 „ 11
Gas Co. a/c for May '96,	20 „ 10 „ 5
Alex. Thom & Co. Directory for 1896,	1 „ 1 „ 0
Irish Independent Co. Advertising,	10 „ 0

There were two Tenders submitted for annual supply of Coal. —— that of Martin Buttoly & Co. Ltd., offering to supply 25 Tons of best Whitehaven Coal at 15/0 was accepted on the motion of Councillor Dolan, seconded by Councillor Moore.

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Letter read from Cobt. P. Reilly tendering his resignation as Councillor for St. Laurence Gate Ward in consequence of being elected Alderman for West Gate Ward.

Councillor Moore proposed, and Councillor Dolan seconded, — "That Councillor Reilly's resignation be accepted, and that the usual Fine be remitted." Same was declared carried.

Alderman Kelly moved pursuant to notice of motion, —— "That the Town Clerk be suspended for three Months from all duties in connection with his Office." Councillor Slevin seconded the motion. Councillor Moore proposed as an amendment, — "That the Town Clerk be dismissed from all positions he holds under the Corporation." Councillor Drew seconded the amendment, whereupon a division was taken, when there voted for the amendment — Cols. Drew, Slevin, Callan, Reddy, Moore, Dolan, Reilly & Ald Jordan (8.) — for the Resolution — Ald. Kelly, Tighe and Downey — Cols. Fallan, Reilly, Galbraith, Shiffington, Nulty, Daly, & Gogarty (10.) The Mayor having consulted with Mr. McCann Sol. as to the legality of the proceedure, Mr. McCann, stated that he thought it would be necessary to have the sanction of the Local Govt Board, and that in the mean time he would look the matter up and let them know by next meeting. The Town Clerk here requested the Mayor and assembly to note, that he formally protested against the proceedure as being illegal.

The Mayor notwithstanding declared the resolution carried.

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Alderman Jordan proposed, and Alderman Downey seconded, — "That Wm. Weldon be appointed temporary Town Clerk until next Corporation Meeting"
Same was declared carried.

Chairman

Friday 19th. June 1896.

On this day Alderman Christopher Tighe as Presiding Alderman for St. Laurence Gate Ward held an Election of Town Councillor for said Ward to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Patrick Reilly of Shop Street Drogheda who was elected Alderman, when Sylvester Locke of Peter Street Drogheda was duly declared elected in room of said Patrick Reilly, and said Election was duly published pursuant to the requisites of the Statutes.

Chairman

Wednesday 17th. June 1896.

At a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday the 17th. day of June 1896 at the hour of 12 o'clock noon.

His Worship the Mayor, presided,
also present—
Aldermen— J. Downey and C. Tighe.
Town Councillors— E. Daly, P. Reddy, J. McGuinness J. Reilly, J. Slevin, T. Callan, L. Moore, P. Drew, and J. Dolan.

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The Minutes of last Meeting held on 3rd. June 1896, were read and signed.

Reports of which are Copies were read and adopted on the motion of Cllr. Reddy, seconded by Councillor Slevin.

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 3rd. June 1896, and having examined the following accounts recommend them for payment—

Salaries

Mace Bearer	1 week	1 " 3 " 0
Caretaker of Mayoralty House	1 Month	1 " 4 " 8
Market Collector	1 "	1 " 13 " 4
Sanitary Sub Officer	1 "	5 " 0 " 0
Borough Surveyor	3 Months	35 " 0 " 0
		£44 " 11 " 0

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Amount forward	44 " 11 " 0
Night Watch to 2nd May 96	5 " 19 " 0
Roads and Paths,	1 " 13 " 3
Limewashing &c Corporation Houses,	1 " 6 " 0
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 " 0 " 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 " 6
County,	12 " 8
Streets,	9 " 14 " 5
Sanitary, (Sewers &c)	1 " 11 " 10
	66 " 13 " 8

The following Accounts were paid -

Dheda Advt. Co. 2 years Contract to 1st May 96	1 " 10 " 0
A. Moy, Locks &c,	19 " 6
J. Kelly & Son, Sacking,	12 " 0
½ years Tithe Rent Charge (Blackburne)	1 " 17 " 4
Do. " " " " (Marquis of Drogheda)	56 " 2 " 8
J. N. Kelly, C. E. Fees in connection with Corporation Loan Bill,	100 " 0 " 0
Commons Fund 2 years rent,	8 " 18 " 7
Rep's late J. T. Simpson Do. " " (Water House),	12 " 1 " 8
T. W. Hardman & Sons Do. " "	33 " 9 " 4
Drogheda Iron Works Co.,	24 " 0 " 11
Gas Co's. a/c for May 96	20 " 10 " 5
Alex. Thom & Co. Directory for 1896,	1 " 1 " 0
Irish Independent Co. Advertising,	10 " 0
£	328 " 7 " 1

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 10th June 1896, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment —

Wednesday 17th June 1896.

Salaries

Mace Bearer, 1 Week,	1 " 3 " 0
Executive Sanitary Officer, 1 Month,	2 " 1 " 8
Medical Superintendent Officer of Health, 1 year,	10 " 0 " 0
	13 " 4 " 8
Night Watch to 9th June 96,	5 " 19 " 0
Roads and Paths,	1 " 18 " 6
Fire Brigade,	2 " 8
Repairs Corporation Houses,	2 " 8
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 " 0 " 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 " 6
Streets,	10 " 18 " 9
Sanitary (cleansing Manholes &c)	18 " 6
£	34 " 7 " 3

The following Accounts were submitted and payment of each ordered on the motion of Alderman Downey, seconded by Councillor Callan

J. Bloom, refund & cost of Concreting Footpath,	2 " 5 " 0
Poor Rate,	2 " 10 " 0
Grand Jury Cess,	24 " 10 " 9
M. Tighe, Horse Feeding (per Contract)	17 " 4 " 0
Water Works Co. 1 quarter's supply &c	24 " 4 " 3
5 years Grant Blue School,	21 " 0 " 0

Application read from Messrs. Daly & Monks Sols., for consent of Corporation to assignment from the Belfast Bank to their client Mr. Richard Mooney of premises situate at Dyer Street.

Same was complied with on the motion of Cllr. Slevin, seconded by Alder. Tighe.

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Report read from Borough Surveyor stating that P. Kelly spoke to him about having the interiour of Laurence Gate cleaned down, the steps repaired &c and the walls whitened; that he can easily employ two or three of the men at it now; and this is the proper time to invite Tenders for painting Lamp-posts, Urinals, Ventilators and woodwork in connection with the Corporation property.

The report was adopted on the motion of Cobr. Moore, seconded by Councillor Dolan.

Alderman Tighe proposed, and Alderman Downey seconded,— "That two Keys be obtained for Laurence Gate, and that one be given Mr. Callan and the other to Mr Connolly, both of Laurence Gate, on the clear understanding that tourists & the people of the Town can be shown through the old Gate at all reasonable hours."

Same was declared carried.

It was ordered that the Borough Surveyor report to next Meeting on the advisability of having a Cooking apparatus erected in the Mayoralty House.

P. Lynch Chairman

Wednesday 1st July 1896.

At a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday the 1st day of July 1896, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon —

His Worship the Mayor, presided,

also present —

Aldermen — J. Downey, P. Reilly, S. Jordan, and M. Tighe.

Town Councillors — S. Roche, P. Lyons, W. T. M'Keffington, L. Moore, B. Nulty, J. M'Guinness, J. Galbraith, T. Callan, J. Dolan, P. Reddy, P. Drew, J. Slevin, J. Reilly, and T. Fogarty.

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The Minutes of last Meeting held on 17th June 1896 were read and signed.

Reports of which the following are Copies were read and adopted on the motion of Councillor Nulty, seconded by Alderman Reilly.

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 17th June 1896, and having examined the following accounts recommend them for payment —

Salaries

Mace Bearer, 1 Week,	1 . 3 . 0
Clerk to Town Commissioners, 1 Month,	3 . 6 . 8
	£4 . 9 . 8

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Amount forward	4	9 8
Night Watch to 16th June 96	5	19 0
Roads and Paths,	2	17 1
Limewashing Weigh House & Fish Market		10 8
Fire Brigade,		2 8
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1	0 0
Cleaning Offices,		2 6
County,		10 8
Streets,	23	4 2
Sanitary, (Sewers &c)		8 2
	39	4 7

The following Accounts were paid.—

D. Kenny, Burial Fees (Lord)		5 4
J. Bloom, refund ½ cost of Concreting	2	5 0
Poor Rate,	2	10 0
Grand Jury Cess,	24	10 9
M. Tighe, Horse Feeding (per Contract)	17	4 0
Water Works Co., 1 quarters supply &c,	24	4 3
Half years Grant, Blue School,	21	0 0
	£131	1 11

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 24th June 1896, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment

Salaries

Mace Bearer	1 Week	1	3 0
Car Inspector	4 Weeks,	1	0 0
Inspector of Dairies 1 Month,		1	0 0
Clerk of Local authority 1.		1	5 0
		£4	8 0

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Amount forward	4	8 0
Night Watch to 23rd June 1896,	5	19 0
Roads and Paths,	1	15 3
Fire Brigade,		2 8
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1	0 0
Cleaning Offices,		2 6
County,		18 0
Streets,	10	17 3
Poll & Check Clerks Election 19 June 1896.	1	11 6
	£26	12 2

The following Accounts were submitted and payment of each ordered, on the motion of Aldn. Reilly, seconded by Aldn. Jordan.—

A. Hornton, Painting &c done in Mayoralty House,	16 11
Trustees Poor of St. Johns, ½ years rent,	23 18 3
Freemans Journal, advertising,	1 10 6

The following Account was ordered to be paid on the motion of Cob. Galbraith, seconded by Alderman Tighe.—

V. Kilbride, Sol., to pay Newspaper a/cs in Connection with Corporation Bill.	121 17 0

A letter of which the following is a Copy was read.—

4 Dame Street
Dublin 22nd May 1896
and Athy.

Drogheda Corporation Bill.

Dear Sir

I am in receipt of your letter of yesterdays date enclosing

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enclosing Reque for £200 on account of expenses in connection with the above Bill. As regards the newspaper accounts they must be paid through me as I will have to include them in my costs. I cannot say at present if the full amounts claimed will be allowed on taxation but of course I shall give credit for the £121.17.0 mentioned in my letter of the 19th inst. and only charge whatever will be allowed.

Yours truly
Valentine Kilbride.

James Curtis Esq
Treasurer of Corporation
Drogheda.

Cobr. Galbraith proposed and alderman Tighe seconded, — that £121:17:0 be paid to Mr. Kilbride on a/c of promotion of Corporation Bill.

Same was declared carried, Councillor Moore dissenting.

Report read from Borough Surveyor stating that the present means of Cooking in the Mayoralty House consists of two large fireplaces with plain grates, an oven, boiler, and hot hearth, all heated seperately, that the cost of two fire-ranges would be about £15:0:0 exclusive of setting, and suggesting that a Committee be appointed to go fully into the matter.

Cobr. Reilly proposed, and Cobr. Callan seconded, that a Committee consisting of Messrs. P. Reilly, S. Jordan, and T. Callan be appointed to inspect and report to next meeting.

Same was declared carried.

Wednesday 1st July 1896.

Communication read from Secretary Grand Jury Drogheda, enclosing Resolutions of which the following are Copies, resolutions as passed by the D'heda Grand Jury Viz. Resolved, — That we urgently and respectfully request the Corporation of Drogheda to alter &c. 8 of the Drogheda Extension Bill now in Parliament to read, From and after Summer Assizes 1897, instead of From and after the passing of this act. also if possible to make proper provision for unexpired Road Contracts, and to provide that the added area shall not be liable for County at Large charges in Louth and Meath.

Resolved. — That the County Surveyor be ordered to see Mr. Kilbride and confer with him on the subject of the Drogheda Extension Bill with a view to possible alterations to postpone charge of Jurisdiction and to provide for unexpired Contracts.

Aldr. Jordan proposed, and Cobr. Dolan seconded, — that the Town Clerk write Mr. Kilbride Solr. requesting him to have the Bill altered accordingly.

Same was declared carried.

Councillor Moore moved pursuant to notice of Motion, — "That Peter Connolly be dismissed from the Office of Town Clerk of the Borough of Drogheda and from the Office of Executive Sanitary Officer under the Public Health Ireland Act 1878, and the acts amending the same; and from the Office of Clerk to the said Corporation as the Local authority under the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act 1878, and the acts amending the same, for refusing to accompany the Mayor and other Members of the Council to London in connection with the Drogheda Loan Bill and also for having used insulting language to certain Members of the Council."

Alderman

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Alderman Jordan having seconded the motion Alderman Tighe requested the Town Clerk to apologize. The Town Clerk having apologized Alderman Tighe proposed as an amendment "that the apology of the Town Clerk be accepted."

Cobr. Galbraith having seconded the amendment Cobr. Moore called for a division when there voted—

For the Amendment	For the Resolution
Messrs- C. Tighe,	Messrs- T. Callan
S. Galbraith,	J. Slevin
W. T. Skeffington,	J. Reilly
J. McGuinness,	P. Drew,
P. Lyons,	P. Reddy
B. Nulty	L. Moore
J. Downey. (7)	S. Jordan
	J. Dolan
	F. Fogarty
	S. Rooke. (10)

Aldn. Reilly having declined to vote the resolution was declared carried.

Peter Lynch Chairman

Wednesday 8th July 1896.

At a Special Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, called by requisition, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday the 8th day of July 1896, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon, to consider Notice of Motion from Alderman Tighe – that the Resolution passed on ~~His Worship the Mayor presided,~~ ~~also present~~ ~~Aldermen – C. Tighe, S. Jordan,~~ Wednesday 1st inst. to dismiss Peter Connolly from the Office of Town Clerk &c be rescinded—

His Worship the Mayor, presided,
also present
Aldermen – C. Tighe, S. Jordan, J. Downey and, J. B. Kelly.
Town Councillors – S. Galbraith, J. McGuinness, S. Daly, L. Moore, P. Reddy, P. Drew, P. Reilly, J. Dolan, J. Slevin, J. Reilly, L. J. Elcock, W. T. Skeffington, B. Nulty, P. Lyons, and T. Callan

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The Roll having been called and Notice convening the Meeting read – a lengthened discussion ensued, when Alderman Reilly proposed and Councillor Moore seconded, that the Meeting do stand adjourned till Wednesday 15th inst.

Same was declared carried, after which the Meeting adjourned.

Peter Lynch Chairman

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Wednesday 15th July 1896.

At an Adjourned Special Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday the 15th day of July 1896, at the hour of 12 O'clock noon, to consider Notice of Motion from Alderman Tighe - that the Resolution passed on 1st inst. to dismiss Peter Connolly from the Office of Town Clerk &c. be rescinded, and that he resume his duties as usual -

His Worship the Mayor, presided,
also present
Aldermen - J. Downey, J. B. Kelly, S. Jordan, P. Reilly, and C. Tighe.
Town Councillors - L. J. Elcock, S. Galbraith, J. McGuinness, S. Daly, W. T. Keffington, T. Fogarty, P. Lyons, B. Nulty, J. Reilly, T. Callan, J. Slevin, P. Reddy, L. Moore, ~~P. Reilly~~ and P. Draw.

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The Roll having been called and Notice convening the Meeting read, Alderman Tighe moved pursuant to Notice of Motion - "that the resolution passed at a Meeting of the Council held Wednesday 1st inst. to dismiss Peter Connolly from the Office of Town Clerk &c, be rescinded, and that he resume his duties as usual."

Councillor Nulty having seconded the motion, Councillor Moore called for a division, when there voted, for the motion - Messrs, Downey, Elcock, Galbraith, Tighe, McGuinness, Daly, Keffington, Fogarty, Kelly, Lyons, and Nulty (11). Against the motion Messrs - Reilly, Callan, Slevin, Jordan, Reddy, Moore, Reilly, and Draw (8). The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Peter Connolly Chairman

Wednesday 15th July 1896.

At a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday the 15th day of July 1896, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon

His Worship the Mayor, presided,
also present -
Aldermen - J. Downey, J. B. Kelly, S. Jordan, P. Reilly, and C. Tighe.
Town Councillors - L. J. Elcock, S. Galbraith, S. Daly, J. McGuinness, W. T. Keffington, T. Fogarty, P. Lyons, B. Nulty, J. Reilly, T. Callan, J. Slevin, P. Draw, P. Reddy, & L. Moore.

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The Minutes of Meeting held on 1st July 1896, were read and signed.

A Letter of which the following is a Copy was read -

Mell,
Drogheda, 14th July 1896.

To The Mayor, Aldermen, and Councillors,
of the Drogheda Corporation.

Gentlemen,

I have twelve or fifteen tons of prime first crop hay, which I will sell at market price.

Respectfully Yours
John Hanratty.

No order made.

Peter Connolly Chairman

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At a Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday the 5th day of August 1896, at the hour of 12 O'Clock noon—

His Worship the Mayor, presided,
also present
Aldermen – P. Reilly, J.B. Kelly, J. Downey, S. Jordan, and C. Tighe.
Town Councillors – J. Dolan, P. Reddy, J. Reilly, P. Drew, J. Callan, J. Slevin, L. Moore, W.J. Skeffington, J. Hogarty, B. Scully, and L.J. Elcock, and P. Lyons.

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The Minutes of last Meeting held on 15th July 1896, were read and signed.

Reports of which the following are Copies were read and adopted on the motion of Councillor Moore, seconded by Councillor Drew.—

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 1st July 1896, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment—

Salaries

Mace Bearer	1 Week	1 . 3 . 0
Market Collector	1 Month	1 . 13 . 4
Caretaker of Mayoralty House	1 "	1 . 14 . 8
Town Clerk,	1 "	11 . 5 . 0
Sanitary Sub Officer,	1 "	5 . 0 . 0
Treasurer	3 months,	37 . 10 . 0
Registrar of Court of Conscience,	3 "	2 . 10 . 0
		£60 . 16 . 0

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Amount forward	60 . 16 . 0
Night Watch to 30 June 96	5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,	1 . 13 . 6
Fire Brigade	2 . 8
Repairs, Houses Green Lanes,	10 . 8
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
County,	18 . 8
Streets,	11 . 17 . 6
Sanitary, (Sewer West Gate)	7 . 4
P. Weldon, Commission on collection of Rents	3 . 0 . 5
C. Sherlock, ½ Poor Rate,	5 . 5
	86 . 13 . 6

The following Accounts were paid

H. Thornton, for Painting &c, done in Mayoralty House	16 . 11
Trustees Poor of St. Johns ½ years rent,	23 . 18 . 3
Freemans Journal, Advertising,	1 . 10 . 6
V. Killeride Sol. to pay Newspaper a/c in connection with Corpn. Bill	121 . 17 . 0
	£234 . 16 . 2

Your Committee recommend that James Winters be granted a Car Proprietors License.

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 8th July 1896, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment—

Salaries

Mace Bearer	1 Week 1 . 3 . 0
Executive Sanitary Officer,	1 Month, 2 . 1 . 8
	£3 . 4 . 8

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Amount forward	3 . 4 . 8
Night Watch to 7th July 96	5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,	8 . 4
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
County,	8 . 0
Streets,	11 . 8 . 0
Sanitary, (Cleansing Dale Brook &c)	14 . 4
	23 . 17 . 10

The following Account was paid—

P. Weldon, L.S.O. Milk for Analysis &c,	7 . 7
	£24 . 5 . 5

Your Committee recommend that Thos. Gogher, Clogher, be granted a Car Proprietors License.

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 15th July 1896, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment—

Mace Bearer 1 Week Salary,	1 . 3 . 0
Night Watch to 14th inst.,	5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,	1 . 4 . 6
Fire Brigade,	2 . 8
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
County,	13 . 4
Streets,	9 . 5 . 5
Sanitary, (Cleansing Manholes &c)	10 . 8
	£20 . 1 . 1

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Amount forward	20 . 1 . 1

The following Accounts were paid—

P. Connor, 6 Brls Lime @ 1/2 per Brl,	7 . 0
J. Aspill, Car hire (taking Samples Water for Analysis)	6 . 0
	£20 . 14 . 1

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 22nd July 1896, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment—

Salaries

Mace Bearer 1 Week	1 . 3 . 0
Inspector of Dairies 1 Month,	1 . 0 . 0
Clerk to Town Commissioners 1 "	3 . 6 . 8
Clerk of Police Court, 3 months,	12 . 10 . 0
	17 . 19 . 8
Night Watch to 21st July 96,	5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,	3 . 5 . 5
Fire Brigade,	2 . 8
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
County,	10 . 0
Streets,	9 . 13 . 2
Sanitary, (Sewers &c),	1 . 15 . 10
Gas Co's a/c for June 96,	14 . 12 . 11
	£55 . 1 . 2

Your Committee recommend that Hugh Tully be granted a Car Driver's License; also that a Committee consisting of Messrs. J. McGuinness, S. Jordan and His Worship the Mayor be appointed to purchase annual supply of Hay

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The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 29th July 1896, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment—

Salaries	
Mace Bearer 1 Week	1 . 3 . 0
Car Inspector 5 Weeks,	1 . 5 . 0
Town Clerk, 1 Month,	11 . 5 . 0
Clerk of Local Authority 1,	1 . 5 . 0
	14 . 18 . 0
Night Watch to 28th inst.	5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,	2 . 14 . 1
Repairs, Watch House,	18 . 0
Weigh Master Haymarket,	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
Streets,	10 . 8 . 0
Sanitary (Sewers &c)	14 . 6
Postage and receipt Stamps, (Treasurer's Office)	1 . 10 . 0
J. McCarthy, Hay,	17 . 7 . 6
	£ 55 . 11 . 7

Your Committee recommend that John Fresser Pilcek, be granted a Car Proprietors and Drivers License, and that James Heming be granted be granted a Drivers License. The Committee also recommend that an advertisment be inserted in the Local Papers to the effect that additional Fairs are held in the Borough on the Second Wednesday in August and Second Wednesday in October in each year; and that Placards notifying same be posted in Dundalk, Ardee, Dunleer, Collon, Nobber, Navan, &c.

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The following Accounts were submitted and payment of each ordered on the motion of Alderman Reilly seconded by Coln. Drew.

Grand Jury Forms	1 . 4 . 0
W. Faulkner, repairs to Harness,	16 . 5
P. Connolly, erecting & taking down Polling booths &c,	12 . 6
P. McDonnell, Carpenter Work,	2 . 2 . 0
W. Lanigan, Painting &c,	3 . 15 . 3
Gas a/c for July &c,	40 . 9 . 2
Insurance life Wm. Campbell 1 year,	8 . 13 . 6
J. A. Kelly, P. C., expenses to London re Corpn. Bill	10 . 0 . 0
A. King, Hay,	32 . 4 . 3
E. & N. Moran, Bricks,	3 . 9 . 4
Martin Butterly & Co. Coal, (per Contract)	20 . 11 . 10
Half Year's Grant, Protestant Infant Schools,	10 . 10 . 0
Dkeda Independent Co. a/c for Printing & Advt.	11 . 14 . 0
Mrs. A. Hughes, (Argus Office) a/c for Printing &c.	23 . 0 . 7
~~M. J. Nugent, refund 2 years Penal Rent~~	~~. . .~~

A letter of which the following is a Copy was read—

105 West Street
Drogheda, August 5th 1896

The Drogheda Corporation,

Gentlemen

Now that I have built a good substantial House on my holding I hope you will allow me the two years Penal Rent charged me before its erection.

Your obedient Servant
Michael J. Nugent.

Councillor Elcock proposed, and Alderman Jordan, seconded, "that the Penal Rent imposed on Mr. Michael J. Nugent of West Street ~~be remitted~~ in

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in consequence of his delay in building the house in West Street, be remitted to him provided he gives a proper indemnity to the Corporation or the Members who sign the Cheque for the amount of the Rendl Rent."

Same was declared carried.

There were two Tenders submitted for painting the various Lamp Pillars, Brackets, Urinals, Fountains, and Ventilating Shafts in the Borough — that of Wm Hughes, 2 Thomas St. sureties, Owen Dolan Thomas Street, and Wm Branigan Shop Street, offering to paint —

100 Lamp Pillars @	£5:0:0	
99 Brackets	"	2:9:6
30 Ventilating Shafts	"	4:10:0
2 Urinals,	"	1:10:0
Youcas Green Lane	"	3:10:0
Cornmarket, Fishmarket & Wrights House	"	7:0:0
Mr. Weldon's House	"	15:0
Watch House,	"	1:5:0
and 2 Lamp Pillars at Court House, 2 Do. at Church James Street, 1 Do. at Post Office, and 1 Do. at Whitworth Hall,	"	5:0:0 was

accepted on the motion of Councillor Moore, seconded by Alderman Reilly.

Communications read from Mr. Kilbride Solicitor, enclosing letters &c from his Parliamentary Agents in connection with Corporation Bill. Nothing being recommended or requested, there was no order made.

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Application read from Messrs. Daly & Monks Solicitors, Laurence Street, for consent of Corporation to assignment from Capt. Thos Long to Wm Farrell of Plot of ground situate at John Street.

Consent was granted on the motion of Councillor Multy, seconded by Councillor Fogarty.

Report read from Borough Surveyor relative to supply of Gas for coming year, and the breaking of Urinal in Potato Market.

Instructions were given to have the Urinal repaired.

Councillor Fogarty proposed, and Alderman Reilly seconded, "that the Engineer be instructed to have Boundary Wall at Milk Market repaired at once"

Same was declared carried.

Alderman Jordan proposed, and Councillor Reddy seconded, "that all monies from all sources be paid to the Treasurer only"

Same was declared carried.

The following report from Finance Committee was read —

"The Finance Committee recommend the following Resolutions for the consideration of the Council Meeting of the Drogheda Corporation —

1st That all Salaries be paid on the first Wednesday of each quarter.

2nd That all accounts be furnished every three months and that all orders shall be given by Pass Books, said Pass Books to be left on table for

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for inspection at each Council Meeting.
3rd That the Finance Committee be summoned one week before the payment of Accounts for the purpose of inspecting and certifying such Accounts.
4th That the Bye Laws passed in 1876 and sanctioned by the Local Government Board in reference to Cars plying for hire be strictly enforced.
5th That all Tenders, Reports, Applications for leases, letters &c to come before any Meeting shall be lodged with Town Clerk not later than 4. O.C. on day previous to such Meeting. That all materials &c. required by the Corporation be obtained by Tender only.
We recommend that these resolutions shall not come into force until after 1st October 1896.

Peter Lynch Mayor
J. Bellew Kelly Alderman
Luke J. Clock
Laurence Moore
Francis Fogarty
Simon Jordan.

5th August 96"

Councillor Moore proposed, and Alderman Reilly seconded, that report be adopted.
Alderman Tighe proposed as an amendment, that consideration of report be deferred for a fortnight.
Alderman Downey seconded the amendment.
On a show of hands the motion was declared carried.

Peter Lynch Chairman.

Wednesday 19th August 1896.

At a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday the 19th day of August 1896 at the hour of 12 O'clock noon

His Worship the Mayor presided.
also present:
Aldermen — P. Reilly, J. Downey, S. Jordan, and J. B. Kelly.
Town Councillors — J. Callan, J. Callan, P. Reddy, T. Drew, J. McGuinness, L. Moore, B. Tully, J. Crilly, and L. J. Clock.

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The Minutes of last Meeting held on 5th August 1896, were read and signed.

Reports of which the following are Copies were read and adopted on the motion of Councillor Reddy, seconded by Alderman Downey —

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 5th August 1896, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment —

Salaries

Mace Bearer	1 Week	1	3 . 0 .
Caretaker of Mayoralty House	1 Month,	1	14 . 8
Market Collector,	1 "	1	13 . 4
Executive Sanitary Officer	1 "	2	1 . 8
Sanitary Sub Officer,	1 "	5	0 . 0
Summons Server, Court of Conscience	3 Months,	1	5 . 0
		£ 12	17 . 8

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Amount forward	12 . 17 . 8
Night Watch to 4th August 96	5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,	5 . 7 . 8
Fire Brigade,	3 . 8
Repairs, Roof Watch House,	1 . 6 . 10
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
County,	2 . 16 . 2
Streets,	10 . 14 . 11
	£40 . 7 . 5

The following Accounts were paid—

Grand Jury Forms,	1 . 4 . 0
W. Faulkner, repairs to Harness,	16 . 5
B. Connolly, taking down & erecting Polling Booths,	12 . 6
B. McDonnell, Carpenter Work,	2 . 2 . 0
W. Branigan, Painting &c,	3 . 13 . 3
Gas a/c for July 96 &c	40 . 9 . 2
Insurance life W. Campbell,	8 . 13 . 6
J. N. Kelly C.E., expenses to London re Corporation Bill,	10 . 0 . 0
A. King, Hay,	32 . 4 . 3
E. & N. Moran Bricks,	3 . 9 . 4
Martin Butterly & Co. Coal, (per Contract)	20 . 11 . 10
Half Years Grant Protestant Infant Schools,	10 . 10 . 0
Dheda Independent Co. a/c for Printing & Advertising,	11 . 14 . 0
Mrs. A. Hughes (Trigus Office) a/c for Printing &c,	23 . 0 . 7
M. J. Nugent, refund 2 years Penal Rent,	24 . 0 . 0
	£253 . 8 . 3

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 12th August 1896 and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment—

Wednesday 19th August 1896.

Mace Bearer 1 Weeks Salary	1 . 3 . 0
Night Watch to 11th August 96	5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,	5 . 15 . 0
Repairing River Wall Wellington Quay,	2 . 8
Fire Brigade,	2 . 8
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
County,	10 . 8
Streets,	9 . 11 . 11
	£24 . 7 . 5

The following Accounts were submitted and payment of each ordered on the motion of Alderman Jordan, seconded by Alderman Reilly— Councillor Elcock dissenting to J. Kelly's—

J. Simcox R. S. attendance on horse, &c	2 . 15 . 2
J. F. Bannon, Trunk & Strap,	11 . 3
Trustees Patten, 6 years rent,	29 . 0 . 0
J. Kelly 6 years Interest on Mortgage,	178 . 18 . 2

A report of which the following is a copy was read:—

"To the Mayor & Gentlemen

Your Committee beg to report that they recommend that a suitable Fire Range be procured, at a cost say not exceeding Fifteen Pounds, for the Mayoralty House"

Signed

J. Bellew Kelly
Luke J. Elcock
Simon Jordan
Thomas Callan

The report was adopted on the motion of Ald Jordan seconded by Col. Moore.

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Report read from Committee of inspection of property out of Lease, of which the following is a copy: ——

Drogheda 18th August 1896

To the Council of the Corporation of Dghda.

Gentlemen

We your committee appointed to inspect premises the Leases of which have expired beg to report.

1. We recommend that the resolution granting a lease for 31 years of premises in John Street to Miss Rourke be rescinded and that she get a building lease at the same rent with the usual covenants.

2. Premises Magdalen Street — These premises adjoin the house held by Alderman Downey from the Corporation. — We consider that terms should be made with Mr Downey he surrendering the lease he holds and taking a lease of the entire plot.

3. Houses West Street. — There are 2 houses in Narrow West Street, occupied by weekly tenants, pending some arrangements being come to as to letting them by lease or otherwise. Both require some repairing and the Corporation should decide as to whether they should repair the houses themselves or let them to solvent tenants, who would carry out the necessary work

We recommend that in all the above cases the Borough Surveyor be directed to furnish estimates of the probable cost of the work required in each case.

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(Signed) Silas Lynch
Laurence Moore
Francis Gogarty
Luke J. Elcock

Alderman Kelly proposed Councillor Nulty seconded, — that report be adopted. Same was declared carried.

Report read from Loan Committee congratulating the Council on the successful passing of the Corporation Act; thanking the Gentlemen who had the conduct of the measure and the Members of Parliament who assisted the Committee by their advice and help; lamenting the great loss both the Committee and the Corporation sustained by the death of the late Alderman T. H. Simcocks, on account of his great ability as a calculator and the happy method he possessed of being able to deal with both figures and facts — these gifts being fully and freely at the disposal of the Committee, recommending that the services of a Skilled Actuary be secured to gide the Corporation in connection with the borrowing of Money and the issue of Corporate Stock; that all evidence be secured for the arbitrator in connection with the purchase of the Waterworks that the outlay on Artisans dwellings be regulated so that no loss should be sustained but that the receips should at least meet the interest &c. for the Money invested, with a percentage for repairs collecting rents, bad debts &c.; that the Corporation should

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endeavour to guard against entering into ~~private~~ competition with private or charitable enterprise; that no time be lost in having the Franchise Clause put into operation; that a committee with limited executive powers, composed of Members willing to act should be appointed, such committee to be empowered to consult with Committees from Chamber of Commerce, Trades Union and Labourers Society.

Councillor Moore proposed and Councillor Drew seconded, that report now read be adopted.

~~Same~~ was declared carried.

After some discussion it was decided that the existing Loan Committee be reappointed and that Alderman Reilly and Councillor Gogarty, High Sheriff be added to the number.

Pat. Lynch Chairman.

Wednesday 2nd September 1896.

At a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday the 2nd day of September 1896, at the hour of 12 O'clock noon

His Worship the Mayor, presided.
also present
Aldermen — J. Downey, A. Farrell, J. B. Kelly, C. Tighe, and S. Jordan.
Town Councillors — T. Gogarty, L. Moore, B. Shiltz, J. Reilly, and A. Roche.

The Minutes of last Meeting held on 19th August 1896 were read and signed.

Reports of which the following are Copies were read and adopted on the motion of Alderman Farrell, seconded by Alderman Tighe.

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 19th August 1896, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment —

Salaries

Mace Bearer 1 Week	1 . 3 . 0
Inspector of Dairies 1 Month,	1 . 0 . 0
Clerk to Town Commissioners, 1 "	3 . 6 . 8
	£ 5 . 9 . 8

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Amount forward	5 . 9 . 8
Night Watch to 18th August 96,	5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,	2 . 0 . 8
Fire Brigade,	2 . 8
Repairs,	15 . 2
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
County,	5 . 18 . 1
Streets,	9 . 2 . 7
Sanitary, (Sewer connections)	3 . 6
	30 . 13 . 10

The following Accounts were paid

T. Simcox, V. S., attendance on horse, &c	2 . 15 . 2
S. F. Bannon, Trunk & Strap,	11 . 3
J. Kelly, 5 years Interest on Mortgage,	178 . 18 . 2
Trustees Patten 5 years rent,	29 . 0 . 0
	£241 . 18 . 5

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 26th August 1896, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment.—

Salaries

Mace Bearer 1 Week	1 . 3 . 0
Town Clerk 1 Month	11 . 5 . 0
Clerk of Local Authority, 1 "	1 . 5 . 0
	13 . 13 . 0
Night Watch to 25th Augt. 96,	5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,	15 . 9
Repairs,	1 . 10 . 2
	£21 . 17 . 11

Wednesday 2nd September 1896.

Amount forward	21 . 17 . 11
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
County,	3 . 19 . 1
Streets,	9 . 18 . 8
Sanitary, (Sewer Shop St. Pipe & Workmans Garden)	17 . 2
E. & N. Moran, Bricks,	4 . 0 . 0
	£41 . 15 . 4

The following Accounts were submitted and payment of each ordered on the motion of Councillor Reilly, seconded by Councillor Moore.—

J. Nolan, Stationery (per Mr. Curtis)	1 . 16 . 6
A. Moy, Lock and Keys for Lawrence Gate,	1 . 10 . 6
Albert & Co., Repairing Holsel Clock,	3 . 0 . 0
M. J. Nugent, Plumbing,	4 . 17 . 6
P. Lynch Esq Mayor, Expenses to London, re Copyn. Bill,	7 . 0 . 0
A. Hatch L. S. Do. & ordnance Maps,	10 . 10 . 0
R. B. Daly & Son, 5 years rent,	7 . 2 . 9
Wm Hughes, on a/c of Contract for Painting,	10 . 0 . 0

A letter of which the following is a Copy was read.—

30 Fair Street
Sepr. 2nd 1896.

Dear Sir

Kindly convey to the Members of the Council my most sincere thanks for their Kind expression of sympathy with me in my affliction.

Yours truly
Gerald Daly

P. Connolly Esq
Town Clerk

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Alderman Kelly moved pursuant to Notice of Mofion — ~~that~~ which was seconded by Councillor Lailly — "that the report of the Engineer of 5th august, recommending the purchase of 50 New Lamps be adopted."

After some discussion it was decided that the Lamp Inspecting Committee inspect old lamps stored in Watch House and report to next Meeting.

A letter of which the following is a Copy was read. —

Magdalene Street
Drogheda 31st Augt. 96.

To the Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors
of the Borough of Drogheda.

Gent.n

In reference to adoption of report sent in by Lease Committee, I am prepared to surrender Lease of House (which I hold for 9 Shillings per year) and take usual Lease from you for it and the adjoining two Houses for the yearly rental of £18.
I will expend £50 on reslating and raising portion of saner, erecting new Chimneys, new flooring, windows, doors, Sanitary arrangements and all necessary repairs.

Faithfully Yours
John Downey.

Councillor Fogarty gave Notice of Motion that lease be granted Alderman Downey be at £14 per year.

Nicholas Farrell Chairman

Wednesday 16th September 1896

At a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday the 16th day of September 1896, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon

Alderman N. Farrell presided.
also present —
Aldermen — J. Downey, J. B. Kelly, S. Jordan, and C. Tighe.
Town Councillors — T. Fallan, L. Moore, J. Clock, B. Tully, J. McGuinness, P. Drew, F. Fogarty, J. Dolan, T. Callan, P. Reddy, and P. Lyons.

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The Minutes of last Meeting held on 2nd September 1896, were read and signed.

Reports of which the following are Copies were read and adopted on the motion of Councillor Moore, seconded by Cobr. Drew —

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 2nd September 1896, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment

Salaries

Mace Bearer	1 Week	1 . 3 . 0
Market Collector	1 Month	1 . 13 . 4
Caretaker of Mayoralty House	1 "	1 . 14 . 8
		£4 . 11 . 0

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Amount forward		£ 11 . 11 . 0
Executive Sanitary Officer	Month	2 . 1 . 8
Sanitary Sub Officer,	1 "	5 . 0 . 0
Borough Surveyor,	3 Months	35 . 0 . 0
Car Inspector,	5 Weeks	1 . 5 . 0
		£ 47 . 17 . 8
Night Watch to 1st Sept. '96,		5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,		9 . 2
Repairs,		16 . 10
Laying Concrete,		3 . 4 . 10
Weigh Master Hay Market,		1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,		2 . 6
County,		4 . 18 . 3
Streets,		7 . 5 . 6
Sanitary, (cleansing Manholes & Dyke at Hardmans Gate)		19 . 2
		£ 72 . 10 . 11

The following Accounts were paid —

P. Weldon & Co. Milk for Analysis &c	£ 4 . 4
F. W. Brittain, Carbolic Acid &c (per Contr.)	3 . 3 . 0
D. Kenny, Burial Fees (Chord)	4 . 4
J. Nolan, Stationery (per Mr. Curtis)	1 . 16 . 6
A. Moy, Lock & Keys for Lawrence Gate,	1 . 10 . 0
Albert & Co. repairing Holsel block,	3 . 0 . 0
M. J. Nugent, Plumbing,	4 . 17 . 6
Lynch Esq. Mayor, expenses to London re Comm. Bill,	7 . 0 . 0
N. Natch, O.S. Do. & ordnance Maps,	10 . 10 . 0
R. B. Daly & Son, ½ years rent,	7 . 2 . 9
Wm Hughes, on a/c of Contract for Painting,	10 . 0 . 0
	£ 121 . 19 . 10

Wednesday 6th September 1896.

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 9th September 1896, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment

Mace Bearer	1 Weeks Salary	£ 1 . 3 . 0
Night Watch to 8th Sept.		5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,		14 . 8
Repairs,		3 . 11 . 11
Weigh Master, Hay Market,		1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,		2 . 6
~~County~~,		5 . 2 . 6
~~Streets~~,		
~~County~~, Streets		9 . 18 . 3
Sanitary (Cleansing Dale Brook)		4 . 3
Postage & Receipt Stamps (Treasurers Office)		1 . 10 . 0
Gas Co's a/c for August '96.		21 . 5 . 6
		£ 50 . 11 . 7

The following Account was ordered to be paid on the motion of Alderman Jordan seconded by Councillor Dolan: —

Water Works Co. 1 Quarters supply &c 30 . 2 . 0

Councillor Gogarty moved pursuant to Notice of Motion, which was seconded by Councillor Tallan, "that a new repairing Lease be given to Alderman Downey of premises Magdalene Street at a rent of £14 per year."

Same was declared carried.

Letter read from Aldn. Downey stating that he was prepared to accept terms of above resolution.

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Orders were given to have Lease prepared.

A letter of which the following is a Copy was read —

St Peters
Drogheda 15th Sept. 1896.

To
The Drogheda Corporation.

Gentlemen

You are already aware that a plot of ground in Fair Street has been granted me by the Lords of the Treasury for the building of a Parochial House. The rent of this plot has been already fixed by the Inspector & Valuator of the Lords of the Treasury. May I then ask you to have the Lease of this plot completed as soon as may be convenient. This is not an ordinary Lease — it has the approval of the Lords of the Treasury and as the money required for the building must be obtained from the Board of Works, I shall feel greatly obliged if the usual Alienation & Penal clauses be omitted in the drafting of it, as the insertion of those clauses may interfere with me in getting the money required for the building from the Board of Works.

I am Gentlemen
Yours faithfully
R. Murphy P.P.

Same was referred to Committee of inspection of property out of Lease.

A letter of which the following is a Copy was read: —

Wednesday 16th September 1896.

7/1 West Street
16 Sept 1896.

To the Drogheda Corporation
For the past 14 Months I have been a Weekly Tenant of the house 7/1 West Street and during that time I have expended a large sum of money on improvements. I now beg to apply to become a yearly tenant on the terms already offered £9 a year. I shall be willing to make whatever improvements your Honorable Board may consider necessary.

Your obedient Servant
Rose McMahon.

The Town Clerk was directed to inform Mrs. McMahon that the Corporation is prepared to grant her Lease at £9 per year on the undertaking that she repairs the premises to the satisfaction of the Borough Surveyor.

A letter of which the following is a Copy was read —

5/6 8 West Street
Drogheda 15th Sept. 1896

To the Mayor and Corporation

Gentlemen

I am prepared to give £33, rent, Poor Law valuation, and expend £170 in repairing that part of your property now out of Lease part of which I occupy.

Yours faithfully
P. McEvoy.

Same was referred to Committee of inspection of property out of Lease.

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Application read from Messrs. Daly & Monks Solrs. Lawrence Street for consent of Corporation to sale of Mr. P. C. Greene's interest in land held by him at Manimore.

Consent was granted on the motion of Councillor Moore seconded by Councillor Melly.

Report read from Borough Surveyor of which the following is a Copy.

Borough Surveyor's Office
Drogheda 16th September 1896.

To the Council of the Corporation
Borough of Drogheda

Gentlemen,

I have been requested to bring under your notice the present disposition of the Street Scavengings and to express my views thereon. At present there is actually no settled place to deposit them with a consequent loss to your funds.

After a good deal of consideration I have come to the conclusion that Drogheda should do as other towns, especially in England, do, that is undertake the entire cleansing of the town, privies, ashpits &c; the contents of these would mixed with the Street sweepings would make a really valuable manure, which could be easily disposed of to the advantage of the neighbouring farmers as well as the Corporation. To do this of course would necessitate the obtaining of a proper depot and I am led to believe that such can be got within a reasonable distance.

Should you decide to adopt this idea I am

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am sure that your present staff of horses &c., will be able to cope with the work except of course in the case of emergencies when a horse or two can be hired.

Your obt. Servt.
Nicks. Hatch.

The report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Moore, seconded by Councillor McGuinness.

Councillor Elcock proposed, and Councillor Moore seconded,— that the following be appointed a comtee. to find a site for depositing the manure— Messrs. Kelly, McGuinness, Jordan.

Same was declared carried.

Councillor Elcock proposed, and Alderman Kelly seconded, "that Mr. Weldon and Mr. Hatch be requested to attend at Mr. Tisdall's Office and extract from the Rate Books all the rated occupiers, rated between £4 & £10, for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of our new Act by having those names placed upon the Burgess Roll for 1896".

Same was declared carried.

Peter Lynch Chairman

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Wednesday 7th October 1896.

At a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday the 7th day of October 1896, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon—

His Worship the Mayor presided.
also present—
Aldermen—S. Jordan, J. Downey, P. Reilly, and A. Farrell.
Town Councillors—P. Drew, P. Reddy, J. Dolan, L.J. Elcock, J. Reilly, F. Fogarty, P. Lyons, T. Fallan, D. Fallan, L. Moore, B. Nulty, W.T. Heffington, J. Daly, J. Mc Guinness, and A. Roche.

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The Minutes of last Meeting held on 16th September 1896, were read and signed.

Reports of which the following are Copies were read and adopted on the motion of Alderman Jordan, seconded by Alderman Reilly—

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 16th September 1896, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment—

Salaries—

Mace Bearer. 1 Week	1 . 3 . 0
Clerk to Town Commissioners, 1 Month	3 . 6 . 8
	£4 . 9 . 8

Wednesday 7th October 1896.

Amount forward	4 . 9 . 8
Night Watch to 15th Sept. 96,	5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,	7 . 13 . 0
Repairs Lawrence Gate, &c.	2 . 5 . 4
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
County,	9 . 0 . 1
Streets,	9 . 13 . 4
	40 . 2 . 11

The following Account was paid—
Water Works Co. 1 quarters supply &c. 30 . 2 . 0

£70 . 4 . 11

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 23rd September 1896, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment

Salaries

Mace Bearer 1 Week	1 . 3 . 0
Clerk of Local Authority 1 Month	1 . 5 . 0
Inspector of Dairies 1 .	1 . 0 . 0
	3 . 8 . 0
Night Watch to 22nd Sept. 96,	5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,	3 . 2 . 4
Repairs at Hay Market,	8 . 8
Weigh Master, Hay Market	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
County,	5 . 18 . 10
Streets,	9 . 9 . 0
Sanitary, (St. Patricks & Bains Well)	1 . 5 . 4
	£30 . 13 . 8

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The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 30th September 1896, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment

Salaries—

Mace Bearer	1 Week	1 . 3 . 0
Car Inspector	4 Weeks,	1 . 0 . 0
Market Collector,	1 Month,	1 . 13 . 4
Town Clerk,	1 "	11 . 5 . 0
Sanitary Sub Officer	1 "	5 . 0 . 0
		20 . 1 . 4
Night Watch to 29th Sept. '96		5 . 14 . 5
Roads and Paths,		5 . 2 . 1
Repairs,		2 . 3 . 4
Weigh Master, Hay Market,		1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,		2 . 6
County,		8 . 3 . 9
Streets,		4 . 15 . 0
P. Welldon, commission on collection of Rents,		2 . 18 . 11
Postage Stamps, (Town Clerks Office)		10 . 0
	£	50 . 11 . 4

The following Accounts were submitted and payment of each ordered on the motion of Aldn Jordan, seconded by Cok. Moore—

Mrs. Hughes, Stationery (per Mr. Garvey)	1 . 0 . 11
H. Thornton, Painting done in Mayoralty House,	5 . 5 . 0
Gas bill for September 96,	3 . 1 . 10
Miss E. Browne ½ Years rent,	9 . 11 . 0
P. Welldon for preparing List of occupiers rated between £10 & £20	5 . 0 . 0
N. Hatch, Do.	5 . 0 . 0

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Councillor Callan moved pursuant to Notice of Motion given by Aldn. Kelly, which was seconded by Cok. Elcock—"that fifty new Lanterns be purchased".

Same was declared carried.

Councillor Elcock moved pursuant to Notice of Motion, which was seconded by Councillor Fogarty,—"that Messrs. Weldon & Hatch be paid £5.— each for their labour in preparing list of Voters for new Burgess Roll."

Same was declared carried.

Councillor Elcock moved pursuant to Notice of Motion, which was seconded by Councillor Lyons,—"that a deputation of the Council consisting of any Members who may wish to attend do appear in their Robes accompanied by the Sword & Mace at the Anniversary Celebration in Dublin Oct. 11th in honor of the late Charles S. Parnell"

Aldn. Reilly proposed as an Amendment a direct negative to the Resolution.

Cok. Moore having seconded the Amendment a division was taken, when there voted—

For the Resolution	For the Amendment
Messrs— Farrell, Elcock, Lyons, M.Guinness, Downey 5.	Messrs. Dolan, Callan, Callan, Jordan, Reddy, Moore, Reilly, Shaffington Drew, Fogarty, Sulty, Daly, Rocke, 12

The Chairman accordingly declared the Amendment carried.

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There were 6 Tenders submitted for supply of 50-14 square, Storm proof, Street Gas Lanterns.

That of M. J. Nugent West Street offering to supply same at 15/- each was accepted on the motion of Alderman Jordan, seconded by Alderman Farrell.

A report of which the following is a copy was read and adopted on the motion of Alderman Downey, seconded by Alderman Farrell:—

Drogheda
6th October 1896.

To the Urban Sanitary Authority
Borough of Drogheda.

Gentlemen

We, Members of Your Committee, appointed to select a site for depositing the Street sweepings and other refuse beg to report that, subject to your sanction, we have arranged with Mr. Hanratty Mell to rent a plot of his field along Mell Lane, containing half an acre Irish at a rent of £6 (Six) pounds per year.
We consider the place suitable and it compares favourably with other sites pointed out to us.

Signd. Peter Lynch, Mayor,
Simon Jordan,
John Mc Guinness.

Orders were given that Mr. Kilbride Solr. be written to furnish his Bill of Costs in connection with Corporation Act.

Wednesday 7th October 1896.

Letter read from Assistant Secretary Local Government Board applying for payment of £30:18:0 for Audit of Accounts of the Corporation.

The Town Clerk was directed to write stating that the Council is prepared to forward Cheque for £20:12:0 amount of 2 years Audit — the Audit for '95 not being yet made.

Peter Lynch Chairman

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At a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday the 21st day of October 1896, at the hour of 12 oclock noon

His Worship the Mayor, presided. also present:—

Aldermen – S. Jordan, J. Dowrey, and C. Tighe.

Town Councillors – L. Moore, P. Callan, T. Fallan, J. Galbraith, P. Lyons, J. Slevin, J. Crilly, F. Fogarty, J. Dolan, L. J. Elcock, L. Daly, J. M.c Guinness, P. Drew and ~~L. Daly~~ P. Reddy.

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The Minutes of last Meeting held on 7th October 1896 were read and signed.

Reports of which the following are Copies were read and adopted on the motion of Alderman Jordan, seconded by Councillor Moore—

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 7th October 1896 and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment

	Salaries		
Car Inspector	1 week		5 . 0
Mace Bearer	1 "		1 . 3 . 0
Executive Sanitary Officer	1 Month,		2 . 1 . 8
Borough Surveyor,	1 "		11 . 13 . 4
		£	15 . 3 . 0

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Amount forward			15 . 3 . 0
Caretaker of Mayoralty House	1 Month		1 . 14 . 8
Treasurer,	5 Months		37 . 10 . 0
Town Clerk, amount due from 27 Sept. to 4 Oct.			2 . 4 . 6
Clerk to Town Commissioners, Do from 1 Sept. to Do			1 . 15 . 0
Clerk of Local Authority,	" " 23 "	"	8 . 4
Clerk of Borough Court	" " 30 July	"	10 . 2 . 5
Registrar of Court of Conscience	" 30 June	"	2 . 11 . 7
Summons Server,	" " "	1 Augt "	14 . 6
Inspector of Dairies	" 20 Sept.	"	8 . 8
Sanitary Sub Officer	" " 1 Oct	"	9 . 9½
Market Collector,	" 1 "	"	3 . 3½
			73 . 8 . 9
Night Watch to 6th Oct. 96			5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths			10 . 5 . 0
Repairs,			2 . 3 . 4
Weigh Master, Hay Market,			1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices			2 . 6
Streets,			9 . 16 . 3
			102 . 14 . 10

The following Accounts were paid

Mrs. Hughes, Stationery (per Mr. Garvey)	1 "	0 . 11
H. Thornton, Painting done in Mayoralty House,	5	5 . 0
Gas Co. a/c for September 1896,	34	1 . 10
Miss E. Browne ½ years rent,	9	11 . 0
P. Weldon for preparing list of occupiers rated between £4 & £8,	5	0 . 0
N. Hatch, Do.	5	0 . 0
£	162	13 . 7

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 14th October 1896, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment

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Mace Bearer 1 Weeks Salary	1 . 3 . 0
Night Watch to 13th October 96,	5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,	5 . 4 . 5
Fire Brigade,	2 . 8
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
Streets,	8 . 7 . 8
Sanitary (Cleansing Dale Brook)	15 . 8
£	22 . 14 . 9

The following Account was ordered to be paid on the motion of Alderman Jordan, seconded by Councillor Moore:—

J. Farrelly, Locks & Keys &c 16 . 2

Draft Lease submitted, as prepared by Mr. John A. McCann Solicitor, of premises Magdalene Street to Alderman John Downey. Same was approved of on the motion of Councillor Fogarty, seconded by Alderman Tighe.

A letter was read from the Local Govt. Board auditor stating that he would audit the Accounts of the Corporation for the year ended 31st December 1895, on Tuesday 3rd November 1896.

A letter of which the following is a Copy was read:—

The Munster & Leinster Bank Limited
Drogheda 21st Oct. 1896

Peter Connolly Esq
Town Clerk, Drogheda.

Wednesday 21st October 1896.

Dear Sir

Assuming the Corporation would have no objection to grant the Bank their usual terms I had the footpath in front of our new Building here carefully laid down with concrete.
Might I ~~therefore~~ request that your Engineer would get instructions to inspect and measure the work so that the expense may be shared.

I am
Yours faithfully
A. A. Kerrin Mgr.

The request was acceded to on the motion of Councillor Drew, seconded by Councillor Moore.

Reports read from Borough Surveyor stating that he examined the houses Nos. 9 & 10 Magdalene Street the Lease of which has lately expired and begged to report — No. 9 has a frontage of 25 ft. and No. 10 a frontage of 16 ft. 6 ins. Both have a depth from front to rere of about 25 ft. 3 ins. A small yard about 30 ft X 25 ft. is attached to No. 9 and in addition to a small yard a garden containing about 17 Statute perches is attached to No. 10. The following is the condition of the houses No. 9. This house requires practically to be rebuilt as the entire front must be taken down and the timber work, roof, floors, doors, windows &c completely renewed. The front of the roof was newly slated some time ago and these slates if carefully taken ~~down~~ off might be used again on the back. In rebuilding this house it should be raised to the same height as No. 10.

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No.10 – This house has fairly good walls the front is of brickwork and merely requires the joists to be raked out and pointed; the back is of stonework and the joints should be deeply raked out and pointed with cement mortar – This also applies to the back wall of No.9. The floors especially the 2nd are very weak and greatly worn and require renewal. An entire new roof is also required and new window frames and sashes: some of the internal doors might be used again.

There is no proper Sanitary arrangement to either house and there is a basement or cellar in No.9 which should be filled up as at present it is a dangerous nuisance.

I estimate that at least £250 must be spent on the houses to put them into proper condition, and before granting the Lease a Specification of the repairs &c proposed to be executed should be furnished to the Corporation for their consideration.

I also inspected the house No.81 West Street and could not see any permanent improvements carried out since the former inspection.

A wooden partition separating the shop from the kitchen, the worst parts of some of the floors covered with thin boards and the walls of some rooms papered in a sort of way appears to be all. A sum of £9 or £9.10.0 may possibly have been spent on the house.

Tenders should be asked for the supply of feeding for the horses for the coming year.

I am preparing schedules of the various materials required by the Corporation from time to time, and it ~~would~~ will be

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necessary when they are examined and approved of by you to have them pointed for the convenience of contractors. The pass books are ready.

The report was adopted on the motion of Alderman Jordan, seconded by by Councillor Moore.

Peter Lynch Chairman

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Monday 2nd November 1896.

At a Quarterly Statutory Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House, on Monday the 2nd day of November 1896, at the hour of 12 o'clock Noon

His Worship the Mayor, presided.
also present
Aldermen – J. Jordan, P. Reilly, J. Downey, and J. B. Kelly.
Town Councillors – P. Drew, P. Reddy, J. Daly, J. M^c Guinness, P. Melly, J. Dolan, L. J. Clock, F. Fogarty, T. Callan, and L. Moore.

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The Minutes of last Meeting held on 21st October 1896, were read and signed.

Reports of which the following are Copies were read and adopted on the motion of Alderman Jordan, seconded by Councillor Moore

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 21st October 1896, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment –

Mace Bearer 1 Weeks Salary	1 . 3 . 0
Night Watch to 20th Oct 96	5 „ 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,	4 „ 15 „ 11
Repairs,	2 „ 10 . 6
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 „ 0 „ 0
	£15 . 6 „ 5

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Amount forward	15 . 6 . 5
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
Streets,	8 . 6 . 10
Sanitary, (Cleansing ashpits)	1 „ 8 . 4
	25 . 4 . 1

The following Accounts were paid –

J. M^c Lough, Palliass,	7 . 6
J. Farrelly, Locks & Keys &c,	16 „ 2
	£26 . 7 „ 9

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 28th October 1896, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment –

Mace Bearer 1 Weeks Salary	1 . 3 . 0
Night Watch to 27th Oct 96	5 „ 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,	2 . 0 . 0
Repairs,	2 . 3 . 4
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 . 0 „ 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
Streets,	17 . 9 . 0
Sanitary, (Cleansing ashpits)	19 . 10
P. Connor, Cleaning Chimneys,	6 . 0
	£31 . 2 . 8

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Councillor Reddy proposed and Alderman Jordan seconded, — 'That the Quarterly Meetings for coming year be held on the first Wednesday in February — first Wednesday in May — & first Wednesday in August.'

Same was declared carried.

Councillor McGuinness proposed and Alderman Jordan seconded, — 'That two additional Lamps be erected at Mell — One opposite Thomas Horiss, the other at Mall Lane.'

Same was declared carried.

Alderman Kelly proposed and Councillor Dolan seconded, — 'That the Gas-light Committee be empowered to erect 30 incandesant lights at whatever portion of the town they consider most advisable & that Ald. Jordan & Councillor Elcock be added to the Committee.'

Same was declared carried.

Councillor Callan proposed and Alderman Kelly seconded, — 'That a suitable Cooking-fire-range be purchased at a cost not exceding Fifteen pounds (£15.-) for the Mayoralty House.'

Same was declared carried.

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Councillor Elcock proposed, and Alderman Jordan seconded, 'That in asmuch as the important Committe appointed by the ~~present~~ late Government of England to enquire into the Financial Relations existing between Great Brittain & Ireland have brought in their report showing that this Country has been robbed by excessive taxation to the ~~amount of~~ anormous sum of about 2¾ millions sterling yearly for upwards of a period of 40 years. Now we the Corporation of Drogheda representing the rate-payers of this important Seaport Town, call upon the Government to take such steps, as will relieve Ireland of this unequal & unjust taxation and make immediate arrangements to repair in some substantial manner the great injustice done to our Country.'

Same was declared carried. — — and the Town Clerk was directed to forward copies of Resolution to the several Corporations — Town Commissioners & Boards of Guardians in Ireland — also to all the prominent Members of the present Government.

Nicholas Farrell Chairman

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Wednesday 25th November 1896.

(1.)

On this day Alderman Simon Jordan as Presiding Alderman for West Gate Ward held an Election of One Alderman for said Ward, to fill the vacancy caused by the retirement of Patrick Reilly of Shop Street Drogheda whose period of Office expired; when the said Patrick Reilly was duly declared reelected; and said Election was duly published pursuant to the requisites of the Statutes.

J. Bellew Kelly Chairman

(2.)

On this same day Alderman Patrick Reilly as Presiding Alderman for West Gate Ward held an Election of Two Town Councillors for said Ward, to fill the vacancies caused by the retirement of Patrick Drew of West Street Drogheda, and Patrick Reddy of Mell Drogheda whose periods of Office expired; when the said Patrick Drew and Patrick Reddy were duly declared re-elected; and said Election was duly published pursuant to the requisites of the Statutes.

J. Bellew Kelly. Chairman

(3.)

On this same day Alderman Nicholas Farrell as Presiding Alderman for Fair Gate Ward held an Election of One Alderman for said Ward, to fill the vacancy caused by the retirement of John Downey of Magdalene Street Drogheda, whose period of Office expired; when the said John Downey was duly declared re-elected; and said Election was duly published pursuant to the requisites of the Statutes.

J. Bellew Kelly. Chairman

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(4.)

On this same day Alderman John Downey as Presiding Alderman for Fair Gate Ward held an Election of Two Town Councillors for said Ward, to fill the vacancies caused by the retirement of John Dolan of of Sunday Gate Drogheda, and Luke J. Elcock of Laurence Street Drogheda, whose periods of Office expired; when the said Luke J. Elcock was duly declared re-elected, and Patrick Gorman of Peter Street Drogheda was duly declared elected in room of said John Dolan, and said Election was duly published pursuant to the requisites of the Statutes.

J. Bellew Kelly. Chairman

(5.)

On this same day Alderman John D. Kelly, as Presiding Alderman for St Laurence Gate Ward, declared the Election of One Alderman for said Ward, to fill the vacancy caused by the retirement of Christopher Tighe of John Street Drogheda, whose period of Office expired, when the said Christopher Tighe was duly declared re-elected, and and Election was duly published pursuant to the requisites of the Statutes.

J. Bellew Kelly Chairman

(6.)

On this same day Alderman Christopher Tighe as Presiding Alderman for St Laurence Gate Ward, held an Election of Two Town Councillors for said Ward to fill the vacancies caused by the retirement of George Galbraith of Shop Street Drogheda and Sylvester Roche of Peter Street Drogheda, whose periods of Office expired, when said George Galbraith was duly declared reelected, and Rt Hon Thos. Dickson was duly declared elected in room of said Sylvester Roche and said Election was duly published pursuant to the requisites of the Statutes.

J. Bellew Kelly Chairman

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Tuesday 1st December 1896.

At a Statutory Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Tuesday the 1st December 1896, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon; to elect a Mayor for ensuing year, and to nominate three Gentlemen qualified to fill the office of High Sheriff for ensuing year —

Alderman John Downey (Senior Alderman) presided.
also present
Aldermen — P. Reilly, C. Tighe, S. Jordan, N. Farrell, and J.B. Kelly.
Town Councillors — P. Lyons, J.M.c Guinness, L. Daly, T. Fogarty, L.J. Elcock, J. Galbraith, L. Moore, P. Reddy, P. Corman, J. Slevin, T. Callan, T. Callan Rt. Hon. Thos. A. Dickson, P. Lynch, W.T. Shaffington, B. Nulty, J. Reilly and P. Drew.

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The Town Clerk called the Roll and read Notice convening the Meeting

Alderman Reilly proposed and Councillor Nulty seconded, "that Mr. Peter Lynch be elected Mayor for the year 1897."

The Chairman asked if there were any other Candidates to be proposed and on getting no response declared Councillor Lynch duly elected Mayor for the year 1897.

Councillor Lynch in suitable terms thanked the Council for the honor conferred on him.

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Councillor Daly proposed, and Councillor Moore seconded, "that the names of those following Gentlemen viz- Councillor Patrick Reddy, Alderman Patrick Reilly and Councillor Thomas Callan be forwarded to the Lord Lieutenant from whom his Excellency may select a High Sheriff for the Borough of Drogheda during the year 1897."

Same was declared carried, Councillor Elcock dissenting.

Peter Kelly.
Chairman

Thursday 3rd December 1896.

On this day His Worship the Mayor declared the Election of Borough Assessors for the Borough of Drogheda to fill the vacancies caused by the retirement of Christopher Mc Namara of Georges Street Drogheda, and Patrick Mc Quail of Chord Road Drogheda, whose periods of Office expired when said Christopher Mc Namara and Patrick Mc Quail were duly declared re-elected, and said Election was duly published pursuant to the requisites of the Statutes.

Peter Kelly. Chairman

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Monday 14th December 1896.

At a Special Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Monday the 14th day of December 1896, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon, to consider communications and enclosures &c from Jno Kilbride Solr re Corporation Act—

His Worship the Mayor, presided.

also present

Aldermen—J. Downey, P. Reilly, and J. B. Kelly.

Town Councillors—L. Moore, Rt. Hon. Hos. A. Dickson, P. Reddy, J. Slevin, T. Callan, T. Fogarty, P. Drew, and L. J. Elcock.

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The Town Clerk called the Roll and read Notice convening the Meeting.

A letter of which the following is a Copy was read—

4 Dame Street
Dublin 17th Nov. 1896.

Corporation Act

Dear Sir

I send you herewith my costs and also costs of Messrs. Hargreaves & Co. The two Bills will have to be taxed by the Taxing Officer of the House of Commons. I send you herewith a requisition for this purpose, which please have sealed at next Meeting of Council and return it to me with both Bills of Costs. The certificate of the taxation of the Costs will have to be forwarded to

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to the Secretary of the Local Government Board.

Yours faithfully
Valentine Kilbride.

Peter Connolly Esq
Town Clerk
Drogheda

Councillor Reddy proposed, and Councillor Callan seconded, "that the Requisition for taxation of Parliamentary Costs be signed and sealed".

Same was declared carried.

A letter of which the following is a Copy was read—

4 Dame Street
Dublin 17th Nov. 1896.

Corporation Act—Creation of Stock

Dear Sir

I send you herewith copy of a letter which I received from the Assistant Secretary of the Local Govt. Board in reference to the issue of Stock by the Corporation and I also send you the two forms of application referred to therein. I shall have the Costs taxed with as little delay as possible and it would be advisable if Mr. Hatch C.E. was instructed to prepare the plans &c of the Artizan dwellings. The forms of application will also have to be filled up by Mr. Hatch and you will see from the letter that the Local Govt. Board require further information in respect of the sum of £1,500 for Contingencies. The exact cost of the Waterworks cannot be given until the Arbitration is held. I cannot apply to the Board of Works to appoint an Arbitrator until I receive Map from Mr. Kelly C.E. to whom I am writing by this post.

Yours faithfully
Valentine Kilbride

Peter Connolly Esq
Town Clerk

Same was referred to Loan Committee.

J. B. Kelly Chairman

Wednesday 16th December 1896.

At a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House ~~Drogheda~~, on Wednesday the 16th. day of December 1896, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon

Alderman N. Farrell, presided.

also present

Aldermen – J. Downey, J.B. Kelly and P. Reilly.

Town Councillors – G. Galbraith, T. Callan, P. Forman, L.J. Elcock, J.McGuinness, L. Moore, P. Reddy, J. Clevin, T. Callan, Rt. Hon. Robt. Dickson, T. Fogarty, J. Reilly,

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The Minutes of Meeting held on 2nd. November 1896, were read and signed.

Reports of which the following are Copies were read and adopted on the motion of Alderman Reilly, seconded by Councillor Forman –

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 4th. November 1896, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment –

Mace Bearer 1 Week's Salary	1 . 3 . 0
Night Watch to 3rd. Novr. 96	5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,	4 . 0
Repairs,	2 . 12 . 0
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
	£11 . 0 . 6

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Amount forward	11 . 0 . 6
Streets,	9 . 17 . 9
Sanitary (Cleansing Ashpits &c)	1 2 . 1
Tithe Rent charge,	3 . 7
Postage Stamps, Town Clerk's Office,	1 . 0 . 0
Gas a/c for October 1896,	51 . 14 . 0
	74 . 17 . 11

The following Accounts were paid –

J. Wall, 12 Sample Bottles for Milk Analysis	12 . 0
Commissrs. of Public Works, Principal & Interest (Sewerage)	125 . 12 . 1
	£201 . 2 . 0

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 11th. November 1896, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment –

Mace Bearer 1 Week's Salary	1 . 3 . 0
Night Watch to 10th. Novr. '96	5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,	4 . 3
Fire Brigade,	14 . 8
Repairs,	2 . 18 . 6
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
Streets,	9 . 9 . 3
Sanitary, (Cleansing Ashpits &c)	1 . 9 . 5
	23 . 0 . 7

The following Account was paid –

P. Weldon L.S.C. Milk for Analysis, &c	3 . 1
	£23 . 3 . 8

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The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 18th November 1896, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment

Mace Bearer 1 Weeks Salary	1.3.0
Night Watch to 17th Nov. 96,	5.19.0
Roads and Paths,	7.8.2
Fire Brigade,	2.8
Repairs Houses Green Lanes,	2.1.7
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1.0.0
Cleaning Offices,	2.6
County,	8.8
~~Streets~~,	11.0.2
Sanitary, (Cleansing Ashpits)	14.2
	£ 29.19.11

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 2nd December 1896, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment

Mace Bearer Weeks Salary	1.3.0
Night Watch to 1st inst.,	5.19.0
Roads and Paths,	13.14.9
Fire Brigade	2.8
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1.0.0
Cleaning Offices,	2.6
Streets,	10.10.7
Sanitary (Cleansing Ashpits &c)	1.8.1
Postage and Receipt Stamps, (Treasurer's Office)	1.10.0
D. Connolly, Erecting & taking down Polling Booth	2.18.10
	£38.9.5

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Amount forward	38.9.5
Poll & check Clerks Elections 25th inst	7.17.6
E. Clarke & Son, Holland for Mounting Maps re Corpn Act,	3.0
W. Hughes, on a/c of Contract for Painting,	22.18.6
M. Tighe, Horse Feeding (per Contract)	16.2.0
Col. Cooper, One years rent (Mayoralty House)	4.2
	£95.14.7

Your Committee recommend, "that the Engineer get instructions to have the opens in Streets made as required by Mr. Kelly to prepare Maps ~~as required~~ for Arbitrator."

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 9th December 1896, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment

Mace Bearer 1 Weeks Salary	1.3.0
Night Watch to 8th inst	5.19.0
Roads and Paths,	2.7.2
Fire Brigade,	2.8
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1.0.0
Cleaning Offices,	2.6
County,	8.7.9
Streets,	13.13.6
Sanitary, (Cleansing Ashpits &c)	1.15.5
Gas Co's a/c for Nov. 96,	53.10.8
	88.1.8

The following Account was paid

D. Kenny Burial Fees (Chord)	4.4
	£88.6.0

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Your Committee recommend that the Mace Bearer be supplied with the usual annual supply of clothing and that the Car Inspector be supplied with an over coat.

The following Accounts were submitted and payment of each ordered on the motion of Councillor Gorman, seconded by Alderman Reilly —

W. Faulkner, repairs to Harness,	1 " 13 " 6
P. Meaney, 6 Bobs Line @ 1/6	9 . 0
R. Verdon, 6 do. Twine &c,	9 " 6
T. L. Simcox V.S., attendance on Horse,	12 " 0
Half Years Grant, Protestant Infant Schools	10 " 10 " 0
Do. " " Blue School,	21 . 0 " 0
Dean Cox's Fund ½ year,	7 " 16 " 11
M. J. Nugent, 50 Lamp Lanterns (per Contract)	37 " 10 " 0
Water Works Co. 1 quarters supply.	22 " 4 " 3
Earl of Drogheda ½ years Ch^e Rent & Charge,	40 " 13 " 2
Drogheda Advertising Co. ½ years Contract &c,	10 " 10 " 0
T. W. Hartman & Sons ½ years rent	30 " 18 " 2
A. McDougall, Printing & Advtg	24 " 10 " 6
H. Moore West St., Ironmongery,	3 " 9 " 9
J. Morris, & Son, Hose &c for Fire Brigade,	26 " 7 " 6
Collins, Brothers, Carpentry Work,	10 " 9 " 4
B. Daly, repairing Corporation Carts, &c	7 " 18 " 5
Mrs. Hughes, (Argus Office) Printing, Stationery & Advtg	4 " 10 " 3

There were Two Tenders submitted for supply of Horse Feeding to 31st October 1897.

Hat of Michael Tighe West St. offering to supply —

Best White Oats at 11/- per Brl.
" Bran " 9^d " Stone

and Best Crushed Corn at 7^d per Stone was accepted on the motion of Councillor Moore seconded by Alderman Reilly.

Letter read from James Smith Esq. stating that he was prepared to carry out the Engineers directions on getting a Building Lease from the Corporation for 75 years at £4 a year.

Councillor Elcock proposed, and Councillor Fogarty seconded, "that Mr. James Smyth gets a building lease for 75 years of the premises in Magdalene Street at the yearly rent of £6.6.0. provided he expends a sum of not less than £250. in re-building the premises. Such expenditure to be duly approved of and certified by the Borough Engineer".

Same was declared carried.

Councillor McGuinness proposed, and Councillor Moore seconded, that the following Gentlemen be appointed as a Committee of inspection of property out of Lease for the year 1897 — Viz — Messrs — Gorman, Fogarty and Farrell.

Same was declared carried.

Councillor Galbraith proposed, and Councillor Fallan seconded, that the following Gentlemen be appointed as a Finance Committee for the year 1897 — Viz — Messrs — Dickson, Reilly, Moore, and Fogarty.

Same was declared carried.

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Alderman Kelly proposed, and Alderman Reilly seconded, that the following Gentlemen be appointed as a Lamp Inspecting Committee – Viz – Messrs Reilly, Drew and Daly.
Same was declared carried.

Councillor Gorman proposed, and Councillor Callan seconded, that the Loan Committee for 1896, consisting of Messrs Kelly, Daly, Reilly, Fogarty, Elcock, Callan, Jordan, Downey, Tighe, Galbraith, and Nulty, be reappointed for 1897, and that Councillor Dickson's name be substituted for that of Councillor Callan.
Same was declared carried.

Report read from committee of inspection of ~~Footpaths out of Repair~~ Lamps recommending the erection of 4 New Lamps and naming about 20 Old Lamps to be replaced by Incandescent burners.
The report was adopted.

James Kelly – Chairman

Friday 1st January 1897.

At a Statutory Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Friday the 1st day of January 1897, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon; to swear in the Mayor for ensuing year.

His Worship the Mayor, Colr Peter Lynch, presided
also present –
Aldermen – J.B. Kelly, J. Downey, S. Jordan, and P. Reilly.
Town Councillors – J. McGuinness, L. Moore, P. Drew, T. Callan, T. Callan, P. Gorman, T. Fogarty, J. Slevin, B. Nulty, W. T. Skeffington, P. Lyons, J. Daly, P. Reddy, J. Reilly, and L. J. Elcock.

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The Town Clerk called the Roll and read Notice convening the Meeting.

The Mayor-Elect – Councillor Peter Lynch – in presence of the Assembly, made the usual declaration before Alderman J.B. Kelly J.P., Alderman John Downey and Town Councillors Peter Lyons and John McGuinness; and having taken the Oath of allegiance and Oath appertaining to the Office of Mayor and Justice of the Peace, was duly invested with the Chain of Office of Mayor and Chief Magistrate of the Borough of Drogheda for the year 1897.

A letter of which the following is a Copy was read: –

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Chief Secretarys Office
Dublin Castle, 9th December 1896.

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Sir

Referring to the list of Gentlemen selected by the Town Council of Drogheda as eligible to serve the Office of High Sheriff of the County of the Town of Drogheda for the ensuing year, I am directed by the Lords Justices to acquaint you, for the information of the Town Council, that their Excellencies warrant appointing Mr. Patrick Reddy J.C. has been duly prepared and forwarded.

I am Sir.

Your obedient Servant
D. Harrell.

The Town Clerk
Drogheda.

Councillor Francis Fogarty, Ex High Sheriff, then invested Councillor Patrick Reddy with chain of Office of High Sheriff for 1897, after which Councillor Reddy returned thanks for the honour conferred.

The usual votes of thanks having been proposed and seconded and declared carried the Meeting dispersed.

Peter Lynch Chairman

Wednesday 6th January 1897.

At a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday the 6th day of January 1897, at the hour of 12 oclock noon—

Alderman J.B. Kelly presided.
also present
Aldermen—J. Downey and S. Jordan.
Town councillors—L.J. Elcock, L. Moore, T. Callan, P. Gorman, B. Matty, P. Reddy, F. Fogarty, and P. Lyons.

The Minutes of Meetings held on 1st, 14th & 16th December 1896, were read and signed.

Reports of which the following are copies were read and adopted on the motion of Councillor Reddy, seconded by Councillor Callan—

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 16th December 1896, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment—

Mace Bearer 1 Weeks Salary	1 . 3 . 0
Night Watch to 15th Decr. 96	5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,	12 . 0 . 0
Fire Brigade,	2 . 8
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
County,	1 . 1 . 10
Streets,	20 . 0 . 3
Sanitary (Cleansing Ashpits &c)	3 . 0 . 1
	£44 . 9 . 4

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Amount forward	44 . 9 . 4
The following Accounts were paid—	
W. Faulkner, repairs to Harness,	1 . 13 . 6
P. Meaney, 6 Brls. Lime @ 1/6	9 . 0
R. Verdon & Co. Twine &c,	9 . 6
T. J. Simcox V. S. attendance on Horse &c	12 . 0
Half years Grant, Protestant Infant Schools,	10 . 10 . 0
Do. " " Blue School,	21 . 0 . 0
Dean Cox's Fund ½ year,	7 . 16 . 4
M. J. Nugent, 50 Lamp Lanterns (per Contract)	37 . 10 . 0
Water Works Co. 1 quarters supply,	22 . 4 . 3
Earl of Drogheda ½ years Tithe Rent charge	40 . 13 . 2
Drogheda Advertising Co, ½ years Contract &c	10 . 10 . 0
T. W. Hardman & Sons ½ years rent,	30 . 18 . 2
A. McDougall, Printing & Advertising,	24 . 10 . 6
A. Moore, West St., Ironmongery &c	3 . 9 . 9
J. Morris & Son, Hose &c for Fire Brigade,	26 . 7 . 6
Collins Brothers, Carpenter work,	10 . 9 . 4
R. Daly, repairing Corporation Carts &c	7 . 18 . 5
Mrs. Hughes, (Argus Office) Printing &c	4 . 10 . 5
£	306 . 1 . 0

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 23rd. December 1896, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment—

Salaries		
Mace Bearer	1 Week	1 . 3 . 0
Town Clerk	on a/c	30 . 0 . 0
£		31 . 3 . 0

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Amount forward	31 . 3 . 0
Night Watch to 22nd. Decr. '96,	5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,	5 . 15 . 10
Fire Brigade,	2 . 8
Repairs, Houses Rope Walk,	2 . 8
Weigh Master Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
County,	5 . 10 . 3
Streets,	18 . 3 . 3
Sanitary, (Cleansing Ashpits &c)	3 . 14 . 8
P. Connor 12 Brls. Lime @ 1/2	14 . 0
£	72 . 7 . 10

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 30th. December 1896, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment

Mace Bearer 1 Weeks Salary	1 . 3 . 0
Night Watch to 29th. inst.	5 . 19 . 0
Roads & Paths,	4 . 13 . 2
Fire Brigade,	2 . 8
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
County,	9 . 14 . 8
Streets,	16 . 4 . 8
Sanitary, (Cleansing Ashpits &c)	4 . 1 . 11
P. Weldon, commission on collection of Rents,	2 . 12 . 6
£	45 . 14 . 1

The following Accounts were submitted and payment of each ordered, on the motion of Councillor Gorman, seconded by Councillor Melty:—

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T. Simcox V.S., attendance on Horse &c	3 . 11 . 6
T. Moy, repairing Locks &c,	7 . 0
Dr. J. V. Byrne attendance at Petty Sessions	3 . 3 . 0
Gas a/c for Decr. '96,	64 . 14 . 9
Patriotic Assurance Co.	3 . 4 . 6
Mrs. Hughes, (Argus Office) Printing &c	10 . 4 . 11
J.K. Rombach, Stationery,	7 . 2 . 7

Report read from Loan Committee recommending "that a thoroughly skilled Water Engineer be employed to assist Mr. Kelly in the Arbitration between the Council and the Waterworks Co. in ascertaining the value of the Waterworks Co's undertaking."

Councillor Elcock handed in Notice of Motion for the appointment of a second Engineer as recommended by Committee and the Town Clerk was directed to write Messrs. Hawksley and Stephenson C.E's. to know if they would be prepared to act and if so to state their terms.

A letter of which the following is a Copy was read:-

Drogheda Waterworks Company Limited.
Drogheda 23 December 1896.
Re Waterworks

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of your communication of the 21st inst., and in reply my Directors instruct me to inform the Corporation that Messrs. Craig Gardner & Co. can examine the Company's Books in their behalf with the view of purchase pursuant to the Arbitration clauses of their Act.

Yours truly
Patrick Reddy
Sec.

Peter Connolly Esq
Town Clerk
Drogheda.

Wednesday 6th January 1897.

Alderman Jordan proposed and Councillor Fogarty seconded, "that Craig Gardner & Co. be written to by the Town Clerk to come to Drogheda and examine and report on the Books of D'Heda Waterworks Co. for the information of the Arbitrator."

Same was declared carried.

Resolutions read from Navan Union and Dundalk Chamber of Commerce, relative to holding of County Meetings to discuss report of Financial Relations Commission.

Same were adopted on the motion of Councillor Elcock, seconded by Councillor Fulty.

Resolution read as adopted by the Termoy Town Commissioners, relative to importation of Foreign Meat for use of Troops serving in Ireland.

The resolution was adopted on the motion of Councillor Reddy, seconded by Councillor Callan and a Committee consisting of Messrs. Fogarty, Reddy, Jordan, Elcock, and Kelly was appointed to draft Petition to Lord Lansdowne, Her Majesty's Secretary of State for War, on the matter.

Communication read from National Education Office Dublin relative to appointment of School attendance Committees.

Councillor Elcock proposed and Councillor Lyons seconded, "that in consequence of the Government refusing to allow the Christian Brothers to participate in the benefits of the Education Grant made to Ireland under the act of 1892

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1892 the Corporation refuse to put the act in operation until such time as those excellent Body of Teachers are permitted to enjoy their just proportion of this Grant."
Same was declared carried.

Report read from Borough Surveyor stating that there are seven heaps of manure in the depot ready for sale.
It was decided to have same sold by Public auction.

Peter Lynch Chairman

At a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday the 20th day of January 1897, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon

His Worship the Mayor, presided.
also present
Aldermen - J. Downey, S. Jordan, J. B. Kelly, and P. Reilly.
Town Councillors - L. Moore, T. Callan, T. Fallan, P. Gorman, T. A. Dickson, L. J. Elcock B. Nulty, J. M.c Guinness and P. Drew.

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The Minutes of Meetings held on 1st and 6th January 1897, were read and signed.

Reports of which the following are copies were read and adopted on the motion of Councillor Moore, seconded by Councillor Drew.—

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 6th January 1897, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment.—

Salaries

Mace Bearer	1 Week	1 . 3 . 0
Caretaker of Mayoralty House	3 Months,	5 . 4 . 0
Borough Surveyor,	3 .	25 . 0 . 0
Treasurer,	3 .	37 . 10 . 0
		£68 . 17 . 0

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Amount forward		68 . 17 . 0
Car Inspector,	3 Months,	3 . 5 . 0
Summons Server, Court of Conscience,	3 "	1 . 5 . 0
Clerk of Borough Court,	3 "	12 . 10 . 0
Registrar of Court of Conscience,	3 "	2 . 10 . 0
Sanitary Sub Officer,	3 "	15 . 0 . 0
Inspector of Dairies,	3 "	3 . 0 . 0
Market Collector,	3 "	5 . 0 . 0
Clerk to Town Commissioners,	3 "	10 . 0 . 0
Executive Sanitary Officer,	3 "	6 . 5 . 0
Clerk of Local Authority,	3 "	3 . 15 . 0
Town Clerk, Balance of 3 Months Salary,		3 . 15 . 0
P. Lynch Esq. Mayor, 9 Months to 5/ Decr. 1896		187 . 10 . 0
		332 . 12 . 0
Night Watch to 5th inst.		5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,		7 . 19 . 8
Fire Brigade,		2 . 8
Weigh Master Hay Market,		1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,		2 . 6
Levelling Plot Oldstill,		1 . 1 . 4
County,		5 . 16 . 4
Streets,		12 . 10 . 9
Sanitary, (Cleansing Ashpits &c)		9 . 11
		367 . 14 . 2

The following Accounts were paid -

T. Simcox V. S. attendance on Horse &c	3 . 11 . 6
A. Moy, repairing Locks &c,	7 . 0
Dr. J. P. Byrne, attendance at Petty Sessions,	3 . 3 . 0
Gas a/c for Decr. 1896,	64 . 14 . 9
Patriotic Assurance Co.,	3 . 4 . 6
Mrs. Hughes, (Argus Office), Printing &c,	10 . 4 . 11
J. K. Lombard, Stationery,	7 . 2 . 7
£	466 . 2 . 5

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 13th January 1897, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment -

Mace Bearer Week's Salary	1 . 3 . 0
Night Watch to 12th inst.	5 . 19 . 0
Roads & Paths,	2 . 11 . 11
Fire Brigade,	2 . 8
Levelling Plot Old Still,	2 . 0 . 0
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
County,	9 . 3 . 4
Strats,	14 . 8 . 10
Sanitary, (Cleansing Ashpits &c),	1 . 1 . 4
	37 . 13 . 7

The following Account was paid -

P. Weldon, S. S. O. Milk for Analysis &c	2 . 9
£	37 . 15 . 4

Councillor Elcock moved pursuant to notice of motion, — "That the Corporation appoint a thoroughly competent Water Engineer to assist Mr Kelly C. E. before the Arbitration about to be held for the purpose of ascertaining the value of the Water Works." Councillor Lyons seconded the motion which was declared carried.

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Wednesday 20th January 1897.

A letter of which the following is a copy was read.

Dublin, 11th January 1897.

Drogheda Corporation Act

Dear Sir

I received Compensation Schedule this morning from Messrs Kelly & Co and lodged it together with map in Office of Public Works. I expect the Commissioners of Public Works will appoint Arbitrator within the next 10 days. I shall have to insert Notice of Arbitration once in the Dublin Gazette and once in each of three successive weeks in some one and the same newspaper circulating in the County of Meath County of Louth County of the Town of Drogheda. Let me know what newspaper I am to have Notice inserted in.

Yours faithfully
Valentine Kilbride.

Peter Connolly Esq
Town Clerk, Drogheda.

Councillor Drew moved and Councillor Gorman seconded — 'That Notice wanted by Mr Kilbride in connection with the Corporation Act be inserted in the newspaper 'Drogheda Argus.'

Same was declared carried.

A letter of which the following is a copy was read. — Trinity Chambers
40 & 41 Dame Street
Dublin
11th January 1897.

Wednesday 20th January 1897.

Dear Sir

Our Mr Gardiner is at present in London and we have not heard anything of an Arbitration in which your Corporation is interested.

We gather from your letter however that you wish us to examine the books & with the object of giving evidence on behalf of the Corporation and it will give us pleasure to undertake this work at any time on receiving a couple days notice when you are ready.

Yours faithfully
Craig Gardiner & Co.

Peter Connolly Esq
Town Clerk, Drogheda

The Town Clerk was directed to ask Mr. Gardner to come to Drogheda on Monday 25th Jany. 1897, to examine Books of Waterworks Co. and to notify Secretary of Water Works Co. accordingly.

Letter read from V. B. Dillon & Co. Solicitors Dublin, forwarding Copy of Richmond District Lunatic Asylum Bill 1897, being promoted in this Session of Parliament for the purpose of enabling money to be raised for Asylum buildings by loan or issue of Stock, and requesting the Corporation to pass a resolution approving of the Bill, as Clause 2 provides that no money can be raised save with the consent of the Corporations and Counties forming the Richmond District.

Cor. Dickson proposed, and Aldn. Jordan seconded — "that the Municipal Council hereby approves of the Richmond District Lunatic Asylum Bill 1897.

Same was declared carried.

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Wednesday 20th January 1897.

Letter read from J. Smyth Solr. offering £5 per year as rent of premises Magdalene Street.

It was decided that the former decision of the Council Viz- £6..6..0 per year be adhered to, and that the Town Clerk write Mr. Smyth to that effect.

The following resolution as forwarded by the Irish National Amnesty Association was adopted on the motion of Solr. Elcock, seconded by Aldn. Jordan — Viz-

"Whereas there are still several Irishmen in British prisons undergoing the tortures of penal servitude for over a period of twelve years for political offences laid to their charge, and realising in horror and indignation the hopeless and deplorable condition of the men recently released, notably Dr. Gallagher and Mr. Whitehead, to which similar prison treatment had reduced them, we believe that the further detention of these prisoners can only be looked upon as persecution on account of their nationality."

Report read from Committee for carrying out of Corporation Act recommending the Council to enter into negotiation with their lessees so as to obtain possession of suitable sites for artizans & Labourers dwellings; to build immediately on sites already in possession of the Corporation; to study carefully the project of building houses so that no loss shall accrue on the outlay; to instruct the Borough Surveyor to prepare plans, specifications, detailed estimates &c of sites already in possession of the Corporation, and to adopt plan of Cottage as shown Committee by Borough Surveyor. The report was adopted on the motion of Solr. Drew, seconded by Solr. Gorman.

Peter Lynch Chairman

Wednesday 3rd February 1897.

At a Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday the 3rd day of February 1897, at the hour of 12 O'clock noon

His Worship the Mayor presided.

also present

Aldermen — J. Downey, P. Reilly, and J. B. Kelly.

Town Councillors — L. Moore, P. Reddy, T. Callan, J. Slevin, T. Fogarty, J. Galbraith, P. Gorman, T. Fallon, T. A. Dickson, L. J. Elcock, and P. Dreio.

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The Minutes of last Meeting held on 20th January 1897, were read and signed.

Reports of which the following are Copies were read and adopted on the motion of Councillor Gorman seconded by Councillor Reddy —

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 20th January 1894, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment —

Mace Bearer 1 Week's Salary	1 . 3 . 0
Night Watch to 19th Jany	5 . 14 . 6
Roads and Paths,	9 . 8 . 11
Fire Brigade,	2 . 8
Levelling Plots, Oldhill &c,	5 . 13 . 4
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
County,	16 . 0
£	24 . 0 . 11

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Amount forward	24.0.11
Streets,	12.10.4
Sanitary, (Cleansing Ashpits &c)	2.6.4
	38.17.7

The following Account was paid,-

Miss Verdon, Bottles for Analysis.	2.6
	£39.0.1

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 27th January 1897, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment

Mace Bearer Weeks Salary	1.3.0
Night Watch to 26th Jany.	5.19.0
Roads and Paths.	10.2.0
Fire Brigade.	2.8
Levelling Plots Old Mill & Francis Street.	2.5.4
Weigh Masters, Hay Market.	1.0.0
Cleaning Offices,	2.6
Streets,	13.4.9
Sanitary, (Cleansing Ashpits &c)	1.8.4
Grand Jury Cess.	17.18.8
R. Booth, Costs re Title Rent Charge	7.6
	£53.13.9

A Lease was this day sealed and attested in presence of the Council, by Peter Lynch Esq. Mayor, Alderman P. Reilly, and Town Councillors - L. Moore, and T. Fallon unto Alderman John Downey of Magdalene Street, of all that and those that plot of ground with the houses and buildings thereon situate on the West side of Magdalene Street, Parish of St. Peter and Co. of the Town of Drogheda, delineated as per Map for a term of 31 years from 29th. September 1896, at the yearly rent of £4.0.0 and to insure in the sum of £200.0.0.

Councillor Fogarty moved, and Councillor Moore seconded — "that James Curtis be appointed Treasurer to the Drogheda Corporation under the provision of the Drogheda Corporation Improvement Act."

Same was declared carried.

Applications read for appointment of second Water Engineer - re purchase of Drogheda Water Works Co. undertaking.

Selection was referred to the Loan Committee on the motion of Councillor Elcock, seconded by Councillor Foreman.

A letter of which the following is a Copy was read.-

Feby. 2nd 1897

St. Peters Rectory Drogheda.

My dear Sir

A fortnight since I wrote to the Treasurer of the Corporation requesting that as almost two years had elapsed since the late Rev. John Coeles' resignation of the Parish of St. Peters and my appointment thereto payment should be made of the amount due of what is commonly known as the "Vicars Choral Money" paid by the Corporation. In his reply the Treasurer has referred me to you. I beg therefore to renew my application and to request

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request that you will be good enough to lay the same before the next meeting of the Council.

I remain

P. Connolly Esq. Yrs. Vy. truly

Town Clerk. Herbert Sandford.

Councillor Dickson proposed, and Alderman Downey seconded — "that the application of Rev. H. Sandford, for payment of the Corporation grant of £4 8. be acceded to, and that one year be now paid."

Same was declard carried, three disenting.

A letter of which the following is a Copy was read —

"Well,

Drogheda 1st. Feby 1897

To the Chairman of the Drogheda Corporation

Dear Sir,

I would ask your honorable board to grant me a new building lease for the plot of ground I hold on the North Road for which I pay £0.8.0 per annum and has offered you £6.0.0 which you accepted. As I now have some of the material on the ground and is prepared to commence building I would ~~ask~~ be much obliged to you for same.

Yours respectfully

Patrick Bellew."

Councillor Fogarty proposed and Councillor Elcock seconded — "that Mr. Patk. Bellew be granted Building Lease of Plot of ground in his possession, on North Road at the yearly rent of £6 and he to expend £500 on new buildings and to insure for the same amount".

Same was declard carried.

Councillor Dickson proposed, and Councillor Elcock seconded — "that the employment of the nightly Watch Service be discontinued and that the Finance committee be asked to report to the next meeting of Council what Weekly allowance should be made to the Watchmen now in the service of the Corporation."

Same was declared carried.

Application read from Scavengers for supply of Oil Coats & Leggings.

Consideration was deferred, pending report from Borough Surveyor.

Simon Jordan Chairman

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Monday 15th February 1897.

At a Special Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the assembly Room of the Court House on Monday the 15th day of February 1897, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon, to consider report from Loan Committee - re appointment of Water Engineer -

His Worship the Mayor, presided.

also present

Aldermen - S. Jordan, J. Downey, J. B. Kelly, & P. Reilly.

Town Councillors - L. J. Elcock, J. Crilly, P. Drew, T. Callan, W. T. Skeffington, P. Lyons, J. McGuinness, T. A. Dickson, P. Gorman, and B. Nulty, & S. Daly.

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The Town Clerk called the Roll and read Notice convening the meeting.

Report read from Loan Committee recommending "that Mr. Swiney be appointed consulting Engineer - re arbitration Waterworks on the terms he stated in his letter."

Alderman Kelly proposed and Councillor Elcock seconded that the report be adopted.

Councillor Daly moved as an amendment, that the report be not adopted, and that Mr. L. L. Macassey C.E. Belfast be appointed.

Councillor Nulty having seconded the Amendment a division was taken when there voted - for the amendment Messrs. - Drew, Crilly, Skeffington, Daly and Nulty. (5). For the Resolution Messrs Reilly, Dickson, Callan, Gorman, Elcock, McGuinness, Kelly, and Lyons. (8). The resolution was declared carried.

Voted by proxy

Chairman.

Wednesday 17th February 1897.

At a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday the 17th day of February 1897, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon

Alderman S. Jordan presided.

also present

Aldermen - S. Jordan, P. Reilly and J. B. Kelly.

Town Councillors - L. Moore, P. Gorman, B. Nulty, T. Callan, T. A. Dickson, S. Daly, T. Fogarty, J. Slevin, & L. J. Elcock.

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The Minutes of last Meeting held on 3rd February 1897, were read and signed.

Reports of which the following are Copies were read and adopted on the motion of Councillor Moore, seconded by Councillor Gorman -

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 3rd February 1897 ~~xxxx~~ and having examind the following Accounts recommend them for payment -

Grace Beaver 1 Weeks Salary	1 . 3 . 0
Night Watch to 2nd Feby.	5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,	4 . 5 . 7
Fire Brigade,	2 . 8
Dwelling Plot Francis Street,	14 . 0
Weigh master, Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
County,	6 . 5 . 4
Streets	13 . 9 . 1
Sanitary, (Cleansing ashpits)	15 . 7
	£53 . 16 . 7

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Wednesday 17th February 1897.

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 10th day of February 1897, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment

Salaries	
Mace Bearer 1 Week	1 . 3 . 0
Town Clerk on a/c	20 . 0 . 0
	21 . 3 . 0
Night Watch to 9th Feby. 97.	5 . 17 . 0
Roads and Paths,	15 . 18 . 11
Fire Brigade,	2 . 8
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
County,	1 . 1 . 8
Streets,	13 . 13 . 10
Sanitary, (Cleansing dep'ts)	14 . 2
Gas a/c for Jany. 1897	64 . 5 . 10
£	124 . 1 . 7

The following Accounts were submitted and payment of each ordered on the motion of Councillor Dickson, seconded by Councillor Callan –

P. J. Caffrey, Carpenter Work (Corporalty House)	3 . 7 . 11
T. Murphy, Clothing for Mace Bearer & Lat Inspector,	10 . 17 . 0
Reps. late T. H. Simcocks, V. S.	2 . 12 . 0
Drogheda Independent Co., Printing & Advertising,	7 . 9 . 6
Mrs C. E. Simpson, ½ years rent (Watch House)	10 . 15 . 6
Trustees Poor of St Johns ½ years rent,	21 . 6 . 6
Munster & Leinster Bank ½ cost of Concreting,	4 . 17 . 11

Wednesday 17th February 1897.

A letter of which the following is a Copy was read –

Water under
February 16th 1897.

To the Mayor, Aldermen, and Council
of the Borough of Drogheda.

Gentlemen –

I am prepared to surrender lease of plot of ground on North Road which I hold under lease from the Corporation for a term unexpired of 86 years, and I wish for a new lease for 75 years so that I can erect 3 houses on same at cost of £300.

Yours respectfully,
Peter Downey

Same was referred to Committee of inspection of property to be leased, and the Town Clerk was directed to summon a Meeting for Friday 19th inst.

Application read from Messrs. Martin Butterly & Co. Ltd. for permission to erect a Weigh-bridge at rere of their premises in Bessexwell Lane.

Councillor Nulty proposed, and Councillor Moore seconded – "that Mr Butterly be allowed to erect a Weighbridge for the sole use of his Company in Bessexwell Lane — Same to be removed at the ~~pleasure~~ will of the Corporation".

Same was declared carried.

Peter Lynch Chairman

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At a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday the 3rd. day of March 1897, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon

His Worship the Mayor presided.
also present
Aldermen- S. Jordan, J. B. Kelly, J. Downey, and C. Tighe.
Town Councillors- T. A. Dickson, P. Gorman, T. Callan, T. Fallan, P. Reddy and T. Fogarty.

The Minutes of Meetings held on 15th. & 17th. February 1897, were read and signed.

Reports of which the following are Copies were read and adopted on the motion of Alderman Jordan, seconded by Councillor Gorman—

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 17th. February 1897 and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment

Mace Bearer 1 Weeks Salary	1 . 3 . 0
Night Watch to 16th. Feby.	5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,	16 . 12 . 0
Fire Brigade,	2 . 8
Erecting Lamp Bracket Bolton Street,	2 . 8
Weigh Master Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
	£24 . 19 . 4

Amount forward	24 . 19 . 4
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
County,	8 . 0
Streets,	12 . 10 . 0
Sanitary, (Cleansing Ashpits &c)	2 . 14 . 4
	40 . 14 . 2

The following Accounts were paid

P. J. Caffrey, Carpenter Work, (Mayoralty House)	3 . 7 . 11
T. Murphy, Clothing for Mace Bearer & Car Inspector	10 . 17 . 0
Reps. late T. H. Simcocks V. S.	2 . 12 . 0
Dkda Independent Co. Printing & Advertising	7 . 9 . 6
Mrs. C. E. Simpson ½ years rent (Watch House)	10 . 15 . 6
Trustees, Poor of St. Johns ½ years rent,	21 . 6 . 6
Munster and Leinster Bank, ½ cost of Conveying,	4 . 17 . 11
	£102 . 0 . 6

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 24th. February 1897, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment

Mace Bearer 1 Weeks Salary	1 . 3 . 0
Night Watch to 23rd. Feby.	5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,	2 . 18 . 2
Limewashing House Green Lane,	7 . 4
Fire Brigade,	2 . 8
Weigh Master Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
Watchman Corn Market (9 nights)	5 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
County,	6 . 12 . 4
Streets,	12 . 15 . 4
Sanitary, (Cleansing ashpits, Sewers &c)	1 . 16 . 0
	£33 . 1 . 4

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Amount forward	33 „ 1 „ 4
Postage & Receipt Stamps (Treasurers Office)	1 „ 10 „ 0
D Kenny, Burial Fees,	6 „ 6
Irish Gas Meter Co.,	3 „ 19 „ 0
	£38 „ 16 „ 10

The following Accounts were submitted and payment of each ordered on the motion of Alderman Jordan seconded by Councillor Gorman:—

Half year's Tithe Rent Charge (E. Blackburne)	1 „ 11 „ 3
Exors of late J Kelly, ½ year's Interest on Mortgage,	178 „ 18 „ 2
F St. Geo. Smith, One year's rent (Laurence St.)	2 „ 13 „ 6
Albert & Co. Winding & regulating Tholsel Clock to 96,	8 „ 0 „ 0
Gas Cos. a/c for Feby. '97,	53 „ 3 „ 7

Alderman Jordan moved pursuant to notice of Motion "that the resolution passed ordering payment of the Treas Chorale be rescinded"

Cor. Callan having seconded the motion, His Worship the Mayor proposed as an amendment, which was seconded by Councillor Callan, "that the consideration of Ald. Jordan's motion, re Treas Chorale, be adjourned to Wednesday 17th inst., and that Mr. McCann be instructed to make all necessary enquiries into the above matter, Counsels opinion if necessary."

The Amendment was declared carried.

A letter of which the following is a Copy was read—

4 Dame Street
Dublin 2nd March 1897.

Arbitration

Dear Sir

The Arbitration will take place at the Four Courts on Monday the 29th inst. It will be necessary to send a Brief to a second Counsel as Mr. Gordon Q.C. may not be able to attend during the entire time the Arbitration will be on. Is there any particular Counsel the Corporation would wish to brief along with Mr. Gordon?

Yours faithfully
Valentine Kilbride.

Peter Connolly Esq.
Town Clerk, Drogheda.

It was decided to leave the selection of second Counsel to Mr. Kilbride, and the Town Clerk was directed to write him to that effect.

Letters read from C.B. Drogheda Brewery Co. and J. McQuillan North Road applying for New Leases of Plots of ground in their possession situate respectively at the Dale and the Swan yard North Road.

The matter was referred to the Committee of inspection of property to be leased.

Report read from Committee of inspection of property to be Leased, recommending the Council to accept Surrender of Lease of Plot of ground at North Road held by Mr. P. Downey, and grant him a new Lease for 75 years at an increased rent of 10/ per annm.

The report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Fogarty, seconded by Councillor Callan.

Peter Lynch Chairman

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Wednesday 17th March 1897.

At a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday the 17th day of March 1897, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon

His Worship the Mayor, presided.
also present
Aldermen C. Tighe, J. Downey, J.B. Kelly, and S. Jordan.
Town Councillors – T.A. Dickson, P. Daly, G. Galbraith, L.J. Elcock, T. Fogarty, P. Gorman, P. Drew, and T. Callan.

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The Minutes of last Meeting held on 3rd March 1897, were read and signed.

Reports of which the following are Copies were read and adopted on the motion of Councillor Gorman, seconded by Councillor Fogarty.

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 3rd March 1897, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment—

Salaries		
Mace Bearer	1 Week's Salary	1 . 3 . 0
Town Clerk	Balance of 2 Month's Salary	15 . 16 . 8
		16 . 19 . 8
Night Watch to 2nd March		5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,		1 . 16 . 4
Fire Brigade,		2 . 8
		£24 . 17 . 8

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Amount forward	24 . 17 . 8
Repairs House Green Lane & Watch House	6 . 8
Weigh Master Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
County,	7 . 3 . 7
Streets,	13 . 3 . 0
Sanitary, (Cleansing ashpits &c)	1 . 16 . 4
	48 . 9 . 9

The following Accounts were paid—

Half years Fee Farm Rent Charge (E. Blackburne)	1 . 11 . 5
Exors. of late J. Kelly, 4 years interest on Mortgage,	178 . 18 . 2
J. St. Geo. Smith, One years rent (Laurence Gate)	2 . 13 . 6
Albert & Co. winding & regulating Holsel Clock for 1896,	8 . 0 . 0
Gas Co. a/c for Feby '97.	53 . 3 . 7
	£292 . 16 . 3

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 10th March 1897, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment:—

Mace Bearer 1 Week's Salary	1 . 3 . 0
Night Watch to 9th March	5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,	9 . 12 . 9
Repairs, Walls Old Abbey Lane,	15 . 2
Fire Brigade,	2 . 8
Weigh Master. Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
Streets,	15 . 14 . 8
Sanitary, (Cleansing ashpits &c)	1 . 19 . 10
Sergt. J. Curran, adjusting Weights &c,	1 . 0 . 0
	£37 . 9 . 7

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The following Account was ordered to be paid on the motion of Councillor Elcock seconded by Alderman Jordan:—

V. Kilbride Sobr., balance of Costs in connection with promotion of Drogheda Corporation Act 1896 } £81:15:2.

Councillor Dickson moved pursuant to Notice of Motion, — "that the resolution passed upon 5th August 1896, be rescinded and that all accounts and Salaries be paid Monthly, to commence on the 1st Wednesday in April."

Councillor Daly seconded the motion which was declared carried. Alderman Jordan dissenting.

Councillor Elcock moved pursuant to Notice of Motion which was seconded by Alderman Jordan, — "that the Corporation appoint a representative deputation to attend in Dublin on the 23rd inst. at the Convention to be held in aid of the Evicted Tenants of Ireland".

Same was declared carried, and the following were appointed as delegates to attend the Convention Viz — Aldermen — Jordan, Downey, and Tighe and Councillors — Gorman, Callan, Daly, Drew & Gogarty.

Letter read from V. Kilbride Esq. Solicitor, applying for balance of Costs in connection with promotion of "Drogheda Corporation Act 1896."

On the motion of Councillor Elcock, seconded by Alderman Jordan it was ordered that Mr. Kilbride be paid the balance of his Costs in connection with promotion of Act.

Wednesday 17th March 1897.

A letter of which the following is a Copy was read:—

Waterunder
16/3/97.

To the Mayor and Council
of the Drogheda Corporation.

Gentlemen

In compliance with resolution passed at last Council Meeting granting me extension of Lease for building at yearly rent of £3:10:0. I have handed in the old Lease to the Town Clerk.

Yours truly
Peter Downey

Councillor Gogarty proposed and Councillor Elcock seconded, — "that Peter Downey get a Building Lease of Plot of ground on North Road at the yearly rent of Three Pounds 10/- — Covenants to insure in the sum of £300, and to spend the sum of £300, in buildings."

Same was declared carried.

Communication read from Mr. John A. McCann Solicitor, of which the following is a Copy:—

Lawrence Street
Drogheda 16th March 1897.

Dear Sir re The Vicars Choral

As directed at the Meeting of the Council of the Corporation on the 8rd inst. I waited on the Revd. Mr. Sanford, and also attended at the Offices of the Land Commission in order to make enquiries in the matters connected with the above. I find that the late Revd. Mr. Eccles made application to the Commissioners of Church Temporalities under Section 44 of the Irish Church Act 1869. for an order declaring the amount

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amount of his income and in the Schedule filed therewith included in the sum of £43:7:8 as payable yearly by the Corporation. This sum was struck out by Judge Lawson, the date of the order on this application being the 28th July 1870. Subsequently the Revd. Mr. Eccles made application to "commute" under Section 23 of the above mentioned Act, and in this application also included the said sum of £43:7:8 as part of his income. In this case also the item was disallowed the date of the ruling being the 4th June 1872. I find also from a letter (Copy herewith sent) which was furnished to me for perusal by the Revd. Mr. Sandford that the Land Commission make no claim to this annuity. Having regard to the foregoing I think it is clear that the sum in question is <u>not</u> payable to the Land Commission. But as to whether this is a charge which is legally payable by the Corporation at all, appears to me to be a question of very serious importance and difficulty, and one on which I should not like to take the responsibility of expressing an opinion.

I strongly advise the Corporation to at once procure translations of the Charters of King James I and William III and Copies of the Decrees dated respectively the 24th February 1791, and 6th July 1799, appearing on the Search made by Messrs. Hayes & Sons (see Local papers of 6th inst.) and then to submit the entire case to Counsel. The translations of the Charters are in my opinion most essential, and should be made by a competent person; the other necessary documents I can easily obtain from the Public Record Office.

I advise the above course because the question appears to have been the subject of long controversy, and by adopting it the expense of litigation may be hereafter avoided.

I remain, Yours truly
John H. McCann.

To Peter Connolly Esq
Town Clerk Drogheda.

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P.S. I do not think the interests of any party concerned would be in any way prejudiced by by the necessary delay in fully investigating the matter.

J.H.McC.

Councillor Elcock proposed,—That the report sent in by Mr. McCann be adopted re the payment of Vicars Choral and that he be directed to employ Counsel to advise the Corporation whether or not such payment is to be made to the Revd. Mr. Sandford — Opinion to be brought forward at Council Meeting 21st April.

Alderman Jordan having seconded the motion it was declared carried.

Alderman Elcock Chairman.

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At a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday the 7th day of April 1897 at the hour of 12 o'clock noon

His Worship the Mayor presided.
also present
Aldermen – P. Reilly and J. Downey.
Town Councillors – L.J. Elcock, L. Moore, P. Reddy, P. Gorman, J. McGuinness, and T. Callan.

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The Minutes of last Meeting held on 17th March 1897, were read and signed.

Reports of which the following are Copies were read and adopted on the motion of Councillor Gorman, seconded by Councillor Reddy.

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 17th March 1897 and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment –

Mace Bearer, 1 Weeks Salary	1 . 3 . 0
Night Watch to 16th March,	5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,	10 . 14 . 10
Repairs,	8 . 8
Fire Brigade,	2 . 8
Weigh Master Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
Streets,	12 . 14 . 0
Sanitary	1 . 17 . 3
	34 . 1 . 11

The following Account was paid: –

V. Kilbride Sol. balance of Costs in connection with promotion Rhode Conviction Oct 1896	581 . 16 . 2
	£615 . 17 . 1

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The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 24th March 1897 and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment –

Mace Bearer 1 Weeks Salary	1 . 3 . 0
Night Watch to 23rd March	5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,	5 . 8 . 9
Opening ground for inspection of Waterworks Pipes,	4 . 12 . 2
Repairs Footpath West Street,	10 . 6
Paving Watertable at Brickfields,	18 . 0
Fire Brigade,	2 . 8
Weigh Master Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
County,	8 . 0
Streets,	11 . 11 . 10
Sanitary, (Cleansing Ashpits & Dale Brook,)	1 . 10 . 1
M. Tighe, Horse Feeding (per Contract),	16 . 12 . 4
Patrick Clarke, adjusting Weights &c (per Contract)	1 . 0 . 0
	£50 . 8 . 10

The following Accounts were submitted and payment of each ordered on the motion of Councillor Elcock, seconded by Councillor Callan: –

T. Simcox V. S. attendance &c on Horse	16 . 0
Reps. Patten ½ years rent to 1st Nov. 96	25 . 12 . 4
Miss E. Browne ½ Do.	9 . 12 . 0
R. B. Daly & Son ½ Do.	6 . 7 . 4
Gas Co's. a/c for March '97.	47 . 15 . 3
W. Faulkner, Harness,	11 . 10
J. Finegan, Leather,	12 . 1
N. Robinson, Horse Clothing,	2 . 0
R. Noonan, repairs to Harness,	1 . 6 . 2
Grand Jury Forms,	16 . 0

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R. Verdon & Co. Twine &c,			9 . 4
Water Works Co. 1 quarters supply &c 25		2 . 8	
Income Tax,	8	. 15 . 1	
Poor Rate,	28	. 7 . 7	
C. & Wm Conry, Rate Collector, attendance at Revision 1896,	3	. 0 . 0	
Irish Incandescent Gas Light Co.,	12	. 18 . 7	
P. Murphy, Ironmongery,	6	. 12 . 3	
Town Clerks assistant expenses to Dublin 23rd ult.,		10 . 6	
Town Clerk and assistants expenses to Dublin 30th & 31st ult.	3	. 9 . 0	

Letter read from John Keelan Dubeck Street applying for reduction of rent of his holding at Barrack Lane Drogheda.

On the motion of Alderman Downey, seconded by Councillor Moore the matter was referred to the Committee of inspection of property to be leased.

Report read from Town Clerk of which the following is a copy:—

Courthouse
Drogheda 5th April 1897.

To the Mayor and Council
of the Corporation of Drogheda.

Gentlemen

With reference to the resolution passed by you appointing Mr. James Curtis Treasurer under the new act, I deem it my duty to report to you that it will be essentially necessary for him to have a bond ~~entered into~~ perfected naming sufficient securities.
It will also be necessary for the Council to fix by resolution the amount of Salary they purpose paying him.

Your obedient Servant
E. E. Connolly
Town Clerk

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It was decided that Mr. Curtis do have required bond perfected. No order was made fixing the amount of Salary to be paid.

A Report of which the following is a Copy was read:—

Borough Surveyor's Office
Drogheda 7th April 1897.

To the Council of the Corporation
Borough of Drogheda.

Gentlemen,

The Contract for Road Materials &c. expires the end of this month; tenders should be invited for next Council Meeting. The period of Winter Lighting the Town expired on the 31st ult.; the Gas Co. are taking down and storing the lanterns. at my suggestion they have not yet removed the Winter Lamps on the Dublin Road and one or two other places pending this meeting. It has been suggested to me that the Lamps in West St. particularly between Stockwell Lane and Dominick St. should be kept lighted especially on Sunday nights.

Your obt. Servt.
Nicht Hatch.

The report was adopted on the motion of Alderman Reilly, seconded by Councillor Gorman.

Peter Lynch Chairman

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At a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday the 21st. day of April 1897, at the hour of 12 O'Clock noon

His Worship the Mayor presided.

also present

Alderman—J. Downey J.B. Kelly, S. Jordan and C. Tighe.

Town Councillors—G. Daly, T.A. Dickson, J. Drew, F. Fogarty, T. Callan, J. Mc Guinness, P. Gorman, L. Moore, J. Slevin, T. Callan, J. Crilly, L.J. Elcock, and G. Galbraith.

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The Minutes of last Meeting held on 7th. April 1897, were read and signed.

Reports of which the following are copies were read and adopted on the motion of Alderman Jordan, seconded by Councillor Callan—

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 7th April 1897, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment—

Salaries

Mace Bearer	1 Week	1	3. 0
Town Clerk	1 Month	11	5. 0
Clerk to Town Commissioners	1	3	6. 8
Executive Sanitary Officer	1	2	1. 8
Clerk of Local Authority,	1	1	5. 0
		£19	1. 4

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Amount forward,		19	1. 4
Caretaker of Mayoralty House,	3 Months	5	4. 0
Car Inspector,	3 "	3	5. 0
Summons Server Court of Conscience	3	1	5. 0
Borough Surveyor,	3	35	0. 0
Treasurer,	3	37	10. 0
Sanitary Sub Officer	3	15	0. 0
Inspector of Dairies,	3	3	0. 0
Market Collector,	3	5	0. 0
Clerk of Borough Court	3	12	10. 0
Registrar of Court of Conscience	3	2	10. 0
		139	5. 4
Night Watch to 6th april,		5	19. 0
Roads and Paths,		8	6. 6
Repairs Wall Wellington Quay and steps Dublin Road,		2	7. 8
Fire Brigade,			2. 8
Weigh Master Hay Market,		1	0. 0
Cleaning Offices,			2. 6
County,		3	0. 4
Streets,		11	11. 10
Sanitary, (Cleansing Ashpits)		1	5. 6
Postage Stamps (Town Clerks Office)			10. 0
P. Dillon, Commission on collection of Rents.		2	13. 9
		176	6. 1

The following Accounts were paid—

T. Simcox V. S. attendance &c on Horse,		16. 0
Reps. Patten 5 years rent to 1st. Novr. 96	25	12. 4
Miss E. Browne Do. " " "	9	12. 0
R. B Daly & Son Do. " " "	6	7. 4
J. Wall, 12 Sample Boxes for Milk analysis,		9. 0
F. W. Brittan, Carbolic Acid &c (per Contract)	3	2. 2
Gas Co's a/c for March '97	47	15. 3
	£269	19. 2

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Amount forward	269	19	2
W. Faulkner repairs to Harness,		11	10
J. Finegan, Leather,		12	1
M. Robinson, Horse Clothing,		2	0
R. Noonan, Harness,	1	6	2
Grand Jury Forms,		16	0
R. Verdon & Co. Twine &c,		9	4
Waterworks Co. ½quarters supply &c,	25	2	8
Income Tax,	8	15	1
Poor Rate,	28	7	7
C.E. McCann Late Collector, attendance at Municipal Revision 1896,	3	0	0
Irish Incandescent Gas Light Co	13	18	7
P. Murphy, Ironmongery,	6	12	5
Town Clerks assistants expenses to Dublin 23rd ult,		10	6
Town Clerks and assistants expenses to Dublin 30th & 31st ult,	3	9	0
	£368	12	3

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 14th April 1897 and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment

Mac Beaver 1 Weeks Salary	1	3	0
Night Watch to 15th april	5	19	0
Roads and Paths,	5	19	7
Repairs Wall Wellington Quay,	2	3	4
Fire Brigade,		2	8
Weigh Master Hay Market,	1	0	0
Cleaning Offices,		2	6
County,	5	13	4
Streets,	12	4	6
Sanitary (Cleansing ashpits)	1	5	6
	£35	13	5

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Councillor Elcock proposed, and Alderman Jordan seconded, "that a Cheque for £35:2:6 be paid to J. & M. McCann for procuring certified Copies of the Charters of James I and William III and Copy of Decree in Chancery and for the purpose of obtaining Counsels opinion on the liability of the Corporation to continue paying the Vicars Choral money."

Same was declared carried.

Alderman Kelly moved pursuant to Notice of Motion, "that all Charters and Documents of the Corporation shall be translated and sorted and placed so as to be easily examined".

Councillor Moore seconded the motion which was declared carried.

Communication read from Treasurer of which the following is a Copy —

Drogheda Corporation
Treasurer's Office
Courthouse
20th Apl. 1897.

The Drogheda Corporation

The following are the names of the Gentlemen I offer as sureties for Treasurer —

Mr. James Kelly Fair Street
Mr. Thomas Brady West Street
Mr. M. McQuaile West Street

Your obedient Servant
James Curtis
Treasurer.

Councillor Callan proposed and Aldn. Jordan seconded, that the names submitted by our Treasurer

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(Mr James Curtis) as his sureties be accepted and that said Treasurer and Town Clerk complete their Bonds by next Meeting".

Same was declared carried.

Councillor Dickson moved, which was seconded by His Worship the Mayor, "that the Solicitor of the Corporation be directed to inquire into the security to be given by the Treasurer and Town Clerk and to see that a proper with solvent securities is given by both the above Officials, and that the bonds be ready for inspection by next Council Meeting.

Same was declared carried.

A Report of which the following is a Copy was read —

Drogheda Corporation
Treasurer's Office
Courthouse 20th apl. 1897.

To Drogheda Corporation.

Gentlemen

I have again to report that the Car licenses for the year ending July 1895, and for the year ending July 1896, have not been handed over to me for lodgement. It is also my duty to remind you that under the 16th Sec. of the Drogheda Corporation Act the Town Commissioners as a body has ceased to exist and that the anomalous position of Clerk to a defunct body requires adjustment in order to avoid surcharge.

Your obedient servant
James Curtis
Treasurer.

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Councillor Dickson proposed, which was seconded by Alderman Jordan and declared carried, "that the Town Clerk be directed to hand over to the Treasurer all monies in his hands derived from bar licenses and all other sorces accompanied by a statement of dues up to date."

Circular Letter read from Hon. Sec. All-Ireland Financial Relations Committee requesting the Corporation to appoint delegates to attend Convention in Dublin on 22nd inst.

His Worship the Mayor, Alderman Jordan, and Councillors Elcock and Dickson were appointed as delegates to attend the Convention.

Peter Lynch Chairman

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Wednesday 5th May 1897.

At a Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday the 5th day of May 1897 at the hour of 12 O'clock noon

His Worship the Mayor presided.
also present
Aldermen – J. Dowrey, S. Jordan, P. Reilly, J. B. Kelly and C. Lyke.
Town Councillors – T. A. Dickson, L. Moore, T. Callan, T. Callan, J. Crilly, P. Gorman, P. Reddy, L. J. Elcock, G. Galbraith, T. Fogarty, J. Mc Guinness, P. Dean, T. Slevin.

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The Minutes of last Meeting held on 21st April 1897, were read and signed.

Reports of which the following are Copies were read and adopted on the motion of Alderman Jordan, seconded by Councillor Crilly –

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 21st April 1897 and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment –

Mace Bearer 1 Weeks Salary	1 . 3 . 0
Night Watch to 20th inst.,	5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,	9 . 8 . 7
Fire Brigade,	2 . 8
Repairs Wall Wellington Quay,	2 . 5 . 0
Weigh Master Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
	£19 . 16 . 3

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Amount forward	19 . 16 . 3
Cleaning Offices	2 . 6
County,	3 . 1 . 5
Streets,	12 . 7 . 6
Sanitary, (Cleansing Ashpits)	18 . 5
	36 . 6 . 1

The following Account was paid –

J. H. McCann, Sols. Counsels Fee &c re Vicars Chord,	35 . 2 . 6
	£71 . 8 . 7

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 28th April 1897, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment

Mace Bearer 1 Weeks Salary	1 . 3 . 0
Night Watch to 27th April,	5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,	6 . 3 . 8
Repairs Wall Wellington Quay,	1 . 16 . 0
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
Streets,	11 . 5 . 4
Sanitary, (Cleansing Ashpits)	1 . 2 . 8
	28 . 12 . 2

The following Account was paid –

P. Weldon & S. O. Mick for Analysis &c,	7 . 4
	£28 . 19 . 6

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The following Accounts were submitted and payment of each ordered on the motion of Cobr. Drew, seconded by Councillor Gorman —

T. J. Verdon Solr. attending case on behalf of Corpn. re deaths of Thurkty & Slevin	2.2.0
A. McCullen, Carpenter Work, (Wellington Quay),	2.10.0
P. J. Caffrey, Do. (Mayoralty House)	2.17.7
L. J. Healy, Oils &c,	19.0
T. Horace, Coar Hire re Waterworks Arbitration,	12.0
J. Farrelly, Locks &c,	4.6
P. Weldon, Commission on collection of Rents,	1.0.2
N. Hatch B. L., expenses attending Waterworks Arbitration,	2.2.0
Gas Co's a/c for April 97,	24.0.7
P. Daly repairs to Carts &c,	27.18.6
T. Murdock & Co. Timber and Pipes,	6.6.11
M. Butterly & Co. ~~Timber~~ Cement,	11.19.2
Dean Cox's Fund 4 years,	8.18.7
H. Harbinson, Ironmongery,	10.1.9
J. Dollard, Stationery (per Town Clerk),	1.1.1

A letter of which the following is a copy was read —

Town Clerk's Office
Court House
Drogheda 5th May 1897.

To the Council of the Corporation
Borough of Drogheda.

Gentlemen

I respectfully ask for an extension of time for lodgement of Bar Licenses.

Your obedient Servant
Peter Connolly
Town Clerk.

On

Wednesday 5th May 1897.

On the motion of Councillor Dickson, seconded by Councillor Gorman it was decided to extend the date for lodgement to 2nd prox.

There were three Tenders submitted for supply of Broken Stones, Gravel and Sand to 1st May 1898. That of John Hanratty of Mell offering to supply Broken Stones @ 3/4 per Ton, Round Gravel @ 3/4 per Ton, Paving Stones @ 2/ per Ton, Building Sand @ 2/ and Paving Sand @ 2/ per Ton, was accepted on the motion of Alderman Jordan seconded by Councillor Reddy.

A letter of which the following is a copy was read —

42 Lawrence Street
Drogheda 24th April 1897.

re Premises in John Street — Miss Rorke.

Dear Sir

You will remember that on 11th March 1896, we applied to the Corporation to grant a Lease of 75 years of above premises instead of 31 years, and proposed to increase the rent to £3:5:0 per year. To this letter we did not receive any reply and the matter still lies in abeyance. We would feel obliged by your bringing the matter before the Corporation and have it disposed of. As this is a Building Lease we are sure the Corporation will have no hesitation in complying with Miss Rourke's request.

Peter Connolly Esq. Yours truly
Town Clerk, Court House. Thomas Gerrard & Co.

Alderman Tighe proposed, which was seconded by Councillor Gogarty — "that the resolution granting a Lease of 31 years for store in John Street at the yearly rent

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rent of £5:0:0 be rescinded and that a New Building Lease be granted to Miss Rourke of John Street for 75 years at an increased rent of £ per year, she undertaking to expend the sum of £300 in new buildings & to insure the same for the sum of £200."

Same was declared carried.

Application read from Messrs. P. Weldon, P. Garvey, P. Lanney and Mrs. K. Kelly for annual supply of Coal.

The Town Clerk was directed to invite Tenders during the Month of June for same.

Report read from Committee of inspection of property to be based of which the following is a Copy ——

Drogheda 5th May 1897.

To the Council of the Corporation
Borough of Drogheda.

Gentlemen

We Members of your Leases Committee having inspected the following Plots of ground - Your property - beg to report: ——

(1) Plot in Dale, Lease No. 1050 expires 1935, contains 2. 1. 2., Rent £4:0:0 in possession of Mrs. Cairnes. We recommend that a surrender of this Lease be taken and a Building Lease granted for 75 years at an increased rent.

(2) Plot adjoining Hillmount, Lease 1106, expires 1919, contains 2. 2. 26, rent £4:10:0 in possession of John Keelan. We recommend that the rent be reduced to £3.0.0, reduction to date from Gale day.

(3) Plot West side Georges Street, Lease 9445, expires 1994 contains 1. 2. rent £9:0:9, in possession of Mrs J. McQuillan. In

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In this case your Committee cannot recommend you to approve of the Plans submitted to us. The Plan shews only one house with the front facing the yard and the end next the Street; there can be no yard at the rere and the Plan shews no enclosed yard anywhere, consequently any Sanitary arrangements such as a W.C. would have to be inside the house which is very objectionable. Your Committee consider that the opposite side of the yard would afford ample room and be more suitable in every way for building houses. The entire Plot (including the existing houses measures about 200 ft. x 75 ft.

Signed Peter Lynch Mayor.
Patrick Gorman.
John McGuinness.
Francis Fogarty.

The report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Fogarty, seconded by Aldn. Reilly.

A letter of which the following is a Copy was read ——

Lawrence Street
Drogheda 4th May 1897.

re "The Treasurer" and "Town Clerk"

Dear Sir,

In pursuance of the resolution forwarded by you to me on the 22nd ult. I have inquired into the security to be given by the above Officials and now enclose draft Bonds for approval of the Council.

Peter Connolly Esq. Yours faithfully
Town Clerk Drogheda. John A. McGann

The Bonds were ordered to be engrossed.

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Draft Leases submitted, as prepared by Mr. John H. McCann Solr., unto Mr. P. Bellew of Mell, and Mr. P. Downey of Walterstown, of Plots of ground in their possession situate respectively at Mell, and North Road.

Same were approved of on the motion of Councillor Gorman, seconded by Councillor Dickson.

A letter of which the following is a Copy was read —

Lawrence Street
Drogheda 4th May 1897

re Vicars Choral

Dear Sir,

In consequence of a letter I received from Mr Miles Kehoe 2. 6 I attended on him this day when he informed me that he could not possibly let me have his opinion before the end of next week. Under these circumstances I would ask that the consideration of the matter be reforced adjourned till next Council Meeting.

I remain, Yours faithfully
John H. McCann

Peter Connolly Esq
Town Clerk, Drogheda

The request was acceded to.

Alderman Kelly moved "that a Petition be sent to the Privy Council asking their favourable consideration of the case of the Fishermen on the Boyne."

Councillor Elcock seconded the motion which was declared carried.

Peter Connolly Chairman

Wednesday 19th May 1897.

At a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday the 19th day of May 1897 at the hour of 12 o'clock noon

His Worship the Mayor, presided.
also present
Aldermen — J. Jordan, P. Reilly, J. Downey, C. Tighe and J. B. Kelly.
Town Councillors — T. A. Dickson, G. Galbraith, T. Callan, P. Reddy, P. Gorman, J. McGuinness, T. Fogarty, T. Callan, L. Moore and P. Drew.

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The Minutes of last Meeting held on 5th May 1897, were read and signed.

Reports of which the following are copies were read and adopted on the motion of Councillor Moore, seconded by Alderman Jordan —

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 5th May 1897, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment —

Salaries

Mace Bearer, 1 Week,	1	3. 0
Car Inspector, 1 Month,	1	0. 0
Caretaker of Mayoralty House, 1 "	1	14. 8
Clerk of Borough Court, 1 "	4	3. 4
Registrar of Court of Conscience, 1 "		16. 8
Sanitary Sub Officer, 1 "	5	0. 0
	£13	17. 8

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Amount forward		13 . 17 . 8
Market Collector,	1 Month.	1 . 13 . 4
Inspector of Dairies	1 "	1 . 0 . 0
Borough Surveyor,	1 "	11 . 13 . 4
Town Clerk,	1 "	11 . 5 . 0
Clerk to Town Commissioners	1 "	3 . 6 . 8
Executive Sanitary Officer,	1 "	2 . 1 . 8
Clerk of Local Authority,	1 "	1 . 5 . 0
		46 . 2 . 8
Night Watch to 4th May,		5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,		8 . 12 . 1
Repairs,		1 . 18 . 8
Fire Brigade,		2 . 8
Weigh Master Hay Market,		1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,		2 . 6
Streets,		9 . 16 . 11
Sanitary,		2 . 0 . 3
		75 . 14 . 9

The following Accounts were paid—

P. Bellew 134 Brls. Lime @ 1/2	7 . 4 . 8
Commissrs of Public Works, Principal & Interest (Sewer Loan)	125 . 9 . 9
H.J. Verdon, Soln. attending case on behalf of Corpn. re deaths of J. Sloan & P. Murphy,	2 . 2 . 0
H. McCullen, Carpenter Work, (Wellington Quay)	2 . 10 . 0
P.J. Caffrey, Do. (Mayoralty House)	2 . 17 . 7
E.J. Daly, Oils &c,	19 . 0
T. Norriss, Car Hire, re Waterworks Arbitration	17 . 0
J. Farrelly, Locks &c,	4 . 6
P. Weldon Commission on collection of Rents,	1 . 0 . 2
N. Hatch B.L., expenses attending Waterworks Arbitration,	2 . 2 . 0
Gas Co's. a/c for April 97,	24 . 0 . 7
E. Daly, repairs to Carts &c,	27 . 18 . 6
	£270 . 15 . 6

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Amount forward	270 . 15 . 6
T. Inwood & Co. Timber, Pipes &c,	6 . 6 . 11
W. Butterly & Co., Cement,	11 . 19 . 2
Dean Cons 2nd, 1/2 year,	8 . 18 . 7
H. Harbinson, Ironmongery,	10 . 1 . 9
J. Dollard, Stationery, (per Town Clerk)	1 . 1 . 7
	£309 . 3 . 6

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 12th May 1897, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment

Mace Bearer 1 Weeks Salary,	1 . 3 . 0
Night Watch to 11th inst,	5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,	10 . 1 . 11
Repairs, Watch House &c,	2 . 0 . 6
Fire Brigade,	2 . 8
Weigh Master Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
Streets,	11 . 2 . 10
Sanitary, (Cleaning Ashpits &c)	1 . 15 . 0
P. Byrne, Car Hire,	5 . 0
	£53 . 12 . 5

Applications for new Leases read from Mr. P. Carr, of Houses and premises at King Street, Messrs. Verdon & Kiernan, Solrs. on behalf of their client Mrs. Esther Greene of lands at Yellow Batter and houses and premises at Francis Street and Pulack Gate, Mr. R. Watson of House and premises at Scarlet Street, Alderman S. Jordan of House and premises at George's Street and Messrs. Thos. Gerrard & Co. Solrs. on behalf of their client Miss Rourke of premises at John Street.

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The applications were referred to the Committee of inspection of property to be leased for inspection and report.

A letter of which the following is a copy was read.—

To His Worship the Mayor
and Gentlemen of the Corporation of Drogheda.

The Sisters of Charity respectfully beg to renew their application for the new building lease promised them on a former accasion for their premises in Fair Street on which they desire to build an Orphanage for the orphans of St Peters Parish Drogheda.

The Sisters have the honour to be
Your Worship and Gentlemen
Your obedient Servants.

Fair Street Drogheda
May 18th 1897.

The Town Clerk was directed to write the Sisters of Charity requesting them to submit Plans of proposed buildings and to name the Trustees to be inserted in the new Lease so as to enable the Solicitor to prepare same. Mr. Nicholas Fol

A letter of which the following is a Copy was read—

Laurence Street
Drogheda 19th May 1897.

Rt Revd Monsignor Lord

Dear Sir

I have obtained Counsels opinion herein and shall lay it before the Meeting today

Yours faithfully
John H. McCann
Jnr.

P Connolly Esq
Town Clerk Drogheda

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Mr. McCann who was present then read case as submitted to Counsel and Counsels opinion whereupon Councillor Dickson proposed, and Councillor Galbraith seconded, — "that the cheque already sanctioned by the Corporation at the quarterly meeting held on Feby 3rd £41:19:0 be now signed and paid to the Rev. Herbert Sandford."

A division having been called for there voted—

For the Resolution	Against the Resolution
Alderman - J. B. Kelly	Alderman B. Tighe
" J. Dorney	" S. Jordan
Councillor P. Lorman	" P. Reilly
" G. Galbraith	Councillor T. Callan
" T. A. Dickson (5)	" T. Callan
	" P. Reddy
	" L. Moore
	" P. Drew
	" F. Goggarty
	" J. McGuinness (8)

The Chairman declared the Resolution lost and the Town Clerk was directed to write the Rev. Mr. Sandford acquainting him of the Corporations decision in the matter.

Letter read from Mr. J. H. McCann Solr. relative to Boyne Fishery appeal, stating that he has as directed presented Petition against shortning of nets and requesting Cheque for £5:5:0, Counsels fee for attending before Privy Council in support of same.

Alderman Kelly proposed, and Alderman Reilly seconded, — "that a Cheque for £5:5:0 be filed for Mr. McCann to pay Counsels fee re fishery case"

Same was declared carried

Peter Lynch Chairman

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The following is Copy of the case, and opinion of Counsel, re Vicars choral money—

Case

for Counsel to advise on behalf of The Corporation of Drogheda

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Counsel has herewith

1. Copy Charter of King James I
2. Copy Charter of King William III
3. Copy Decree dated 6th July 1799
4. Copy Case written on by the present Lord Justice Walker in the year 1880

Counsel's opinion is sought under the following circumstances :—

By Charter of King James I the premises therein mentioned were granted to the Mayor, Sheriffs, Burgesses and commons of the County of the Town of Drogheda, subject to the yearly rent of five shillings and to a covenant by the said Mayor etc for the future to pay or cause to be paid yearly ~~or cause to be paid yearly~~ for ever and out of the premises to six singing men over and beyond the Organist, and Parish Clerk in the said Church within the said town and also to three Choristers, the Salaries, annuities of yearly pensions following! that is to say, to every singing-man six pounds current English money by the year, and to every Chorister four marks current English-money in the year to be paid yearly for ever

By Charter of King William III the said premises were granted and confirmed to the said Mayor, Sheriffs &c subject to the yearly rent of £4-7-18-7½ in full and absolute discharge to the said Mayor, Sheriffs, Burgesses and commons of the said Town of Drogheda and their successors of all and singular other rents whatsoever issuing or to be paid or rendered for or out of the

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premises or any part thereof by the said presents granted.

As will be seen by the Case submitted to the present Lord Justice Walker various suits were instituted in the then Court of Chancery commencing in or about the year 1743 relative to the payment of the above mentioned charge under the covenant contained in the Charter of King James I and that the last of these suits was compromised. This would be subsequent to the year 1799 and Counsel's attention is specially directed to the Decree of the 6th day of July of the year last mentioned

The facts and history of the dealings of the parties as set out in the case above referred to are substantially correct— with this exception. It is therein stated that the late Rector of St Peters the Rev Mr Eccles did not "commute or "compound." This is not accurate,— he did commute as will be seen by the rulings of the Commissioners of Church Temporalities hereinafter referred to dated respectively the 23rd day of July 1870 and 4th day of June 1872.

It will be seen that ~~after~~ Mr Walker in his opinion stated. (1) That any doubt as to the construction of the Charters was removed by the long dealing of the parties and the compromise (2) that on the death of the then Rector of the Parish of St Peters the proper recipients of the annuity or sum in question would be the Church Temporalities Commissioners.

This latter opinion (i.e. that payment should be made to the Church Temporalities Commissioners) is undoubtedly erroneous as by the ruling of Judge Lawson made on an application by the late Rev Mr Eccles then Vicar of St. Peters to the Commissioners under Section 14 of the Irish Church Act 1869 for an order declaring the amount of his annuity the very sum in question was struck out of the application, the date of this ruling being the 23rd of July 1870, and by a subsequent ruling dated the 4th of June 1872 the same item was struck out of the Schedule to an application to commute under Section 23 of the above mentioned Act. Moreover by the letter dated the 5th day of March 1897 from the Irish Land Commissioners to the present Rector of St.

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Peters the former distinctly state that they have no claim on the annuity in question

It is mainly therefore with regard to that portion of the case referred to in the first part of Mr Walkers opinion that Counsels advice is now sought, viz:- whether the charge is a permanent one or not? and if it is a permanent one to whom payment is to be made.

Since the death of the late Rev. Mr Eccles no payment has been made by the Corporation to the present Rector the Reverend Mr. Sandford in respect of the said annuity or Vicars Choral money but there is a resolution on the minutes that such payment should be made to him and the matter remains in abeyance pending Counsels opinion and if Counsel is of opinion that the Corporation cannot legally pay the amount of the annuity in question to the present Rector; it is assumed, presumed that such resolution must be rescinded.

The entire question would appear to depend on the construction to be put on the two Charters viz:- that of James I and William III read together and on the Decree of the 6th July 1799.

It has been pointed out in the case sent herewith that the Choir of St Peters was not re-established after the time of Cromwell and it appears that at the present date there is no paid Choir attached to the Church.

There is another question for consideration and that is whether in the event of Counsel being of opinion that the rent reserved to the Crown under the Charter of William III was in substitution of the annuity to be paid for the singing men and boys under the Covenant contained in the Charter of James I the Corporation are not liable to the Crown for the arrears of such rent (for it appears the Corporation has not any time paid rent to the Crown, nor has any demand for same been made up to the present) and whether it is payable in addition to the said annuity.

It is also very necessary to ascertain whether - in the event of Counsel being of opinion that payment of said arrears of Vicars Choral money should be made to the present Rector of St Peters the letter from the Land Commission (Copy of which is herewith sent) is a sufficient release and discharge of any

claim that might be made by that body as representing the Commissioners of Church Temporalities in Ireland or whether a formal release should be obtained

The Queristo are only anxious to ascertain their exact position, their liabilities, and the proper course for them to adopt and so guard against any future litigation over this question

Counsel will therefore please advise :-

(1) Whether on the construction of the two Charters referred to the Corporation of Drogheda are now bound to pay the annuity mentioned to the Rector or Vicar of St Peters.

(2) Whether the rent of £4 reserved to the Crown under the Charter of William III was in substitution of the money payable under the covenant contained in the Charter of King James I and whether the former Charter operated as a release of the latter covenant contained in the latter. (3) Whether the Decree of the 6th day of July 1799. is final and conclusive. And Counsel will please advise generally on the whole case

Opinion

1. I am of opinion that on no construction of the Charters themselves could it be contended that Queristo were bound to pay any annuity to the incumbent of St Peters

2. On the construction of the Charters I have come to the conclusion that that of William operates as a discharge of the covenant in that of James

The Charter of William commands the officers of his Exchequer in Ireland upon the production of the letters patent to make a full discharge to the Mayor &c &c of all & singular other rents whatsoever issuing or to be rendered or paid for or out of the premises or any part thereof except the rent of £47-18-7½ reserved by the Letters Patent in question. Now it is to be remarked that the rent proper reserved by the Charter of James is five shillings but there is a further covenant in that Charter by the Corporation with the King that they will for ever pay out of the premises to the singing men and Choristers the pensions specified and it might be strongly argued that the Charter of William only operates to discharge that rent of five shillings properly so called but that the covenant as to the singing men was not a reservation of rent in the proper sense at all and remained unaffected. But I think

it would be a good answer; that the covenant as to the singing men had become inoperative, that the grant of the King is on the terms of the Charter to be construed in favour of the subject that the covenant to pay the singing men in its terms making their pensions payable out of the premises expressly constitutes the payment a reddendum of rent, for though a subject cannot reserve rent to a stranger the King can and on the whole therefore I have come to a conclusion in favour of Querists

The question however is one of much difficulty on which it is impossible to express a confident opinion but it is of comparatively little importance having regard to my answer to the next query.

3. Whatever might have been decided on the construction of the Charters if the matter were res nova. I am of opinion that the Corporation would not be allowed to contend, having regard to their own resolutions and to the proceedings in Chancery that the £54 a year was not payable by them at the time of the disestablishment of the Church. The Decree of 1799 referred to was but one of a number some of which only I have been able to refer to in the time at my disposal but all apparently ascertaining or proceeding on the basis of the liability of the Corporation. In particular the information of 16th April 1790 was met by an answer on the part of the Corporation relying on the Charter of William and giving reasons why it was not relied on in answer to previous informations but nevertheless a Decree was made on the 15th May 1794 directing enquiries and accounts on the basis of the liability of the Corporation, that liability of the Corporation was ascertained and declared by order of the 6th July 1799 and this was followed it is stated by a compromise. I can find no distinct statement of the terms or date of that compromise or how it was arrived at. But it appears to have been carried out by the resolution authorising the raising of money by debentures and finally by the resolution of the 5th of October 1804 (the last resolution with reference to the matter on the Books of the Corporation) which was acted on down to the disestablishment of the Church.

Supposing the Corporation to be liable it is assumed in the case that the Church Temporalities Commissioners are not entitled and as I rather collect that the present Incumbent of St Peters is, and no distinct query is put as to this matter. However I think it right to prevent any misapprehension to add that as at present advised and not knowing the

grounds on which the Commissioners founded their letter of March 1897, I am of opinion that the sum payable by the Corporation became vested in the Commissioners if in any one. And I am further of opinion that if there is anything reasonably clear in the case it is that the Incumbent of St Peters is not entitled to it

Miles Kehoe

73 Lower Baggot St.
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Peter Lynch Chairman

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At a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday the 2nd day of June 1897, at the hour of 12 o'clock ~~fore~~ noon—

His Worship the Mayor presided.
also present
Aldermen— S. Jordan, J. B. Kelly and J. Downey.
Town Councillors— L. Moore, P. Reddy, T. Fogarty, J. Slevin, J. Callan, W. T. Skeffington, J. Crilly, T. Callan, S. Daly and P. Gorman.

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The Minutes of last Meeting held on 19th May 1897, were read and signed.

Reports of which the following are Copies were read and adopted on the motion of Councillor Moore, seconded by Councillor Reddy—

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 19th May 1897, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment—

Mace Bearer (Weeks Salary	1 . 3 . 0
Night Watch to 18th May,	5 . 11 . 0
Roads and Paths,	1 . 18 . 1
Repairs Wellington Quay and Watch House,	2 . 14 . 8
Fire Brigade,	12 . 8
Weigh Master Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
Streets,	11 . 11 . 4
	£24 . 15 . 3

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Amount forward	24 . 15 . 3
Sanitary, (Cleansing Ashpits &c)	1 . 4 . 8
P. Manning, Car hire, re Waterworks,	6 . 0
P. Cahill, Do " "	6 . 0
A. Brady, " " " "	6 . 0
	26 . 15 . 11

The following Accounts were paid—

P. Connor, 86 Bars. Lime @ 1/-	5 . 0 . 4
J. & W. McCann, Sols., Consels Fee, re Boyne Fishermen.	5 . 5 . 0
	£37 . 1 . 3

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 26th May 1897, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment—

Mace Bearer (Weeks Salary	1 . 3 . 0
Night Watch to 25th May,	5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,	2 . 0 . 2
Repairs Wall Wellington Quay & Houses Green Lanes,	3 . 5 . 6
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
County,	6 . 0
Streets,	11 . 13 . 5
Sanitary, (Cleansing Ashpits &c)	1 . 17 . 6
Postage and receipt Stamps, (Treasurers Office)	1 . 10 . 0
	28 . 17 . 1

The following Accounts were submitted and payment of each ordered on the motion of Alderman Jordan seconded by Councillor Moore—

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Drogheda Advt. Co. 2 years Contract Posting to 1st May		1	10 0
T. W. Hardman & Sons 2 years rent Dominick Street	55	9	4
Mrs C. E. Simpson, Do. " " (Watch House)	12	1	8
M. Tighe, Horse Feeding per Contract.	11	11	4
Half Years Tithe Rent Charge (Marquis of Drogheda)	56	2	6

There were five Tenders submitted for the erection of six Workmens Houses at Junction of Scarlet Street and Francis Street, being the first block proposed to be built in connection with the Drogheda Corporation Act 1896.

On the motion of Councillor Tallan, seconded by Councillor Moore, that of Messrs. J. Phillips and J. Carroll of North Road and Green Lanes Drogheda, offering to construct same for the sum of £610, was accepted.

Alderman Downey proposed, and Councillor Sleven seconded, "that the names of those tendering for erection of Cottages in Francis Street be given to the Press."

Same was declared carried.

A Communication of which the following is a copy was read.—

To His Worship the Mayor
and Members of the Corporation of Drogheda

The Sisters of Charity beg to submit Plans for the building of an Orphanage on their premises in Fair St. Also the names of the Trustees to be inserted in the new Lease for the said premises as follows—

His Eminence Michael Card. Logue
The Rt. Rev. Robert Ingr. Murphy V. G.

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The Rt. Rev. P. James Ingr. Byrne V. G.
The Very Rev. Thomas Morrissey C.M.
Sister Eugenie Marcellus
Sister Anne Redman.

The names of the Trustees were accepted on the motion of Alderman Reilly, seconded by Councillor Callan and the Borough Surveyor was directed to examine and report on the Plans.

A letter of which the following is a copy was read.—

Lawrence Street
Drogheda 21th May 1897.

To the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses
of the Borough of Drogheda.

Gentlemen

Referring to former correspondence I beg to inform you that I am willing to give you up possession of the premises in Magdalene Street if the Corporation require the site for a Town Hall or other public purpose, but if not, I am prepared to take the Building Lease for 75 years, but having regard to the large outlay (£350) which you require me to expend on the premises I respectfully ask you to reconsider your former resolution and make the rent £5 a year instead of £6.6.0

Your obt. Servant
James Smyth

The Town Clerk was directed to write Mr. Smyth referring him to the Town Clerk's previous letter of 22nd Jany 1897 on the subject and to state that the Corporation do not intend utilizing the site for a Town Hall or other public purpose.

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Communication read from Messrs. M. J. Murphy and J. V. Campbell on behalf of the Christian Brothers Drogheda, requesting the Corporation to accept surrender of lease of their holding at George's Street and accept Mr. S. Jordan as tenant instead; also to accept surrender of lease of holding at Trinity Street and grant them a new lease at a rent of £2 per year.

It having been stated that the matter was referred to in the report of the Committee of inspection of property to be leased, about to be read there was no order made.

A report of which the following is a copy was read and adopted on the motion of Ald. Fallan seconded by Alderman Reilly.—

Drogheda 2nd June 1897.

To the Council of the Corporation
Borough of Drogheda.

Gentlemen

Your Committee for "inspecting premises out of lease" met on Friday 28th ult. and having inspected the following premises beg to report:—

(A) Premises in Haymarket now in possession originally held under three Leases Nos. 779, 800, 998, at the following rents 779, £10:10:0.— 800 £7:12:4.— 998 £10:10:0— making a total of £28:12:4. The premises are practically dilapidated and we would recommend that the Corporation offer the entire plot on a 75 years lease and advertise for Tenders for the same.

(B) Lease 748 expired 1888. Land at Yellowbatter and premises John St. We recommend that Miss Rourke the occupier of the premises in John Street get a Building Lease and that the amount to be expended be £150.

(C) Lease 896 expires 1903. Rent £13.19.6. This consists principally of land

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land together with a small plot of ground in Francis Street. We cannot recommend your acceptance of the surrender of the lease in this case.

(D) Lease 1121, old rent £8:0:0. This Plot is in your possession and Mr. Watson in occupation of a portion of it. The remaining portion you now propose to build the first lot of Labourers Cottages on. We recommend that Mr. Watson get a lease of his holding at a rent of £5.

(E) Leases Nos. 803 & 964, both expire 1899. These premises-803-consist of the premises now occupied by Mr. Jordan and almost the entire of the playground at the back of the Christian Brothers schools in Trinity Street. The schools themselves are held under lease 964. present rents are - 803 - £3:0:0 - 964 - £4:12:4. Mr. Jordan is anxious to carry out absolutely necessary improvements, and the Christian Brothers are willing to surrender both leases. We recommend that a surrender of both be taken and Mr. Jordan get his premises for 31 years at a rent of £2, and the Christian Brothers get a New lease for 31 years of their entire school premises at a rent of £2.

(F) Lease 995 expires 1901, rent £2:6:3½. Mr. Carr has lately purchased this plot and is prepared to put the houses in proper repair and also to build on the present vacant plots. as we believe that the amount that must be necessarily expended on the houses to make them satisfactory in a Sanitary manner will be very large and as at present there are 3½ years of a Lease against you we recommend that Mr. Carr get a Lease for 75 years at £5.

(G) As practically your entire Committee were present we also visited the premises in Barrack Lane, Lease 813, expires 1901, Rent £3:13:10 now in possession of Mr. Fogarty. These premises require such extensive repairs and the erection of the necessary Sanitary appliances that we would recommend that Mr. Fogarty get a Building

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Lease for 75 Years at a rent of £4:10:0.
Signed Peter Lynch Mayor
Lawrence Moore
Patrick Gorman
Francis Fogarty.

A letter of which the following is a Copy was read:—

Drogheda 2nd June 1897.

To the Mayor, Aldermen &c
Drogheda Corporation

Gentlemen I

I am prepared to surrender the lease of my holdings at Duleek Gate and Fairy Well for the sum of £20 Twenty Pounds, and to take out a new lease at a fair rent of the land at Fairy Well I now hold there.

Witness
Peter Lynch Mayor.

Mary her X mark Fawler

Alderman Jordan proposed, and Councillor Moore seconded, that the terms of the letter be accepted. Same was declared carried.

Reports read from Messrs. G. N. Kelly C.E. and J. H. Kelly C.E. relative to improvements, additional storage, and extension of water Works together with a report from the Loan Committee recommending "that Plans and Specifications for Filter Beds be prepared so that the work may be commenced as soon as possible."

The report of the Committee was adopted on the motion of Alderman Jordan seconded by Councillor Gorman

Peter Lynch Chairman

Wednesday 9th June 1897.

At a Special Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday the 9th day of June 1897 at the hour of 12 o'clock noon, to make regulations as to Fares, Licensing &c of Public Cars—

His Worship the Mayor presided.
also present
Aldermen— J. Jordan, J. Downey and P. Reilly.
Town Councillors— T. A. Dickson, P. Reddy, P. Gorman, L. Moore, and J. Slevin.

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The Town Clerk called the Roll and read Notice convening the Meeting.

Annual Report read from Car Inspector giving number of licensed Cars; names of Car Proprietors; state of horses, cars, cushions and Harness.

The report was adopted.

The Town Clerk was directed to summon the Members present as a Committee for Friday 11th inst. to further consider the question of Jackney Fares.

Peter Lynch Chairman

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Wednesday 7th July 1897.

At a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday the 7th. day of July 1897, at the hour of 12 o'Clock noon

His Worship the Mayor presided.
Aldermen — S. Jordan, J. Downey, N. Farrell, and J.B. Kelly.
Town Councillors — J. McGuinness, C. Reddy, P. Gorman, T. Fogarty, L.J. Elcock, J. Crilly, T. Callan, L. Moore, J. Fallan, and T.A. Dickson.

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The Minutes of Meetings held on 3rd & 4th June 1897, were read and signed.

The following Accounts were submitted and payment of each ordered on the motion of Councillor Callan, seconded by Councillor Moore —

B. Connolly, erecting & taking down Polling Booth &c		12 . 6
Sgrd Jury Forms.		10 . 0
Insurance on Life of Campbell,	8 .	13 . 6
H. Smyth, expenses & Fee attending Waterworks Arbitration,	6 .	6 . 0
J. Downey ½ years rent (Green Lane)	4 .	10 . 0
Poor of St. Johns ½ years rent	28 .	11 . 5
Waterworks Co. quarters supply, repairs &c	28 .	11 . 4
C. Sherlock ½ Poor Rate,		5 . 0
Dhda Independent Co. a/c for Printing & Advertising	12 .	16 . 0
Half years grant Blue School,	21 .	0 . 0
Gas Co. a/c for June 1897,	15 .	15 . 5

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The Town Clerk was directed to write Mr. James A. Clarke North Quay, informing him that the Corporation considers his charge of £7:10:11 for valuation of 2 acres of land at Killineer-re Waterworks Arbitration-excessive and wish an explanation

The Town Clerk read the Draft award of the Arbitrator in connection with the Waterworks which stated amongst other items the amount to be paid the Drogheda Waterworks Co. for their undertaking at £9000, based on the assumption that the Water Company have the right vested in them to maintain for ever the partial diversion of the Slate Hill Brook as set out in the Plans in this matter.

No order made.

Chairman

Wednesday 30th June 1897.

On this day Alderman Simon Jordan as Presiding Alderman for West Gate Ward held an Election of Town Councillor for said Ward to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the late Bernard Fulty of West Street Drogheda, when Thomas McCourt of Bull Ring and John Street Drogheda was duly declared elected in room of said Bernard Fulty and said Election was duly published pursuant to the requisites of the statutes.

Chairman

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Wednesday 21st July 1897.

At a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday the 21st day of July 1897, at the hour of 12 o'clock ~~forenoon~~

His Worship the Mayor presided.
also present
Aldermen – S. Jordan, P. Reilly, J. Downey, N. Farrell, J. B. Kelly and L. Tighe.
Town Councillors – J. Daly, J. W. Guinness, T. W. Court, P. Reddy, P. Drew, J. Reilly, J. Slevin, P. Gorman, L. J. Elcock, T. Callan, L. Moore, T. Fallan, and T. A. Dickson.

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The Minutes of last Meeting held on 7th July 1897, were read and signed.

Reports of which the following are copies were read and adopted on the motion of Councillor Moore, seconded by Councillor Drew.

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 2nd June 1897, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment –

Salaries

Mace Bearer,	1 Week		1 . 3 . 0
Caretaker of Mayoralty House	1 Month		1 . 14 . 8
Car Inspector,	1 "		1 . 3 . 4
Clerk of Borough Court,	1 "		4 . 3 . 4
Registrar of Court of Conscience,	1 "		16 . 8
		£	9 . 1 . 0

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Amount forward			9 . 1 . 0
Borough Surveyor,	1 Month		11 . 13 . 4
Town Clerk,	1 "		11 . 5 . 0
Clerk to Town Commissioners,	1 "		3 . 6 . 8
Executive Sanitary Officer,	1 "		2 . 1 . 8
Clerk of Local Authority,	1 "		1 . 5 . 0
Sanitary Sub Officer,	1 "		5 . 0 . 0
Inspector of Dairies,	1 "		1 . 0 . 0
Market Collector,	1 "		1 . 13 . 4
Medical Superintendent Officer of Health,	1 year		10 . 0 . 0
			56 . 6 . 0
Night Watch to 1st June '97			5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths.			2 . 13 . 5
Repairs,			2 . 12 . 8
Fire Brigade,			2 . 8
Weigh Master Hay Market,	1 "	0 . 0	
Cleaning Offices,			2 . 6
Streets,	10 "	7 . 7	
Sanitary,			17 . 0
P. Wellon, Commission on collection of Rents,			16 . 0
			80 . 16 . 10

The following Accounts were paid –

Miss Verdon, Bottles for Milk Analysis			7 . 6
P. Kenny, Burial Fees (Chord)			4 . 0
Dkeda Advt. Co. ½ years Contract Posting,		1 "	10 . 0
T. W. Hardman & Sons ½ years rent (Dominick St.)		33 "	9 . 4
Mrs. C. E. Simpson, ½ Do.	(Watch House)	12 "	1 . 8
Half Years Tithe Rent Charge	(Marquis of Drogheda)	56 "	2 . 6
M. Tighe, Horse Feeding	(per Contract)	11 "	11 . 4
		£196 "	3 . 2

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The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 9th June 1897, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment —

Mace Bearer 1 week's Salary	1 . 3 . 0
Night Watch to 8th inst.	5 . 11 . 0
Roads and Paths,	2 . 3 . 1
Repairs,	2 . 7 . 8
Fire Brigade,	2 . 8
Weigh Master Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
County,	. 17 . 4
Streets,	11 . 10 . 0
Sanitary,	11 . 4
Gas Co's a/c for May 97,	20 . 4 . 11
	£45 . 13 . 6

The following Accounts were paid —

J. Wall 12 Sample boxes for Milk Analysis,	12 . 0
	£46 . 5 . 6

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 16th June 1897 and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment —

Mace Bearer 1 Week's Salary	1 . 3 . 0
Night Watch to 15th inst.,	5 . 11 . 0
Roads and Paths,	7 . 10 . 10
Fire Brigade,	2 . 8
Repairs,	1 . 7 . 0
	£15 . 14 . 6

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Amount forward	15 . 14 . 6
Weigh Master Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
County,	1 . 4 . 3
Streets,	12 . 14 . 10
Sanitary,	1 . 12 . 2
	£33 . 8 . 3

The Committee recommend that all the Meetings of the Corporation to be held this day be adjourned as a mark of respect to the memory of the late Ex Mayor Town Councillor Bernard Malby — and that the Town Clerk be directed to forward a vote of Condolence to the Members of his family in their bereavement.

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 23rd June 1897, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment —

Mace Bearer 1 Week's Salary	1 . 3 . 0
Night Watch to 22nd inst.,	5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,	2 . 11 . 5
Repairs,	15 . 2
Fire Brigade,	2 . 8
Weigh Master Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
Streets,	14 . 10 . 9
Sanitary,	17 . 0
County Cess,	24 . 13 . 1
T. Simcox V.S. attendance on Horses, &c	2 . 15 . 6
	£54 . 10 . 1

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The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 23rd June 1897 and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment —

Mace Bearer 1 Weeks Salary	1 . 3 . 0
Night Watch to 29th inst.	5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths.	
Repairs,	2 . 15 . 10
Fire Brigade,	2 . 8
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
Streets,	10 . 4 . 11
Sanitary,	11 . 4
	£ 34 . 18 . 2

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 7th July 1897, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment —

Salaries

~~Mace~~ Bearer,	1 Week	1 . 3 . 0
Caretaker of Mayoralty House,	1 Month	1 . 14 . 8
Car Inspector,	1 "	1 . 1 . 8
Clerk of Borough Court,	1 "	4 . 3 . 4
Registrar of Court of Conscience,	1 "	16 . 8
Borough Surveyor,	1	11 . 13 . 4
Sanitary Sub Officer,	1 "	5 . 0 . 0
Inspector of Dairies	1 "	1 . 0 . 0
Market Collector,	1 "	1 . 13 . 4
Town Clerk,	1 "	11 . 5 . 0
		£ 39 . 11 . 0

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Amount forward	39 . 11 . 0
Clerk to Town Commissioners 1 Month	3 . 6 . 8
Executive Sanitary Officer 1 "	2 . 1 . 8
Clerk of Local Authority, 1 "	1 . 5 . 0
Summons Server, Court of Conscience, 3 Months	1 . 5 . 0
Treasurer, 3 "	37 . 10 . 0
	84 . 19 . 4
Night Watch to 6th inst.	5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths.	1 . 0 . 0
Repairs,	2 . 9 . 10
Fire Brigade,	2 . 8
Weigh Master Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices.	2 . 6
Streets,	14 . 2 . 4
Sanitary,	17 . 0
P Weldon, Commission on collection of Rents,	18 . 3
Poll & Check Clerks, Election of Councillor Stephenson, W. L. Ward.	1 . 11 . 6
	113 . 2 . 5

The following Accounts were paid —

P. Weldon S.S.O. Milk for Analysis &c,		6 . 0
B. Connolly, taking down & erecting Polling Booth &c		12 . 6
Grand Jury Forms,		10 . 0
Insurance on Life of W. Campbell,		8 . 13 . 6
A. Smyth, Fee & expenses attending Waterworks Arbitration,		6 . 6 . 0
J. Downey 1/2 years rent (Green Lanes)		4 . 10 . 0
Poor of St. Johns 1/2 " "		93 . 11 . 5
Waterworks Co. 1 quarters supply, repairs &c,		98 . 11 . 4
C. Sherlock 1/2 Poor Rate,		5 . 0
Meath Independent Co. a/c for Printing & Advertising		12 . 16 . 0
Half years Grant Blue School,		21 . 0 . 0
Gas Co's a/c for June '97,		15 . 15 . 5
	£	335 . 19 . 7

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The Council in committe beg to report that they met on Wednesday 14th July 1897, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment—

Mace Bearer,	1 Weeks Salary,	1.3.0
Night Watch to 13th inst,		5.19.0
Roads and Paths,		1.8.8
Repairs,		1.16.10
Fire Brigade,		2.8
Weigh Master Hoy Market,		1.0.0
Cleaning Offices,		2.6
Streets,		11.5.10
Sanitary,		18.5
		£ 23.16.11

A letter of which the following is a Copy was read.—

Ball Ring
Drogheda 6th July 1897.

To the Mayor, Aldermen, and Councillors
Drogheda Corporation.

Gentlemen

I beg to return you my sincere thanks on behalf of the Members of our family for your sympathy and Vote of Condolence in our great bereavement.

Yours faithfully
Richard Nulty.

The following Leases were this day sealed and attested in presence of the Council by Peter Lynch Esq. Mayor, Alderman N. Farrell, and Town Councillors T. A. Dickson and J. Slevin:—

Lease

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Lease sealed unto Patrick Bellew of Mell Drogheda of two Plots of ground East side of North Road, Parish of St. Peter and Co. of the Town of Drogheda, delineated and bounded as per map for 75 years from 25th March 1897, at the yearly rent of £6, to expend £500 in building and to insure in £500.

Lease sealed unto Peter Downey of Watorunder Drogheda of Houses and Premises East side North Road Parish of St. and Co. of the Town of Drogheda, delineated and bounded as per map for 75 years from 25th March 1897, at the yearly rent of £3:10:0 to expend £300, in building and to insure in £300.

A letter, of which the following is a copy was read:—

Laurence Street
Drogheda 20th July 1897.

re Corporation Leases

Dear Sir

As instructed by you I have prepared draft Leases from the Corporation to the following—Viz—

1. Alderman Jordan of premises in Georges Street.
2. The Christian Brothers premises in Trinity Street.
3. Mr. R. Watson premises in Scarlet Street.
4. Mr. O'Carr premises in King Street.
5. Mr. F. Fogarty premises in Barrack Lane.
6. The Sisters of Charity premises in Fair Street.

With reference to the Leases to Alderman Jordan and the Christian Brothers, I am of opinion that it will be necessary to have a Surrender executed by them, of which I enclose Draft. This can be endorsed on the Tenants portion of the lease about to be surrendered and executed by them immediately before

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before the new Leases are executed by the Corporation. With regard to the proposed Lease to Mr. Fogarty I think a serious difficulty arises. It appears that portion of the premises held under the Lease of 25th July 1803 which is intended to be surrendered are not in Mr. Fogarty's possession or occupation but were some time ago sold by the then Grant indemnified from the Corporation rent by the remainder, which latter is in the possession of Mr. Fogarty. Under these circumstances I would suggest that the Leases as drafted be approved of but not executed until Mr. Fogarty has made satisfactory arrangements with regard to the portion of the premises above referred to.

I remain, Yours faithfully
John A. McCann

Peter Connolly Esq.
Town Clerk Drogheda

Alderman Kelly proposed and Councillor Moore seconded:— "that the leases to Alderman Jordan, Sisters of Charity, Christian Brothers and R. Watson & Carr be approved of and ~~executed~~ engrossed for execution."

Same was declared carried, and it was decided that a Deed of Surrender be drawn up in the case of the Christian Brothers and Alderman Jordan.

The auditors report and abstract of a/cs for year 1895 was read —
— Ordered on the motion of alderman Kelly seconded by Councillor Drew, that copy be published in Drogheda Argus. Drogheda Conservative and Drogheda Independent.

Mr.

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Mr. J. A. Clarke North Quay attended and gave an explanation as to his charge of £7.10.-1 for valuation of land at Killineer re Waterworks Arbitration.

On the motion of Councillor Gorman, seconded by Councillor Fallan, Mr. Clarke's a/c was ordered to be paid.

Mr. Palmer of the Hibernian Bank appeared before the Council with reference to interest on overdraft.

The matter was referred to the Finance Committee on the motion of Councillor Elcock seconded by Alderman Kelly.

Councillor Dickson moved pursuant to notice of motion — "that the services of the Watchmen and Inspector be discontinued, and that the Finance Committee be asked to report as to what gratuity should be given to the men when their services are no longer required."

The motion was seconded by Alderman Jordan, whereupon Alderman Farrell proposed as an amendment, a direct negative to the Resolution.

Councillor Fallan seconded the Amendment. A Division was taken when there voted.—

For the Resolution

Aldermen— S. Jordan, J.B. Kelly.
Councillors— L. Moore, T.A. Dickson. (4)

For the amendment

Aldermen— N. Farrell, J. Downey, C. Tighe.
Councillors— T. McCourt, G. Daly, J. McGuinness, P. Drew, J. Scully, J. Slevin, P. Gorman, T. Fallan, T. Fallan. (12)

Alderman

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Alderman Reilly and Councillor Reddy having declined to voted the resolution was declared lost.

There were two Tenders submitted for annual supply of Coal.

That of A. Murdock & Sons offering to supply and deliver 25 Tons best Workington Coal at 15/9 per Ton was accepted on the motion of Alderman Jordan, seconded by Alderman Farrell.

Letter read from Messrs. Thos. Gerrard & Co Sobrs. stating that Miss Rourke accepts the terms of the Corporation as to the Building Lease — to expend £150 — but not to be obliged to interfere with the existing walls.

The Town Clerk was directed to instruct Mr. McLynn to prepare Draft Lease in compliance with Miss Rourkes request.

A letter of which the following was read:—

July 20th 1897.

Peter Connolly Esq
Town Clerk.

Dear Sir,

I have assigned my interest in the Licensed House No. 82½ West Street Drogheda to Mr. J. J. Callan. It is necessary that the Corporation should consent. Kindly bring the matter before the Council.

Luke Aldcock

Consent

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Consent was granted on the motion of Councillor Moore, seconded by Alderman Farrell.

Communication of which the following is a copy was read.—

Green Lanes
Drogheda July 21st 1897

To the Mayor and Council
of the Drogheda Corporation

Gentlemen

I think it my duty to inform you that Mr. Phillips has left Town. It is with reluctance that I have to withdraw my name from the Tender for the erection of the Cottages.

Yours respectfully
John Carroll.

No order made.

Application read from Mr. D. McDonnell Bull Ring, for permission to erect a hoarding at Rope Walk.

Alderman Reilly proposed, and Alderman Kelly seconded — that Mr. McDonnell be permitted to erect hoarding as requested.

Same was declared carried.

P. McLynn Chairman

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Wednesday 4th August 1897.

At a Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday the 4th day of August 1897, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon:—

His Worship the Mayor presided.
also present
Aldermen — O'Reilly, J. Downey, N. Farrell, and J.B. Kelly.
Town Councillors — F. Fogarty, J. Mevin, L.J. Elcock, T. Callan, L. Moore, and G. Galbraith.

The Minutes of last Meeting held on 21st July 1897, were read and signed.

Reports of which the following are Copies were read and adopted on the motion of Councillor Moore, seconded by Alderman Farrell:—

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 21st July 1897, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment:—

Race Bearer Weeks Salary	1 . 5 . 0
Night Watch to 20th July '97	5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,	13 . 4
Fire Brigade,	2 . 8
Weigh Master Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
Streets,	10 . 19 . 0
Sanitary, Cleansing Dale Brook,	4 . 0
Do. cleansing ashpits,	11 . 4
	£ 20 . 14 . 10

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The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 28th July 1897, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment —

Race Bearer Weeks Salary	1 . 5 . 0
Night Watch to 27th July '97	5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,	3 . 7 . 0
Fire Brigade,	2 . 8
Weigh Master Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
Streets,	10 . 18 . 9
Sanitary, Cleansing ashpits,	1 . 4 . 1
Do. Cleansing & disinfecting house Sincock's Lane,	5 . 4
Postage Stamps. Town Clerks Office.	10 . 0
	£ 34 . 12 . 4

The following Accounts were submitted and payment of each ordered on the motion of Councillor Moore, seconded by Aldn. Reilly.—

J. Dollard, Stationery per T.C. & Treasurer	3 . 6 . 2
R. Noonan, Harness.	18 . 4
J.A. Clarke, making valuation & attending W. Works Arbitration.	16 . 19 . 11
A. Murdock & Son, 25 Tons Coal @ 15/9 per Ton (per contract)	19 . 13 . 9
Gas bill a/c for July '97.	16 . 15 . 8

A letter of which the following is a Copy was read. —

West Street
Drogheda 28 July 1897.

To the Mayor Aldermen & Councillors

Gentlemen,

I will thank you very much by granting me

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me a lease for 31 years of my premises in Narrow West Street at the yearly rent you agreed on, namely £25. per year. I to pay all taxes and keep the premises in repair.

Yours faithfully
P. McEvoy

Councillor Fogarty proposed and alderman Downey seconded, that Mr. McEvoy be granted a new lease for 31 years at £25 per anm. of his premises in West Street. Mr. McEvoy to pay taxes and expend £35. on improvements and repairs to the satisfaction of the Borough Surveyor.

Same was declared carried.

Communication read from J. McCarthy Newfoundwell, Drogheda offering to supply 10/20 Tons primest first crop hay at 2¾ per cwt.

Councillor Elcock proposed, and Councillor Galbraith seconded, — "that Mr. McCarthy's tender for supplying prime first crop hay at 2¾ per cwt be accepted, and that Messrs. Moore, Fogarty, and Farrell be appointed a Committee to see that the hay is all right."

Same was declared carried

Report read from Borough Surveyor stating that the contract with the Gas Co. will expire the end of this month and that it would be well if the Committee would meet to consider the arrangements for the coming year, and that the stock of hay for the horses is usually bought this time of year and that it would be

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be advisable to buy it before it begins to get scarce.

The matter, relating to the Gas Contract, was referred to the Lamp Inspecting Committee and the Town Clerk was directed to summon a meeting for Monday 9th inst.

Letter read from Postmistress Drogheda, of which the following is a Copy:—

Drogheda 26th July 1897.

Sir,

With reference to the removal of the Pillar Box in Peter Street, will you please let me know if the Corporation would have it removed free of expense to the P.O. Department.

Your obt. Servant
E. Curtin
Postmistress.

To
The Town Clerk
Drogheda

The Town Clerk was directed to reply stating that the Corporation consider the Pillar Box referred to an obstruction in its present site, and that they call upon the Postal authorities to remove it at their own expense; but that the Council will consent to its re-erection in West Street at recess between Hibernian Bank and Messrs. E. Clarke & Sons.

The Town Clerk having submitted a Deed of Mortgage of Lease from J.J. Callan to G.B. and Drogheda Brewery Co. for consent of the Council.

Councillor Fogarty proposed and Alderman Kelly seconded, — "that the consent

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consent of the corporation be given to Mr. J. J. Callan to Mortgage his Lease from Corporation to C.C. and Drogheda Brewery Co.'

Same was declared carried.

A letter of which the following is a Copy was read:—

Lawrence Street
Drogheda 3rd. august 1897.
Corporation to V.y. Rev. Mgr. Murphy.

Dear Sir

Since the last meeting of the Council Fr. Murphy called on me with reference to the lease of premises in Fair St. I should be much obliged if you would inform me if I am to submit draft Lease to the Council for approval and if there are any alterations in the terms comprised in the former lease, which was not perfected.

Peter Connolly Esq. Yours faithfully
Town Clerk. John A. McCann

Councillor Fogarty moved, and Councillor Slevin seconded — "that Mr. McCann get instructions to submit draft Lease of Building Plot in Fair Street for approval of this Council on the usual conditions of Corporation Building Leases."

Councillor Elcock proposed as an amendment, and alderman Downey seconded, "that the Lease of the premises in Fair Street to Mgr. Murphy be not executed by the Corporation until Mgr. Murphy commences to build the school on North Road of which he got a Lease in Decr. 1894."

A division was taken when there

there voted —

For the Resolution	For the amendment
Alderman P. Reilly	Alderman J. Downey
" N. Farrell	Councillor C. J. Elcock
Councillor F. Fogarty	" L. Moore (3)
" J. Slevin	
" T. Callan. (5)	

Alderman Kelly and Councillor Galbraith having declined to vote the Chairman declared the Resolution carried.

Application read from Town Clerk for 2 weeks Leave of absence.

Same was granted on the motion of Councillor Moore, seconded by Councillor Galbraith.

Peter Lynch Chairman

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At a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday the 18th day of August 1897 at the hour of 12 o'clock noon

His Worship the Mayor presided.
also present
Aldermen — J. Jordan, P. Reilly, J. Downey, A. Farrell, J. B. Kelly and C. Tighe.
Town Councillors — J. Gpt. Guinness, T. McCourt, P. Reddy, P. Drea, T. Fogarty, P. Lyons, J. Slevin, L. J. Elcock, P. Lorman, T. Callan ~~and~~ L. Moore and J. Galbraith.

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The Minutes of last Meeting held on 4th August 1897, were read and signed.

Reports of which the following are Copies were read and adopted on the motion of Councillor Moore, seconded by Alderman Jordan —

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 4th August 1897, and having examined the following Accounts, recommend them for payment:

Salaries

Mace Bearer	1 Week	1 . 3 . 0
Cow Inspector,	1 Month	1 . 1 . 8
Summons Server,	1 "	8 . 4
Borough Surveyor,	1 "	11 . 13 . 4
		£14 . 6 . 4

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Amount forward		14 . 6 . 4
Sanitary Sub Officer,	1 Month	5 . 0 . 0
Inspector of Dairies,	1 "	1 . 0 . 0
Market Collector,	1 "	1 . 13 . 4
Clerk of Borough Court,	1 "	4 . 3 . 4
Registrar of Court of Conscience	1 "	16 . 8
Town Clerk,	1 "	11 . 5 . 0
Clerk to Town Commissioners	1 "	3 . 6 . 8
Executive Sanitary Officer	1 "	2 . 1 . 8
Clerk of Local Authority,	1 "	1 . 5 . 0
Caretaker of Mayoralty House,	1 "	1 . 14 . 8
		46 . 12 . 8
Night Watch to 3rd Aug. 97		5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,		2 . 11 . 5
Weigh Master Hay Market,		1 . 0 . 0
Assistant Do.		2 . 0
Cleaning Officer,		2 . 6
Streets,		10 . 0 . 8
Sanitary, Cleansing Lights,		1 . 2 . 8
Do. " Manholes,		5 . 4
P. Weldon, Commission on collection of Rents,		19 . 3
		68 . 15 . 6

The following Accounts were paid —

J. Pollard, Stationery, per T.C. Treasurer,	3 . 6 . 2
M. J. Nugent, cost of Sewer connection,	3 . 0 . 0
R. Hoover, Harness,	18 . 4
J. A. Clarke, making valuation & attending at Works Arbitration,	16 . 19 . 11
A. Murdock & Sons, 25 Tons Coal @ 16/9 per Ton (per Contr.)	19 . 13 . 9
Gas Co's Up for July 97,	16 . 15 . 8
	£129 . 9 . 4

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The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 11th august 1897 and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment:—

Mace Bearer 1 Week's Salary	1.3.0
Night Watch to 10th Aug 97.	5.19.0
Roads and Paths.	17.0
Fire Brigade.	2.8
Weigh Master Hay Market	1.0.0
Assistant Do.	8.0
Cleaning Offices.	2.6
Streets,	10.10.3
Sanitary, Cleansing Ashpits,	18.5
P. Byrne, Car Hire,	4.0
P. Cahill, Do.	2.6
	£21.7.4

A letter of which the following is a copy was read:—

Fair Street
Drogheda Aug. 17th 1897.

Dear Sir

Kindly notify the Corporation that the half years interest on my fathers Mortgage is due on the 20th inst.

Peter Connolly Esq. Your obdt. Servt.
Town Clerk James P. Kelly.
Drogheda

It was decided that a Cheque be filled for the amount viz £178: 18: 2

Report

Wednesday 18th August 1897.

Report read from Loan Committee recommending "that owing to the difficulty in procuring satisfactory contracts for building of Workmens Houses that Mr. Hatch be instructed to proceed with the erection of six houses in Francis Street according to Plans and Specification already prepared and approved of; and that all questions as to employment of labour and purchase of material be left to the discretion of Mr. Hatch: the work to be proceeded with at once."

The report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Moore, seconded by Councillor Drew, aldermen Farrell & Tighe dissenting, stating that they considered the work should be carried out by Contract.

His Worship the Mayor proposed, and Councillor Gorman seconded, that Councillor McCourts name be added to the Loan Committee in consequence of the vacancy caused by the death of the late Coun. Scully.

Same was declared carried.

Peter Lynch Chairman

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At a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday the 1st. day of September 1897, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon.—

His Worship the Mayor presided.
also present
Aldermen — P. Reilly, N. Farrell, J. Downey, and J. B. Kelly.
Town Councillors — T. Daly, J. Mc Guinness, P. Drew, T. Fogarty, P. Lyons, J. Slevin, L. J. Elcock, P. Gorman, T. Callan, T. Fallan, L. Moore, and T. Galbraith.

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The Minutes of last meeting held on 18th. August 1897 were read and signed.

Reports of which the following are copies were read and adopted on the motion of Councillor Moore, seconded by Councillor Gorman:—

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 18th. August 1897, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment.—

Mace Bearer 1 Week's Salary	1 . 3 . 0
Night Watch to 17th. Aug. '97.	5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,	2 . 11 . 5
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
£	10 . 13 . 5

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Amount forward	10 . 13 . 5
Assistant Hay Market,	2 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
Streets,	10 . 0 . 8
Sanitary, Cleansing ashpits,	1 . 2 . 8
Do. " Manholes,	5 . 4
P. Devin, B. 3 cwt 3 qrs. hay @ 1/0 per cwt.,	1 . 5 . 2
Postage & Receipt Stamps Treasurers Office,	1 . 10 . 0
	35 . 1 . 9

The following Accounts were paid.—

P. Kenny, Burial Fees (Chord)	4 . 0
Trustees late J. Kelly, 2 years Interest on Mortgage	178 . 18 . 2
£	204 . 3 . 11

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 25th. August 1897 and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment—

Mace Bearer 1 Week's Salary	1 . 3 . 0
Night Watch to 24th. aug. '97.	5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,	5 . 4
Repairs to House, Green Lanes,	7 . 4
Fire Brigade,	2 . 8
Weigh Master Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
Assistant, Do.	2 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
Streets,	9 . 14 . 10
Sanitary Cleansing Ashpits,	19 . 10
Do. " Dale Brook,	5 . 4
Do. " Sewer Dake Street,	1 . 0 . 4
Building houses, Francis Street	1 . 15 . 4
14 tons 10 Cwt 0 qr. hay at 2/5½	35 . 14 . 9
£	58 . 12 . 3

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Your Committee recommend that the Town Clerk do write the Gas Company inviting Tender for supply of Gas for year ended 31st. August 1898

The following Accounts were submitted and payment of each ordered on the motion of Alderman Reilly seconded by Councillor Fallon:—

P. Cooney, Plumber repairs to Watch House	1 . 7 . 1
J. Collins, painting Borough Surveyor's Office	4 . 17 . 6
Water Works Co. 1 quarters supply &c,	26 . 16 . 3
R. D. Daly & Son ½ years rent,	7 . 2 . 9
M. Teghe, Horse Feeding (per Contract),	11 . 19 . 3
Craig Gardner & Co., Accountants &c re Corpn. Loan, &c	31 . 16 . 6

The following Leases were this day sealed and attested in presence of the Council by Peter Lynch Esq. Mayor, Alderman A. Farrell, and Town Councillors T. Fallon and J. Slevin:—

Lease sealed unto Peter Carr of King Street Drogheda of parcel of ground with the buildings thereon East side of King Street, Parish of St. Peter and Co. of the Town of Drogheda delineated and bounded as per Map thereon for 75 years from 25th. March 1897, at the yearly rent of £5, to expend £1000 in building and to insure in £1000.

Lease sealed unto Simon Jordan of Georges Street Drogheda of Dwelling House and Premises West side of Georges Street Parish of St. Peter and Co. of the Town of Drogheda delineated and bounded as per Map thereon for 31 years from 25th. March 1897, at the yearly rent of £12, to expend £200, on repairs and to insure in the sum of £200.

Lease

Wednesday 1st. September 1897.

Lease sealed unto Richard Watson of Scarlet Street Drogheda, of dwelling house and premises South side of Scarlet Street, Parish of St Peter and Co. of the Town of Drogheda delineated and bounded as per Map thereon for 31 years from 25th March 1897 at the yearly rent of £5; and to insure in £100.

Draft Leases submitted, as prepared by Mr. J. H. M'Cann Solr. unto Patrick M'Evoy, of House & Premises West Street; Miss Rourke of Premises John Strat, and Mgr. Murphy of Premises Fair Street.

Same were approved of on the motion of Alderman Downey seconded by Councillor Fallon and £1000 was fixed as the amount to be expended on Mgr. Murphys Premises Fair Street.

Alderman Farrell moved pursuant to Notice of Motion, which was seconded by Councillor Daly — "that the Committee meeting of the Committee and Sanitary business commence at 1.30 instead of as at present 11 o'clock"

On a show of hands the motion was declared lost by 15 to 2.

Communication of which the following is a Copy was read:—

Drogheda Gas Light Co. (Limited)
27th. Augt. 1897.

Dear Sir

In reply to your letter of this day's date enclosing Specification. We beg to tender for the lighting &c of your Lamps according to your Specification on

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on the same terms as now subsisting.

Kindly inform us as early as possible after Wednesday's hating in order that we may carryout the Contract by lighting the lamps on 1st Sptr. as specified and oblige

Yours obediently

Peter Connolly Esq. L Donegan

Secty.

The Tender was accepted on the motion of Alderman Kelly seconded by Councillor Gorman.

Application read from Mrs. E. Greene Fair Street for new Lease of property in her possession.

Same was referred to the Committee of inspection of Property to be Leased.

Peter Lynch Chairman

At a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday the 15th day of September 1897, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon

His Worship the Mayor, presided.

also present

Aldermen — L. Jordan, J. Downey, N. Farrell, and J. B. Kelly.

Town Councillors — T. Daly, J. Mc Guinness, P. Drew, F. Fogarty, J. Slevin, P. Gorman, T. Fallan, L. Moore, and T. Galbraith.

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The minutes of last Meeting held on 1st September 1897, were read and signed.

Reports of which the following are Copies were read and adopted on the motion of Cobr. Moore, seconded by Alderman Farrell —

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 1st Sptember 1897, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment —

Salaries

Mace Bearer	1 Week		1 . 3 . 0
Caretakers of Mayoralty House	1 Month.	1 .	14 . 8
Car Inspector,	1 "	1 .	1 . 8
Summons Server, Court of Conscience,	1 "		8 . 4
Clerk of Borough Court,	1 .	4 .	3 . 4
Registrar of Court of Conscience,	1 "		16 . 8
		£9 .	7 . 8

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Amount forward		9 . 7 . 8
Borough Surveyor	1 Month,	11 . 13 . 4
Town Clerk,	1 "	11 . 5 . 0
Clerk to Town Commissioners	1 "	3 . 6 . 8
Executive Sanitary Officer	1 "	2 . 1 . 8
Clerk of Local Authority,	1 "	1 . 5 . 0
Sanitary Sub Officer	1 "	5 . 0 . 0
Inspector of Dairies,	1 "	1 . 0 . 0
Market Collector,	1 "	1 . 13 . 4
		46 . 12 . 8
Night Watch to 31st aug 97.		5 . 19 . 0
Fire Brigade,		2 . 8
Weigh Master, Hay Market.		1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices.		2 . 6
Streets.		9 . 0 . 3
Sanitary, Cleansing Ashpits.		1 . 13 . 4
Building houses Francis Street.		12 . 9 . 8
P. Weldon, Commission on collection of Rents,		15 . 1
		77 . 15 . 2

The following Accounts were paid—

P. Weldon L.S.C. Milk for Analysis &c.	3 . 4
P. Fay, Clothing to replace those destroyed.	3 . 16 . 0
B. Collins, on a/c of Contract, Fran Hills Sewer	100 . 0 . 0
P. Cooney, Plumber, repairs to Watch House.	1 . 7 . 1
J. Collins, Painting Borough Surveyors Office.	4 . 17 . 6
Water Works Co. 1 quarters supply &c.	24 . 16 . 3
R. L. Daly & Son, 5 years rent.	7 . 2 . 9
M. Tighe, Horse Feeding (per Contract)	11 . 19 . 3
Craig Gardner & Co. Accountants, a/c re Corp. Loan &c	31 . 16 . 6
£	263 . 15 . 10

Your Committee recommend that the Borough Surveyor be directed to instruct the Manager of the Gas Co. to have two new lamps erected on the Pier, one under the Viaduct, and one at corner of wall leading to Boat House.

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The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 8th September 1897 and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment—

Mrs Beaver Weeks Salary	1 . 3 . 0
Night Watch to 7th Sept. 1897	5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths	9 . 8
Fire Brigade,	2 . 8
Weigh Master Hay Market.	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices	2 . 6
Streets.	10 . 18 . 4
Sanitary, Cleansing Ashpits.	1 . 8 . 4
Building houses Francis Street.	13 . 5 . 0
H. Rennicks 12 Brls. Lime @ 1/6	18 . 0
Advance for Building houses Francis Street.	20 . 0 . 0
£	54 . 6 . 6

Your Committe recommend that a sum of £20 be left in the hands of the Treasurer during the building of the houses in Francis Street which can be called on during meetings.

Letter read from Nicholas McQuillan Georges Street offering to surrender Lease of his holding at Georges Street and Gravel Walk, and expend £300. on same, on getting a new Building Lease.

The matter was referred to the Committee

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committee of inspection of property to be leased.

Report read from Lamp Inspecting committee stating that they waited on the Directors of the Gas Co on Friday 3rd. inst. and had a satisfactory interview; the Directors undertaking to have all the additional lamps ordered erected as soon as possible, and to extend the mains wherever necessary without delay; and recommending that two new lamps be erected at Ballsgrove, and that the lanterns on St. Marys Bridge be replaced by ones similar to that on the end of the wall at Dublin Gate.

The report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Moore, seconded by Councillor Galbraith, Alderman Jordan dissenting.

Communication read from Local Govt. Board auditor stating that he would audit the accounts of the Corporation on Tuesday 5th Octr. 97.

Application read from Workmen for supply of Oil Cloaks.

Consideration was deferred pending report from Borough Surveyor.

Application read from Market Collector for two new account Books for Weigh House Wellington Quay.

The Books were ordered to be procured on the motion of Councillor Moore seconded by Councillor Gorman. Peter Smyth

Chairman

Wednesday 6th. October 1897.

At a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday the 6th. day of October 1897, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon

His Worship the Mayor, presided.

also present

Aldermen – S. Jordan, P. Reilly, N. Farrell, J. Downey, and J. B. Kelly.

Town Councillors – T. Daly, J. Mc.Guiness, T. Mc.Court, W. T. Heffington, P. Drew, P. Reddy, J. Reilly, F. Fogarty, P. Lyons, J. Slevin, P. Gorman, L. J. Elcock, T. Killen, T. Tallan, L. Moore, and T. Galbraith.

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The Minutes of last meeting held on 15th. September 1897, were read and signed.

Reports of which the following are Copies were read and adopted on the motion of Councillor Moore, seconded by Councillor Fogarty:—

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 15th. September 1897, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment

Mace Beaver 1 Week's Salary	1 . 3 . 0
Night watch to 14th. Sept. 97.	5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,	1 . 9 . 4
Fire Brigade,	2 . 8
Weigh Master, Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
	£9 . 14 . 0

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Amount forward	9 . 14 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
Streets,	9 . 14 . 10
Sanitary, Cleansing ashpits,	14 . 2
Do. " Manholes,	11 . 4
Building houses Francis Street.	24 . 8 . 7
	£45 . 5 . 5

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 22nd September 1897 and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment.—

Mace Beaver 1 Week's Salary	1 . 3 . 0
Night Watch to 21st inst.	5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,	1 . 13 . 0
Fire Brigade,	2 . 8
Weigh Master Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
Streets,	9 . 5 . 1
Sanitary, Cleansing ashpits,	5 . 8
Do. " Manholes,	9 . 11
" Sewer Shop Street,	5 . 4
J. Asplll, Car Hire,	6 . 0
Building houses Francis Street.	13 . 18 . 11
	£34 . 11 . 1

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 29th September 1897, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment:—

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Mace Beaver 1 Week's Salary	1 . 3 . 0
Night Watch to 28th Sep. 97.	5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,	1 . 5 . 2
Fire Brigade,	2 . 8
Weigh Master Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
Streets,	10 . 3 . 11
Sanitary, Cleansing ashpits,	1 . 4 . 1
Do. " Dale Brook,	6 . 0
Building houses, Francis Street.	25 . 9 . 10
	46 . 16 . 2

The following Account was paid:—
P. Collins, balance of Contract (Green Hills Sewer) 46 . 10 . 0

£93 . 6 . 2

The following Accounts were submitted and payment of each ordered. on the motion of Cllr. Moore, seconded by Councillor Fallan:—

P. Murphy, Ironmongery,	2 . 7 . 6
Martin Butterly & Co., Coal,	1 . 8 . 7
T. L. Simcox V. S. attendance &c on Horse	10 . 6
John Collins, Painting Mayor's Court,	4 . 15 . 0
M. Robinson, Grey flannel for steaming horse	2 . 0
Reps. of Patten 2 years rent,	29 . 0 . 0
Half years grant, Protestant Infant Schools,	10 . 10 . 0
Miss E. Browne 2 Years rent	9 . 12 . 11
Gas Cos a/c for August '97,	23 . 10 . 8
Do. " " September '97,	41 . 13 . 1
Geo. Orme & Co. Gas regulators,	2 . 10 . 2
Drogheda Iron Works Co.,	29 . 5 . 8
Ulster Fire Clay Co., Bricks,	3 . 15 . 2

Councillor

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Councillor Elcock moved pursuant to Notice of motion, which was seconded by Councillor Gorman "that the Members of the Corporation who may wish to go, do attend on Sunday October the 10th, at the Parnell Anniversary accompanied with the Sword and Mace and the Officials as a mark of respect to the memory of C.S. Parnell."

Alderman Reilly proposed as an amendment a direct negative to the motion. Alderman Jordan seconded the Amendment.

A division was taken when there voted:-

For the Motion		For the Amendment	
Aldermen	T. Farrell,	Aldermen	P. Reilly
	J. Downey,		S. Jordan
	J.B. Kelly,	Councillors	T. Daly
Councillors	J. McGuinness,		W.J. Shaffington,
	T. McCourt,		P. Reddy
	P. Lyons,		P. Drew
	P. Gorman,		J. Reilly
	L.J. Elcock,		T. Fogarty
	S. Galbraith. (9)		J. Nevin
			T. Callan
			T. Fallan
			L. Moore (12).

The Chairman declared the Amendment carried.

The consideration of the Notice of Motion standing in Councillor Elcock's name, relative to the Hay Market, was, at his request, adjourned for one month.

Communication

Communication read from Irish Independent League Dublin, inviting the attendance of the Independent Nationalist Members of the Corporation at the National Convention to be held at the Antient Concert Rooms Dublin on Monday the 11th October (the day after the Parnell Anniversary) at noon"

On the motion of Councillor Elcock seconded by Councillor Gorman, the following were appointed as delegates to attend the Convention viz:- Alderman J. Downey, Councillors - T. McCourt, J. McGuinness, P. Lyons and P. Gorman.

Letter read from Mrs. Mary Keane Killinor, relative to rent of her holding at Manimore. The matter was referred to Mr. McCann Solicitor

Peter Lynch Chairman

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Wednesday 20th October 1897.

At a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday the 20th day of October 1897 at the hour of 12 o'clock noon

His Worship the Mayor, presided
also present
Aldermen – J. Jordan, P. Reilly, N. Farrell, J. Downey and J. B. Kelly.
Town Councillors – J. McGuinness, P. Reddy, J. Slevin, F. Fogarty, P. Gorman, T. Callan, T. Callan, and L. Moore.

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The Minutes of last meeting held on 6th October 1897 were read and signed

Reports of which the following are Copies were read and adopted on the motion of Councillor Moore, seconded by Councillor Gorman

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 6th October 1897, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment

Salaries

Mace Bearer	1 Week	1 . 3 . 0	
Car Inspector	1 month,	1 . 1 . 8	
Summons Server, Court of Conscience	1 "	8 . 4	
Caretaker of Mayoralty House	1 "	1 . 14 . 8	
Clerk of Borough Court,	1 "	4 . 3 . 4	
		£8 . 11 . 0	

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Amount forward			8 . 11 . 0
Registrar of Court of Conscience	1 Month,		16 . 8
Borough Surveyor,	1 "	11 . 13 . 4	
Sanitary Sub Officer,	1 "	5 . 0 . 0	
Inspector of Dairies,	1 "	1 . 0 . 0	
Market Collector,	1 "	1 . 13 . 4	
Town Clerk,	1 "	11 . 5 . 0	
Clerk to Town Commissioners,	1 "	3 " 6 . 8	
Executive Sanitary Officer,	1 "	2 . 1 " 8	
Clerk of Local Authority,	1 "	1 . 5 . 0	
Treasurer,	3 Months,	37 . 10 . 0	
			84 . 2 . 8
Night Watch to 5th Oct 97.			5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,			16 . 9
Fire Brigade,			2 . 8
Weigh Master Hay Market,		1 " 0 . 0	
Cleaning Offices,			2 . 6
Streets,		9 . 9 . 3	
Sanitary, Cleansing Ashpits,		1 . 2 . 8	
Do. " Dyke Hardmans Garden,			16 . 0
" Straw,		1 " 10 . 4	
Building Houses Francis Street,		35 . 17 " 11	
P. Weldon, Commission on collection of Rents.			17 " 11
P. Connor, Cleaning Chimneys,			8 . 0
			142 . 5 . 8

The following Accounts were paid:–

P. Murphy, Ironmongery,	2 " 7 . 6
Martin Butterly & Co. Coal,	1 . 8 " 7
T. L. Simcox V. S. attendance & on Horse,	10 . 6
John Collins, Painting Mayor's Court,	4 " 15 . 0
M. Robinson, Grey Flannel for cleaning horse,	2 . 0
	£151 . 9 . 3

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Amount forward	151 . 9 . 3
Reps. of Patten ½ years rent	29 . 0 . 0
Half years grant, Protestant Infant Schools,	10 . 10 . 0
Miss E. Browne, ½ years rent,	9 . 12 . 11
Gas bob a/c for August 97,	23 . 10 . 8
Do. " " " September "	41 . 13 . 1
Geo. Orme & Co. Gas regulators,	2 . 10 . 2
Drogheda Iron Works Co.	29 . 5 . 8
Ulster Fire Clay Co., Bricks,	3 . 13 . 2
£	301 . 4 . 11

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 13th October 1897, and having examined the following Account to recommend them for payment—

Mace Beaver 1 Weeks Salary	1 . 5 . 0
Night Watch to 12th Octr. 97,	5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,	2 . 1 . 7
Fire Brigade,	2 . 8
Weigh Master Hay Market,	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
Streets,	9 . 8 . 10
Sanitary, Cleansing Ashpits,	1 . 11 . 2
Building houses Francis Street,	36 . 19 . 10
£	60 . 8 . 7

The following Account was ordered to be paid on the motion of Alderman Farrell seconded by Councillor Moore!—

J. & M. McCann Solrs., on a/c, Law Costs,	£50 . 0 . 0

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The following Leases were this day sealed and attested in presence of the Council, by Peter Lynch Esq. Mayor, Alderman M. Farrell, and Town Councillors J. Slevin and T. Callan:—

Lease sealed unto Patrick McEvoy of West Street Drogheda of house and premises North side of West Street, Parish of St. Peter, and County of the Town of Drogheda, delineated and bounded as per Map thereon for 31 years from 25th March 1897, at the yearly rent of £23,— to expend £35, on repairs and to insure in the sum of £400.

Lease sealed unto Anne Rourke of John Street Drogheda of House and Yard North side of John Street, Parish of St. Mary and County of the Town of Drogheda, and extending therefrom to the River Boyne, delineated and bounded as per Map thereon for 75 Years from 25th March 1897, at the yearly rent of £5,— to expend £150, in building; to insure in the sum of £250, and with liberty to make use of existing walls where same are available.

Alderman Kelly proposed, and Alderman Downey seconded — "that the Loan for concreting footpaths be abandoned for the present." Same was declared carried.

Councillor Callan moved pursuant to Notice of Motion — "that the charge for entering the Butter Market be discontinued, or that a proper check system for the collection of Tolls there be established." Councillor Fogarty proposed and Alderman

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alderman Kelly seconded "that the question of the Market charges be referred to the Loan Committee to report on"

Councillor Fogarty's motion was declared carried, alderman Farrell dissenting.

Report read from Lamp Inspecting Committee recommending "that Mr. Natch be instructed to arrange with the Gas Company for the lighting to Black Bull, and that another Lamp be erected at Hardmans Garden between the new one already erected and the old one".

The report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Moore, seconded by Councillor Gorman.

A report of which the following is a Copy was read:—

"The Council of the Corporation
Borough of Drogheda

Gentlemen

There is straw required to thatch houses at Rose Walk and Potato Market, there is also repairs required to be done to stalls in Meat Market.

Your obedient Servant
20th Octr. 1897 T. Weldon."

The report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Moore, seconded by Alderman Downey.

A report of which the following is a Copy was read:—

Assembly Room, Court House,
Drogheda 5th October 1897

To

The Council of the Corporation
Borough of Drogheda.

Gentlemen

Your committee appointed to revise the rules and Bye Laws for the regulation of Hackney Cars and Carriages under the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and the Drogheda Corporation Act 1876, met several times and having carefully considered the existing Bye Laws, together with those of some other towns similarly situated beg to report:—

The Bye Laws as amended by us are appended together with the Fares by time and set down within and without the Borough, and annexed is a list of the stands with the number of cars to be permitted to remain on each.

We also compiled a schedule of the principal places within a radius of 10 Statute miles from the Post Office with the fares chargeable to each.

We recommend that the Bye Laws &c as amended be printed and a copy sent to each member of the Council; that Notice of Motion be given to have a Special meeting of the Council convened for their adoption, and that the sanction of the Local Government Board be applied for.

Signed on behalf of the committee
Peter Lynch Mayor.

Alderman Kelly proposed, and Councillor Fogarty seconded—"that the report of the Committee on the Bye Laws for regulating Hackney Cars &c be adopted, and that 100 Copies of the Bye Laws be printed"

Same was declared carried.

Pet. Lynch Chairman

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Monday 1st. November 1897.

At a Quarterly Statutory Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Monday the 1st. day of November 1897, at the hour of 12 O'Clock noon

His Worship the Mayor presided.
also present
Aldermen – L. Jordan, and J.B. Kelly.
Town Councillors – J. McGuinness, T. McCourt, P. Reddy, T. Fogarty, P. Gorman, T. Callan, and T. Fallan.

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The Minutes of last Meeting held on 20th. October 1897, were read and signed.

Reports of which the following are copies were read and adopted on the motion of Councillor Gorman, seconded by Councillor Fogarty:–

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 20th. October 1897, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment

Mace Bearer 1 Week's Salary	1 . 3 . 0
Night Watch to 19th. Octr. 97	5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,	1 . 0 . 6
Fire Brigade,	2 . 8
Weigh Master Hay Market.	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
	£9 . 7 . 8

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Amount forward	9 . 7 . 8
County,	2 . 6 . 0
Streets,	10 . 7 . 11
Sanitary, Cleansing ashpits,	1 . 4 . 1
Building houses Francis Street,	22 . 12 . 0
Town Clerk, expenses attending adjourned sitting of Arbitrators re Water Works Co.	1 . 1 . 0
	46 . 18 . 8
The following Account was paid:–	
J. & W. McCann Solrs. on a/c. Law Costs,	50 . 0 . 0
	£96 . 18 . 8

Your Committee recommend that Patrick Smith of Trinity Street be granted a Car Proprietors and Car Drivers License.

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 27th. October 1897, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment–

Mace Bearer 1 Week's Salary	1 . 3 . 0
Night Watch to 26th. Octr. 97,	5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,	6 . 8
Fire Brigade,	2 . 8
Weigh Master Hay Market.	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
Streets,	9 . 4 . 2
Sanitary, Cleansing ashpits,	1 . 11 . 2
Building houses Francis Street,	39 . 7 . 3
	£58 . 16 . 5

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A letter of which the following is a Copy was read:—

Avenue Chambers
83 Royal Avenue
Belfast Oct. 25 1897.

To Town Clerk
Drogheda

Drogheda Water

Dear Sir,

I would be much obliged if you would get a cheque drawn in my favour for £100 at next Meeting of your Commissrs. on ap of my fees and expenses and sent on to me

Faithfully Yours
J. H. H. Swiney

The Town Clerk was directed to write stating that the Corporation is not in a position until Consent Order re Water Works is obtained to pay amount applied for and also to request him to furnish his ap in full.

There was but one Tender submitted for supply of Horse Feeding to 31st October 1898.

That of Michael Tighe of West Street offering to supply

Best White Oats @ 13/- per Brl.
" Crushed Corn @ 8 " Stone
and " Bran @ 9 " "

was accepted on the motion of Councillor Fogarty seconded by Councillor Fallan.

Letter read from Local Govt. Board applying

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applying for payment of £41-4-0 for audit of Accounts of the Corporation for 4 Years.

The Town Clerk was directed to state that there are but three assessments due.

Alderman Kelly proposed and Councillor Fallan seconded,— "that Mr. Hatch be instructed to countersink all the covers of the Manholes in the Streets, same as he has done at corner of Lawrence Street and Palace Street.

Same was declared carried.

Peter Lynch Chairman

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Wednesday 17th November 1897.

At a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday the 17th day of November 1897, at the hour of 12 O'clock noon

His Worship the Mayor presided.
also present
Aldermen – S. Jordan, N. Farrell, J. Downey, J. B. Kelly, and C. Tighe.
Town Councillors – J. McGuinness, T. McCourt, P. Drew, J. Crilly, F. Fogarty, J. Slevin, P. Gorman, J. Callan, T. Tallan, L. Moore, and J. A. Dickson.

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The Minutes of last Meeting held on 1st November 1897, were read and signed.

Reports of which the following are copies were read and adopted on the motion of Councillor Moore, seconded by Councillor Tallan:—

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 3rd November 1897, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment

Salaries

Mace Bearer	Week	1	3 . 0
Caretaker of Mayorally House	1 Month	1	14 . 8
Car Inspector	1 "	1	1 . 8
Summons Server,	1 "		8 . 4
Clerk of Borough Court,	1 "	4	3 . 4
		£8	11 . 0

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Amount forward		£8	11 . 0
Registrar of Court of Conscience	1 Month,		16 . 8
Borough Surveyor,	1 "	11	13 . 4
Town Clerk,	1 "	11	5 . 0
Clerk to Town Commissioners,	1 "	3	6 . 8
Executive Sanitary Officer	1 "	2	1 . 8
Clerk of Local authority,	1 "	1	5 . 0
Sanitary Sub Officer	1 "	5	0 . 0
Inspector of Dairies,	1 "	1	0 . 0
Market Collector,	1 "	1	13 . 4
		46	12 . 8
Night Watch to 2nd Nov.		5	19 . 0
Roads and Paths,		2	3 . 3
Repairs to house Green Lane,			2 . 0
Weigh Master Hay Market,		1	0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,			2 . 6
Streets		10	7 . 7
Sanitary, Cleansing Ashpits,			12 . 9
Do. " Dyke Hardmans Garden			1 . 4
Building houses Francis Street		21	0 . 11
P. Weldon, commission on collection of rents			19 . 2
		89	11 . 2

The following Accounts were paid:—

P. Weldon S.I.C., Milk for Analysis &c	4 . 3
J. Wall, making 12 Boxes for holding Samples Milk Analysis	12 . 0
Commrs. Public Works, Principal & Interest (Sewerage Loans)	193 . 6 . 3
	£213 . 13 . 8

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 10th November 1897, and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment

Mace

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Mace Bearer 1 Week's Salary	1 . 3 . 0
Night Watch to 9th Novr.	5 . 19 . 0
Roads and Paths,	1 . 9 . 2
Repairs,	10 . 0
Fire Brigade,	2 . 8
Weigh Master Hay Market.	1 . 0 . 0
Cleaning Offices,	2 . 6
Streets,	9 . 16 . 11
Sanitary cleansing ashpits &c	1 . 18 . 11
Building houses Francis Street.	82 . 19 . 5
Postage and Receipt Stamps (Treasurers Office)	1 . 10 . 0
	£106 . 11 . 7

Your Committee recommend that owing to the death of Town Councillor George Galbraith the Town Clerk do forward a vote of Condolence to his widow and the other Members of his family in their bereavement.

The following Account was ordered to be paid:—

Local Govt. Board, for audit of accounts (4 years) £1 . 4 . 0

Memorials for additional Lamps read from Inhabitants of Dale, Poor-House Lane and North Road.

The matter was referred to the Lamp Inspecting Committee on the motion of Councillor Moore, seconded by Councillor Callan.

Letter read from R. J. Nowell Local

Local Govt. Board auditor forwarding copy of his report and abstract of the accounts of the Corporation for year ended 31st December 1896.

No order made.

Application read from Workmen for Oil Clothes.

The following were appointed a Committee to procure same:— Aldn. Kelly, Aldn. Jordan and Councillor Gorman.

Report read from Car Inspector stating that all the Carmen have paid their licenses for this year with the exception of Murphy & Reynolds whose carriages were plying for on the 7th, 12th and 16th instant.

Orders were given that the parties referred to be prosecuted.

Application read from Peter Hughes to have footway opposite his premises Marsh Road concreted on the usual terms.

The application was complied with on the motion of Councillor Moore, seconded by Aldn. Tighe.

A report of which the following is a copy was read and adopted on the motion of Alderman Jordan, seconded by Councillor Moore:—

Borough Surveyor's Office

Drogheda

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Drogheda 17th November 1897.

To the Council of the Corporation
Borough of Drogheda.

Gentlemen

It may interest the corporation to know the result of the year's work in connection with the sale of manure, consisting of the Street sweepings together with the contents of ashpits &c.

The storing of the manure began the week ending 13th October 1896, and the year's manure up to 12th October 1897 realised £166, leaving £160 nett after deducting £6 for rent.

Number of loads delivered – contents of ashpits 895
Street scavengings 2496
Total 3391

The cost of cleansing ashpits &c, was £82:13:0 and the cost of preparing manure for sale was £54:10:0
£137:3:0
leaving a balance to credit of £22:17:0.

Mr Martin, manager of the Gas Works and myself inspected the Dublin Road from the Railway Gates to the new boundary at Blackbull, and consider that to light the entire distance not less than eight lamps will be necessary. The entire distance is 1090 yards, which would leave an average distance of about 136 yards between each lamp.

Your obedient Servant
Nicholas Katch.

Nicholas Katch Chairman

Wednesday 1st December 1897

At a Statutory meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Borough of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday the 1st day of December 1897 at the hour of 12 o'clock noon.

His Worship the Mayor presided.
Also present.

Aldermen, S. Indaw. P Reily N. Farrell And J. B. Kelly.

Town Councillors, W. J. Kissington. J Drew. P Reddy. G. Daly. J Slevin. P Gorman. J. Reilly F. Gogarty L. Hoare. J. Fallan J. A. Dickson J. Dolan. T. Callan.

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The Town Clerk pro tem having called the Roll and read notice convening the meeting,

Alderman P Reilly rising said he had great pleasure in proposing Town Councillor Francis Gogarty as Mayor for the Borough of Drogheda for the Year 1898.

Alderman J. B. Kelly having seconded the motion the Chairman asked if there were any other Candidates to be proposed there being no response Councillor F. Gogarty was thereupon unanimously declared elected Mayor for the year 1898.

The Mayor Elect in suitable terms thanked the Council for

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for the Honor Conferred upon him.

Alderman Jordan proposed And Councillor Daly seconded that the names of the following Gentlemen be forwarded to His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant as eligible to fill the Office of High Sheriff for the County of the Town of Drogheda for the Year 1898,
Viz Jas. P. Kelly Esq J.P. Drogheda,
" Alderman P. Reilly. do.
And T. Callan T.C. " do.
Carried Unanimously

Florarty Thomas Fogarty. Chairman

Wednesday 15th December 1897

At a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Borough of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House on Wednesday the 15th day of December 1897 at the hour of 12 o'clock noon.

His Worship the Mayor presided
Also present

Aldermen, P Jordan, P Reilly, N. Farrell, L. Downey, J. B. Reilly & Ch Tighe,

Town Councillors, J M Court, W. J. Heppington, P. Drew, P Reddy, G. Daly, J. M Guinness, P Lyons, J. Slevin, P Gorman, L. J. Elcock, J. Reilly, F Fogarty, L. Hood, J. Callan, T. A. Dickson & J. Dolan, And T. Callan,

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The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday the 17th November 1897 and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment.

Mace Bearer 1 week Salary	1. 3. 0
Night Watch to 16th Inst	5. 19. 0
Roads & paths	19. 9
Fire Brigade	2. 8
Repairs	4. 0
Weigh Master Hay Mkt	1. 0. 0
Cleaning Offices	2. 6
Sheets	11. 19. 0
Sanitary Cleansing Ashpits &c	16. 10
Forward. £	22. 6. 9

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Brought Over	22-6-9
Building houses Francis St.	16.0.11
Gas Coy. a/c for Octr 1897	57.3.10
	95-11-6

The following Accounts have been
J. Fay Clothing to replace that destroyed 1.10.9
Local Govt Board Audit of a/c (4 yrs) 41.4.0
£ 138.6.3

Your Committee recommend that Edward Walsh, Duleek St. be granted a Car Drivers License,

The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday the 24th November 1897 and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment,

Mace Bearer 1 Week Salary	1.3.0
Night Watch to 23rd Nov 97	5.19.0
Roads and paths	2.13.2
Thatching Houses. Rope Walk	1.10.8
Fire Brigade	2.8
Weigh Master Hay Market.	1.0.0
Cleaning offices	2.6
Straw	3.13.8
Sheets	16.16.1
Sanitary Cleaning Ash pits	1.2.8
Do. Repairing Sewer Newfoundwell.	12.0
Building houses Francis St.	24.10.5
£	57-5-10

Your Committee recommend that Arthur B. Keely 26 a St be granted a Car Proprietors (Rural District),

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The Council in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday the 1st Decr 1897 and having examined the following accounts recommend them for payment,

=Salaries=

Mace Bearer 1 Week		1.3.0
Caretaker of Mayoralty House. 1 Month		1.14.8
Clerk of Borough Court	1 "	4.3.4
Registrar, Courts of Conscience	1 "	16.8
Car Inspector	1 "	1.1.8
Summons Server	1 "	8.4
Borough Surveyor	1 "	11.13.4
Sanitary Sub-officer	1 "	5.0.0
Inspector of Dairies	1 "	1.0.0
Market Collector	1.	1.13.4
Town Clerk	1.	11.5.0
Clerk to Town Comrs	1.	3.6.8
Executive Sanitary Officer	1.	2.1.8
Clerk of Local Authority	1 "	1.5.0
£		46.12.8

Night Watch to 30th Ulto	5.19.0
Roads and paths	3.7.9
Fire Brigade	2.8
Weigh Master Hay Market.	1.0.0
Cleaning offices	2.6
Sheets	13.8.8
Sanitary Cleaning. Ash pits &c	2.4.4
Building houses Francis St.	14.2.6
Weldon Commission on Weekly Rate	15.3
Poll & Cheque Clerks at Elections 25 Nov 97	4.14.6
£	92.9-10

Your Committee recommend that the Application of the Mace Bearer for Wound Supply of Clothing be acceded to

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The Commitee in Committee beg to report that they met on Wednesday 8th December 1897 and having examined the following Accounts recommend them for payment.

Mace Bearer 1 weeks Salary	1.3.0
Night Watch to 7th Decr 1897	5.11.0
Roads & paths,	3.19.8
Fire Brigade	2.8
Thatching houses Lyon Lane	1.12.0
Weigh Master Hay Market,	1.0.0
Cleaning Offices	2.6
Sheets	13.9.11
Sanitary, Cleaning Ash pits,	12.9
do. Sewer Surfoundwell	16.0
Building houses Francis St.	11.5.7
J.K. Roubach Stationary	10.1
R. Noonan Harness	17.6
Thos Advt.s &c yrs Contract posting	1.10.0
Hugh Cullen Polling Booths 25th Nov 1897	1.14.6
M. Collins Grave Lights	2.14.0
A Gray. Locks. Keys &c	1.2.6
J. Collins, Printing &c M.H Collectors Books	4.17.6
Half yrs Tithe Rent Charge (Earl of Drogh)	41.2.0
Half yrs Grant Protestant Infant School	10.10.0
do do do Blue Schools	21 0.0
Common Fund 1/2 yrs Rent	7.15.2
Reps late L. J. Simpson 1/2 yrs do Watch House	10.17.6
M. Tighe Horse Feeding Contract	14.7.10
H. L. Daly 1/2 yrs Rent.	6.8.4
Gas Co Acts for Nov 1897	62.3.7
J. Dollard Stationary	3.13.10
Tithe Rent Charge (Duleek)	3.7
Capt Cooper One yrs Rent Mayoralty House	4.8
J Hanratty do. (Melb)	5.12.6
Forward £	237.1.0

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Brought Over	237.1.0
The following Accounts were paid	
P Fay, Clothing to replace that destroy	0.18.6
T. & Healey disinfectants £	10.1
£	238.9.7

Your Committee Recommend that Patrick McCullough of Bell be granted a Car Drivers Licence And that the Town Clerk do advertise for tenders for Overcoats for Watchmen,

Councillor J. A. Dickson proposed pursuant to notice of motion which was seconded by Alderman S. Jordan that Peter Connolly be discontinued as Town Clerk for the Borough of Drogheda And be dismissed from the Office of Clerk to the Corporation of Drogheda Acting as Town Commissioners under the 17th & 18th Victoria Cap 103 & Acts Amending Same And from the Office of Executive Sanitary Officer under the Public Health Act of 1878. And Acts Amending Same And also from the Office of Clerk to the said Corporation acting as Local Authority under the Contagious diseases Animals Act and Acts Amending Same.

Alderman Tighe moved as an Amendment which was seconded by Councillor Daly that the Consideration of Councillor J. A. Dicksons notice of motion be postponed for one month.

A division having been taken on the Amendment the voting was as follows.

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For the Amendment	Against the Amendment
Ald^m. F. Farrell	Ald^m. J. Jordan
" C. Tighe	" P. Reilly
" J. Downey	Councillors
J. B. Kelly.	J. A. Dickson
Councillors	P. J. Mossington
P. Gorman.	F. Gogarty
P. McCourt	J. Callan
Luke J. Elcock.	J. Tallan
M. McGuinness	J. Crick
G. Daly	J. Slevin
+ P. Lyons	P. Reddy
(10)	L. Moore
	P. Drew
	J. Dolan
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The motion was then put and the voting was as follows.

For the Motion	Against the Motion
Aldermen	Ald^m. F. Farrell
J. B. Kelly	C. Tighe
J. Jordan	J. Downey
P. Reilly	Councillors P. Gorman
Councillors	P. McCourt
J. A. Dickson	L. J. Elcock
J. Callan	J. McGuinness
P. Crick	G. Daly
L. Moore	P. Lyons
J. Tallan	
J. Slevin	9
P. Drew	
P. Reddy	
P. J. Mossington	
J. Dolan	
F. Gogarty	
(14)	

The motion was then declared Carried,

On the motion of Councillor J. A. Dickson seconded by Councillor P. Drew Mr. J. Weldon was appointed Town Clerk pro tem,

The Mayor then said before we proceed with further business, I will ask the Town Clerk in the presence of the Council to hand me up the keys.

The Town Clerk having refused to do so, Councillor Jno. A Dickson proposed and Councillor J. Tallan seconded that the matter be reported to the Corporation Solicitor Mr. J. H. McCann.

Carried Unanimously.

Francis Gogarty Francis Gogarty Chairman

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A Special meeting of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of Drogheda, Acting as Council of the said Borough under 37 & 38 Vic. Cap. 108 And as Town Commissioners under Act 17 & 18 Vic. Cap 103. and Acts Amending the same was held at the hour of 12 Oclock noon on Friday the 24th day of December 1897. in the Assembly Room of the Court House Fair Street Drogheda, for the purpose of Considering and if approved of passing the following resolutions

His Worship the Mayor presided
Also present
Aldermen. S. Jordan. P Reilly and
L. B. Kelly.
Councillors. P Drew. P Reddy. J Daly
J. Slevin. E Cully. F Fogarty. L Moore
J. A Dickson. J Dolan and J. Callan

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The Town Clerk pro. tem. having Called the Roll and Read notice Convening the meeting
No. 1. It was proposed by Ald L. B. Kelly and seconded by Ald P Reilly that His Worship Peter Lynch Mayor of said Borough of Drogheda be Authorized to receive from Peter Connolly late Town Clerk all Books, papers and writings relating to the execution of the Act. 3. & 4 Vic. Cap. 108. and other Books, papers and writings belonging to the Corporation of Drogheda, or otherwise relating to its business
Carried Unanimously

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No. 2. It was proposed by Ald. S. Jordan and seconded by Col. F Fogarty that notice pursuant to the said Act Signed by 3 or more members of the said Corporation be forthwith given to the said Peter Connolly requiring him within 3 days from the Service of such notice upon him to deliver to the said Mayor all books, papers and writings in his Custody or power relating to the execution of the said Act 3. & 4 Vic. Cap 108. or to give Satisfaction to the said Corporation or said Mayor respecting the Same,
Carried Unanimously

No. 3 It was proposed by Councillor J. Callan and seconded by Councillor J. Dolan that if the said Peter Connolly refuses or wilfully neglects to deliver such Books papers and writings or any of them as are referred to in the last preceding resolution to the said Mayor, Complaint be forthwith made on behalf of the Corporation of such refusal or wilful neglect to any Justice of the Peace for the County or other Jurisdiction wherein the said Peter Connolly shall be residing and that all further proceedings thereunder to be taken pursuant to the said Statute,
Carried Unanimously

No. 4 It was proposed by Col. J. A Dickson and Seconded by Col. L. Moore that all such further proceedings as Counsel may advise be taken by the Corporation against the Said Peter Connolly for the Recovery of all property belonging to them in his Custody

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or power including the aforesaid Books, papers and writings and for recovery of damages in respect of any property of the Corporation including the said Books, papers and writings in his Custody or power

Carried Unanimously

By order

20th Decr 1897

Signed

Peter Lynch Mayor

Frances Fogarty

Francis J Fogarty Chairman

Saturday 1st January 1898

At a Statutory meeting of the Corporation of the Borough of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House Faith on Saturday the 1st January 1898. at the hour of 12 o'clock Noon,

His Worship the Mayor presided,

Also present. Ald. J. Jordan, P. Reilly & Farrell

J Downey J B Reilly and C Tighe, Councillors J. M Court

W. J. Skeffington, P Reilly P Reddy, L Daly, Jn McSumers, P Lyons

J Slevin, P Gorman, L. J. Elcock, P Reilly F. Fogarty, L Moore

J. A. Dickson, J Dolan, and J. Calland. (23)

The Town Clerk pro tem Called the Roll & read the notice Convening the meeting,

The Mayor Elect Town Councillor F Fogarty having made the usual declaration before Alderman J. Jordan, J.P. And Town Councillors J. Slevin & J Dolan and having taken the Oath of Allegiance and Oath appearing to the Office of Mayor and Justice of the Peace for the County of the Town of Drogheda, for the Year 1898, was then duly invested with the Chain of Office by the outgoing Mayor,

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The Ex-Mayor then vacated the Chair after which the Mayor for the year 1898 took his seat as Chairman,

A Vote of thanks proposed by Colr W. J. Skeffington and seconded by Aldm C. Tighe was Unanimously accorded to the outgoing Mayor to which he suitably replied,

His Worship the Mayor having received the Chain of Office from the Outgoing, High Sheriff invested Jas O'Kelly Esq with same, the High Sheriff in appropriate terms thanked the Council for the Honor Conferred upon him,

Mr Peter Connolly Late Town Clerk having requested the meeting to take into Consideration a notice for a special meeting sent out by himself the Mayor desired the Town Clerk pro tem to read the opinion of Mr Cantan. Q. C. on the matter, in which he Mr Cantan stated that the Special meeting proposed for the 1st of January 1898 had not been legally Convened, and that it would be wholly irregular, and that no such special business as mentioned in the notice could be transacted,

Whereupon the Mayor left the Chair,

F Fogarty

Francis J Fogarty Chairman

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