Post Assembly

Michaelmas Post Assembly held the 9th Day of Octr 1782 before William Cheshire Esqr Mayor William Fairtlough and Samuel Martin Esqrs Sheriffs the Aldermen being present

4 Vacancys

4 Vacancys Viz.t
Wm Howard Dispan.d
Wm Ogle Dead
Wm Coddington Dead
Wm Norman Dead

Genl Assembly

At a General Assembly held before the said William Cheshire Esqr Mayor William Fairtlough and Samuel Martin Esqrs Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 11th Day of October 1782

Mayr of the Staple

Alderman John Jones late Mayor is Elected Mayor of the Staple and Justice of the Peace for the Ensuing Year and Sworn

Common Councilmen

Messrs George Armstrong and Robert Taylor late Sheriffs are elected Common Council Men and Sworn

Const. Staple

Messrs George Armstrong and Robert Taylor are elected Constables of the Staple and Sworn

Coroners

Messrs George Armstrong and Robert Taylor are elected Coroners for the ensuing Year and Sworn

Mastr Guild

Alderman John Ashland is elected Master of the Guild for the ensuing Year

Wardens Guild

Messrs Edward Cheshire and Maurice Barlow are elected Wardens of the Guild for the ensuing Year

Treasr

Alderman William Holmes is elected Treasr for the ensuing Year

Officers

The Officers of the Sword and Mace and Marshal to Continue during the pleasure of this Corporation

Ordered

Water Customs

Ordered that the Water Customs of this Corporation be Collected the ensuing Year by Mr John Fairtlough on the same Terms they were Collected by Mr Thomas Elliott Deceased

Cleansing the Streets

Ordered that Mr Mayor be and he is hereby impowered to Contract with such persons as he shall think proper for Carrying away the Dirt and Soil of the Streets and Lanes of this Town and of the Roads and Avenues leading thereto within this County from the 26th Day of October Instt

Aud.rs & Viewers

Alderman George Schoales Alderman Oliver Fairtlough Alderman Lyons Alderman Hardman Alderman John Ackland Mr Robt Wynne Mr Thom.s Wynne Mr John Fairtlough and Mr John Van Homrigh are elected Auditors and Viewers for the ensuing Year

3 Surgeons 10 Gns a piece

Ordered that the Sum of Ten Guineas a piece be paid at the end of the present Year to Messrs Joseph Harpur William Cleapern and James Petrie Surgeons for their Care and Attendance of the poor of this Town that shall require their Assistance within the said Year the same to be allowed in the Treasurers Accounts

£20 to Volunteer Association to buy Gunpowder

Ordered that the Sum of Twenty Pounds be paid by the Treasurer for account of this Corporation to the Volunteer Association of this Town to buy Gunpowder, same to be allowed in the Treasurers Accounts

Bellhowr discont.d £6 — Pens.n allowed him

John Elliott Bell Howr is discontinued on Account of his ill State of Health and allowed a Pension of £6 — Yearly during pleasure

Freedom p.tented

Resolved Nem. Con. that the Freedom of this Corpn be and the same is Granted to the Right Honourable Richard Earl of Mornington & be presented him by Mr Mayor in a Gold Box as a mark of our respect for his Patriotic Conduct in Parliament

Mr Mayr to ans.r Ld Morningtons Letr

A Letter from the Right Honourable Earl Mornington to Mr Mayor relative to Maiden Tower being read Mr Mayor is requested to answer same and to return the Thanks of this Corporation to his Lordship for his politeness expressed therein

Wm Cheshire Tent for Ground in the Dale to be reimbursed any Costs he incurs for recovery of the Premises — see Lease No 633

Ordered that William Cheshire Tenant to this Corporation for a piece of Ground in the Dale without St James's Gate be reimbursed any Costs he shall be necessarily put to on Account of Recovery of the possession of said piece of Ground which he alledges is with held

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with held from him by the Representatives of Ambrose Sharp

John Coulter of the Town of Drogheda Linnen Weaver upon his Petition to this Assembly is admitted a free Member of this Corporation by Special favour on paying the Usual Fine and Fees and taking the Usual Oath.

Free Member admitted

The Doors being Opened The Gate Customs were Set up to Cant and were Set to Aldn John Ashland the highest bidder at Eleven Pounds Six Shillings p Week for one Year to Commence the 26th October inst. and ending the 26th day of October next 1783 inclusive

Gate Customs Set

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 21st October 1782

Genl Assembly

Aldermen George Schoales William Meade Ogle and Oliver Fairtlough being appointed a Committee to treat with Mrs Ann Pountney and her Daughters Mary Elizth and Ann for a Lease of a House Tenemts and premisses on the South side of West Street in Drogheda now in the Tenure of Christr Tallon and others having informed this Assembly they proposed taking the said premisses from the first day of November 1782 for 999 Years at the Yearly Rent of £15 - for this Corporation and that the said Ladies have agreed to accept of the said Proposal It is thereupon now Resolved by this Assembly that this Corpn have and do hereby agree to take and accept of the said Lease

Resolved to take a Leaze from Mrs Pountney and Daurs of Premes in West Street

Mr Mayor, Aldermen Schoales, Ogle, Hardman Lyons, Gibbons, and Fairtlough are appointed by this Assembly to treat with Aldn Holmes for a sufficient quantity of Ground part of the Palace Ground on the North side Laurence Street to make a Road from said Street by the Town Wall to Willm Street

Gentn appointed to treat with Aldn Holmes for part Palace Ground

John Forbes Esqr Recorder is added to the Committee appointed to Superintend the expenditure of the Money Granted by Parliament last Session for improving the Navigation of the River Boyne below the Bridge of this Town

Mr Forbes added to the River Committee

Post Assembly

At a post Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 15th Janry 1783

Names of the Aldermen

John Jones Esqr M. S.	James Forde
/ George Schoales	Philip Donagh
Philip Pendleton	/ Oliver Fairslough
Geo: Ashland	/ William Holmes
/ William Meade Ogle	/ Ol: Fairtlough Wm
/ Roger Forde	/ Hugh Mont. Lyons
John Jebb	William Gibbons
/ John Marshall	/ John Ashland
/ Edw. Hardman	
/ Hen: Leland	
Syd. Singleton	

John Vanthomrigh John Forbes and Henry Smith Esqrs are Elected Aldermen of this Corporation in the room of William Ogle William Coddington and William Norman late three Aldermen of the same deceased pursuant to Notice duly posted for that purpose

3 Aldermen Elected

1783

Jan. 17th This day John Vanthomrigh and John Forbes Esqrs were Sworn Aldermen of this Corporation pursuant to their Election

Jo Sworn

At a Genl Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 17th Janry 1783

Genl Assembly

Names of the Aldermen	Names of the Common Council
John Jones Esqr M. S.	James Sandiford
/ George Schoales	/ John Channey
Philip Pendleton	Geo: Clegg
Geo: Ashland	Thos Jones
/ William Meade Ogle	Harry Brabazon
/ Roger Forde	Ham: Bury
John Jebb	Hen: Ashland
/ John Marshall	/ John Fairtlough
/ Edw. Hardman	John Graham
Henry Leland	/ Robt Wynne
Syd. Singleton	Thos Wynne

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Aldermen

James Forde
Ph. Donagh
Al. Fairtlough
Will.m Holmes
Al. Fairtlough Will.m
Hugh Mont.e Lyons
Will.m Gibbons
Jn.o Ackland
Jn.o VanHomrigh
Jn.o Forbes

Common Co.l

Henry Stewart
Hen: Coddington
Wm Adams
Ant.o Sillery
Geo: Evans
Wm Joce: Shaw
Lace.t Dowdall
Henry Smith
Thos Chamney
Edw.d Chefshire
Maur.ce Barlow
Geo: Armstrong
Robt Taylor
Jn.o McCartney
Jn.o North
Jn.o Regan
Jn.o Sidsale
Jn.o Richardson
Jam.s Shortell
Wm Acton
Thos Richardson
Pat McEntegart
Wm Shippa Cottom

Premisses Ordered to be Set

Ordered that the following premisses demised by two several Leases made by this Corporation to Ald.r John Gilbert d.d one Dated 26 Feb: 1722 for 61 years from Easter then last at £11 p.r ann. the other Dated the 24 Dec.r 1724 for 61 years from Mich.s 1724 at 15.s & 6.d p.r ann.m be Surveyed and Set in Lots by Cant at next Gen.l Assembly those Lots in the Town for 99 years and those without the Walls for 61 Years, One Moiety of the Rents of the former to be fined off at 10 years purchase and of the latter at 14 Years purchase the Ground opposite the new Gate without the Town Wall on the West side of Fair Street being part of the said premisses not to be Set / that is to say two Cabbins & Gardens on the old Corn Market Hill and a piece of Ground without Duleek Gate demised by the first of s.d Leases, and Houses and Gardens without Laurences Gate Houses and Gardens without West Gate and a Tenem.t & Garden with.t Duleek Gate being the premisses demised by the other of said Leases

An Auditor and Viewer Elected

Mr. George Evans is Elected an Auditor and Viewer in the Room of John VanHomrigh Esq.r now of the Board of Aldermen

Resolved

Freedom presented

Resolved unanimously that the Freedom of this Corporation be presented in a Tyat to Thomas Shepheard Esq.r Collector of this Port

Freedom presented

Resolved unanimously that the Freedom of this Corporation be presented in a Tyat to the Rev.d George Lambert Vicar of this Parish

a Free Member admitted

John Blacker of Aclare in the County of Lowth Gen.t upon his Petition is admitted a free Member by Birth on paying the Usual Fine and Fees and taking the Usual Oath

2 Freemen admitted

John Sawhill of Drogheda Dealer is admitted a free Shoemaker and Henry Rogers by the same Butcher is admitted a free Butcher by special favour on their paying 20.s fine & Fees each and taking the Usual Oath

£53..17..4 to be paid the River Committee

Ordered that any Sum not exceeding £53..17..4 be paid by the Treas.r for account of this Corporation to the Committee appointed to Superintend the expenditure of the £1000 Granted by Parliam.t last Sessions for improving the Navigation of the River Boyne below the Bridge to enable them to defray the expence of making a Survey and Map of the said River

a Door to be fixed in Stair Case Tholsel

Ordered that a Door be fixed in a proper part of the Stair Case of the Tholsel to prevent improper persons from going on the Roof with a good Lock the Key of which to be deposited with Mr. Geo: Evans

Alterations to be made at the Goal

Mr. Mayor, Mr. Recorder and the Sheriffs are hereby requested to cause such Repairs and Alterations to be made at the Goal as to them shall seem most Eligible and Substantial

Gen.l Assembly

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being pres.t the 11.th March 1783

Resolved to address the L.d Lieu.t

Resolved unanimously that an humble address be presented in the name of this Corporation to His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant declaring our full Approbation of His Conduct since his appointment to the Government of this Kingdom & Expressing the Real Sentiments of our Hearts, that in his Excellency are united all those Virtues and all those Qualifications necessary to form a Wise an able

able and a truly usefull Chief Governor of this Kingdom and Conveying our most Earnest and most Sanguine Wishes that no Circumstance may Arise to prevent a long Continuance of His Excellency in his present high Station, which we are firmly persuaded must be attended with this happy Consequence of being a National Blessing to His Majestys Faithfull People of Ireland

Mr. Recorder to prepare the same — Resolved unanimously that Mr. Recorder be requested to prepare an Address agreeable to the foregoing Resolution

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 15th March 1783

Gen.l Assembly

Mr. Mayor having laid before this Assembly a draft of an Address to the Lord Lieutenant prepared by Mr. Recordr pursuant to a Resolution of last Assembly and the same being read Resolved unanimously that the said Address be and is hereby agreed to that the same be forthwith Engrossed and Sealed with the seal of this Corporation and Entered in the Assembly Book and is as follows

Address to the Lord Lieu.t ordered to be Sealed

Address

To His Excellency George Nugent Grenville Temple Earl Temple Lord Lieutenant General and General Govr. of Ireland

The Humble Address of the Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses and Commons of the County of the Town of Drogheda in Common Council Assembled

May it please your Excellency

We the Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses and Commons of the County of the Town of Drogheda in Common Council Assembled should think that we were deficient in Duty to ourselves and Gratitude to your Excellency were we not to Embrace this Opportunity of expressing our warmest Acknowledgments for your Excellencys indefatigable Attention and strong Attachment to the Real Interests of this Country

We have observed with great Satisfaction the unaffected Zeal and Manly firmness with which you have applied yourself to the Investigation of every Branch of the publick expenditure and are highly Sensible of the important advantages which

Ireland must derive from your powerfull and Constant Exertions to promote its Commerce and Manufactures

While we reflect with pleasure on the General Tenor of your Excellencys Administration equally honourable to yourself and Acceptable to the People We cannot refrain from Expressing an Earnest and Anxious hope that the Continuation of your Excellency as Lord Lieut. of this Kingdom may enable you to give Effect and permanency to a System of Government so wisely adopted and so Zealously pursued We trust that no Change whatsoever in His Majestys Councils will effect the present Administration of Ireland in which we Repose a Confidence so well deserved and so highly founded

In Testimony whereof we have hereunto affixed our Common Seal the 15 day of March in the Year of our Lord 1783

At a Post Assembly held before the said Mayr. and Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 30th day of April 1783

Post Ass.ly

Alderman John VanHomrigh is Elected to serve Mayor of this Corporation for the Ensuing Year from Michs day next according to the Rule of Succession

Mayr. Elect

At a General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 2d. Day of May 1783

Gen.l Assembly

Hampden Nicholson Esqr. is unanimously Elected to serve Sheriff of this Corporation for the Ensuing Year and Mr. James Scholes is also Elected to serve Sheriff of this Corporation for the Ensuing Year from Michaelmas Day next along with Mr. Nicholson

Sher.s Elect

Ordered that the Election of the Mayor and Sheriffs for the Ensuing Year be forthwith Certifyed to Government for their approbation

Election Certifyed

His Excellency Earl Temple Lord Lieutenant of Irelands answer to the Address of this Corporation being laid before this Assembly It is ordered to be entered amongst the Acts of this Assembly and is as follows

Lord Lieu.t to Ans.r to the Address of this Corpn.

"Your kind acceptance of every Endeavour which I have been proud to Exert for the Welfare of this Kingdom calls for

acknowledgments

"Acknowledgements proportioned to the Sense which I entertain of
"your Affection and good Will

"I should be really proud if I thought my Services
"had entitled me to it, but no Circumstances can Change the Regard
"which I so strongly feel and which must make me hope that I may
"be Enabled by a Steady attention to the Duty of my Situation to continue
"to promote that happiness, which I must ever truly wish to Ireland"

Earl of Mornington's Ans.r on presenting his Freedom

The Answer of the Earl of Mornington upon being presented with his Freedom of this Corporation was laid before this Assembly and is as follows

To the Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses and Commons of the County of the Town of Drogheda

"Gentlemen"

"I receive with much Satisfaction this Honourable
"Testimony of your good Opinion, You may be assured that my
"Efforts for the publick Good which you are pleased to distinguish
"by your Notice shall never be remitted; I shall endeavour to
"prove myself as carefull to preserve as I have been eager to obtain
"the Freedom of Ireland"

"It will be a great pleasure to me if at any time
"I should have the power to promote the particular Interests
"of the Town of Drogheda; whenever You are pleased to call
"upon me for that purpose I shall be ready to give my Assistance
"inconsiderable as it may be for your Service"

"I have the honour to be, Gentlemen,
"your Faithfull and Obliged"
"humble Servant
"Mornington"

Dublin
March 19.th 1783

Free Member admitted

John Chamney Jun.r Esq.r is admitted a free Member by Birth on paying the Usual Fine and Fees and taking the usual Oath

idem

William Alexander Shaw of Drogheda Gent.n is admitted a free Member by Special Favour on paying the Fine of 20/ with the Usual Fees and taking the usual Oath

Jn.o Elliotts Petition for Freedom referred to a Jury

The Petition of John Elliott of the City of Dublin Taylor for Freedom by Service is referred to a Jury to try the Merits agreeable to the Bye Laws of this Corporation

2 Widows admitted to St Johns poorhouse

Alice Eaton and Martha Baggs Widows are admitted into St Johns poor House

Ordered that the following Persons be paid the following Sums to their Names respectively annexed out of the Rents of the Commons for one Year commencing at Mich.s last and Ending at Mich.s next

Pensioners on Commons List

Proctors St Jn.o Poor House for Juryes of the Commons	£8
Hannah M.Dowell	4
Widow of Jn.o Collier	3
Widow of Jas Quash	3
D.o for her Son John	2
Mary.t Cain	3
Jane Blith	2
Ann Shortelle	1-18-8
Widow of Fairfax Ennis	4
Dorothy Robinson	2-12-9
Widow of Jn.o Moffitt	2
Widow of Jn.o Fitzgerald	2-10
Rich.d Ennis's Child Eliz.th	3
Widow of Leonard Shortelle	2
Widow of Jn.o M.cKinzey	3
Adam Johnsons Wife & Child.n	3
Ann Simpson Widow	4
Widow of Jn.o Holland	3
Widow of Jn.o Woodhouse	2-10
Widow of Ben: Rencher	3
Widow of Geo: Evans	3
Widow of Rob.t Hatchet	3
Widow of Thos Collier	3
Widow of Chas Evans	4
	£74-11-5

Mary Humphreys	£2
Edw.d Purcell	2
Sus.a Lyster Widow	2
Eliz.th Donaldson Widow	3
Edw.d Brookes's Children	3-10
Eliz.th Rencher Widow	4
Mary Roe	2
Widow of David Kearns	1
Jn.o Newitt	3
Wm Marshall	1-10
Jn.o Parkinson	4
Elinor Elwood Widow	2
Hester Rogers Widow	3
Jane Austin Widow	4
Zachariah Rencher	2
	39
	74-11-5
Total	£113-11-5

Ordered that £6-10- being the 9 Years Rent Due last Michaelmas out of Priors Park at Killiheer bequeathed by the late Alderman Leigh be rec.d from the Tenants and paid by the Receivers of the Commons Rents to the follow.g Persons Viz.t

Widow Blackburne	£3-5
John Staplehill	3-5
	£6-10

Aud.rs & Viewers to views the Ground adjoin.g the River Boyne between the Meat Market & Linnen Hall

Ordered that it be referred to the Auditors and Viewers to view the Ground adjoining the River Boyne between the Meat Market and the Linnen Hall and to enquire from the several Proprietors and Tenants thereof upon what terms they will sell to this Corporation so much of their respective Properties therein as will be Sufficient

Sufficient to make a fit and Convenient passage for the Accomodation of the publick (and that they Report their Opinion to next Assembly

Committee to distribute Meal to the Poor Bo.t from Ald.n Schoales

Alderman George Schoales having Acquainted this Assembly that he has Fifty Tons of Oatmeal which he will let the Corporation have at the Rate of Thirteen Pounds per Ton to be distributed for the Relief of the Poor of this Town The Corp.n do hereby Garantee the payment thereof to him And the follow.g Gent. are appointed a Committee to Superintend the distribution of the said Oatmeal to the Poor at Rate of 1/7½ p.r Stone, to Wit, Ald.n Jones, the Sheriffs, Ald.n Oliver Fairtlough Wm. Ald.n Van Homrigh Ald.n Roger Forde, M.r Geo: Evans, M.r John Fairtlough M.r Tho.s Chamney M.r Maurice Barlow and M.r William Acton

Resolved Nem.o Con.o that this Assembly receive this Mark of Alderman Schoales's attention to the distress of the Poor of this Town with the higest Esteem

The follow.g Denom.ons Set to

The Doors being opened the following Denomons of Landes and Tenements were pursuant to an Order of the last General Assembly Set up to Cant and let to the following Persons Viz.t

To Ald.n Roger Forde

One lot of Ground Cont.g about 38 Perches Situate on the East side of the old Corn Market Hill now called Duleek Street in Drogheda was Set to Ald.n Roger Forde for 99 Years from Easter last 1783 at the Yearly Rent of £4-6- one half thereof to be fined off at 10 Years purchase

To M.r Tho.s Winslow

One lot of Ground Cont.g about 21 Perches situate on the West side of the old Hill in Drogheda was set to M.r Tho.s Winslow for 99 Years from Easter 1783 at £3-11-½ ann. One Moiety to be Fined off 10 Years purchase

To Ald.n Wm. Gibbons

One lot of Ground with Tenements thereon Cont.g R. 3 P. 30 situate without Duleek Gate in the County of the Town of Drogheda on the West side the Road or Lane called Crooked Street was Set to Ald.n William Gibbons for 61 Years from Easter 1783 at the Yearly Rent of £10 One Moiety to be fined off at 14 Years purchase

N.B, The above Premises were demised by this Corp.n by Lease N.o 342 made to Ald.n Jno. Gilbert for 61 Years from Easter 1722 at 11s 0d ann.

Wm. Joce: Shaw Esq.r

One lot of Ground with Tenements & Gardens & Gardens situate without S.t Laurence Gate Cont.g 21 3/4 perches on the South side the Great Road leading to Green Hills was set to Wm. Joce: Shaw Esq.r for 61 Years from Mich.s 1785 at the yearly Rent of £3-4- One Moiety to be fined off at 14 Years purchase The Lane on the East to be Widened to 25 Feet

Ald.n Wm. Holmes

One lot of Ground or Park of Land cont.g R. 3 P. 38 situate without Duleek Gate near the Cowleys was Set to Ald.n William Holmes for 61 Years from Mich.s 1785 at the yearly Rent of £3- One Moiety to be fined off at 14 Years purchase

M.r Ja.s Metcalf

One lot of Ground with Tenem.ts thereon situate without West Gate on the East side of the Turnpike Road and West side of the Town Wall was Set to M.r James Metcalf for 61 Years from Mich.s 1785 at the Yearly Rent of £16-1- One Moiety thereof to be fined off at 14 Years purchase The Road or Passage of 30 feet Wide from the New Gate in Fair Street to the Turnpike Road to be Reserved and kept open for the use of the Publick

N.B, The last Ment.d 3 lots were demised by this Corp.n by Lease N.o 356 made to Ald.n Jno. Gilbert for 61 Years from Mich.s 1724 at the Yearly Rent of £0-15-6

Post Assembly Petitions

At a Post Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 16.th July 1783 Several Petitions were Read and disposed of

Gen.l Assembly

At a General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 18.th Day of July 1783

4 Freemen admitted

Henry Meade Ogle of Drogheda Esq.r Geo: Williams of the same Gent. Chas. Jones of Dublin Coachmaker and Tho.s Appleyard of Drogheda White Smith upon their several Petitions are admitted free by Birth on paying the usual Fine 10 Each & Fees and taking the Usual Oath

3 idem

William Dogherty of Drogheda Esq.r Walter Robinson of the same Shoemaker John M.c Clean of the same Gard.r are admitted free on paying 20 fine each and Robert Pollock of the same Merchant and Henry Irwine of the same Esq.r admitted free on paying £5 Fine each, on their Several Petitions and on paying Fees and taking the Usual Oath

Resolved

Freedom presented

Resolved unanimously that the Freedom of this Corporation be presented in a Tyat to the Revd Robert Cuthbert Curate of this Parish

idem

Resolved unanimously that the freedom of this Corporation be presented in a Tiat to John Godley of the City of Dublin Esqr

Freeman admitted

Richard Ludas of the City of Dublin Peruke Maher Granted his Freedom by Service on paying the usual Fine of 10s. with fees and taking the Usual Oath

Sealing Day

Monday the Eleventh day of August next is appointed a Sealing day for Corporation Leases

Pris.rs allowance for Bread augmented

Ordered that the Weekly allowance for Bread for the Crown Prisoners be Augmented from 1s. 1d. to 1s. 6d. p Week untill next General Assembly on account of the present Scarcity and dearness of Grain

Mr. Mayor & Mr. Elect to treat with Proprietor of Yard in Befsex well Lane for a Lease

Mr. Mayor and Mr. Mayor Elect are Requested to treat with the Proprietor or Tenant of the Yard in Befsex Well Lane West of the Mayoralty House for a Lease of said Yard on the best Terms they can obtain

Time til next Ass.y given to Aud.rs & Viewrs to report

Time untill next Assembly given to the Auditors and Viewers to Report relative to the Grounds between the New Market and Linnen Hall

A Shore thro West Street

Ordered that a Shore be made thro West Street under the direction of Mr. Mayor, Aldn Scholes Aldn Fairtlough and Mr. Brabazon and that they get such aid thereto from the Inhabitants as they can, the rest to be paid by this Corporation

sum Ordd to overs.rs of Road to Green Hills

Ordered that a further Sum not exceeding Twenty Guineas be paid to Aldn Oliver Fairtlough and Aldn Roger Forde Overseers for making the East part of the Road without Blind Gate leading to Green Hills

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Ordered that a Sum not exceeding Thirty Guins be paid to Aldn Roger Forde and Mr. John Fairtlough Overseers towards making the West part of the Road without Blind Gate leading to Green Hiles

A Lease to be Sealed from Mrs Pountney & her Daus of a House &c in West Street

Ordered that a Lease be accepted from Mrs Ann Pountney and Elizabeth her Daughter and executed under the Seal of this Corporation of the Dwelling House and Concerns on

On the South side of West Street lately Occupied by Christopher Tallon and his Under Tenants for the Term of 999 Years from 1st May last at the Yearly Rent of £75

An Alderman Elected

1783 July 25 This Day Henry Smith Esqr was Sworn an Alderman of this Corporation pursuant to his Election

Acts Compared

1783 September 29th The foregoing Acts of Assembly were Compared before us and Ordered to be Entered in the Assembly Book

Test.

Signed William Chefshire Mayor William Fairtlough and Samel Martin Sheriffs, William Meadlogle Hugh Montl Lyons, William Holmes John Achland & John Van Homrigh

Michaelmas Post Assembly held the

post Assembly

7th Day of October 1783 before John Van Homrigh Esqr Mayor Hampden Nicholson and James Scholes Esqrs Sheriffs the Aldermen being present

William Howard Disfranchised

Petitions

Several Petitions were read at this Assembly and referred to next General Assembly

Aldn Sydm Singleton resigned

Sydenham Singleton Esqr one of the Aldermen of this Corporation having signified his desire to resign his Office or place of Alderman and his Resignation thereof under his Hand and Seal being laid before and read at this Assembly, Ordered that the same be and is hereby Accepted

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Gen.l Assembly

At a General Assembly held before the said John Vanthomrigh Esq.r Mayor Hampden Nicholson and James Scholes Esq.rs Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the tenth day of October 1783.

2 Vacancys

2 Vacancys
Syd.m Singleton ..... Resigned
Wm Howard ..... disfranch.d

May.r Staple & Justice of the Peace

William Chefshire Esq.r late Mayor is Elected Mayor of the Staple and Justice of the Peace for the Ensuing Year and Sworn

Common Councilmen

Mess.rs William Fairtlough and Sam.l Martin late Sheriffs are Elected Common Council men and Sworn

Constables Staple

The said Mess.rs William Fairtlough and Samuel Martin are Elected Constables of the Staple for the Ensuing Year and Sworn

Coroners

And the said Mess.rs William Fairtlough and Samuel Martin are Elected Coroners for the Ensuing Year and Sworn

Mast.r Guild

Alderman John Jones is Elected Master of the Guild for the Ensuing Year

Wardens Guild

Mess.rs Geo: Armstrong and Robert Taylor are Elected Wardens of the Guild for the Ensuing Year

Treas.r

Alderman William Holmes is Elected Treas.r for the Ensuing Year

Officers

The Officers of the Sword and Mace and Marshal to continue during the pleasure of this Corporation

Water Customs

Ordered that the Water Customs of this Corporation be Collected the Ensuing by M.r John Fairtlough on the same terms they were Collected by him last year

Ord.d

Scavengers

Ordered that M.r Mayor be and he is hereby impow: ered to Contract with such persons as he shall think proper for Carrying away the Dirt and Soil of the Streets Lanes and Avenues of this Town for one Year from the 26.th day of October Inst

Corp.n accounts to be Settled

Ordered that the Accounts of this Corporation be made up by the Treas.r and Settled with M.r Mayor and Sheriffs and the Auditors and Viewers on or before the 22.d December next and that they Report the State thereof to next General Assembly

Aud.rs & Viewers

Alderman Geo: Scholes Ald.n Oliver Fairtlough Ald.n Lyons Ald.n Hardman Ald.n John Achland M.r Robert Wynne M.r Tho.s Wynne M.r John Fairtlough and M.r Geo: Evans are Elected Auditors and Viewers for the Ensuing Year

3 Surgeons 10 G.s a piece

Ordered that the Sum of Ten Guineas a piece be paid at the end of the present Year to Mess.rs Joseph Harpur William Cleaprm and James Petrie Surgeons for their Care and Attend.ce of the Poor of this Town that shall require their Assistance within the said Year the same to be allowed in the Treasurers Accounts

£20 to the Volunteers for Gun powder

Ordered that the Sum of Twenty Pounds be paid by the Treas.r for account of this Corporation to the Volunteer Association of this Town to buy Gun Powder and allowed in the Treasurers accounts

The thanks of this Assembly to Syd.m Singleton Esq.r

The Resignation of Sydenham Singleton Esq.r of his place and Office of Alderman of this Corporation being read at this Assembly, the same was accepted And it is Unanimously Resolved that the thanks of this Assembly be given to the said Sydenham Singleton for his Faithful and Honourable Discharge of the Duty of the sev.l Offices which he has filled in this Corporation

4 Freemen admitted

Burton Jandy and George Jandy both of Drogheda Esq.rs are admitted Free Members and William Henry Fleming of the same Merchant is admitted a free Merchant by Special favour and Leonard Shortell of the same Butcher is admitted a free Butcher by Birth on their respective Petitions to this Assembly upon their paying the usual Fines and Fees and taking the usual Oath

Freedom presented

Resolved unanimously that the Freedom of this Corporation be presented to the Rev.d Robert Sevins of the Town of Drogheda Clerke Rector of the Parish of Churchtown in the County of Louth in a Silver Gilt Box

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Louth County

Report of Committee relative to part Palace Ground belongg to Alds. Holmes, and a Stable in Laur. Street belongg to Hamp.n Nicholson

"The following Report relative to part of the Primates Palace Ground in St Laurence Street being layed before this Assly was Read and Agreed to and is as follows, to Wit "In pursuance of "the Order of a Special Assembly held on the 21st Inst. October "appointing us the Undersigned a Comittee to treat with William "Holmes and Hampden Nicholson Esq.r relative to the taking & "purchasing so much of that piece of Ground adjoining the Town "Wall part of the Ground on which the Primates Palace formerly "stood are of Opinion that the Sum of Sixteen Pounds Ster. should "bee paid bey the Year to William Holmes for that piece of Ground "to be the same number of Feet to the Rear that the said Ground "now Contains in Front to St Laurences Street he perfecting Leases "to the Corporation for such term as may remain of the Lease by "which he holds the same from the 29th September last with a Clause "to Renew the same to the Corporation so often as he may obtain a "Renewale of said Concerns — And we are of Opinion that the Stable "or House belonging to Hampden Nicholson Esq. is not necessary "to be purchased Given under our Hands this 22d October 1782 "Geo: Schoales, William Meade Ogle, Oliver Fairtlough "William Gibbons, Edward Hardman"

And it was further agreed by this Assembly that over and above the said Yearly Rent of £16 — this Corporation shall pay upon any Renewall one fifth fourth part of any additional Rent or any Fine that the said William Holmes shall pay for the whole of the premisses of which the above is a part held under the Lord Primate

£6 — for build.g a Gullet on the Road between Carntown & Listoke

Ordered that a Sum not exceeding £6 — for building and finishing a Gullet on the Road adjoining the Lands of Carntown and Listoke in this County be paid to Ald.r Jones when said Work shall be compleated

Houses & premes to be set

Ordered that a House with its Appurtenances on the South side of St John's Street demised by Lease N.o 355 to Ald.r John Godfrey dec.d for 61 Years from Michaelmas 1724 at 10 ℔ Ann be Surveyed and a Map made thereof and that said Premisses be Set next General Assembly by Cant for 99 Years from Mich.s 1785 when the present Lease will expire one half of the Rent to be Fined off 10 Years purchase

Causey of Magdellan Street

Ordered that Mr. Mayor be and he is hereby impowered to get the Causey of Magdellan Street Repaired

Ordered

Road from Blind Gate to Green Hills

Ordered that a further Sum of 30 Guineas be paid to Oliver Fairtlough Roger Forde and Edward Acton Overseers of the Eastermost part of the Road along the River Boyne from Blindgate to Green Hilles towards making good and embanking the said Road and in aid of the Money presented and raised off the County for the said Work, the Expenditure of said 30 Guineas to be accounted for upon Oath in like manner as Money raised by Presentment

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Ordered that a further Sum of 30 Guineas be paid to John Fairtlough Roger Forde and Edw.d Acton Overseers of the West part of the Road along the River Boyne from Blind Gate to Green Hilles towards making same and in aid of the former Grants and Presentments for said Work the expenditure thereof to be accounted for as above upon Oath

Ordered that the Seal of this Corporation be affixed to a Petition to be preferred to Parliament next Sessions for aid towards improving the Navigation of the River Boyne below the Bridge

2 Members added to the River Committee

Alderman John Ackland and Mr. John Chamney are added to the River Committee in the Room of Ald.n James Forde and Philip Donagh

Rec.rs Comons Rents & Proctors St Johns poor to Settle their accts

Ordered that the Receivers of the Rents of the Comons and Proctors of St Johns Poorhouse that have not settled their accounts do forthwith State and Settle them

North Quay Wall

Alderman Hardman is impowered to get the Wall of the North quay finished and to be Reimbursed the expence thereof

Road thro the Palace Ground

Alderman Hardman and Alderman John Achland are impowered to get the Road or Street thro the Palace Ground finished and to be Reimbursed the expence thereof

Waste Strand South Side Boyne

Resolved that if any person shall attempt to enclose or take in any part of the Waste Strand on the South side of the River Boyne to the Eastward of Messrs. Tandy and Bellinghams Malt Houses an Injunction shall be brought in the Name of this Corporation to prevent such unless the person or persons wanting to make same Covenant that he or they will range the intended inclosure in a Streight line with the Quay Walls of Mr. Jebbs and the said Messrs. Tandy and Bellinghams

Well on the Strand Road

Ordered that the Sum of £42 — 12 — 10 ℔ be paid to Mr. Thomas Mathews being the Cost of building and Covering a Well over the Springs on the Strand without Blind Gate and that same be allowed in the Treasurers Accounts

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The Doors being thrown open and Proclamation made

Gate Customs

The Gate Customs were set up to Cant for one Year from the 26th. October Inst. to the 26th. October next (1784) inclusive and same were Struck off to Alderman William Chefshire the highest bidder for £12..10 ℔ Week

Post Assembly

At a post Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 14th. Jan.y 1784

Alderman Elected

Henry Meade Ogle Esq.r is Elected an Alderman of this Corporation in the room of Sydenham Singleton Esq.r late an Alderman of the same resigned, pursuant to Notice

Gen.l Assembly

At a General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 16th. January 1784

Corporation Accounts Settled

The Mayor and Sheriffs and the Auditors and Viewers having pursuant to an Order of last General Assembly Settled the Treasurers Accounts for five Years Rents of this Corpn. to and for Easter and May last 1783 and the Gate and Water Customs to and for October last so far as the same came to the Treasurer's Hands, and the payments made by him for five Years to and for Michaelmas last, It appears to this Assembly that the Sum of £742..6..4 3/4 remains due and Owing by this Corporation to the Treas.r being the Ballance of said accounts The said Ballce is therefore allowed by this Assembly to be a Debt due and Owing to him by this Corporation and it is Ordered that he be paid Interest for the same from the first day of July last at the rate of 6 ℘ Cent and also for such Sum as he shall be in advance And it also appears by the said Accounts that there is an Arrear of Rents due to this Corporation amounting to £1008..4..4 and an Arrear of Gate Customs Amounting to £404..17..2 amounting in the whole to the Sum of £1413..1..6

Ordered that the Treas.r be and he is hereby required forthwith to take the most Speedy Method for Recovering and calling in the Arrears of Rent due to this Corporation

To be settled at Jan.y Annually

Ordered that the Treas.r do State the Accounts of this Corporation and lay the same before the General Assembly at January Annually for the Easter Rents preceding the Customs to October and the Disbursments to the Michs preceding

Resolved

Freedom presented

Resolved that the Freedom of this Corporation be presented to Graves Chamney of Plattin Esq.r in a Gold box by Mr. Mayor as a Mark of our respect for his attention to the Welfare of this Town

Free Member admitted

Marcus Teely of the Town of Drogheda Gent. upon his Petition is admitted a free Member of this Corporation by Special favour on the usual terms

Memorial from sev.l Non Freemen

A Memorial from several Non Freemen of this Town being layd before this Assembly praying to be exempted from the Tax of Water Customs It is thereupon Ordered that the Law Agent do prepare a Case upon the said Memorial with a Query How far the Corporation can consistent with their Charters comply with the Prayer thereof and that same be laid before the Recorder and such other Lawyer as he shall name for their Opinion

Quays and Slips

The Mayor and Sheriffs and River committee are requested to fix upon the most effectual Plan for lighting and Securing the Quays and Slips and to carry the same into Execution

Houses & premes ord.d to be Set

Ordered that two Houses with their Appurtenances on the West side of Shop Street at the Corner turning into Dyer Street now in the Tenure of Mr. Robert Pentland and also one House with the Appurtenances in Harps Lane wherein Abraham Eastwood formerly dwelt now held under a Lease made by this Corporation and the Proctors of St. Johns Poorhouse to Aldn. John Shepheard dec.d for 61 Years from Easter 1725 at the Yearly Rent of £1..10..— payable to this Corporation and 10/ Yearly Rent payable to said Proctors for said Poor be set by Cant next General Assembly for 99 Years from the Expiration of the present Lease which will end at Easter 1786 two thirds of the Rent for which the premes shall Set being the property of this Corporation a Moiety thereof is to be Fined off at 10 Years purchase and two Years Rent of the other third belonging to the said Poor to be paid as a Fine

The Doors being Opened, a House with its Appurtenances on the South side of St. John's Street belonging to this Corporation now in the Tenure of the Representatives of Alderman John Godfrey dec.d was Set up to Cant, and Set to Aldn. Oliver Fairtlough for 99 Years from Michs 1785 (when the present Lease will expire) at the Yearly Rent of £20..5:— One Moiety thereof thereof to be Fined off at 10 Years purchase, half said Fine to be paid down, the other half on the perfection of the Lease

1784 Aprie 21st

An Alderman Sworn

This Day Henry Meade Ogle Esquire was Sworn an Alderman of this Corporation pursuant ~~pursuant~~ to his Election last January post Afsembly

Common Councilman Sworn

Same day Edward Chefshire Esquire was Sworn a Common Council man of this corporation pursuant to his Election at October General Afsembly 1781.

Post Afsembly

At a post Afsembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 21st Aprie 1784

Jno Forbes Esqr excused from serving Mayor

John Forbes Esquire one of the Aldermen and Recorder of this Corporation being the neast Alderman in Succession to serue in the Office of Mayor and this Afsembly considering the difficultys and inconveniencies of his serving said Office and at the same time discharging the Office of Recorder and also of his attendg Parliament as Member for this County Do therefore resolve and it is agreed by this Afsembly that the said John Forbes be and he is hereby excused from serving the Office of Mayor on his paying a Fine of £100 to be applyed as the General Afsembly shall direct

Mayor Elect

Alderman Henry Smith is Elected to serue Mayor of this Corporation for the Ensuing Year from Michs day next according to the Rule of Succession

Genl Afsembly

At a General Afsembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 23d Aprie 1784

Sheriffs Elect

Robert Pollock Esqr is unanimously Elected to serue Sheriff of this Corporation for the Ensuing Year and Burton Sandy Esqr is also Elected to serue Sheriff of the same along with the said Robert Pollock for the Ensuing year from Michs day next

Ordered

Election Certified

Ordered that the Election of the Mayor and Sheriffs of this Corporation for the Ensuing Year be forthwith Certifyed to Government for their Approbation

Freedom presented

Resolved unanimously that the Freedom of this Corporation be presented in a Teat to William Smith of Barbaraville in the County of West Meath Esqr

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Resolved unanimously that the Freedom of this Corporation be presented in a Teat to William Knox of Beamore in the County of Meath Esqr

Committee to Consider the Petn of Tents Manimore

Aldermen William Meade Ogle Hardman Lyons Chefshire and Jones and Mefs. Sheriffs Nicholson and Scholes Harry Brabazon Henry Coddington Robert Taylor and John Regan are appointed a Committee to Consider and Report their Opinion to neast Genl Afsembly upon their several Petitions laid before this Afsembly from the Tenants of the Lands of Manninore

Free Member admitted

William Graves Chamney Esqr Son of John Chamney is admitted a Free Member by Birth on paying the usual Fine and Fees and taking the usual Oath

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Mr George M.Entegart Thos Moore Esqr and O Brien Bellingham Esqr were admitted free Members by Special favour on paying the usual Fine and Fees and taking the usual Oath

Ordered that the Sum of £38-13-2½ a Balle due Aldn Geo: Schoales on Account of Oatmeal delivered last Summer to the Committee for the Relief of the Poor of this Town be paid him by the Treas. for Account of this Corporation

Law Agent to sue for Rent & Arrears of Rent

Ordered that the Law Agent do proceed forthwith by Ejectment or otherwise for the Recovery of the Rent and Arrears of Rent due to this Corporation at Easter last and for Recovery of such other Debts as are due to this Corporation

Ordered that the follows persons be paid the Sums to their Names respectively annexed out of the Rents of the Commons for one Year commencing from Michs last and Ending at Michaelmas next

Proctors

South County Archives

Pensioners on Commons List

Proctors of St. Johns poor House for Furze of Comons	£8
Hannah Mc. Dowell	4
Widow of Jn.o Collier	3
Widow of Jas. Quash	3
Marg.t Cain	3
Jane Blyth	2
Ann Shortell	1-18-8
Widw of Fairfax Ennis	4
Dorothy Robinson	2-12-9
Widow of John Moffett	2
Widow of John Fitzgerald	2-10
Rich.d Ennis's Child Eliz.th	3
Widow of Leon.d Shortell	2
Widow of Jn.o Mc Kinzey	3
Adam Johnsons Wife and Children	3
Ann Simpson Widow	4
Widow of Jn.o Holland	3
Widw of Jn.o Woodhouse	2-10
	£ 56-11-5

Widow of Ben Rencher	£3
Widow of George Evans	3
Widow of Rob.t Hatchett	3
Widow of Thos Collier	3
Widow of Chas Evans	4
Mary Humphreys	2
Edw.d Purcell	2
Sus.a Lyster Widow	2
Eliz.th Donaldson Wid.w	3
Edw.d Brooke's's Children	3-10
Eliz.th Rencher Widow	4
Mary Roe	2
Widow of David Kearns	1
John Newit	3
Wm Marshall	1-10
Jn.o Parkinson	4
Eliz.th Ellwood Widow	2
Esther Rogers Widow	3
Jane Austin Widow	4
Zachariah Rencher	2
Jane Evans Widow	2
	£57
	56-11-5
	£113-11-5

Ordered that £6-10 being the Years Rent due last Mich.s out of Priors Park at Killineer bequeathed by the late Alderman Leigh be received from the Tenants and paid by the Receivers of the Commons Rents to the following persons Viz.t

Widow Blackburne	£3-5
John Staplehill	3-5

Proctors of St. Johns Poor house

Alderman Lyons and Mr. John Regan are appointed Proctors of St. Johns Poorhouse for three years from this Easter Assembly

Rec.rs Commons Rents

Alderman Holmes and Mr. John Chamney are appointed Receivers of the Commons Rents for three years from this Easter Assembly

Ordered

Gullet on the Road between the Lands of Carntown & Listoke

Ordered that the Sum of £13-4-10 being the amount of an Estimate for building an Arched Gullet over a Stream on the Road from Drogheda to Dundalk between the Lands of Carntown and Listoke within this County be paid to the Rev.d John Gibson when the Work is effectually done

£5 to be paid Jas. Appleyard Regulator of the Watch

Ordered that Mr. Mayor be and he is hereby impowered to draw on the Treas.r for the Sum of £5 to be paid James Appleyard, Regulator of the Watchmen upon his settling his account of the Watch Cess satisfactorily

The follow.g Denomons to be Set

Ordered that The following Tenements Lands and premisses be Set by Lease at the Tholsel on Monday the twelfth day of July next

A House with its Appurtenances on the South side of St. John's Street which was set up last General Assembly, to be Set up again agreeable to the terms before advertized, the taker on the late Sale having declined

A Park in the Yellow Batter Cont.g by Map a r p 5-3-17 Leased to Chas Byrne dec.d for 61 Years from Mich.s 1724 at the Yearly Rent of £1

A Park called Suck Smiths park without James's Gate Cont.g A R P 3-3-23.

The Thorney Park without Dulcek Gate Containing A R P 3-1-5

A Park near Cromwells Moate without James's Gate Containing A R 1-1

The said Parks to be set seperately for 61 Years from Mich.s 1785 One half the Rent to be fined off at 14 Years purchase

A Tenement and Garden without St. Laurence's Gate and adjoining thereto in the possession of the Assignee of Ald.n Edmund Schoales to be set for 61 Years from Easter 1789 half the Rent to be fined off at 14 Years purchase

One House and back side (now a Stable) formerly Roger Potts in Rotten Row

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One House (now a Yard) on the North side of James's Street bounded by Mr. Graves's Inheritance West North and East

N.B. the two last Denominations to be Set seperately for 99 Years from Michs 1785 one half of the Rent to be fined off at 14 years purchase

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N.9. Two Houses with their Appurtenances on the West side of Shop Street at the Corner turning into Dyer Street now in the Tenure of Mr. Robert Pentland; And also

N.10 A House in Harps Lane in the possession of the Representatives of Aldn. John Shepheard decd.

N.B. Two thirds of the two last mentd lots belong to the Corporation, a Moiety of their two thirds of the Rent is to be fined off at 10 Years purchase and two Years Rent of the other 1/3 belong'g to St. Johns Poorhouse is to be paid as a Fine to the Proctors, Each of said two lots to be Set seperately for 99 Years from Easter 1786

N.11 All that parcel of Land without Duleek Gate on the East side the Road to Baymore called the Eighth lot of the Lands called the Cowleys or South Commons Containing 5a-2r-4p now in the Tenure of Graves Chamney Esqr. & his Under Tenants And also

N.12 All those three Several parcels of Land without said last mentioned Gate being the third 6th and seventh lots of the said Lands called the Cowleys or South Commons Cont.g 13a-3r-10p in possession of Aldn. Oliver Fairtlough William the last mentioned lots N. 11 & 12 to be Set for 61 Years from Easter 1786 and a Fine of 2 Years Rent to be paid at the time of Sale

Genl. Assembly

At a Special Genl. Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 16th day of June 1784

Houses and premes in West Street to be Set

Mr. Mayor and Sheriffs and the auditors and Viewers are impowered by this Assembly to set in Lots the House and premisses on the South side of West Street which

Which this Corporation lately took from Mrs. Poumney and her Daus to such person or persons and on such terms as they shall deem most Eligible for this Corporation

1784

July 12th The following Denominations of Houses Tenements and Lands were this day Set by Cant at the Tholsee pursuant to an Order of last General Assembly and an Advertisement published for that purpose that is to say

Houses Tenem.ts & Lands Set to

N.1 One House with its Appurtenances on the South side of St. John's Street in the possession of the Representatives of Aldn. John Godfrey dec.d Set to Mr. Geo: Evans for 99 Years from Michs 1785 at the Yearly Rent of £19 one half to be fined off at 10 Years purchase

Mr. Geo: Evans

N.2 One House and premisses formerly Roger Potts in Rolten Row, Set to Graves Chamney Esq.r for 99 Years from Michs 1785 at the Yearly Rent of £5 half to be fined off at 10 years purchase

Graves Chamney Esq.r

N.3 A Lot of Ground on the North side of St. James's Street (formerly a House late Nugents) Set to Graves Chamney Esq.r for 99 Years from Michs 1785 at the Yearly Rent of £1-6 half to be fined off at 10 Years purchase

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N.4 A Park in the Yellow Batter without Sundays Gate Cont.g 5a-3r-17p Leased to Chas. Byrne dec.d Set to Aldn. William Holmes for 61 Years from Michs 1785 at the Yearly Rent of £3 p.r acre, half to be fined off at 14 Years purchase

Aldn. Wm. Holmes

N.5 A Park called the Thorney Park without Duleek Gate Cont.g 3a-1r-5p Set to Graves Chamney Esq.r for 61 Years from Michs 1785 at the Yearly Rent of £3 p.r acre half to be fined off at 14 Years purchase

Graves Chamney Esq.r

N.6 A Park called Such Smiths Park without James's Gate Cont.g 3a-3r-23p Set to Mr. Isaac Norman for 61 Years from Michs 1785 at the Yearly Rent of £3-11 p.r acre half to be Fined off at 14 Years purchase

Mr. Isaac Norman

N.7

Edw.d Cheshire Esq.r

No.7 — A Park near Cromwells Mount without St. James's Gate Cont.g 1a. 1r. 0p. Set to Edw.d Cheshire Esq.r for 61 Years from Mich.s 1785 at the Yearly Rent of £4-12- Pacre half to be Fined off at 14 Years purchase

Graves Chamney Esq.r

No.8 — A Tenement and Garden without St. Laurences Gate Set to Graves Chamney Esq.r for 61 Years from Easter 1786 at the Yearly Rent of £2-10- half to be Fined off at 14 Years purchase — N.B. The Roads on the North East and South sides of this Denomination are to be forthwith widened Agreeable to a Map lately made thereof

Mr. Rob.t Pentland

No.9 — Two Houses with their Appurtenances on the West side of Shop Street at the Corner turning into Dyer Street now in the Tenure of Mr. Robert Pentland Set to said Robert Pentland for 99 Years from Easter 1786 at the Yearly Rent of £30 — N.B. One third of these Houses belong to the Poor of St. John, the other 2/3 to the Corporation half the Rent of the Corporation 2/3 to be Fined off at 10 Years purchase and 2 Years Rent of the Poors 1/3 to be paid to the Proctors of that Charity as a Fine

Graves Chamney Esq.r

No.10 A House in Harps Lane in the possession of the Representatives of Ald.n William Shephead dec.d Set to Graves Chamney Esq.r for 99 Years from Easter 1786 at the Yearly Rent of £2-15- N.B. This Denomination belongs 2/3 to the Corporation and 1/3 to the Poor of St. Johns, and the Rent of the Corp.n part is to be Fined off and two years Rent of the Poors part paid as above

Mr. Miles Chester

No.11 — All that parcel of Land without Duleek Gate on the East side of the Road to Baymore called the 8.th lot of the Lands called the Cowleys or South Commons Contain.g 5a. 2r. 4p. now in the Tenure of Graves Chamney Esq.r Set to Mr. Miles Chester for 61 Years from Easter 1786 at the Yearly Rent of £3-5- Pacre and two years Rent Fine

Ald.n Olivier Fairtlough Wm.

No.12 — All those three several parcels of Land without said last mentioned Gate being the 3.d 6.th and 7.th lots of the said Lands called the Cowleys or South Commons in the possession of Ald.n Olivier Fairtlough William for 61 Years from Easter 1786 at the Yearly Rent of £2-18- Pacre and two Years Rent Fine

At

Post Afs.ly

At a post Assembly held before the said Mayr. and Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 14 July 1784

Petitions

Several Petitions and Memorials laid before this Assembly were read and disposed of

Gen.l Assembly

At a General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 16.th Day of July 1784

Wm Meade Ogle Esq.r Petition for a new Lease

Upon the Petition of William Meade Ogle Esq.r Setting forth that he is in possession in his own right of Four Small Crofts of Land lying near Blackbush in the Liberties of Drogheda Containing by new Survey 6a. 3r. 9p. by Virtue of a Lease from this Corporation to John Godfrey Merchant for 61 Years from Mich.s 1723 at the Yearly Rent of £0-13-4d that said Lease is within the Rules for Renewing and praying a new Lease and so forth Which Petition being read to the Auditors and Viewers and their report thereon being now read It is thereupon Ordered that the said William Meade Ogle be and he is hereby Granted a new Lease of the said premisses for 61 Years from Easter last at the Yearly Rent of £6-15- and £6-15- Fine the old Lease to be Surrendered and Maps of the premisses annexed to the new Leases

Granted

Mr. Jos. Sandeford's Petition for a new Lease

Upon the Petition of James Sandeford Setting forth that he is in possession in his own right of All those two Parkes or parcels of Land lying on the North side of the Town of Drogheda, one lying between Mamimore and the Twenty's called Brides Park Cont.g 4a. 2r. 14p. the other lying in the Green Batter Cont.g 7a. — by Lease made by this Corporation to John Byrne late an Alderman of the same dec.d for 61 Years from Easter 1725 at the Yearly Rent of £1-10- and that the said Lease is near expiring and within the Rules of this Corporation for Renewing and praying a new Lease thereof and so forth Which Petition being Referred to the Auditors and Viewers and their report thereon being read to this Assembly It is thereupon Ordered that the said Petitioner be and he is hereby Granted a new Lease of the said Premisses for 61 Years from Easter last at the Yearly Rent of £11-10- on paying £11-10- Fine on his Surrendering the old Lease — Maps to be annexed to the new Leases

Granted

Free Member admitted

Robert Shaw of Drogheda Esq.r upon his Petition is admitted a free Member by Special favour on the usual Terms

Resolved

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Freedom presented

Resolved unanimously that the freedom of this Corporation be presented in a Fiat to the Revd Richard Murray Doctor in Divinity Vice Provost of Trinity College Dublin

River Committee to Examine the Bridge

The Gentlemen of the River Committee are requested by this Assembly to examine carefully the Bridge and to cause every necessary Repair to be forthwith made thereon

Mem.o of Patk M Gauran

Mr. Patrick M.Gauran Merchr upon his Memorial is Granted by this Assembly the Duties of Water Customs that shall become due to this Corporation upon his own Goods and Merchandize to be imported or Exported into this Port for the Ensuing Year upon his paying the Sum of £1-2-9 as and for a Composition in lieu thereof and making Oath before Mr. Mayor not to enter as his own the Goods or Merchandize of others to defraud this Corporation of their Customs

Lease of the old Crane surrendered

Ordered that the Lease to this Corporation of the Old Weigh House or Crane in West Street be Surrendered and given up to Aldn Oliver Fairtlough Willm and that a Deed of Surrender be perfected under the Corporation Seal

North Quay Walls

Ordered that the Sum of £14-11-8 be paid by the Treas.r for this Corporation to Aldn Edward Hardman which he advanced to Workmen and for Materials for Work at the North Quay Walls

Road without Blind Gate

Ordered that the Sum of £61-8-4 being the Amount of an Estimate laid before this Assembly by Mr. Thomas Mathews for Completing and making the Road without Blind Gate from the Strand Well to Green Hills be paid by the Treas.r for account of this Corporation when the Work is done

North 11th Lot Commons

Ordered that the 11th Lot of the North Commons Leased to John Sawhill lie Set by Cant at the Tholsel on Monday the 30th Day of August next for 61 Years from Easter 1786 — two years Rent to be paid as a Fine

Leases to be Sealed to the following Persons of the Houses Ground and Premises on the South side of West Street which this Corp.n lately took a Lease of from Mrs. [illegible] Pountney and her Daughters.

Mr.

Mr. Petr. M.Loughlin

Mr. Peter M.Loughlin for part thereof for 997 Years from 1st May last at the Yearly Rent of £50

Mr. Jas Bird

Mr. James Bird for part thereof for the like Term at the Yearly Rent of £3-8-3

Harr: Brabazon Esqr.

Harry Brabazon for part thereof for the like Term at the Yearly Rent of £15

Sealing Day

Monday the 6th day of September next is appointed a Sealing Day for Corporation Leases.

Bridget Delahoyd Widow

Ordered that the Sum of £22-15— be paid by the Treas.r for account of this Corporation to Mrs Bridget Delahoyd Widow Mother of the late Mr. Charles Delahoyd Surgeon as a Gratuity for his attendance at the Infirmary of this Town and his attention to poor Objects in his life time

11 Lot N. Commons Set

1784 Augt 30 This day the 11th Lot of the North Commons was Set to Math.s Moore by Cant being 5:2:5 at 40£ 3s Acre for 61 Years from Easter 1786 and two years rent fine

Acts Compared

1784 Septr 29th The foregoing Acts of Assembly were Compared before us and Ordered to be entered in the Assembly Book

Test.

John VanHomrigh Mayor
Hampden Nicholson } Sheriffs
James Scholes
Geo: Scholes
W. Meade Ogle
Roger Forde
Willm Gibbons
John Ackland
Wm Holmes

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Post Afs.ly

Michaelmas post Assembly held before Henry Smith Esq.r Mayor Robert Pollock & Burton Tandy Esq.rs Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 6th. October 1784

Vacancy

Wm Howard disfranch.d

Genl. Assembly

At a General Assembly held before the said Henry Smith Mayor Robert Pollock and Burton Tandy Esq.rs Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 8th Day of October 1784

Vacancy

Wm Howard Disfra.d

Mayor of the Staple

John Van Homrigh Esq.r late Mayor is elected Mayor of the Staple and Justice of the Peace for the ensuing Year and Sworn

Common Councilmen

Hampden Nicholson and James Scholes Esq.rs late Sheriffs are elected Common Councilmen & sworn

Constables of the Staple

The said Hampden Nicholson and James Scholes are elected Constables of the Staple for the ensuing Year & sworn

Coroners .....

The said Hampden Nicholson and James Scholes are elected Coroners and Sworn

Master of the Guild

Aldn Wm Chefshire is elected Master of the Guild for the ensuing Year

Wardens of the Guild

Messrs Wm Fairtlough and Sam.l Martin are Elected Wardens of the Guild for the Ensuing Year

Treas.r

Aldn Wm Holmes is elected Treasurer for the ensuing Year

Officers

The Officers of the Sword and Mace and Marshall to continue during the pleasure of this Corporation

Water Customs

Ordered that the Water Customs of this Corporation be Collected the ensuing Year by Mr John Fairtlough on the same terms they were Collected by him last Year

Ordered

Scavengers

Ordered that Mr. Mayor be and he is hereby impowered to Contract with such persons as he shall think proper for carrying away the dirt and Soil off the Streets and Lanes of this Town for one Year from the Twenty sixth Day of October Inst.

Auditors and Viewers

Aldn George Schoales, Alderman Oliver Fairtlough Aldn Lyons Aldn Hardman Aldn John Ashland Mr Robert Wynne, Mr Thomas Wynne Mr John Fairtlough and Mr George Evans are Elected Auditors and Viewers for the ensuing Year

Surgeons

Ordered the Sum of Ten Guineas a piece be paid at the end of the present Year to Messrs Joseph Harper Wm Cleaperm and James Petrie for their Care and attendance of the Poor of this Town that shall require their Assistance within the said Year the same to be allowed in the Treasurers Accounts

Gun Powder for Volunteers

Ordered that the Sum of Twenty Pounds be paid by the Treas.r for Account of this Corporation to the Volunteer Association of this Town to buy Gun Powder and allowed in the Treasurers Accounts

Petitions to be reported next Genl. Afs.ly

On the several Petitions under Orders of Reference and not yet reported time is enlarged for making Reports till next General Assembly

Lands to be Set

Ordered that the Auditors and Viewers and Proctors cause the premisses demised by Lease No. 354 to Aldn John Godfrey called four parcels of Land at Blackbush and part of St. James's Church Land situate on Meath side in the Liberty of Drogheda to be divided into Lots and that the same be set next July General Assembly for 61 Years from Michs 1785 One Moiety of the Rent of the undivided half of the premisses belonging to the Corporation to be fined off at 14 Years purchase, the other Moiety of said Rent belongs to the poor of St Johns and two Years Rent of their Moiety to be paid the Proctors of said poor as a Fine

Lands to be Set

Ordered that the Park called Suckfsmith's Park without James's Gate Contg 3. a. 3. r. 23. p. (which was Set the 12th July last to Mr Isaac Norman but who has since refused to pay the Fine and perfect Leases of the same) be reset next General Assembly for 61 Years from Michs 1785 half the Rent to be fined off at 14 Years purchase

Mr

Fruit Standings and Carr Stands to be removd.

Mr. Mayor and Sheriffs are requested to cause all Fruit and Meal Retailers to remove their Standings from the publick Streets and Bridge, and also the Stands of Carrs that ply for Hire from obstructing the Streets and to appoint proper Stations for them

a Shore from Blind Gate to the Boyne ...

Mr. Mayor and Mr. Sheriff Tandy are impow: ered to cause a Shore to be made from Blindgate to the Boyne at the Charge of the Corporation

Mr. Mayor to give Security for £1000 Granted by Parliam.t

Mr. Mayor is requested by this Assembly to enter into such Security as shall be required for the Sum of £1000 Granted by Parliam.t last Sessions for the improvement of the River Boyne from the Bridge of Drogheda to the Sea, in order that the said Sum be paid into the hands of William Meade Ogle Esq.r as Treasurer to the Committee appointed for the expenditure thereof and for the like Sum Granted for the said work in 1781 and this Corpn. will indemnify Mr. Mayor for such Security

£12-5-6 to be pd. the Sheriffs for transporting 3 Convicts .....

Ordered that the Sum of £12-5-6 expended by the late Sheriffs for transmitting to Dublin and transporting from thence to America three Convicts be paid them by the Treas.r for account of this Corporation

two Freemen admitted

Arthur Jones Carpenter and Henry Williams Gent.n both of Drogheda upon their Petitions are admitted free Members by Birth on the Usual Terms

Liberty to Mr. Edward Cheshire to erect a Ferry from the Hyde Market to Balls Grove .....

Mr. Edward Cheshire upon his Petition is Granted liberty to erect a Ferry for Passengers and Goods not subject to Town Custom from the Hyde Market to the opposite Shore at Ball's Grove across the River Boyne for three Years from this Assembly at 1/ per annum

Gate Customs Set

The Doors being opened the Gate Customs were Set up to Cant for one Year from the 26.th October Inst.t to the 26.th October next (1785) inclusive and the same were Struck off to Alder.n Wm. Cheshire the highest bidder for £12-1-0 p. Week

Spec.l General Assembly

At a Special General Assembly Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Alder.n and Common Council being present the 13 Dec.r 1784

Treas.r to the River Committee his Acco.t Stated

The Account of the expenditure of the Sum of £1000 grant.d by Parliament Session 1781 for the improvement of the Navigation of the River Boyne from the Bridge of Drogheda to the Sea having been laid before this Assembly thro' the hands of the Town Clerke by William Meade Ogle Esq.r Treas.r for the said Works as settled by him before the same; The said being £23-5-2 is brought

General Assembly held before Wm Cheshire mayor 11th October 1782.

John Forbes Esq. Recorder is added to the Committee of Works to superintend the expenditure of the Money granted by Parliament last Session for improving the Navigation of the River Boyne below the Bridge of this Town.

13th January 1783

John Van Homrigh John Forbes and Henry Smith Esqrs are elected Aldermen of this Corporation in the room of Wm Ogle, Wm Coddington & Wm Norman late three Aldermen of the same deceased pursuant to Notice duly posted for that purpose

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Post Assembly

At a Post Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 12.th Jan.y 1785

Petitions

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Town Cltke to execute a discharge for £1000 granted for the River Boyne

Ordered that the Town Clerke do execute a discharge for the Sum of £1000 granted by Parliament in the Session of 1783 for the improvement of the River Boyne from the Bridge of Drogheda to the Sea and to affix the Seal of this Corporation thereto

River Committee continued

Ordered that the Committee appointed to superintend the expenditure of £1000 Granted by Parliament in the Session of 1781 be continued for the like purpose for the like Sum of £1000 Granted by Parliament in 1783 and also for such other Sum as shall be hereafter granted for improving the Navigation of the River Boyne subject to the Controul of this Corporation

Pet.n to Parliam.t to be prepared for aid for improvem.t of the River Boyne

Ordered that a Petition to Parliament for further aid for improving the Navigation of the River Boyne from the Bridge of Drogheda to the Sea be prepared by the Town Clerke and laid before next General Assembly for approbation thereof

Post Assembly

At a Post Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 12.th Jan.ry 1785

Petitions

Several Petitions were read and disposed of some were referred to next General Assembly

At

General Assembly

At a General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 14th Inst. 1785

Resignation of Jno. Jebb Esqr. of Offie of Aldn

The Resignation of John Jebb Esqr. under his Hand and Seal bearing date the 2d day of October last of his place and Offie of Alderman of this Corporation being laid before this Assembly It is thereupon Ordered that the same be and is hereby accepted

a Freeman admitted

The Revd. John Marshall of the Town of Drogheda Clk upon his Petition is admitted a free Member by Speciae favour on the usual Terms

Resolved unanimously that the Freedom of this Corporation be presented in Tyats to the undernamed persons Viz.t

Freedom presented in Tyats ---

Ralph Smith of the Town of Drogheda Esqr.
Wm Caldbeck Esqr. one of His Majestys Coll. at Law
Richard Sheridan Esqr. one of His Majestys Coll. at Law
Thos Trotter of Dulek in the Cty of Meath Esqr.
Wm Brabazon of Rath in the County Louth Esqr.

The Committee appointed last Easter Genl Assembly to consider and report their Opinion upon the several Petitions of Thomas Chefshire Thomas Wynne Ann Martin George Schoales Henry Leland James Forde Wm Chefshire Revd Joseph Fairtlough Edwd Chefshire and Richard Cooper Esqr Tenants to this Corpn for the Lands of Manninore having laid before this Assembly their report and Opinion upon the said Petitions - It is thereupon Ordered and Agreed to by this Assembly that the said report be and the same is hereby Agreed unto and ordered to be carryed into Execution on the part of this Corpn and that the said report be entered amongst the Acts of this Assembly and is as follows (that is to say)

Report of the Committee on the Petitions of the Tenants to the Lands of Manninore

The

"The Committee to whom the Petitions of the several "Tenants of the Lands of Manninore were referred having met pursuant "to the order of this Assembly are of Opinion that the said Lands are Let "considerably above their real Value, In order therefore to relieve your "Petitioners from any losses they may have sustained and at the same "time to prevent such arrears appearing upon the accounts of this "Corporation We do recommend that new Leases for 99 Years to "Commence from Easter 1784 shall be granted to such of your Petitioners "who shall on or before the first day of May next pay off all Rent and arrears "of Rent due out of their respective Holdings at Easter 1784 aforesaid "with liberty to Sine off one half of their present Rent at Eight Years "purchase or to have an abatement of 20 p.ct of the Rent which "they now pay, all which is Submitted to your Worships Consid: "eration this 10th Jan.y 1785 Signed "Wm Meade Ogle, "Hu. Mont. Lyons, Robert Taylor, James Scholes, "Jno. Regan, Harry Brabazon, Henry Coddington"

John Forbes Esqr. James Barlow & Zachariah Williams Gent. having entered into Recognizance in His Majestys Court of Exchqr. for the faithfull expenditure of and duly accounting for (before the Commissioners of Imprest Accounts) the Sum of One One thousand Pounds granted by Parliament Session 1783 to this Corporation for the improvement of the Navigation of the River Boyne from the Bridge of Drogheda to the Sea Resolved that this Corporation do hereby engage to indemnify the said John Forbes James Barlow and Zachariah Williams and each of them for all Costs Charges and Expences whatsoever which they or any of them shall be put to in consequence of entering into the said Recognizance and to pay such fees and other Expences as they shall be charged for taking off the same

Yard adjoining the Mayoralty House surrendered to Thos. Matthews

Ordered that the Rent due to Mr Thomas Matthews for a Yard adjoining the Mayoralty House be paid him and that the possession thereof be given up to him This Corporation having no further Occasion for it

Petn to Parliam.t for Aid

Ordered that a Petition to Parliament for further Aid for improving the Navigation of the River Boyne below the Bridge be prepared and Sealed from this Corporation

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Treas.r Acco.ts Stated & Settled

The Treasurer having settled the accounts of this Corp.n on the 7.th of Jan.ry Inst. before the Mayor and Sheriffs, the late Mayor and the Auditors and Viewers for the Easter & May Rents 1784 and the payments to Mich.s 1784 there appears to be a Ballance of £1472-12-4½ due to him by this Corporation thereon And the following is their attestation at the foot of the said Accounts (that is to say)

"The foregoing accounts were examined and settled by us "this Day and the Vouchers thereof Compared and Viewed "And we find the same just and true and that there is a "Ballance thereon due by the Corporation to the Treasurer "of One thousand four hundred and seventy two Pounds "twelve Shillings and four pence halfpenny Errors "Excepted Drogheda the 7.th Jan.ry 1785 "Signed" Henry Smith Mayor. John Van Homrigh M.S. Robert Pollock, Burton Tandy Sheriffs Hu. Mont.e Lyons, Geo. Schoales, Rob.t Wynne John Fairtlough, Thos. Wynne, Geo. Evans Auditors and Viewers

Suckfsmiths Park Set to Mr. Geo: Evans

The Park without Duleek Gate called Suckfsmiths Park Containing 3.a 3.r 23.p was let up and let to Mr George Evans for 61 Years from Mich.s 1785 at the yearly Rent of £2-12-4 Sterl.g per Ave, One Moiety to be fined off at 14 Years purchase, One half thereof to be paid down, the other half on the perfection of the Lease

Special Gen.l Assembly

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 19 Jan.ry 1785

Ald.n William Chefshire having Memorialed the last General Assembly setting forth

Mem.l of Ald.n Wm Chefshire to Surrender Lease of part of Mannimore

forth that his Grand Father Father, and he have rented the Gate Customs upwards of Fifty three Years past save only four or five Years that for the last three Years from the great Scarcity of Grain the said Customs decreased considerably and did not produce him near so much as he had contracted to pay, That the Memorialist is now in possession in his own Right of part of the Lands of Mannimore taken from this Corp.n for which his Father paid a Fine of £646-18-4 That his said Father expended a considerable Sum of Money in purchasing off the former Tenants and in improving the Lands And that the said Memorialist anxious to pay off the debt he owes this Corporation wishes to Surrender that Lease on such terms as shall be deemed reasonable Which Petition being referred to the Consideration of a Committee specially appointed to report their Opinion thereon, This Assembly was specially called to receive their Report which being now Read the same is as follows to Wit "The Committee to whom the within Memorial was referred having "taken the same into their Consideration are of Opinion that your "Memorialist upon discharging the Rent due upon the within premisses "to the Twenty ninth of September last and Surrendering the Lease made "by this Corporation shall be paid for the same the Sum of Seven "hundred and forty Pounds, all which We Submit to your Worships "Consideration this 14.th Day of January 1785 "Signed" "W.m Meade Ogle, Geo. Schoales, Hu. Mont. Lyons, Oliver "Fairtlough, Harry Brabazon, James Scholes, Geo. Evans, "John Regan, Rob.t Taylor, It is therefore ordered by this "Assembly that the said Memorialist be abated five Pounds Ster.g "apiece for each of his Bonds given for the Gate Customs for the three "last Years ended the 26.th day of October last

accepted & purch.d from him

and

Abatem.t made of arrear due by him for Gate Customs

Spec.l post Ass.bly

At a Special Post Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 14.th day of February 1785

Edw.d Chefshire Esq.r is elected an Alderman of this Corporation in the room of Wm Howe and late an Alderman of the same pursuant to Notice

Edw.d Chefshire Esq.r elected Ald.n

George

Alderman Elected

George Armstrong Esq.r is elected an Alderman of this Corporation in the room of John Jebb late an Alderman of the same pursuant to Notice

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& Sworn

April 2d George Armstrong Esq.r was this Day Sworn an Alderman of this Corporation pursuant to his Election

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1785 April 6th. Edward Chefshire Esq.r was this day Sworn an Alderman of this Corporation pursuant to his Election

Special po: Affs.g

At a Special Post Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 6th of April 1785

Petitions

Several Petitions were read and referred to next General Assembly

General Assembly

At a General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 8th April 1785

Aldn Hen: Meade Ogle excused serv.g as Mayr pay.g £ 100 fine

Henry Meade Ogle Esq.r one of the Aldermen of this Corporation was elected to serve Mayor for the ensuing Year from Michaelmas day next, But this Assembly considering the impracticability of his serving said Office and also of his attending Parliament as Representative of this County do unanimously at his Request Order and Agree that he the said Henry Meade Ogle be and he is hereby excused from serving the said Office of Mayor of this Corporation on his payg a fine of £100 to the Reas.r for the use of this Corpn which he has Consented to do at this Assembly

Mr

Comon Coun.n man elected & sworn

Mr. William Heapem was elected Common Council: Man for the Fraternity of Smiths of this Corporation in the Room of James Shortell deceased and being called in was sworn accordingly

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Mr. Francis Graham Fairtlough was Elected a Common Councilman for the Fraternity of Butchers of this Corporation in the room of John Shortell deceased and being called in was sworn accordingly

Mayor Elect

Aldn. Edward Chefshire was elected to serve Mayor of this Corporation for the ensuing Year from Michaelmas Day next

Sheriffs Elect

William Dogherty and Graves Chamney Esq.r were elected unanimously to serve Sheriffs of this Corpn for the ensuing Year from Michaelmas Day next

Clerk of Mayor & Sheriffs Elect

Ordered that the Election of the Mayor & Sheriffs for the next ensuing Year be forthwith Certified to Government for their approbation

Petns for Freedom to lye over for Consideration

Resolved unanimously that no person be from henceforth admitted free of this Corporation by Special favour on Petition or otherwise untill the application for such freedom lye over for Consideration untill the next General Quarterly Assembly after such application except when a Special General Assembly shall be called for the purpose of Conferring the freedom thereof on some distinguished or eminent Person or Persons.

Petn of Mr. John Bolton for a new Lease

Upon the Petition of Mr. John Bolton setting forth that he is in possession in his own Right of one House and Shop in Shop Street and also of one small Park without West Gate Contg two Acres by virtue of a Lease made by this Corporation to his Grand Mother Margaret Cope Widow of John Cope late an Alderman of the same deceased for the term of 61 Years from Easter 1726 at the Yearly Rent of £2..19.. That the House in Shop Street is ruinous and requires to be Rebuilt and that said Lease is within the Rules of this Corporation for renewing

And

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And praying a new Lease or Leases of said premisses
and so forth Which Petition being Referred to the Auditors
and Viewers and their Report thereon being read at this Assembly
It is therefore ordered that the said Petitioner be and he is
hereby granted a new Lease of the House and premisses
in Shop Street for 99 Years from Michaelmas next at
£5 .. p Ann. and £5 .. Fine on Surrendering the old
Lease and Covenanting to expend £200 on rebuilding
same within the three first Years under the penalty of
£300 And he is hereby Granted another new Lease
Granted of the said Park for 61 Years from Michaelmas next
at the Yearly Rent of £6 .. 16 .. 6 .. and £6 .. 16 .. 6 Fine
Maps of the premisses to be annexed to said new Leases

Ordered that the premisses being a parcell
of Land lying near Beamore without Dulcek Gate in p a r.
the liberty's of this Town Containing by Estimation 7 .. 0 .. 5
A parcel Land called Tims Hill ordered to be Set demised by Lease made by this Corporation to Thomas Gerrard
late an Alderman of the same deceased for 61 Years from Easter
1726 at the yearly Rent of One Pound five Shill.s and now
in the Tenure of Ald.n Edw.d Thefshire be surveyed and
Set by Cant next Easter General Assembly for 61 Years
to Commence from the Expiration of the present Lease which
will be at Easter 1787, One half of the Rent to be fined
off at 14 Years purchase

Wallop Brabazon Gent. Son of Mr.
a free Member admitted Harry Brabazon upon his Petition is admitted a free
Member of this Corporation by Birth by Birth on
the usual Terms

Upon the Memorial of Michael Richardson
Memorial of Mich.l Richardson Carpenter seting forth that he is Tenant to this Corporation
for premisses on the South side the Barrack Lane at
£11 .. 4 .. 9 p annum, that said Lane requires to be
Widened to at least 30 feet in the narrowest part and
and that he will give 10 feet or thereabouts off his said
Holding

Holding to be added to the Width of the Lane and will build
a Wall at his own expence and thereby make the said Lane spacious
and safe for the publick (it being at present narrow and dangerous)
upon this Corporation discharging him from an Arrear of £33 .. 14 .. 3 being
Granted 3 Year's Rent of said premisses due last Easter and Granting him a new
Lease of same for 99 Years at £5 .. p Ann. It is therefore Ordered
that his proposal be and the same is hereby accepted of and agreed to
by this Assembly provided he causes the Work to be Completely
finished before Michaelmas next

Ordered that the Sum of £3 .. be paid by the
£3 .. to be paid to Ark.d Malcolm for Gravel at Green hills Treasurer for account of this Corporation to Arch.d Malcom for the
damage done his Holding at Green Hills by digging and carrying
away Gravel for Repair of the Strand Road

Whereas Doubts have arisen of the propriety of the
present mode of Electing Aldermen and Sheriffs of this Corporation
for removal thereof It is Resolved and Ordained by
this Assembly that for the future the Common Council of this
Corporation shall at the usual time of Electing Sheriffs for this
Town and County nominate six Freemen as fit persons to serve in the
said Office of Sheriffs and shall return the Names and Additions
Rule to Elect Aldermen & Sheriffs of such persons so nominated by them to the Mayor Aldermen and
Sheriffs of this Corporation And the said Mayor Aldermen and
Sheriffs or the usual Quorum of them shall Elect two persons out of
the said six persons so returned to them who shall serve in the
said Office of Sheriff for the ensuing Year to be Computed from the
usual time of entering upon the said Office And in case any person
or persons shall die within the Year for which he or they shall be
elected to serve in the said Office of Sheriffs or shall within the time
aforesaid Resign or be removed from the said Office, then and in every
such Case and from time to time as often as such Vacancy shall happen
the Common Council of this Corporation or the usual Quorum of them
shall nominate three Freemen of said Corporation for every such
Vacancy and shall return the Names and Additions of such three
Persons to the Mayor Aldermen and Sheriffs of this Town, And
the said Mayor Aldermen and Sheriffs or the usual Quorum of
them

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them shall Elect one thereout to serve in the said Office during the time the person in whose Room he shall be Elected ought to have served And it is further resolved and Ordained by this Assembly that as often as any Alderman of this Corporation shall die resign or be removed from the Office or place of Alderman The Mayor Aldermen and Sheriffs or the usual Quorum of them shall within the legal time of filling such Vacancy nominate three persons from among such Members of the Common Council of this Corporation as have either served the Office of Sheriffs of this Town or after having been elected to serve said Office of Sheriff have been excused from serving said Office on condition of paying a Fine to this Corporation as fit persons to serve in the said Office or place of Alderman of this Corporation and shall return the Names and Additions of such three persons to the Common Council of this Corporation who shall elect one of the said three persons to be Alderman And the person so Elected by the said Common Council shall be the person to fill up such Vacancy and shall accordingly be Sworn into the said Office of Alderman provided always that no person or persons shall be eligible to be elected either to the Office of Alderman or Sheriff of this Corporation whose place of Residence from this Town be more than five Miles Distant

Sealing day

Monday the Sixth of June next is appointed a Sealing Day for Corporation Leases

Assembly adjourned to Monday the 11th. inst.

This General Quarterly Assembly adjourned to Monday the 11th April Inst. at Noon to be then held for the purpose of making a disposition of the Commons Rents for the ensuing Year

Genl. Quarterly Assembly

At a General Quarterly Assembly held pursuant to adjournment before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 11th Day of April 1785

Ordered that the undernamed persons be paid the following Sums to their Names respectively annexed out of the Rents of the Commons for one Year commencing from Michaelmas last and ending at Michaelmas next Viz.

Pensioners

	£	s	d
Proctors of St. Johns poorhouse for Teage of Commons		8	
Hannah M.Dowell		4	
Widow of John Collier		3	
Marg.t Cain		3	
Jane Blithe		2	
Ann Shortell		1	18 8
Widow of Fairfax Ennis		4	
Dorothy Robinson		2	12 9
Widow of John Moffit		2	
Widow of John Fitz Gerald		2	10
Richd Ennis's Child Elizabeth		3	
Widow of Leond Shortell		2	
Adam Johnson's Wife & Children		3	
Ann Simpson Widow		4	
Widow of John Holland		3	
Widow of John Woodhouse		3	
Widow of Geo. Evans		3	
Widow of Robt Hatchett		3	
Widow of Thomas Collier		3	
Mary Humphrys		2	
	£	62	1 5

	£	s	d
Edwd Purcell		2	
Susa Lyster Widow		2	
Elizth Donaldson Widow		3	
Edwd Brookes's Children		3	10
Elizth Rencher Widow		4	
Mary Roel		2	
Widow of Davd Kearns		1	
Jno Newitt		3	
Wm Marshall		1	10
Jno Parkinson		4	
Esther Rogers Widow		3	
Jane Austin Widow		4	
Zachariah Rencher		2	
Jane Evans Widow		2	
Wm Bagnall Son of Richd		2	
Ann Appleyard		1	10
Widow of James Shortell		3	
Marg.t Lamprey		2	
Widow of Wm M.Cartney		2	
Ann Humphreyson		4	
		51	10
	£	62	1 5
	£	113	11 5

Ordered that £6.10 being a Years Rent due last Michaelmas out of Priors Park at Killineer bequeathed by the late Aldn Leigh be received from the Tenants and paid by the Receivers of the Commons Rents to the following persons Viz.

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	£	s	d
Widow Blackburne		3	5
John Staplehill		3	5
	£	6	10

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Post Assembly

At a Post Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 13th July 1785

Justice of the Peace

Alderman John Marshall is elected a Justice of the Peace for the County of the Town of Drogheda in the Room of Alderman George Ackland dec.d and sworn

Petitions

Several Petitions were read and disposed of.

Gent. Assembly

At a General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 15th July 1785

Common Councilman elected and sworn

Upon the Petition of the Master Wardens and Fraternity of Carpenters Michael Richardson Carpenter a free Brother of said Fraternity (being Nominated and returned by them with two other Brothers thereof) is Elected a Common Councilman for said Fraternity in the Room of Thomas Richardson deceased and the said Michael Richardson was sent for and sworn accordingly

Memorial of William Meade Ogle Esq.r

Upon the Memorial of William Meade Ogle Esq.r setting forth that he is in possession of a Lease made by this Corporation to his Grand Father the late Ald.n James Meade of the Lands of Town Rath for 61 Years from Michaelmas 1724 at the Yearly Rent of £12-5-4 That a Deed of Trust was executed by the said James Meade whereby one fifth part of said Lands became the Property of the late Ald.n Francis Leigh and is now Richard Cooper Esq.r one other fifth part became the property of the late Ald.n Edw.d Hardman and is now possessed by his Son Alderman Edw.d Hardman one other fifth part is now possessed by John Leigh Esq.r one other fifth part is now the property of the Earl of Bective and the remaining other fifth part of

of the said Lands under the said Lease and Deed of Trust is now the property of the said Memorialist, who wishing to give this Assembly every information in his power has laid the said particulars before them that they may consider and determine upon what they think proper to be done in the premisses

Which Memorial being referred to the auditors and Viewers to report upon specially and their Report thereon being laid before this Assembly the same is as follows that is to say, "In pursuance "of your Worships Order of Reference made at the last General Ass.ly "we have reconsidered the Memorial of William Meade Ogle Esq. "hereunto annexed and we find that the premisses therein mentioned "were formerly demised by this Corporation by Lease Dated the 20th "November 1665 to Edward Martin dec.d then an Alderman of "this Corporation for 62 Years from Easter then last at the Yearly Rent "of £12-5-4 That said Leases and premisses afterwards became "Vested in Daniel Wallis of Liverpoole Merchant and that he by "Deed poll dated the 27th July 1710 in Consideration of £530 "Ster. Sold and Assigned his Interest therein to James Meade Alderman "who was Grand Father to Memorialist, That said James Meade by "Instrument in Writing Dated the 5th August 1710 did declare that "he was only entitled to one fifth part of said premisses and that the "remaining four fifths thereof were bought by him in Trust for the several "Persons in said Deed particularly mentioned That the said James "Meade on the fourteenth day of December 1724 when the Lease "made in 1665 was within two Years of Expiring in Consideration of the "Sum of £120 Ster. obtained a new Lease of the premisses therein mention: "ed from this Corporation for 61 Years from the Michaelmas then last at the Original "Rent of £12-5-4 Yearly and that he afterwards declared the like Trust "as before mentioned That upon the death of the said James Meade the "said premisses as to one fifth part became Vested in his Son Edward "Meade Alderman dec.d and that he the said Edward Meade by "Instrument under his hand bearing date the 1 March 1732 Set his "said fifth part of said premisses to Francis Leigh Esq.r deceased at the "Yearly Rent of £20 reserving all benefits of Renewals from this "Corporation to him the said Edward Meade of said fifth part of said Lands "And we find that the said fifth part of said Lands legally come to "and is vested in the Memorialist and that the said Edward Meade

Referred to the auds.rs & Viewers

Their Report thereon

in

"in his life time and the Memorialist since his decease
"have constantly received the Rent reserved by the Article of
"the 1 March 1732, That a Map has been made by Pat.
"Long of the said Lands of Town Rath the whole of which
"Contains 261 a. 1 r. 0 p. and that the Lease now in being
"thereof will expire at Michaelmas next; Upon the whole
"we think the Memorialist Wm Meade Ogle Esq.r entitled
"to a Renewale of One fifth part of said premisses according
"to the Usage of this Corporation — And we are of Opinion
"that a new Lease of said One fifth part of said Lands
"may be granted him from Michaelmas next for 61 Years
"at the Yearly Rent of 10/ an Acre for each Acre contained
"in said fifth part and one Years Rent by way of Fine
"All which We Submit to your Worships as our Report
"Given under our Hands this 13th July 1785
"Geo: Schoales, John Ackland, John Fairtrough,
"Geo: Evans, Hw: Mont: Lyons Auditors & Viewers

Whereupon it is ordered by this Assembly that the said Report be and the same is agreed to and Confirmed but this Assembly at the request of the said Memorialist do Consent and agree that his said fifth part of the said Lands of Town Rath instead of being Leased to him as above mentioned shall be put up to publick Cant on the 15th day of August next at the Tholsel and set to the highest bidder for 61 Years from Michaelmas next one half of the Yearly Rent to be fined off at 14 Years purchase and that the Money arising by such Fine be disposed of in the following manner — Viz.t £100 to be applied towards enlarg.g the Linnen Hall £150 to be applied towards rebuilding the Steeple of St Peters Church, £50 to be paid to the Widow of the late Rev. Pierce Gould and the remainder of said Fine if any to be disposed of in such manner as this Assembly shall hereafter direct

Granted

Upon

Petition of Thos Elliott for a new Lease

Upon the Petition of Mr Thomas Elliott Gent. setting forth that he is in possession in his own Right of a Garden lying without Saint Laurences Gate on the South side the Road leading to Green Hills in this County by virtue of a Lease made by this Corporation to his Father George Elliott dec.d for 61 Years from Easter 1727 at the Yearly Rent of £5 — That said Lease is within the Rules for Renewall and praying a new Lease thereof Which Petition being referred to the Auditors and Viewers and their report thereon with a Map of the premisses being laid before this Assembly It is thereupon ordered that the said Petitioner be and he is hereby granted a new Lease thereof for 61 Years from Michaelmas next at the Yearly Rent of £2 — and £2 — Fine on his Surrendering the present Lease and making Catherines Well Lane which lies on the East side said premisses 30 feet wide from North to South as marked and Set out by said Map

Granted

Petition of William Meade Ogle Esq.r for a new Lease

Upon the Petition of William Meade Ogle Alderman Setting forth that he is in possession in his own Right of one pair of old Walls and Garden on the old Corn Market hill called the Old Bell house by virtue of a Lease made by this Corporation to Henry Meade late an Alderman of the same dec.d for 61 Years from Easter 1725 at the Yearly Rent of one Shilling, that said Lease is within the Rules of Renewing and praying a new Lease thereof Which Petition being Referred to the Auditors and Viewers and their report thereon with a Map of the premisses being laid before this Assembly It is thereupon ordered that the said Petition be and he is hereby granted a new Lease of the said Premisses for 99 Years in case he builds Houses thereon of Lime and Stone and Slate same, if not then for 61 Years from Michaelmas next at the Yearly Rent of £2 — and £2 — fine on his Surrendering the present Lease

Granted

7 freemen adm.d

Samuel Adams Gent.n Thomas Rogers Gent.n John Edwards Esq.r and William Atkinson Gent.n are admitted free Members by Special favour, John Glover Stone Cutter is admitted a free Carpenter by Special favour and George Bruice Peruke Maker is admitted a free Taylor by special favour, and Joseph Holmes Gent.n is admitted a free Member by Birth on their several Petitions on their respectively paying the usual Fines and Fees and taking the usual Oath

Ordered

Lots N.o 4 & 5 of Town Rath to be Set.

Ordered that the Lots N.o 4 and 5 of the Town and Lands of Town Rath as Set out by a new Survey and Map made of said Town and Lands by Pat.k Long be Set by Cant at the Tholsel on Monday the 15.th of August next for 61 Years from Michaelmas next one half of the Rent to be fined off at 14 Year's purchase, a Moiety of such fine to be paid at the time of the Sale and the other Moiety thereof at the time of Executing the Leases

admitted to St. Johns Poor house

Elizabeth Elliott Widow upon her Petition is admitted into a Vacancy in St. John's poorhouse

30/ to be paid to Mary Collier an Orphan

Ordered that Mary Collier an Orphan of Thomas Collier's deceased be paid 30/ at Michaelmas next by the receivers of the Commons Rents being the half year's Pension that would then be due to her late Mother Elizabeth Collier who died a few Days ago

£20 to be paid to Mr. Trevor Williams Coll.r of the Cess

Ordered that the Sum of £20-9-6 be paid by the Treas.r for account of this Corporation to Mr. Trevor Williams Collector of the publick County Cess. being so much expended by him to Constables assisting him these nine Years past in gathering the publick Money

£18-15-4 to be paid John Glover for Hewn Stone

Ordered that the Sum of £18-15-4 be paid to John Glover Stone Cutter being for Hewn Stone for the footway in Peter Street

Mr. Jam.s Metcalf & Mr. Geo: M.Inlegart allowed to be p.d their Costs defend.g the Mayr. Offic.rs

Ordered that the Sum of £52-8-5 being Mr. James Metcalfs Bill of Costs and £26-7-4½ being Mr. George M.Enlegarts Bill of Costs in the Kings Bench in Trinity and Michaelmas Terms 1784 (defending the Mayor and Sheriffs &c. in the execution of their duty on proceedings in the Tholsel Court) be paid by the Treasurer to said Attorneys and allowed in his Accounts

£20 to be paid D.r Reilly for his attend.ce poor

Ordered that Doctor James Reilly be paid £20 for his past trouble and attendance on the poor and at the Infirmary of this Town, and it is also ordered that he and

Surgeon

£10 6/. to be p.d Surgeon Boen

Surgeon Boen be paid ten Guineas apiece from 1.st Jan.y next for their attendance and care of the Poor and at the Infirmary for the then ensuing Year along with Surgeons Harpur and Leapem

No freemen to bid for Houses &c. in Trust for any Pson disqualified

Resolved that in future no person whatever being a Member of this Corporation shall at any Auction or Cant of Lands Grounds or Houses belonging to the Corporation where the Right of bidding is confined to free Members take any Lease of such Lands Grounds or Houses in Trust for any person or persons not being free except in the case of Minors who may be entitled to their freedom and in Case any person or persons shall Violate this Resolution then he or they shall not only be disfranchised but the Lands Grounds and Houses by him or them so taken shall be put up again and set to the highest bidder. And that the following Oath shall if required be taken by any person or persons purchasing or taking Lands Grounds or Houses (that is to say) I. A. B. do make Oath that the Lands Grounds or Houses which I have this Day taken or purchased belonging to the Corporation of Drogheda were not taken or purchased by me in Trust for any person not being a free Member of the said Corporation or entitled to the same by Birth or Service

Aud.r & Viewer

William Jocelyn Shaw Esq.r is appointed an Auditor and Viewer in the Room of Mr. Robert Wynne deceased

Lands to be Set

The following Lots or parcels of Land called black Bush situate on Meath side in this County were put up to Cant pursuant to Notice and Set to the undernamed persons for 61 Years from Michaelmas next, One Moiety of the Rent of the undivided half of the Premisses belonging to the Corporation to be fined off at 14 years purchase and two years Rent of the other undivided half of the said premisses belonging to the poor of Saint John's to be paid as a Fine — half said Fines to be paid down, the other half at the time of the perfection of Leases — Viz.t

1.st Lot

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1st Lot Containing 6 a. 2 r. 26 p. Set to Mr. Samel Martin for Mr. George Evans at £2..11..— ℔ Ann.

Lands to be Sett

2d Lot Containing 1 a. 2 r. 30 p. Set to said Samuel for the said George Evans at £1..7..6 ℔ Ann.

3d Lot Containing 2 a. 2 r. 7 p. Set to Mr. Sheriff Burton Tandy at £1..16..6 ℔ Ann.

4th Lot Containing 11 a. 0 r. 30 p. Set to Aldn William Holmes at £2..5..6 ℔ Ann.

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idem

The following Lots of the Lands of Town Rath were this Day Set up to Cant pursuant to Order of last Assembly and Set for 61 Years from Michs next. O. S. one half of the Rent to be fined off at 14 Years purchase Viz.t

Lot No. 4 (called Lord Bective's Lot) Containg 54 a. 1 r. 0 p. was Set to Aldn Wm. Holmes the highest bidder at £1..3..— ℔ Ann. and Lot No. 5 (called Mr. Ogles Lot) Containing 52 a. 0 r. 20 p. was also Set to the said William Holmes the highest bidder at £1..4..— ℔ Ann. each for the above mentioned term and one half of said Rent to be fined off at 14 Years purchase

1785 Sept.r 29th

Acts compared

This Day the foregoing Acts of Assembly were compared before us and ordered to be entered in the Assembly Book

Henry Smith } Mayor
Rob.t Pollock } Sher.s
Burton Tandy }

At test.

Geo: Schoales
Wm. Holmes
Jn.o Ackland
Hu. M.y Lyons
E. M. Ogle

Post Assembly

Michaelmas Post Assembly held before Edward Chefshire Esq.r Mayor William Dogherty & Graves Chamney Esq.rs Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 5.th October 1785

One Vacancy in the Room of Aldn Geo: Ackland — Dead

Genl Assembly

At a general Assembly held before the said Edw.d Chefshire Mayor Wm. Dogherty & Graves Chamney Esq.r Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 7th day of October 1785

Vacancy

One Vacancy in the Room of Aldn Geo: Ackland — Dead

Mayr. of the Staple

Henry Smith Esq.r late Mayor is elected Mayor of the Staple and Justice of the Peace for the ensuing Year & Sworn

Constables of the Staple

Robert Pollock & Burton Tandy are elected Constables of the Staple for the ensuing Year and the said Burton Tandy was Sworn was Sworn

Coroners

The said Robert Pollock and Burton Tandy are elected Coroners for the ensuing Year and the said Burton Tandy was Sworn

Mastr of yr Guild

John Van Horrigh Esq.r is elected Master of the Guild for the ensuing Year

Wardens of yr Guild

Hampden Nicholson and James Scholes Esq.rs are elected Wardens of the Guild for the ensuing Year

Treasr

Aldn Wm. Holmes is elected Treasr for the ensuing Year

Officers

The Officers of the Sword and Mace & Marshal to continue during the pleasure of this Corporation

Water Customs

Ordered that the Water Customs of this Corpn be Collected the ensuing Year by Mr. John Fairtlough on the same terms on the same terms they were collected by him last Year

Scavengers

Ordered that Mr. Mayor be and he is hereby impowered to contract with or employ such persons as he shall think proper for cleansing and carrying away the Dirt & Soil of the Streets and Lanes of this Town for one Year from the 26th day of October instant

Ordered

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£437-1-: ℔
Fine of Lots No.5 of Town Rath applied to Buildg &c

Ordered at the instance of Wm Meade Ogle Esq. that the Fine arising out of the 5th lot of the Lands of Town Rath called Mr Ogles lot, being £437-1-: ℔ be paid & applied to the following publick Buildings & person that is to say £260 towards Building the Spire of Saint Peters Church £137-17 towards enlarging the Linnen Hall & £50 to Mrs Goold Widow of the late Revd Peare Goold dec.d

Petition of Alderman Edw.d Hardman for a new Lease

Upon the Petition of Alderman Edw.d Hardman Setting forth that he is in possession in his own Right of one fifth part of the Lands of Town Rath in the Liberties of Drogheda to James Meade Alderman deceased for 61 Years from Michs 1724 at £12-5-4 ℔ ann. that the Petitioner enjoys the fifth part of said Lands by virtue of a Declaration of Trust of the said James Meade perfected to Henry Singleton Esq.r dec.d Exor of Petitioners Grand Father Ald.n George Hardman dec.d and Guardian to his late Father Ald.n Edw.d Hardman dec.d who was a Minor at the time of the making of the said Lease That said Lease is expired or near so and praying a new Lease of the said one fifth part of said Lands and so forth Which Petition being referred to the Auditors & Viewers and their report thereon being read, It is thereupon ordered by this Assembly that the said Petitioner be and he is hereby granted a new Lease of the said one fifth part of the said Lands of Town Rath containing by a late Survey A. 54 - R. 2 - P. 12 for 61 Years from Michalmas last at the Yearly Rent of Twelve Shillings an Acre and one Years Rent fine — Maps to be annexed to the new Leases

Referred to the Aud.rs & Viewers

Granted

£24-18-4 to be paid Clke p.r sev.l Persons tryed & acquitted

Ordered that the Sum of £24-18-4 be paid by the Treas.r for account of this Corporation to the Clke of the Peace being his Fees on several persons tried & acquitted at the four last General Quarter Sessions of the Peace who were discharged without paying Fees pursuant to a late act of Parliament, by which Act the said Fees are directed to be levyed by presentm.t of the Grand Jury off the County but same were not so presented And it is also ordered by this Assembly that the Sum of Twenty Guineas be paid the Clke of the Peace annually in lieu of persons to be tried and acquitted and who shall be discharged without paying Fees pursuant to said Act of Parliament so long as the said Law shall continue in force

20 Gs to be p.d him annually in lieu of fees of persons tryed & acquitted

Ordered

£3-16-8 fees to be p.d the Goaler & 3 Gs to be p.d him annually

Ordered that the Sum of £3-16-8 be paid to the Goaler for Fees due him on persons tried and acquitted as before mentioned and that he be paid three Guineas a year in lieu of such fees during the continuance of the present Law for enlarging prisoners acquitted without paying Fees

Convicts transp.d

Ordered that the Sum of £10 be paid to the late Sheriffs being so much paid by them for transporting two Convicts

Spire of St Peters Church

Mr Mayor and Sheriffs and Alderman William Meade Ogle and Edward Hardman or any three of them are appointed a Committee to Contract with Mr Francis Johnston Architect for building of a Spire on the Steeple of St Peters Church agreeable to a plan & Estimate laid before and approved of by this Assembly & this Corporation is to indemnify them

Ald.n Marshall & Mr Hen.y Stewart Tents of Mannim.re

Alderman John Marshall & Mr Henry Stewart having Petitioned to be considered for the losses they were at as Tenants to this Corp.n for the Lots which they took and were Leased to them of the Lands of Mannimore, It is Ordered by this Assembly that they shall have a right untill May next to avail themselves of the same advantage that the other Tenants to said Lands have had under the late Order of Assembly made relative thereto

Chains for the Mayr & Sheriffs

Resolved unanimously that proper Chains to be Worn as badges of Office by the Mayor & Sheriffs of this Corporation be forthwith provided, the one for Mr Mayor not to exceed Twenty Guineas value, and those for the Sheriffs not to exceed Ten Guineas a piece

Deputy Clke of the Markett

Mr Mayor is requested to depute a proper person a Member of this Assembly to superintend such publick business as he shall direct as his Deputy Clerke of the Markcotts, and this Corporation will pay such person £40 a year

Reas.r Sallary

Ordered That the Treasurers Sallary of 50 Guineas a year be discontinued from January last and that in lieu thereof he be paid 5 ℔ Cent for receiving the Rents and other Revenues of this Corporation that shall come to his Hands, & he is hereby authorized and directed to take every legal Method for & on behalf of this Corporation to recover and enforce payment of all Debts now due or to become due to this Corporation, and if it shall appear that he shall neglect so to do he shall be Subject to all such Debts

Ordered

Time given to the Farm.r of Ithelgate Customs

Ordered that the present Farmer of the Gate Customs have time given him to pay the Debt he owes this Corporation, One half to be paid on the first of June next the other half on the first of Jan.ry 1787

£21..13..9 to be paid Tho.s M.cIntegart for Hewn Stone

Ordered that the Sum of £21..13..9 be paid Thomas M.cIntegart being so much due him for Hewn Stones delivered by him for the Quay Walls some time ago

Corn Markett

Ordered that Wm. Meade Ogle Esq.r Aldr Geo: Schoales Aldr Hardman Aldr Holmes Alderman Ackland and M.r Burton Tandy or any three of them be & they are hereby appointed a Committee to enquire into and consider of the Steps necessary to be taken in order to be put into Execution the clause contained in the last Corn Act for enabling this Corporation to purchase Ground for holding the Corn Markett of this Town & for issuing Summons's to the several Commissioners therein named for that purpose

M.r Mayr. to present the Speaker, House of Commons with the thanks of this Aff.ly

Resolved unanimously that the thanks of this Assembly be presented to the Right Honble. John Foster Speaker of the House of Commons for his particular Care of the Welfare of this Town and M.r Mayor is requested to present him therewith

3 freemen admitted

The Rev.d James Irwine Clk.e Wm. Cudworth Gent. and Alex.r Gill Peruke maker all of Drogheda upon their several Petitions were admitted Free members by special favor on the usual terms

Sealing day

The first Monday in November next is appointed a Sealing day for Corporation Leases

Gate Customs Set

The Doors being opened the Gate Customs were Set up to Cant as usual and were Set to M.r Wm. Fairtlough the highest bidder for one Year to commence from & after the 26 day of October inst. at £10..1 p.r Week

Post Assembly

At a Post Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 11.th of Jan.y 1786

The Notice for the Election of two Aldermen in the room of Geo: Ackland and John Marshal dec.d being read Ordered that the said Election be now proceeded on

several

Petitions

Several Petitions were read and disposed of

Justice of the Peace

Alderman Roger Ford is Elected a Justice of the Peace of this Corporation in the room of Ald.r John Marshal late dec.d

Gen.l Ass.ly

At a special General Assembly called and held by special appointm.t before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 13.th day of January 1786

Pet.n of Aldr Scholes for a new Lease

Upon the Petition of Alderman George Schoales seting forth that he is in possession in his own right of that part of the Lands of Macklam alias Heighlim belonging to this Corporation situate in the Barony of Atherdee County Louth containing A. R. P. 137 - 2 - 28 by virtue of a Lease made by this Corporation to the Recorder the late ~~Henry Singleton the late~~ Rt. Hontle Henry Singleton for the term of 61 years from Michs 1726 at the yearly Rent of £2 — payable to the Vicar of St. Peters Drogheda; which Lease is near expiring and within the Rules of this Corporation for Renewale And praying a new Lease thereof and so forth — Which Petition being referred to the Auditors and Viewers and their report thereon being now read, It is thereupon ordered by this Assembly that the said Petitioner be and he is hereby granted a new Lease of the said Lands for 61 Years from Michaelmas last, One Moety thereof at the Yearly Rent of Nine Shillings p.r Acre and the other Moety of the said Lands at the Yearly Rent of Eighteen Shillings p.r Acre one half of the last mentioned yearly Arrable Rent to be fined off at 14 years purchase on his Surrendering the old Lease, the Lands to be Surveyed and Maps to be made thereof and this Corporation hereafter to pay the Vicar of St. Peters Parish of this Town a Rent charge of two Pounds Yearly out of the said Lands which he anticently had and since the date of the old Lease received thereout

Referred to the Aud.rs and Viewers

Granted

Pet.n of Richard Cooper Esq.r for a new Lease

Upon the Petition of Richard Cooper Esq.r setting forth that the late Alderman Francis Leigh at the time of his Death was entitled to one fifth part of the Lands of Town Rath which the Petitioner is entitled to under his Will; That the Lease of said Lands expired last Michaelmas and praying a new Lease of said one fifth part of said Lands and so forth Which Petition being referred to the Auditors & Viewers and their report thereon being now read, It is thereupon ordered by this Assembly that the said Petitioner be & he is hereby granted a new Lease of the said one fifth part of the said Lands of Town Rath containing according to a late survey made thereof A. R. P. 50 - 2 - 25 for 61 Years from Michaelmas last at the Yearly Rent of Sixteen Shillings an Acre upon his fining off Six Shillings an Acre of said Rent at the Rate of 14 Years purchase

Referred to the Aud.rs & Viewers

Granted

upon

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Petition of John Leigh Esq.r for a new Lease

Upon the Petition of John Leigh Esq.r setting forth that he was entitled to one fifth part of the Lands of Town Rath the Lease of which expired at Michaelmas last and praying a new Lease of the said one fifth part of said Lands and soforth Which Petition being referred to the Audors and Viewers and their report thereon being now read, It is thereupon ordered by this Assembly that the said John Leigh be and he is hereby

Granted

granted a new Lease of the said one fifth part of the Lands of Town Rath containing according to a survey lately made A. R. P. thereof 49 - 2 - 15 for 61 Years from Michaelmas last at the yearly Rent of Sixteen Shillings an Acre on his fining off Six Shillings an Acre of said Acreable Rent at fourteen Years purchase

Treas.rs Accounts

The Treas.rs Accounts being laid before this Assembly and the Report of the Auditors and viewers thereon that there is a Ballance due by this Corporation to the Treas.r on said Account of Six hundred and four Pounds Eight Shillings & 11d.p the same is agreed to by this Assembly

Order 7.th Oct.r last rs respecting the Treas.rs Pounding rescinded

Ordered that the Resolution of the 7.th October last respecting the Treasurers poundage on receipt of the Rents & Revenues of this Corporation be rescinded

Treas.r

Resolved that the Sum of £56 - 17 - 6 be allowed the Treas.r for his extraordinary care and trouble in collecting the Revenues of this Corporation for the year ending the first of January inst.t and that for the future a Sum not exceeding 12.d in the Pound shall be paid him on receipt of the Rents and Customs of this Corporation

idem

Ordered that 12.d in the Pound be allowed the Treas.r on receiving the Rents and Customs of this Corporation for the year commencing the 1.st of January inst.t

Steeple of St. Peters Church

Ordered that the Committee appointed to agree with Mr. Johnston for erecting a Spire upon St. Peter's Church be impowered to make such improvements on the Steeple of said Church and in hanging the Bells as shall appear to them necessary

Mayor for the time being to be one of the River Committee

Ordered that Mr. Mayor for the time being be & he is hereby elected one of the Committee for improving the Navigation of the River Boyne from the Bridge of Drogheda to the sea in the room of the late Alderman Van Homrigh dec.d

Waste piece of North Commons to be Lett

Ordered that a waste piece of the Commons at the Green Batter containing A. R. P. 3 - 2 - 28 be set next Easter General Assembly for 61 years for the benefit of the Pensioners for the Commons Fund at 10 years Rent to be paid as a Fine, a proper Road to be first laid out thro' the same

Ordered

Field near Mannimore to be Set

Ordered that the Field near Mannimore containing by old Survey A. R. P. 3 - 1 - 30 being premisses demised by Lease No. 373 be surveyed and Set next Easter General Assembly for 61 years from Easter 1787, one half of the Rent to be fined off at 14 Years purchase

Sealing day

The first Monday after the 25.th of March next is appointed a Sealing day for Corporation Leases

Mayr Sheriffs with the Audrs & Viewers to consider the Revenues of the Corpn

Ordered that the Mayor and Sheriffs together with the Auditors and Viewers be appointed a Committee to enquire into the State of the Revenues of this Corporation and of the yearly expenditures thereof and to report if any and what retrenchments if any is or are necessary and whether any and what Sum or Sums can or may be appropriated out of the Water Customs towards improving the River Boyne and what Sum or Sums out of the Gate Customs can or ought to be applied towards erecting a Corn Market and finishing the Linnen Hall

Bye Law for Election of Aldermen and Sheriffs Rescinded

Resolved that the Bye Law relative to the election of Aldermen and Sheriffs of this Corporation passed on the 8.th of April last 1785 be rescinded Mr. Recorder having delivered it as his Opinion that an election pursuant to the Mode prescribed thereby could not be rendered legal - by any other means than by obtaining an Act of Parliament for that purpose

Surgeon Roche

Mr. Jordan Roche Surgeon is appointed to attend poor Objects of this Town and to be paid ten Guineas a year

Spec.l post Assembly

At a Special post Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 10.th of Feb.y 1786

Alderman elected

Maurice Barlow Esq.r is elected an Alderman of this Corporation in the room of Alderman Geo: Ackland dec.d

idem

William O Dogherty Esq.r is elected an Alderman of this Corporation in the room of Alderman John Marshal dec.d

idem

Graves Chamney Esq.r is elected an Alderman of this Corporation in the room of Alderman John Van Homrigh dec.d

Which

Aldn sworn

Which Elections were had pursuant to Notice duly posted And the said Maurice Barlow William O Dogherty & Graves Chamney were Sworn Aldermen of this Corpn accordingly

Easter post Afsly } Post Afsembly

At a Post Afsembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 26th of April 1786

Petitions

Several Petitions were read and disposed of

Genl Afsembly

At a General Afsembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 28th April 1786

Mayor Elect

Alderman George Armstrong is elected to serve Mayor of this Corporation for the ensuing Year from Michs day next

Sheriffs Elect

Ralph Smith & Joseph Holmes Esqrs are elected to serve Sheriffs of this Corpn for the ensuing Year from Michs day next

Cert. of Mayor & Sheriffs Elect

Ordered that the Election of the Mayor & Sheriffs for the ensuing Year be forthwith certified to Government for their approbation

Common Councilmen

Mr Robert Pollock one of the late Sheriffs was Sworn a Common Councilmen and also was sworn a Coroner for the ensuing Year

Mr Brownlows ans. on being presented his Freedom

Ordered that the following Answer of the Right Honourable Wm Brownlow to this Corporation on his being presented with his Freedom in a Gold Box on the 20th of Feby last pursuant pursuant to an order of Afsembly held the 13th of January last be entered amongst the Acts of this Afsembly and that the same be published

" To

" To the Worshipfull the Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses and Commons of the "County of the Town of Drogheda

" Gent,

" I am very sensible of the great Honour conferred on me by your "respectable Corporation, My only claim of Merit is an honest intention and and an earnest desire to serve the publick, you have been pleased to distinguish it by every flattering mark of your approbation

" I am indeed sorry that the degeneracy of the times leaves room "for such disting Was your example in the choice of Representatives "generally followed it could no longer Subsist

I have the Honour to be with great respect and Esteem your much Obliged and very faithfull Humble Servant

"Dublin 20th Feby 1786" "Wm Brownlow"

a free Taylor admitted

John Bagnall of Drogheda Linnen and Cotton Weaver upon his Petition is admitted a free Taylor by special favor on the usual terms

5 Widows admitd to the Poor House

Sarah Mc Fanlon Widow Elizabeth Byrne otherwise Fleming Widow Esther Rogers Widow and Ann Neile Widow upon their several Petitions are admitted into St Johns Poorhouse

Premisses in Dyer street to be Set

Ordered that the premes devised by this Corporation to Ann Heywood Widow by Lease No 383 being a House back side and Garden on the South side of Dyer Street for 61 Years from Easter 1727 at 18/ p ann be Surveyed and Set by Cant next General Afsembly for 99 Years from Easter 1788 one half of the Rent to be fined off at 10 years purchase

Pensioners

Ordered that the following persons be paid the Sums to their names respectively annexed out of the Rents of the Commons for one Year commencing from Michs last and ending at Michs next

Proctors

Pensioners

Proctors of St Johns poor House for Purge of Comons ... £8 ...

Hannah M.Dowell	4 —
Widow of John Collier	3 —
Mary Cain	3 —
Jane Blithe	2 —
Ann Shortelle	1 . 18 : 8
Widow of Fairfax Ennis	4 —
Dorothy Robinson	2 . 12 . 9
Widow of John Moffit	3 —
Widow of John Fitz Gerald	2 . 10
Richd Ennis's Child Elizabeth	3 —
Widow of Leonard Shortlee	2 —
Adm Solmstons Wife & Childn	3 —
Ann Simpson Widow	4 —
Widow of John Holland	3 —
Widow of John Woodhouse	3 —
Widow of Geo: Evans	3 —
Widow of Robt Hatchet	3 —
Mary Humphrys	2 —
Edw. Purcell	3 —
Sus.a Lyster Widow	2
Edw.d Brookes's Children	3 . 10 —
Elizth Rencher Widow	4
	£72 : 11 : 5

Mary Rose	£2 —
John Newitt	3 —
Wm Marshall	1 . 10 —
John Parkison	4 —
Jane Austen Widow	4 —
Zachariah Rencher	2 —
Jane Evans Widow	2 —
Wm Bagnall Son of R.	2 —
Ann Appleyard Widow	1 . 10 —
Widow of Sam.l Shortlee	3 —
Marg.t Lamprey	2 —
Widow of Wm M.Cartney	2 —
Ann Humphreyson	4 —
Mary Walsh als Read	1 . 10 —
Marg.t Carter als Manning	2 —
Hester Knight Widow	2 . 10 —
Sam.l Hale	2 —
	£41 —
	72 . 11 . 5
	£113 . 11 . 5

Ordered that £6 . 10 a years Rent due last Mich.s for Prior park at Killineer being the late Alderman Leighs bequest be paid to the Widow Blackburne £3 . 5
and to John Staplehill 3 . 5
£6 . 10

Mary Collier an Orphan

Ordered that £1 . 15 . 7½ a Ballance in the hands of the Receivers of the Commons Rents for the preceding year be paid to Mary Collier an Orphan Child of Thomas Collier dec.d

£250 granted for finishg the Spire of St Peters Church

Ordered that a further Sum not exceeding two hundred fifty pounds be and is hereby granted for finishing the Steeple and Spire of St Peters Church

Bills Costs in criminal prosecutions ord.d to be paid

Ordered that the Sum of £59 . 5 . 10½ being the amount of three several Bills of Costs for Criminal prosecutions carried on by this Corporation against different publick Offenders at the last Assizes of this Town be paid by the Treas.r and allowed in his accounts

£20 to buy Gunpowder

Ordered that the Sum of £20 be paid by the Treas.r for account of this Corp.n to the associated Corps of this Town to buy Gunpowder

Ordered

a Wounded Watchman

Ordered that Philip M.Manus a poor Watchman lately dangerously wounded by Rioters be paid 40/ a Quarter during pleasure from the 25th Inst.o

2 D.o

Ordered that Henry Edwards and M.Conchy two other poor Watchmen be paid two Guineas a piece

Pet.n of Harry Brabazon to Surrender Lease of Premes at Hydemarket

Ordered upon the Petition of Henry Brabazon Esq.r that a Surrender of his Lease from this Corp.n of part of the Ground on the East of the Linnen Hale for 999 years from 1 May 1784 at the yearly Rent of £15 be accepted and taken from him from the 1st of May last And that the said premises be advertised to be Set again for the term of 999 years from the 1st of May next

accepted

The following Denominations of Lands belonging to this Corporation were put up to Cant for 61 years from Easter 1787 a Moiety of the Rent to be fined off at 14 Years purchase

Lands to be Set

Viz.t

A parcel of Land without Dublek Gate containing 7 . 0 . 17 A.a R.s P.s called Prims Hill was Set to M.r Geo: Evans at £1 . 7 . 6 ₱ Acre

A Park near Mammin one cont.g 2 . 3 . 38 A.a R.s P.s was Set to M.r Wm Fairtlough at £2 . 0 . 6 ₱ Acre

The Sale of the piece of waste Commons at the Green Batter without Sundays Gate is adjourned to Friday next the 6th of May

1786 May 5th This day the above waste piece of Commons situate at the Green Batter without Sundays Gate cont.g 3 . 2 . 28 A.a R.s P.s of which a Road 30 feet wide is to be laid open on the North side and to be deducted was Set up at the Wholsel pursuant to Notice and same was struck off to Harry Brabazon Esq.r at 20s ₱ Acre two years Rent to be paid as a Fine

Waste piece of North Comons set to Harry Brabazon

South County Archives

Special Gen.l Assembly

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 2.d June 1786

Committee to inspect into the Revenues of the Corp.n

The Committee appointed last January General Assembly to inspect into the Revenues of this Corporation and the expenditures thereof and to report if any and what Sums yearly could be appropriated for the purpose of raising a fund to be applied towards improving the River Boyne, the building of a Corn Market House and finishing the Linnen Hall having met and having taken the several matters to them referred into consideration came to the following Resolutions viz.t

Resolutions

1.st — Resolved that it is prudent and wise in the Corporation to adopt every Method whereby a Saving can be made for the purposes before mentioned

2.d — Resolved that the Pension of £22-15 which was granted by this Corporation to Alderman Pendleton during pleasure be discontinued from the 24.th inst.t

3.d — Resolved that the Sallary of £40 payable to the Chaplain ought not to be continued any longer than during the Life or removal of the present professor

4.th — Resolved that the Salary of £40 payable to the Chaplain ought not to be continued any longer than during the Life or removal of the present professor

5.th — Resolved that it is the opinion of this Committee that in future the Mayor for the time being be allowed during his Year of Office a Sum not exceeding £150 together with the profits arising from the Town Cranes, and that he shall not be required to give more than five Entertainments annually to the Members of this Corporation and that said Entertainments be given on Michaelmas day and the four Quarter Sessions

6.th Resolved that in future the Mayor or the time being previous to his going out of Office shall return an Inventory to this House of the several Articles of Furniture in the Mayors Office, Kitchen and that a Sum not exceeding £22-15 be paid annually to each Mayor for keeping & repairing Brass, Delft, Glasses and other equal Loss and for Guilding Coats same in sufficient repair and to make ex.t

7.th Resolved that in future no work shall be carried on at the expence of this Corporation where the amount thereof shall exceed the Sum of Ten Pounds until the same shall be first approved of by a quarterly General Assembly or a Special Gen.l Assembly upon a plan and estimate to be laid before them

8.th — Resolved that in future the Mayor for the time being shall not grant any Money for the Repair of Roads

Resolved

9.th — Resolved that in future the Corp.n shall not be at any expence on account of the Watch, or for supplying them with Coals Candles &c.

10.th — Resolved that the Prisoners in the Goal be not allowed Bread at the expence of this Corporation

11.th — Resolved that it is the opinion of this Committee that the Corporation ought not to be at the expence of providing Stationary for the Mayors Office

12.th — Resolved that the Corporation ought not to be at the Sole expence of providing Hats and Cloaks for the Town Serjeants and Hats for the Sword and Macebearers and Shoes for the Bellhour

Signed — Edw.d Chefshire Mayor — William Dogherty Graves Chamney Sheriffs, Edw.d Hardman William Gibbons Hugh M.Gomery Lyons — John Ackland — George Evans — Auditers & Viewers.

Which Report being read at this Assembly and the question severally put on the said Resolutions the 1.st 3.d 4.th 5.th 6.th 7.th 8.th 9.th of said Resolutions were unanimously agreed to, the 2.d passed in the affirmative one dissentient and the 10.th & 12.th of said Resolutions passed in the Negative

£2000 granted for erecting a Corn Market

Resolved by this Assembly that a Sum not exceeding £2000 be granted by this Corporation to the Commissioners appointed by act of Parliament passed in the 25.th year of His present Majestys Reign entitled "An act to explain and amend several Laws now in force for the encouragement of Agriculture" to be by them applyed for the purposes of purchasing Ground and building a Corn Market within this Town and that the said Commissioners or any Seven of them and also the Mayor & Sheriffs for the time being be and they are hereby vested with power to borrow the said Money at Interest at 6 p.r Cent and to issue Debentures of £100 each for same or such part thereof as shall be necessary for the purposes aforesaid

£1000 Granted for the River Boyne

Resolved by this Assembly that a Sum not exceeding £1000 be granted by this Corporation towards improving the Navigation of the River Boyne between the Bridge of Drogheda and the Sea And that the Committee appointed for Superintending the expenditure of the Money granted by Parliament for that Work or any Seven of them be and they are hereby impowered from time to time as occasion may require to call upon the Mayor & Sheriffs for the time being who are also hereby impowered to issue Debentures of £100 each at 6 p.r Cent for so much of said Sum as shall be necessary for carrying on the said Work

This

premises at the Linnen Hall Set to Wm Fairtlough

1786 June 9th This day a lot of Ground on the East side of the Linnen Hall late in the Tenure of Harry Brabazon Esq~ being set up to Auction at the Wholsel pursuant to Notice the same was Struck off to Mr Wm Fairtlough the highest bidder for 99 Years from the first day of May last at the yearly Rent of £13~

Post Assembly adjourned

At a post Assembly held before the said Mayor the Aldermen being present the 12th July 1786 adjourned to friday Morning next the 14th of July inst. at 10 Oclock in the forenoon

Post Assembly

At a post Assembly held pursuant to adjournment before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 14th July 1786

Petition &c

Petition & Memorial read and referred to next General Assembly

Genl Assembly

At a general Quarterly Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Counc.e being present the 14th July 1786

2 freemen admitted

John Ball Esq.r Councellor at Law Son of the Rev.d Sterne Ball dec.d and Edward Ball Esq.r of Mullavrone in the County of Meath upon their Petitions are admitted free Members of this Corporation by Special favor on the usual terms

Petition of Aldr Wm Gibbons for a new Lease

Upon the Petition of Alderman Wm Gibbons Seting forth that he is in possession in his own Right of a Lease made by this Corporation to the late Alderman Francis Leigh of a Strip of Ground out side of Sundays Gate for 61 Years from Easter 1732 at the yearly Rent of 2/6 That the House on the premisses was lately blown down and is now Ruinous and untenanted and praying a new Lease and so forth Which Petition being Referred to the Auditors and Viewers and their report thereon being now read It is thereupon ordered by this Assembly that the Petr be and he is hereby granted a new Lease of the premisses

Granted

premisses (after he widens the Road adjoining thereto agreeable to the Map made thereof for 61 years from Easter last at the yearly rent of 10/ and Surrendering the old Lease

Petr of Aldn Holmes for a new Lease

Upon the Petition of Aldr William Holmes seting forth that he lately purchased from the Representatives of Mary Smith dec.d a Lease made by this Corporation to Wm Pickering Merchant of a House and premisses on the South side of John Street a Horse Mill on the North side of said Street and a Smale croft near the late Lord Butts without Dulcek Gate for 61 Years from Easter 1732 at the Yearly Rent of 11/6 that the premisses are in a Ruinous Condition and praying a new Lease for his encouragement to improve them Which Petition being referred to the Auditors & Viewers and their report thereon being that the Petr upon his surrendering the old Lease may be granted a new Lease of said premisses for 99 years from Michs next at the yearly Rent of £4.11s~ It is thereupon ordered by this Assembly that the said report be received next Genl Assembly

Auditrs & Viewers to report next

Genl Assembly

£300 ordered to finish the Linnen Hall

Upon the Memorial of Mr Saml Scholes as Treas.r to the Committee of Merchants & Dealers in Linnen attending the Market of Droghida Setting forth that on account of the great increase of Trade, it is requisite the Linnen hall should be enlarged and praying aid and so forth, It is thereupon ordered that the Sum of £300 be granted by this Corporation to complete and finish the said Work the said Srdnts be borrowed at Interest at 6 p Ct p Annm upon Debentures to be perfected by Mr Mayor, and Aldr Scholes, Aldr Roger Ford Aldr Armstrong Mr Saml Scholes and Mr Wm Fairtlough or any three of them and appointed a Committee for the expenditure thereof

Strand Road

Ordered that any Sum not exceeding £30 be and is hereby granted to Alderman Handman to finish and complete the Strand Road out Blindgate and to enclose the new Well thereon

£20 p.r Ann. Pens.n to be paid Aldn Pendleton

Aldn Pendleton upon his Memorial is ordered to be continued to be paid his Pension of Twenty Guineas a year during the pleasure of this Corporation

Prmes in Dyer Street to be Set

Ordered that the premisses in Dyer Street demised to Ann Heywood by Lease No 383 be Set by Cant on Monday the 7th of August next for 99 Years from Easter 1788, one Moiety of the Rent to be fined off at 10 years purchase

Sealing day

Monday the 16th day of October next is appointed a Sealing day for Corporation Leases

At

Special Gen.l Assembly

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 17th July 1786

Freedom to be presented to the Rt Hon.ble Jno. Foster in a gold Box

Resolved that the Freedom of this Corporation be presented to the Right Honourable John Foster Speaker of the House of Commons In Testimony of the High opinion we entertain of his abilities, of the Salutary Laws brought forward by him and the great advantages which the Kingdom in General and this Town in particular have derived from them and the great advantages which the Kingdom in General and this Town in particular have derived from them & that the same be presented in a gold Box by Mr. Mayor and the Sheriffs

Spec.l Gen.l Assembly

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 24th. day of July 1786

Freedom to be presented to His Grace the Duke of Rutland L.d L.t of Ireland in a gold Box

Resolved unanimously that the freedom of this Corporation be presented to His Grace the Duke of Rutland Lord Lieut.t of this Kingdom in a gold Box upon his visiting this Town

£100 G.s grant.d to entertain his Grace

Resolved unanimously that a Sum not exceeding One hundred ~~Pounds~~ Guineas be and the same is hereby granted to Mr. Mayor to defray the expence of entertaining his Grace the Duke of Rutland L.d Lieut.t of this Kingdom on his visiting this Town

1786 Aug.t 7

Premises in Dyer St. let to Mr. Wm Keegan

A dwelling House & Concerns on the South side of Dyer Street Leased to Ann Heywood was this day Set by Cant to Mr. Wm Keegan for 99 years from Easter 1788 at the yearly Rent of £14-16, one half to be fined off at 10 Years purchase

Special Gen.l Assembly

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 18th September 1786

Address to the King

Resolved unanimously that the following Address to His Majesty to congratulate him on his late happy

happy escape from the wicked attempt upon his person, be Sealed under the Corporation Seal and forwarded to the Lord Lieut.t in order to be transmitted to His Majesty

To the Kings most excellent Majesty

The Humble address of The Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses & Commons of the County of the Town of Drogheda

Most Gracious Sovereign

We your Majestys dutiful and loyal Subjects beg leave to congratulate your Majesty upon your late happy escape from the wicked attempt upon your Sacred Person and to assure your Majesty that we will not yield in Loyalty and attachment to any of your Majestys Subjects and shall be always ready to risque our Lives and propertys in defence of your most illustrious person and Government

In Testimony whereof we have hereunto affixed our Common Seal this 18th September 1786

Acts compared

1786 Sept.r 29th This day the foregoing Acts of Assembly were compared before us and were ordered to be entered in the Assembly Book

Edw.d Chefshire } Mayor

W.m O Dogherty, Graves Chamney } Sheriffs

Test.

John Ackland, H. M. Ogle, Geo: Armstrong, Roger Ford, Wm Holmes } Aldermen.

Louth County Archives

Post Assembly

Michaelmas Post Assembly held before George Armstrong Esq.r Mayor Ralph Smith and Joseph Holmes Esq.rs Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 4.th day of October 1786

Several Petitions

Several Petitions were read and disposed of

Gen.l Ass.ly

At a General Assembly held before the said George Armstrong Esq.r Mayor Ralph Smith and Joseph Holmes Esq.rs Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 6.th day of October 1786

May.r of the Staple

Edw.d Cheshire Esq.r late Mayor is elected Mayor of the Staple and Justice of the Peace for the ensuing Year

Common Co.l men

Aldermen Wm O Dogherty and Graves Chamney late Sheriffs who were in their Sheriffalty elected and sworn Aldermen were at this Assembly elected and sworn Common Co.l men

Const.r of the Staple

The said Wm O Dogherty and Graves Chamney late Sheriffs are elected Constables of the Staple for the ensuing Year

Coroners

And the said William O Dogherty and Graves Chamney are elected Coroners for the ensuing Year

Master of the Guild

Henry Smith Esq.r is elected Master of the Guild for the ensuing Year

Wardens of the Guild

Robt Pollock and Burton Tandy are elected Wardens of the Guild for the ensuing Year

Treas.r

Alderman Wm Holmes is elected Treasurer for the ensuing Year

Officers

The Officers of the Sword and Mace and Marshall to continue during the pleasure of this Corporation

Water Customs

Ordered that the Water Customs of this Corporation be collected the ensuing Year by Mr John Fairtlough on the same terms they have been heretofore collected

Scavengers

Ordered that Mr Mayor be and he is hereby impowered to Contract with and employ such persons as he shall think proper to cleanse and carry away the Dirt and Soil of the Streets of this Town for one year from the 26.th day of October instant

Aud.rs & Viewers

Aldermen Edw.d Hardman, Hugh M.Gomery Lyons Wm Gibbons John Ackland and Wm Cheshire and Messrs George Evans Wm Fairtlough Samuel Martin and Burton Tandy are elected Auditors and Viewers for the ensuing Year

Aud.rs & Viewers report upon Alderman Holmes's Petition for a Lease

granted

The Report of the Auditors and Viewers upon the Petition of Alderman Wm Holmes made to and entered amongst the Acts of last July General Assembly and which Report was then ordered to be received by this Assembly was accordingly now read and received And it is thereupon ordered by this Assembly that the said Report be and the same is hereby agreed to and confirmed and that the said Pet.r be and he is hereby granted a new Lease of the premisses therein mentioned agreeable to the said Report

Report upon Aldr. Pendletons Petition for a Lease

granted

Upon the Petition of Alderman Philip Pendleton setting forth that he is in possession in his own Right of a pair of old Walls and Garden on the East side of the Street or way called the old Stile made by this Corporation to his Father Aldr. Samuel Pendleton dec.d for 61 years from Easter 1725 at the Yearly rent of 2/6 That said Lease is expired praying a new Lease and so forth, which Petition being referred to the auditors and viewers and their Report thereon being now read It is thereupon ordered by this Assembly that the said Petitioner be and he is hereby granted a new Lease of the said premisses containing containing about five Perches for the term of 99 Years from Michaelmas last At the Yearly Rent of Five shillings

Freeman admitted

Robert Silthorpe of Newtown in the County of Louth Esq.r upon his Petition is admitted a free Member of this Corporation by special favor on his paying a fine of Five Pounds and taking the usual Oath within Six Months from this day

Debentures to issue £250 towards building the Spire of St Peters

Ordered that Debentures be issued for the Sum of £250 granted last Easter General Assembly towards building the Steeple of St Peters Church

Committee to regulate the New Meal Market

Mr Mayor & the Sheriffs with the Auditors and Viewers or any Seven of them are appointed a Committee to Regulate & fit up the new Meal Market and to Re Set the Stalls for the term of 14 Years

Gate Customs Set

The Doors being opened the Gate Customs were Set up to Cant as Usual and were Set to Mr Burton Tandy the highest bidder for one Year to commence from and after the 26.th of October instant at £14.-.10 p.r week

Mayor of the Staple Sworn

1786 October 9.th This day Edw.d Cheshire Esq.r was sworn Mayor of the Staple and Justice of the Peace for the ensuing Year pursuant to his Election last Assembly

Post Assembly Several Pet.rs

At a Post Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 10.th Jan.y 1787

Several Petitions were read & disposed of

At

Gen.l Assembly

At a General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 12th day of January 1787

£25 ordered to the Widow of Hugh Carmichael late Dep.y Clk Crown in lieu of Tees

Sarah Carmichael Widow of Hugh Carmichael late Clke of the Crown for the North East Circuit upon her Memorial to this Assembly is ordered to be paid the Sum of Twenty five Pounds Ster: in lieu of all demands of her said late Husband on the County of this Town for Tees due him for Prisoners tried acquitted & discharg.d at the four last Assizes, this Order however not to be construed in future as a President

Treas.r Accounts settled

The Treasurers Accounts with this Corporation being laid before this Assembly and the Report of the Auditors & Viewers thereon, that there is a Ballance due him by the Corporation thereon of Six hundred and fifty two Pounds three shillings the same is agreed to by this Assembly

Collector of Water Customs to prepare an Abstract of his Accounts

Ordered that the Collector of the Water Customs of this Corporation do get notice to prepare an Abstract of his Accounts of the Water Customs up to the 25th December last and that he produces the same to the Audors and Viewers on Monday the 29th of Jan.y instant or any subsequent day they shall appoint

£20 for Relief of Suffer.s by Fire at Killineer

Ordered that the Sum of £20 be paid by the Treasurer for Account of this Corporation to be applied towards relief of the Sufferers by a late accidental Fire which happened at the House and Stable of Isaiah Moore of Killineer Publican

Taxed Costs in Cause ag.t Arthur M.Ginnes Esq.r ord.d to be paid

Ordered that the Taxed Bill of Costs in the Cause between between this Corporation and Arthur Maginnes Esq.r being £10 .. 2 .. 6 be paid to the said Maginnes.s Attorney and that the Agents Bill of Costs of this Corporation in same Cause amount.g to £29 .. 6 .. 5 be also paid when Taxed

Prosecution ag.t Ja.s Carrole at the expence of the Corp.n

Ordered that the prosecution against James Carrole commenced at the instance of Edward Chesshire Esq.r late Mayor for recovery of damages for a violent assailt committed upon Philip M.Manus one of the Watchmen of this Town and others when on their duty be proceeded upon at the expence of this Corporation

Suit in Exch.q.r ag.t the May.r & Sheriffs a Cause between M.r M.Cullen & Tho.s Mayne to be defended at the expence of the Corporation

Ordered that the Suit commenced and now depending in the Court of Exchequer against the late Mayor & Sheriffs relative to proceedings in the Tholsel Court of this Town in a Cause between John M.Cullen & Tho.s Mayne be defended at the expence of this Corporation

Proceedings between the Corp.n & Arthur Maginnes to be laid before M.r Recorder

Ordered that the proceedings in the Cause between this Corporation and Arthur Maginnes Esq.r for an Injon to prevent waste on the Corporation Lands be laid before M.r Recorder & such further Steps taken therein as he shall advise

Mr

Inspector of the Meal Market

M.r George Clegg is appointed inspector of the Meal Market of this Town till July next

£16 a year granted to Edw.d Caldwell for taking care of the Meal Market

Edward Caldwell upon his Petition to this Assembly is ordered to be allowed £16 a year Sallary for his taking care of the new Meal Market in Stockwell Lane to commence from the first of September 1788 when he was appointed to that business & also for the time to come during the pleasure of this Corporation

Pet.r Allen granted £5 a year add.l Sallary

Peter Allen Marshall upon his Petition is allowed £5 a year in Augmentation of his Sallary as Marshall during pleasure

Appraizers

Peter Allen & Wm Moore are appointed to act as appraizers in this County together with Trevor Williams and John Hothard

Post Ass.ly

At a post Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 10th day of April 1787

Petitions

Several Petitions were read and disposed of

Gen.l Ass.ly

At a general Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 20th day of April 1787

Mayor Elect

Alderman Maurice Barlow is elected to serve Mayor of this Corporation for the ensuing Year from Michs day next

Sheriffs Elect

M.r Geo: M.Integart is elected to serve Sheriff of this Corporation for the ensuing Year from Michs day next

M.r Chas Evans is elected to serve Sheriff of this Corp.n for the ensuing Year along with M.r George M.Integart

Ordered that the election of the Mayor & Sheriffs for the ensuing Year be forthwith certified to Goverment for their approbation

2 Freemen adm.d

Henry Leland of Drogheda Gent. Son of Alderman Henry Leland dec.d and Samuel Pendleton of Moortown in the County of Meath Gent. Son of Aldn Ph. Pendleton upon their Petitions are admitted free Members of this Corporation by Birth on paying the usual fine & fees & taking the usual Oaths

3 Freemen admitted

Joseph Harpur of Drogheda Basketmaker Geo: Coulter of the same Merchant and George Bagnall of the same Peruke maker upon their Petitions are admitted free Members of this Corporation by Special favor on paying the usual Fine and fees and taking the usual Oath

Aldermen

Proctors of St. John's Poor House

Aldermen Oliver Fairtlough and Mr. Burton Tandy are appointed Proctors of St. Johns Poor house for three years from this Easter Assembly and Alderman Lyons and Mr. John Regan the late Proctors having laid before this Assembly their Accts. for the three last Years the same were approved of, and it is ordered by this Assembly that the Ballance thereof being £70-9-3½ in the late Proctors Hands be paid over to the present Proctors and that for the future the Pensioners on that Charity be paid One shilling and Sixpence per Week out of the Rents of the Fund

Receivers of the Comons Rents

Alderman Philip Pendleton and Mr. James Scholes are appointed Receivers of the Rents of the Commons for three years from this Easter Genl. Assembly

Accounts of the late Recrs. of Comons Rents

The Accounts of Alderman Holmes and Mr. John Chamney late Receivers of the Rents of the Commons for the three last Years were laid before this Assembly and approved of and the Book handed over to the present Receivers

Pensioners on Commons List

Ordered that the following Persons be paid the Sums to their Names respectively annexed out of the Rents of the Commons for the present Year commencing at Michaelmas last and ending at Michaelmas next

Brought forwd.	£62		
Proctors of St. Johns Poorhouse for Furze of the Comons	£8	Elizth. Renehen Widow	6
Jane Blithe	2	Mary Roe	2
Ann Shortell	3	John Newith	3
Dorathy Robinson	4	Wm. Marshall	3
Widw. of Jno. Moffit	3	John Parkinson	4
Widw. of Jno. Fitzgerald	2-10	Jane Austin	6
Richd. Ennis's Daughter Elizth.	3	Zachariah Renehen Widr.	4
Widow of Leonard Shortell	2	Jane Ennes Widow	2
Adm. Johnsons Wife	3	Wm. Bagnall Son of Richd.	3
Ann Simpson Widow	4	Ann Appley and Widw.	1-10
Widow of Jno. Holland	4	Widow of Saml. Shortell	3
Widow of Jno. Woodhouse	3	Marg. Lampley	2
Widow of Geo: Evans	5	Widw. of Wm. M. Cartney	2
Widow of Robt. Hatchett	3	Ann Humphryson	4
Mary Humphrys	3	Mary Walsh alts Reed	1-10
Edwd. Powell	4	Margt. Carter alts Manin	4
Susa. Lyster Widow	2	Esther Knight Widow	4
Edwd. Brookes's Children	3-10	Saml. Gale	4
Carried forwd.	£62	Mary Ackland	6-16-6
		Alice Brookes Widw. of Mich.	2
		Martha Blakeney	6
		Elizth. Courtney Widw.	3
		John Stapleton	2
		Tot.	£140-16-6

Ordered that £6-10 a years Rent due last Mich.s for Prors Park at Killineer being a Charitable Bequest of the late Aldn. Thos. Leigh Esqr. rec.d by the Receivers of the Commons Morley and paid by them and paid by them to the Widow Blackburne & John Stapleton £3-5 each

Elizabeth

Elizabeth Bollard Widow upon her Petition is admitted into a Vacancy in St. John's Poor house

Leases whereof 31 Years are expired to be renewed to such as are entitled

This Assembly having taken into consideration the present State of the income and Debts of this Corporation and finding that several large Sums of Money will be wanted for the intended Corn Market the improvement of the River and the Linnen Hall are of opinion that in order to prevent an increase of their present debts, it would be much for the advantage of the Corporation to allow such of their Tenants entitled to Renewalls as have Leases of Lands or Houses of which 31 Years at least are expired to lay the same before the Auditors and Viewers and who are hereby authorized and required in future to report to the then next General Assembly after any such application shall be made to them for that purpose what Sum or Sums of Money by way of Fine such Tenant or Tenants shall pay for a Renewall of such Lease or Leases at the present reserved yearly Rent for 99 Years from the Easter then last preceding such application

£10 for a Road

Ordered that the Sum of Ten Pounds be granted to Alderman Holmes for repair of the Road to Town Rath

£20 allow.d Mr. Mayr. to repair Barrack Lane &c.

Ordered that Mr. Mayor be impowered to expend any Sum not exceeding £20 in repairing Barrack Lane Duleek Street &c from the Gate to the turn of the Road to Duleek And also that he be impowered to expend the like Sum of £20 to lead and repair the Dome of the Steeple of the Tholsel

£20 to repair the Dome of Tholsel Steeple

£10 towards repair of Strand Road £10 more for do

Ordered that the Sum of £10 be granted to Alderman Hardman towards repair of the Strand Road on the North side the River from the Well to the Turrett And that the like Sum be granted to Mr. Burton Tandy for repair of the other parts of said Strand Road

Collectors Acct. of Water Customs Stated & Exam.d by the Audrs. & Viewrs.

The Auditors and Viewers pursuant to an Order of last General Assembly having stated the Account of Mr. John Fairtlough Collector of the Water Customs from the 24th. of June 1785 to the 25th. Decr. 1786 laid same before this Assembly with their Report thereon which is ordered to be entered and is as follows to Wit "We have examined the "foregoing Account and the several Documents and Vouchers produced to us "and we find that there is a Ballance of Two hundred and Eighty four "Pounds fifteen Shillings & eight pence due to the Corporation of Drogheda "by John Fairtlough Receiver of the Water Customs to and for the 25th. of "December last Dated this 6th. day of February 1787. Edw.d Hardman "John Ackland George Evans Wm. Fairtlough, Sam.l Martin Audrs. & "Viewers

Pensioner

Ordered that Mary Ackland Daughter of Aldn. Henry Ackland decd. be paid a Pension of £6-16-6 a year from Mich.s last during pleasure

Ordered

Estreated Recognizs to be laid before the Assembly

Ordered that the Town Clke or Clerke of the peace do lay before every January and July General Assembly a list of such Recognizances as have been forfeited and Estreated by the Justices at the Quarter Sessions or adjournments thereof, and also of such fines as said Justices at such Sessions or adjournments have imposed on any Persons

Process to levy Estreats to issue 10 days before every Quarter Sessions

Ordered that the Town Clerke do ten days before next October Sessions and Ten days before every succeeding Sessions issue Process for levying all Sums of Money contained in the said Estreats as well as all the afores.d Fines directed to the Sheriffs of this Town who shall make returns thereon according to the form used respecting Writts of the Superior Courts

Sheriffs to account for all such Fines & Estd Recognizances

And it is further ordered by this Assembly that all future Sheriffs do at the next General Assembly after their year for serving the Office expires and before they are Sworn into the Office of Common Councilman account for all Sums of Money comprized in such Process and produce before the said Assembly the returns made by them on all such Process and produce before the said Assembly the returns made by them on all such process and by Affidavits to be annexed to such accounts & returns verify the truth of said Returns and accounts

Genl Assembly

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Councile being present the 24th of May 1787

Memr to be prepared & transmitted to Mr Recorder to be by him laid before the Lord Lieut

Resolved that the following Memorial To His Grace the Duke of Rutland L.d Lieutenant of Ireland be sealed & signed by the Town Clerke and transmitted to Mr Recorder to be laid before His Grace

"To His Grace Charles Duke of Rutland Lord Lieut General & General Governor of Ireland

"The Memorial of the Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses & Commons of the County of the Town of Drogheda

take off Fines impos.d on former Sheriffs

Humbly Sheweth

That Philip Donagh & Oliver Faintlough Esq.rs were appointed Sheriffs for the County of the said Town

"Town for the Year commencing Mich.s 1769 and there being no "Green Wax Process delivered to them for that year they had not "any such to compare with the Officers of the Exchequer and were "on that account unwilling to pay so large a sum as £18-0-7 "charged them for comparing such Process and passing their "Accounts

"That the said Sheriffs conceived it particularly severe to pay "so large a Sum as £18-0-7 for comparing such Process and passing "their Accounts as altho there are two Sheriffs they constitute but one Officer "and are always at a much more considerable expence in exercising the same "than they do or can from the confined limits of their Jurisdiction ever "gain Yet the Sheriffs of Counties at large who have generally great "Profitts much more considerable are charged fees in amount far "inferior to those which are demanded of the Sheriffs of the Town "of Drogheda

Same

"That said Donagh and Oliver Faintlough being fined "for not passing their Accounts stated their Case by Affidavits and "applied to the Barons of the Court of Exchequer who thereupon respitted "said Fines and ordered that the Officers on a future day should shew how "they were entitled to the Fees they demanded

"That notwithstanding the Officers did not establish their "said claim they sent the usual Fines in Green Wax Process against "Donagh and Faintlough which were delivered to the Sheriffs of said Town for "the Year 1771 and when they accounted they charged themselves by letting for "said Fines on a presumption that the Court would take them off, but the "said fines still continuing the said Sheriffs for the Year 1771 could not "perfect their Accounts, the fines were therefore continued and delivered to "the succeeding Sheriffs

"That on the 12th of December 1774 an application "to the Court of Exchequer being made to take off the Fines on the Sheriffs of "the said Town for the Years 1769, 1771 & 1772 for not accounting, it was "ordered that the Motion should stand over and the fines to Stop in the "mean time, there were afterwards several Applications made to the "Court of Exchequer on behalf of the Sheriffs but the Officers of the Court "continuing to oppose, nothing decisive has been done and many of "the succeeding Sheriffs have been fined, and Kings Processes has "from time to time issued for levying the fines against the said Sheriffs "some of whom are dead, some have left the Town and others are "insolvent by which means the succeeding Sheriffs have not been

able

"Able to make satisfactory Returns on said Processes"

"That on Account of Processes having gone against said "Sheriffs for omitting to pass their Accounts and make such "returns Persons of Property and consequence who would otherwise "chearfully undertake the Office are now from an Apprehension of "the Consequences of those irregularities deterred from entering "into the Same

"Your Memorialists therefore pray your Grace to take "the premisses into Consideration and entreat your Grace to interfere "in their behalf and to direct that a Stop be put to issuing processes "for past neglects that thereby Persons may not be deterred from "Accepting of the Office of Sheriff as shall from their Property and "consequence be sufficiently responsible to Suitors for the execution "of Writs of His Majestys Courts and competent to maintain & "preserve Peace and good order in the Town & County of the Town "of Drogheda

"And your Memorialists will pray

"In Testimony whereof We have hereunto affixed our common "Seal this 24th day of May in the Year of our Lord 1787

"Signed by Order

"Wm Holmes Fr. Clke

(Seal)

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Post Assembly

At a Quarterly post Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 11th day of July 1787

Petitions

Several Petitions preferred to this Assembly were read & disposed of

Spec. Gen. Assembly

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 12th of July 1787

Resolved unanimously that his Grace the Duke of Rutland Lord Lieutenant of Ireland who is to Honour this Corporation with his Company to dine this day be received in the most respectfull manner by the Mayor Sheriffs Aldermen & Common Council with the Regalia & officers and his Freedom presented by the Mayor in the Gold Box provided for that purpose with a complimentary address

The Duke of Rutland to be entertained & freedom presented in a Gold Box

Gen. Quarterly Assembly

At a General Quarterly Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Alderman & Common Council being present the 13th Day of July 1787

3 Freemen admitted

Francis Elliott Son of Mr Thom. Elliott dec. and James Davis of Drogheda Salter are admitted free Members by Special favor and John Caldwell of the same Cotton Weaver is admitted a free Member by Service on their several Petitions on the usual terms

Receiver of the Commons Rents

Mr Thomas Channey is appointed a Receiver of the Commons Rents in the Room of the late Alderman Ph. Pendleton dec. and to serve along with Mr. James Scholes for three years from last Easter General Assembly

Ordered that the following Persons be paid the Sums to their Names annexed by the Receivers of the Commons Rents out of the Ballance now in their Hands Viz.t

Pensioners

Mrs Latimer Daughter of Hannah M.Dowell	£2 .. ——
Catherine Morris	4 .. ——
Elizabeth Bagnall	3 .. ——
Mary Collier	3 .. ——
	£12 .. ——

Mr. Mayr. to draw on the Treasr. for expence of Entertainment given the Lord Lieut.

Ordered that Mr. Mayor be and he is hereby impowered to draw upon the Treasurer for the expence of the Entertainment given yesterday by this Corporation to His Grace the Duke of Rutland Lord Lieutendnt of Ireland

Resolved unanimously that the freedom of this Corporation be presented to the following Gentlemen who attended and dined yesterday with His Grace the Lord Lieutenant Viz.t

Freedoms presented

Rt. Honble Sir John Parnell Bart. Chancellor of the Exchequer in a Fiat and Silver Gilt Box

Thos. Burgh Esqr.
Colo. Durdas aid de camp
Honble Mr. Finch like
Capt. Maginnes like
John M.Clintock Esqr.
John Thos. Foster Esqr.

Fiats

Ordered that Twenty Guineas be paid to

40 Guineas for repair of Roads

William Dardis Patrick M.Guire & Dennis Read for repairing the Road from Drogheda to the Lands of the Twenty's on their affidavit of the expenditure thereof

Ordered that a Summ not exceeding Twenty Guineas be paid by the Treas.r for account of this Corporation to Mr. Henry Brabazon for

for repairing the Road at the North side the Town Wall from the Turnpike Road to Surdays Gate on his affidavit of the expenditure thereof

£10 for repair of Road

Ordered that Aldr. Oliver Daintlough Wm. be paid £10 towards repairing the Road from WestGate towards Slane on his affidt. of the expenditure thereof

£15 for the like

Ordered that Alderman Chamney be paid £15 for repairing the Road out Dulcek Gate on affidt. of the expenditure thereof

£5 for the like

Ordered that £5. be paid Alderman Hardman to finish the Strand Road out BlindGate

Blind Gate to be taken down & Materials Sold

Ordered that the blindgate be taken down & the Materials Sold and that the Avenues from thence to the River be forthwith repaired

River Committee to erect a pilot office

The River Committee are directed and impowered by this Assembly to erect a Pilot Office in this Port pursuant to the Powers Vested in this Corporation by an Act of the last Session of Parliament

No Timber Culm Slates Lime Stone or Ballast in future to be laid on the Quay

This Assembly having taken into consideration the great expence which the Corporation have been at for the accommodation of the Trade of this Town by purchasing the Ground for some of the Custom House Quay and building the Walls thereof, and finding that the said Walls are materially damaged by landing Timber thereon and the General Trade of the Town greatly obstructed by leaving and storing Timber Culm Slates Lime Stone & Ballast on the said Quay It is therefore ordered that in future the Water Bailiff do prevent any Person from landing Timber and leaving or storing any of the Articles aforesaid on the said Quay and that he be furnished with a Copy of this Order

£20 to be paid to Mr. Clegg inspector of the Meal Market

Ordered that the Sum of £20 be paid by the Treas. for account of this Corporation to Mr. George Clegg for his attention & trouble inspecting the Oatmeal brought to the Markett of this Town for the Year ending Michaelmas next

Hyde Markett removed to the Old Corn Markett hill

Ordered that the Hyde Markett of this Town be removed from the Ground where it is now held near the Linnen Hall to the Old Corn Markett hill in St. Mary's Parish

Paul Campbell to direct Masters of Vessells where to take up Ballast

Ordered that Paul Campbell Overseer of the Works carrying on for improving the Navigation of the River Boyne be impowered to direct the Masters of Vessells trading to this Port where they are to take up Ballast, and that no Masters of Vessells or other Persons do presume to take up Ballast in any part of the River without permission of the said Paul Campbell

1787 September 29th

Acts compared

This day the foregoing Acts of Assembly were compared before us and ordered to be entered in the Assembly Book as Usual

Test.

Geo: Armstrong — Mayor
Ralph Smith, Joseph Holmes — Sheriffs
Wm. Meade Ogle, John Ackland, Wm. Holmes, Maurice Barlow — Aldermen

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Post Afs.y

Michaelmas Post Assembly held before Maurice Barlow Esq.r Mayor George M.Entegart and Charles Evans Esq.rs Sheriffs the Aldermen Cleeing present the 3.d day of October 1787

Petitions

Several Petitions were read and disposed of

Genl. Assembly

At a General Quarterly assembly held before Maurice Barlow Esq.r Mayor George M.Entegart and Charles Evans Esq.rs Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Councils being present the 5.th day of October 1788

Mayor of the Staple

George Armstrong Esq.r late Mayor is Elected Mayor of the Staple and Justice of the Peace for the ensuing Year and Sworn

Common Councilmen

Ralph Smith & Joseph Holmes Esq.rs late Sheriffs are elected Common Councilmen & the said Joseph Holmes was Sworn

Constables of the Staple

The said Ralph Smith and Joseph Holmes are elected Constables of the Staple for the ensuing year & the said Joseph Holmes was Sworn

Coroners

And the said Ralph Smith and Joseph Holmes are elected Coroners for the ensuing Year & the said Joseph Holmes was Sworn

Master of the Guild

Edward Chapshire Esq.r is elected Master of the Guild for the ensuing year

Wardens of the Guild

Sir William O Dogherty Knight & Grattes Chamney Esq.rs are elected Wardens of the Guild for the ensuing year

Treasurer

Alderman William Holmes is elected Treasurer for the ensuing year

Officers

The Officers of the Sword and Mace and Marshalls to continue during the pleasure of this Corporation

Water Customs

Ordered that the Water Customs of this Corp.n be collected the ensuing Year by Mr. John Fairtlough on the same terms as last Year

Scavengers

Ordered that Mr. Mayor be and he is hereby impowered to contract with and employ such Persons as he shall think fit to cleanse and carry away the Dirt & Soil of the Streets and Lanes of this Town for one Year from the 26.th day of October instant

Auditors and Viewers

Aldermen Edw.d Hardman Hugh Lyons M.Gomery Wm Gibbons John Ackland and Henry Meade Ogle and Mess.rs George Evans William Fairtlough Sam.l Martin and Burton Tarby are elected Auditors & Viewers for the ensuing Year

5 freemen admitted

George Elliott of Drogheda Grocer and the Rev.d Wardlow Bace Elke Curate of St. Peters are upon their Petitions admitted free by Special favor, Wm Graham Gent. Son of John Graham Esq.r and Thos. M.Entegart Gent. Son of Patrick M.Entegart are admitted free Members by Birth and Hugh M.Veigh is admitted free by Service on their Petitions on the usual Terms

Surg.n Cleapem ordered 10 Gs. for attend.g the Prisoners in Goal

M.r Wm Cleapem Surgeon is ordered by this Assembly ten Guineas to be paid by the Treas.r for account of this Corporation for his trouble and attendance on the Prisoners in the Goal of this Town previous to last Assizes when Dr. Edward Fairtlough was appointed the attend.g Physician

Rt. Hon.ble Jn.o Foster upon his Memorial ordered a new Lease of part of Manmine

Ordered upon the Memorial of the Rt. Honble John Foster that part of the Lands of Manmine cont.g A. R. P. 7 - 3 - 33 now in his possession under a Lease made to his late Father by the Rt. Honble Anthony Foster for 61 years from Easter 1772 at the yearly Rent of £19 - 17 - 9 p.a be renewed to him for 99 Years from Easter last on his fining off a Moiety of the present Rent at 8 years purchase

Wm Shippabottom ord.d 16.s a year on resigning his place of Co. Co.

Wm Shippabottom Common Councilman for the Fraternity of Shoemakers upon his Petition setting forth his indigent Circumstances is ordered by this Assembly the Sum of Five Guineas to be paid him immediately by the Receivers of the Commons Rents out of the Ballance now in their hands and that he be paid a Pension of Ten Guineas a year from Easter next upon his perfecting a Resignation under his Hand and Seal of his place of Common Council

Doct.r Edw.d Fairtlough ordered £40 a years for attend.g the Prisoners in Goal

Ordered that Doctor Edward Fairtlough the attending Physician appointed by the Grand Jury the last Assizes on the Prisoners in the Goal of this Town and County pursuant to a late Act of Parliament be paid £40 a year for his Trouble and attendance to commence from the first day of August last, in which Sum is to be included whatever may be presented him by the Grand Jury Annually at any future Assizes

£3:8:3 ordered to be p.d Leon.d Shortell

Leonard Shortell a poor Freeman ordered to be paid three Guineas by the Receivers of the Commons Rents for his Relief and Support untill Easter next

Prior's park at Killineer to be Set

Ordered that Prior's park at Killineer, the Charitable bequest of the late Francis Leigh Esq.r & which is now out of Lease be Set by Cant at the Tholsel on Monday next the 8.th inst. for 21 Years from the 29.th September last agreeable to the words and intentions of his last Will

Thomas

Town Drummer

Thomas Rogers is appointed Town Drummer in the Room of Thomas Dobson dec.d

10£. to be paid to the Committee of the Charitable Surgery

Ordered that ten Guineas be paid to the committee of the Charitable Surgery in this Town as a Subscription from this Corporation for the year commencing the 1.st August last

Jues. Lyster adm.d into St. Johns poor house

Susannah Lyster Widow upon her Petition is admitted into St. Johns Poor house

Sewer in Duke Street ordered to be finished

Ordered that the Sewer lately began thro Duke Street otherwise Mallards Lane leading from Fair Street to West Street be continued and finished

Sheriffs to be repd. their Expences entertaining the Judges

Ordered that the late Sheriffs be repaid the expences they were at in the Entertaining the Judges last Assizes

Comm.rs of the Revenue upon the Mem.l of Edw.d Wilmot to have liberty to erect a Dock at the East end of the Custom House Quay

Ordered upon the Memorial of Edward Wilmot Esq.r Surveyor of this Port that the Commissioners of His Majestys Revenue have liberty under the inspection of the River Committee to erect a Dock for a Boat at the East end of the Custom House Quay so as that same shall not be Offensive to the Eye impede publick business or obstruct the future extension of said Quay

Dissenting Protestants upon the Memorial of Jn.o Coulter Grant.d a part of the old Abbey for a Meeting House

Upon the Memorial of John Coulter Merchant on behalf of the dessenting Protestants of this Town and County setting forth that at the last General Assembly their Memorial was presented praying Aid towards enabling them to build a House of Worship in this Town, and that a piece of Ground in the old Abbey near Patricks Well Lane in the possession of Ald.n Wm. Holmes as Admor of the late Ald.n Norman would be a fit and proper place for that purpose and praying a Lease thereof It is thereupon ordered by this Assembly that the Memorialists be granted a Lease of said premisses for 999 Years at 6.d pann. on their satisfying the present Tenants to this Corporation for their Interest therein

£20- to be paid Jn.o Siddall for his trouble

Ordered that the Sum of £20 be paid to Mr. John Siddall for his care and trouble upon the Entertainment given by the Corporation to His Grace the Duke of Rutland L.d L. in July last

Gate Customs Set.

The Doors being opened, the Gate Customs were Set up to Sale as usual and were Set to Mr. Burton Tandy the highest bidder for one Year to commence from and after the 26.th day of October inst. at £15. 16 ~ p.r Week

Spec.l Gen.l Assembly

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 8.th Oct.r 1787

Freedom to be present.d to Mr. Francis Johnston

Resolved unanimously that the Freedom of this Corporation be presented by Mr. Mayor to Mr. Francis Johnston Architect as a Mark of our approbation of his Abilities in erecting the Spire of St. Peters Church

Church and his Readiness to give his best advice and Assistance upon other publick Works in this Town, and that same be presented to him with a Silver Trowell

Prior's Park Set to Isaiah Moore

8.th October 1787

Priors Park at Killineer consisting of 14 Acres being Set up to Sale for 21 Years from the 29.th September last was Set to Isaiah Moore the highest bidder for £2. p.r Anne, for the Charitable purposes in the last Will of the said Francis Leigh Esq.r dec.d

Spec.l Gen.l Ass.bly

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 23.d day of October 1787

Coals ordered for the Watch House

Ordered that Mr. Mayor be impowered to send such quantity of Coals to the Watch house as he shall think proper

Post Ass.bly

At a post Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 16.th day of January 1788

Petitions

Several Petitions read and disposed of

Gen.l Ass.bly

At a general Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the aldermen and Common Council being present the 18.th January 1788

Co.r Co.r Coroner & Constable of the Staple

This day, Ralph Smith Esq.r one of the late Sheriffs was Sworn a Common Councilman, Coroner and Constable of the Staple pursuant to his Election last Michaelmas General Assembly

Tho.s Collins elected a Common Councilman

The Fraternity of Shoemakers of this Corporation having returned to this Assembly three Freemen of said Fraternity to wit Samuel Hale Tho.s Collins and James M.Cartney in order that one of them may be elected a Common Councilman of said Fraternity in the room of Wm. Shippabottom resigned It is therefore ordered by this Assembly that the said Thomas Collins be and he is elected a Common Councilman for the said Fraternity in the room of the said Wm. Shippabottom and the said Thomas Collins being introduced was Sworn accordingly

Freeman admitted

Richard Sebb of Lincolns Inn in the City of London Esq.r Son of John Sebb late an Alderman of this Corporation upon his Petition admitted is a Free Member by Birth on the usual Terms

Fras Johnstons Ans.r in being presented with his Freedom

Ordered that the Vote for presenting Mr. Francis Johnston Architecht with his Freedom & a Silver Trowell with his answer on being presented therewith and read at this Assembly be twice published in the Drogheda Journal

Ordered

Louth County Archives

Mr. Mayor to provide great Coats for the Watchmen

Ordered that Mr. Mayor be and he is hereby impowered to provide great Coats for the Watchmen of this Town

2 Gs to be paid Archd. Malcolm for Gravel at Green Hills

Ordered that Two Guineas be paid to Archibald Malcolm in full for all damages and demands for Gravel taken from his Holding at Green Hills to repair the Strand Road

Treas.rs Accounts Settled

The Treasurer's Accounts with this Corporation being laid before this Assembly and the Report of the Mayor Sheriffs and Auditors & Viewers thereon dated the 9.th Instt. that there is a Ballance due to him by this Corporation thereon of £194 .. 14 .. 0¾ the same is agreed to by this Assembly

Special Genl. Assembly

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Councell being present the 8.th Feby 1788

100 Gs to be paid to extricate the defaulting Sherl.s from fines

This Assembly do agree that this Corporation shall advance the Sum of One hundred Guineas for the purposes mentioned in Mr. Recorders Letters to Mr. Mayor of the 4.th & 7.th inst. read at this Assembly relative to the late Sheriffs of this Corporation that have not passed their Accounts; And Mr. Mayor is requested to acquaint Mr. Recorder thereof & to request he will please to enquire from the Attny Genl what situation the defaulting Sheriffs will be in after he has given his Consent for reducing the Fines and suffering them to pass their Accts.

Post Assembly

East.r Po: Assly 2.d Apr.l 1788.

At a post Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 2.d day of April 1788

Several Petitions read & disposed of

Genl. Assembly

At a General Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 4.th day of April 1788

Mayor Elect

Alderman Sir William Dogherty Knight is elected to serve Mayor of this Corporation from Michaelmas day next according to the Rule of Succession

Sheriffs Elect

John Ball Esq.r & Mr. Thos. Norman are elected to serve Sheriffs of this Corporation for the ensuing Year from Michaelmas day next

Ordered

Clerk of Mayor & Sher.s Elect

Ordered that the Election of the said Mayor & Sheriffs for the ensuing Year be forthwith certified to Government for their approbation

5 Freemen admitted

Oliver Richardson of the Town of Drogheda Cabinetmaker and Robert Watson of the same Cabinetmaker are admitted free by Birth John VanHomrigh of Drogheda Esq.r Ninian Roger of the same Merch.t and William Tisdall of the same Stationer, are admitted free Members by Special favor on their several Petitions and on their paying the usual fines and Fees and taking the usual Oath

Land at Landsharragh to be Surveyed & Let

Ordered that a parcel of Land in Landsharragh A. R. P. containing by old Survey 8 . 1 . 20, one park whereof is called the Crooked acre and a House & Garden out Laurences Gate, Leased by this Corporation to Henry Smith late an Alderman deceased for 61 years from Easter 1728 at the Yearly Rent of £3 .. be Surveyed anew and that the same be Set by Cant next July General Assembly for 61 years from Easter next, one Moiety of the Rent to be fined off at 14 years purchase

Memorial of Mich.l Richardson

Michael Richardson of the Town of Drogheda Carpenter having preferred to this Assembly a Memorial setting forth that as Tenant to this Corporation for premisses on the South side of Barrack Lane at £11 . 4 . 9 p.r Ann. he lately finished a Wall and added ten feet of said premisses to the width of said Lane pursuant to a former proposal which was accepted and agreed to by the General Assembly held the 8.th of April 1785, That the expence thereof was greater than he expected, and that there is about 60 feet in front of the premisses on the West side of the Quarry thereon yet to be enclosed besides what he heretofore engages to do, which from the great expence he has been already at for the premisses, he is unable to complete without further encouragement, and praying that this Corporation will discharge him from the Rent due on said premisses to and for Easter last being 6 years rent £67 : 8 : 6 & another Demand of 20 Gs which was advanced to him and to grant him a new Lease of the said premisses for 99 years from Easter last at the yearly rent of £5 .. (which was heretofore the terms on which he was to have the new Lease from Easter 1785 pursuant to the former Order. It is thereupon ordered by this Assembly that the prayer of his said Memorial be and the same is hereby granted provided he completes the building of the said 60 feet of Wall on or before the first day of August next

granted on a provisoe

£4 . 4 : 8½ to be p.d to Jas. Appleyard for Coals

Ordered that the Treasurer do pay and charge this Corpn. the Sum of £4 .. 4 .. 8½ to James Appleyard for Coals got some time ago for the use of the Watch house

Ordered

Sage from Law[s] Gate to the Strand to be repaired by Alderman Hardman

Ordered that Alderman Hardman be and he is hereby impowered to get the Lane from Laurence's Gate to the Strand properly filled & Gravell'd and Pav'd & that the costs thereof be paid by the Treas[r]. and charged to this Corp[n]

A Motion being made by Hugh Lyons M[c]Gomery Esq[r] that the Freedom of this Corporation be presented to William Chapman Esq[r] Collector of this Port, It is ordered that the same be taken in consideration at a Special General Assembly to be called and held for that purpose

adjourned

This Assembly is adjourned to Monday next the 7th of April instant at Noon, then to be held for the purpose of making the annual Distribution of the Commons Rents for the ensuing year

Pensioners

At an Adjournment of the last General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 7th April 1788 for the purpose of making the annual Distribution of the Commons Rents for the present year commencing at Mich[s] last and ending at Mich[s] next

on the Commons List

Proctors of St. Johns Poorhouse for Dues of the Commons	£8
Jane Blythe	3
Dorothy Robinson	4
Wid[w] of John Moffitt	3
Rich[d] Ennis's Daughter Elizth	3
Adam Johnston's Wife	4
Ann Simpson Widow	4
Widow of John Holland	4
Widow of John Woodhouse	3
Widow of Geo: Evans	5
Widow of Robt Hatchett	3
Mary Humphrys	3
Edw[d] Brookes's Children	3-10
Widow of John Rencher	6
William Marshall	3
Mary Rael	2
John Parkinson	4
Widow of Rundle Austin	6
Wm the Son of Rich[d] Bagnall	3
Widow of Sam[l] Shortall	5
Wid[w] of Wm M[c]Cartney	2
Marg[t]. Lampney Widow	2
	£83-10

Brought forw[d]	£83-10
Ann Humphryson	4
Mary Walsh alt[s] Reed	1-10
Marg[t]. Carter alt[s] Manning	—
Widow of John Knight	4
Sam[l] Hall	4
Mary Ashland	6-16-6
Widow of Mich[l] Brooks	2
Martha Blakeney	6
Widow of Brab: Courtney	4
Jn[o] Stapleton	2
Gertrude Brenton	4
Jane Dodson Wid[w]	2
Nich[s] Knight	3
Tho[s] Jonge	4
Wid[w] of Chas Elliot	4
Jane Wid[w] of Edw[d] Evans	3
Widow of Zachariah Bowler	4
Sus[a] Lyster Jun[r]	2
Frances Wid[w] of Ben: Smith	4
Mary M[c] Daniel alt[s] Parks	3
Catherine Morris	4
Mary Collier Daur of Tho[s]	2
	£160-16-6

Ordered that £6-10- a year's Rent due last Mich[s] for Priors Park at Killiney being a bequest of the late Ald[n] Leigh be rec[d] by the Rec[rs] of the commons rents and by them paid to the Widow Blackhowne & John Stapleton Equally

Spec[l] Gen[l] a[s]y

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 7th day of april 1788

At a General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs &c Aldermen and Common Council being present the 18th day of January 1788

"Resolved unan[s]. that the freedom of the Corpn. be presented in a Silver Gilt Box of five guineas value to John Forbes Esq[r]. Counsellor at Law as a mark of our esteem for his Patriotic publick spirited conduct in Parliament and attention to the General welfare of the Kingdom"

Corporation be presented

ving present the 9th May 1788
neral Pro[n] that on Monday last
the sum of ten guineas being
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Auditors & Viewers to examine the Docket of Gate Customs

Ordered that the Auditors and Viewers do examine & compare the Docketts of the Gate Customs and report their Opinion thereon to next Mich[s] General Assembly

Dublin City Archives

Sage from Law[e] Gate to the Strand to be repaired by Alderman Hardman

Ordered that Alderman Hardman be and he is hereby impowered to get the Lane from Laurences Gate to the Strand properly filled & Gravelled &c and Caused & that the costs thereof be paid by the Treas[r]. and charged to this Corp[n]

A Motion being made by Hugh Lyons M[c]Gomery Esq[r]. that the Freedom of this Corporation be presented to William Chapman Esq[r]. Collector of this Port, It is ordered that the same be taken in consideration at a Special General Assembly to be called and held for that purpose

adjourned

This Assembly is adjourned to Monday next the 7[th] of April instant at Noon, then to be held for the purpose of making the annual Distribution of the Commons Rents for the ensuing year

Pensioners

At an Adjournment of the last General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 17[th] April 1788 for the purpose of making the annual Distribution of the Commons Rents for the present year commencing at Michs last and ending at Michs next

on the Commons List

Proctors of St. Johns Poorhouse for Use of the Commons	£8	Brought forw[d]	£83-10
Jane Blythe	3	Ann Gumphryson	4
Dorothy Robinson	4	Mary Walsh alias Reed	1-10
Wid[w] of John Moffitt	3	Marg[t]. Carter alias Manning	—
Rich[d]. Ennis's Daughter Elizth.	3	Widow of John Knight	4
Adam Johnston's Wife	4	Sam[l]. Hale	4
Ann Simpson Widow	4	Mary Ashland	6-16-6
Widow of John Holland	4	Widow of Mich[l]. Brooks	2
Widow of John Woodhouse	3	Martha Blakeney	6
Widow of Geo: Evans	5	Widow of Brab: Courtney	4
Widow of Robt Halchatt	3	Jn[o]. Stapleton	2
Mary Gumphrys	3	Gertrude Brunton	4
Edw[d]. Brookes's Children	3-10	Jane Dodson Widw	2
Widow of John Rencher	6	Nich[s]. Knight	3
William Marshall	3	Tho[s]. Jones	4
Mary Reel	2	Widw of Chas. Elliot	4
John Parkinson	4	Jane Widw of Edw[d]. Evans	3
Widow of Randle Austin	6	Widow of Zachariah Rencher	4
Wm the Son of Rich[d] Bagnall	3	Sus[a]. Lyster Junr.	2
Widow of Sam[l] Shortell	5	Francis Wid[w] of Ben: Smith	4
Widw of Wm M[c]Cartney	2	Mary M[c] Daniel alias Parks	3
Marg[t]. Lamprey Widow	2	Catherine Morris	4
		Mary Collier Daur of Tho[s]	2
	£83-10		£160-16-6

Ordered that £6-10- a Year's Rent due last Michs for Friars Park at Killineer being a bequest of the late Ald[n] Leigh be pa[d] by the Rec[rs] of the Commons Debts and by them paid to the Widow Blakeney & John Stapleton Equally

At

Spec[l] Gen[l] Ass[y]

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 17[th] day of April 1788

Freedom presented to Wm Chapman Esq[r]. Spec[l] Gen[l] Ass[y]

Resolved unamously that the Freedom of this Corporation be presented in a Dcat to William Chapman Esq[r] Collector of this Port

Rewards for taking Pris[rs] who broke the Goal

At a Special Gen[l] Assembly held before the S[d]. Mayor and Sheriffs the Ald[n] & Com[n] Co[n] being present the 9[th] May 1788

Resolved that the Rewards offered by Mr. Mayor for apprehend[g] several Pris[rs] that on Monday last broke the Goal of this Town and made their Escape be paid by the Corp[n] & that the sum of ten Guineas being the Reward offered for apprehending Tho[s] Laml. one of S[d] Prisoners who was this day retaken & Lodged in S[d] Goal by Mr. Mathew Ruxton be forthwith paid said Ruxton

Spec[l] Gen[l] Ass[y]

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 11 June 1788

£56: 17: 6 Ord[d] to be p[d] Sher[ff] Evans for apprehending Gogorty

Mr. Sheriff Evans having acquainted this Assembly that he with others his Assistants apprehended early on the Morning of Saturday last Patrick Gogerty one of the Prisoners that lately broke out and escaped out of the Goal of this Town, and for the apprehending of whom a Reward of Fifty Guineas was offered by this Corporation, It is thereupon ordered by this Assembly that the said Reward of Fifty Guineas be forthwith paid by the Treasurer to the said Mr. Sheriff Evans for account of this Corporation to be by him paid to the persons entitled thereto agreeable to Mr. Mayors Proclamation

Gen[l] Ass[y]

At a General Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 18[th] July 1788

3 Freemen admitted

Henry Coddington the younger Esq[r] of old Bridge in the County of Meath and Thomas Reilly of Drogheda Merchant are admitted free Members by special favor on the usual Terms, and James Biggs of Drogheda Carpenter by Service on the usual Terms on their several Petitions

Jas Appleyards Sallary Augment[d]

Ordered that James Appleyard's Sallary for whitening the Army passing and repassing [illegible] this Town be augmented from £3- to £6- a year from Easter last during pleasure

Committee relative to a local Tax

Aldermen Williams Meade Ogle George Scholes, Edward Hardman, Oliver Fairtough and Hugh Lyons M[c]Gomery and also Mess[rs] Burton Tandy John Fairtough George Evans and James Scholes are appointed a Committee to consider and report what Articles of Merchandize are most eligible to be subjected to a local Tax for improving the River and other publick Works of this Town

Auditors & Viewers to examine the Docket of Gate Customs

Ordered that the Auditors and Viewers do examine & compare the Docketts of the Gate Customs and report their Opinion thereon to next Michs Generle Assembly

Mr

Stalls at the Meat market to be Set

Mr. Mayor & Sheriffs and the Auditors & Viewers are requested by this Assembly to carry into Execution the power vested in them by former Acts of Assembly for the fitting up and new selling of the Stalls at the Meal market

Charles of James the 1st

Ordered that a Copy of the Charter of James the first to this Corporation be taken out of the Rolls Office and an English Translation thereof

Surgeons Cleapem & Bowen each to be paid 3gs Extra

Ordered that Surgeons Cleapem and Bowen be paid three guineas a piece for their extra Trouble and attendance on a poor Woman by order of Mr. Mayor, but that this order shall not be a President

29th Sept. 1788

Acts Compared

The foregoing Acts of Assembly were this day compared before us and were ordered to be entered in the Assembly Book

Test

Geo: M.Entegart
Chas. Evans } Sheriffs

Maurice Barlow Mayor
Wm. Meade Ogle
Wm. Dogherty
Jno. Forbes
Wm. Holmes

Po: Assly

Michaelmas Post Assembly held before Sir William Dogherty Knight Mayor John Ball and Thomas Norman Esqrs Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 8 day of October 1788

2 Vacancys

Vacancys

Henry Leland
Philip Pendleton } dead

Petitions

Several Petitions preferred to this Assembly were read and disposed off

Spe. Gen.l Assly

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Sir William Dogherty Knight John Ball and Thomas Norman Esquires Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present, the 10th day of October 1788

Freedom presented

Resolved unanimously that the Freedom of this Corporation be presented in a Fiat to Hamilton Gorges of Kilbrew in the County of Meath Esqr.

Quarterly Gen.l Assembly

Mich.s Gen.l Assembly

At a General Quarterly Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 10th day of October 1788

May.r Staple

Maurice Barlow Esq.r late Mayor is elected Mayor of the Staple and Justice of the Peace for the ensueing year and Sworn

Comm.n Co.l

George Mc Entegart and Charles Evans Esquires late Sheriffs are Elected Common Council men and the said George Mc Entegart was Sworn

Constables of the Staple

The said George Mc Entegart and Charles Evans are elected Constables of the Staple for the ensueing year and the said George Mc Entegart was Sworn

Coroners

And the said George Mc Entegart and Charles Evans are elected Coroners for the ensueing year and the said George Mc Entegart was Sworn

Master of the Guild

George Armstrong Esq.r is elected Master of the Guild for the ensueing year

Wardens of the Guild

Ralph Smith and Joseph Holmes Esq.rs are elected Wardens of the Guild for the ensueing year

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Treasurer

Alderman William Holmes is elected Treasurer for the ensueing year

Officers of Sword & Mace

The officers of the Sword & Mace and Marshall now John Allen to continue during the pleasure of this Corp.n

Water Customs

Ordered that the Water Customs of this Corporation be collected the ensueing year by Mr. John Fairtlough on the same terms they were collected last year

Cleansing the Streets

Ordered that Mr. Mayor be and he is hereby impow.d to contract with and Employ such persons as he shall think proper to cleanse and carry away the dirt and Soil of the Streets and Lanes of this Town and the Avenues thereto for the ensueing year to Commence the 26.th of October instant and to make the persons who engage therein to Covenant not to lay any dirt or Soil on the Strand Road leading to Green Hills or on the Waste ground adjoining same under the penalty of one Shilling for every Load

Common Co.l man elected

Mr. Geo: Elliott of the Town of Drogheda a free Member of the Fraternity of Bakers is elected a Common Council man for said Fraternity in the Room of Patrick Mc. Entegard deceased the said Geo: Elliott together with Robert Reany and Edward Chambers two other free members thereof being duly returned to this assembly in order that one of them should be elected to said office and the said Geo: Elliott being called in was Sworn a Common Council man for said Fraternity accordingly

Aud.rs & Viewers

Aldermen William Meade Ogle Edward Hardman William Giblions John Ackland and ~~Henry~~ Henry Meade Ogle and Messr.s George Evans William Fairtlough Samuel Martin and Burton Dandy are elected auditors and Viewers for the ensueing year

3 freemen admitted

George Rencher of the City of Dublin Engraver Son of John Rencher deceased and John M.c Cartney the younger of the said City of Dublin Hairdresserr and Perfumer, Son of John M.c Cartney Wigmakerr were admitted free members by Birth and Henry Morris of Drogheda Gunsmith was admitted a free Member by Service ~~by Service~~ upon their Several Petitions on the usual terms

Committee for local Tax

The following report of the Committee appointed to consider and Report relative to a local Tax being by them layed before and read at this Assembly the same is ordered to be entered amongst the ~~Acts~~ thereof and is as follows

Drogheda 24.th September 1788

The Committee appointed at the last General Assembly to consider and Report what Articles of Merchandizes are most eligible to be Subjected to a local Tax for improving the River and for other Publick works of this Town having met at the Tholsel pursuant to notice

Present ..... George Schoales Esq.r in the Chair
Wm. Meade Ogle Esq.r
Hugh Lyons Montgomery Esq.r
Oliver Fairtlough Esq.r
Burton Dandy Esq.r
James Schoales
John Fairtlough
Geo: Evans

Their Resolution &

Resolved that it appears to this Committee that the Tonnage of Shipping Trading at this Port amounts in five years ending 25.th March 1788 to 118:000 Tons being on an average 23:600 Tons per ann.

At an adjournment of said meeting held at the Tholsel the 6.th day of September 1788

Opinion

Resolved that it is the opinion of this Committee that a Petition should be presented to Parliament praying for a Tax of Six pence ℔ Ton on all Shipping entering this Port as a fund for Improving and cleansing the River Boyne from the Bridge of Drogheda to the Sea: and for inclosing the Ground intended for a new Corn Market and erecting the necessary Sheds and buildings therein

Signed ..... Geo: Schoales
Oliver Fairtlough
Hugh Lyons Montgomery
Edward Hardman
John Fairtlough
James Schoales
Geo: Evans

Mr. Michael Richardson is appointed Carpenter to this Corporation

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Sealing day

The first Monday in Novemlier next is a appointed a Sealing day

10 Gs to be paid to the Charitable Surgery

Ordered that ten Guineas lie paid to the Committee of the Charitable Surgery of this Town as a years Subscription from this Corporation for the year commencing 1 August last

Mary Knight admitted to St Johns Poorhouse

Mary Knight otherwise Holland Widow of Nicholas Knight deceased upon her Petition is admitted into a Vacancy as at present in Saint Johns Poor House

Gate Customs Set

The Doors lieing opened the Gate Customs were set up to Cant as usual, and were set to Mr Burton Sandy the Highest Bidder for one year to Commence from and after the 26th day of October instant at £16. ⅌ Week

Common Co.e man, constable of the Staple & Coroner Sworn

1788 October 17th This day Mr Charles Evans one of the late Sheriffs was Sworn a Common Council man, Constable of the Staple and Coroner for the ensueing year pursuant to his Election last General Assembly

Spec.l post Ass.ly

At a Special post Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen lieing present the 22d day of October 1788

2 Aldermen elected

Messrs Joseph Holmes and William Fairtlough are elected Aldermen of this Corporation in the Room of Henry Leland and Philip Pendleton late Aldermen of the same deceased pursuant to Notice

Sworn

1788 October the 24. Joseph Holmes and William Fairtlough Esqrs were this day Sworn Aldermen of this Corporation pursuant to their Election last post Assembly

Special Gen.l Ass.ly

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council lieing present the the 24th day of October 1788

Process from the Exchq.r against the Clerke of the Peace for not returning Estreats

Process having been lately issued from the Court of Exchequer to the Sheriffs of this County against the Clerke of the Peace for not returning to said Court the Estreats of the October Sessions 1787 and of the January and april Sessions 1788 It is thereupon

Unanimously

Unanimously Resolved by this Assembly that Mr Recorder lie and he is hereby requested to give his opinion and advice Whether this Corporation is intitled under their Charter to the all Estreats of the Sessions of this County of the Town under their Charters and to advise what proceedings should lie taken to Establish their Right and claim thereto and also that he lie requested to advise the Sheriffs of the Steps which he thinks would lie proper for them to take in the present State of the business

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Quarterly post Assembly

At a Quarterly Post Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen lieing present the 14th January 1789

Petitions

Several Petitions &c lieing laid before this Assembly were read and disposed off

Gen.l Quarterly Assembly

At a General quarterly Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council lieing present the 16th day of January 1789

5 free Men admitted

The Reverend Alexander Lindsay Clerke and William Pemberton of Dublin Builder upon their Petitions were admitted free members by Special favour on paying a Fine of 40 Shillings each also Thomas Ladley of Drogheda Merchant and John Boothe of same Manufacturer were admitted free by Special favour on paying a Fine of 20 Shillings each and Peter Vanhomrigh of Drogheda Esqr was admitted a free member by Birth on paying the usual Fine of 10 Shillings and on each of them paying the usual fees and taking the usual Oath

Read out West Gate

The Auditors and Viewers are requested to enquire if the terms of the Lease made by this Corporation of the Ash Park without West Gate with respect to the Breadth of the Road opposite thereto has been complyed with

10 Gs towards build.g School house in St Marys Parish

Ordered that ten Guineas lie paid by the Treasurer to the Committee appointed lately by the Vestry of Saint Marys Parish to receive Subscriptions for building a School House for Poor Children

The Treasurers accounts with this Corporation were layed before this Assembly settled with and attested by the Mayor Sheriffs Auditors and Viewers the 12th January inst: and the ballance due to him by this Corporation thereon appears to be £82. 17. 8½ the same is agreed to by this Assembly

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Special Gen.l Affs.ly

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Councill being present the 30.th March 1789

Address to the King

Resolved unamoisly that an Humble Address be presented to His Majesty to Congratulate Him on his happy recovery from a late indisposition and that Mr. Recorder be requested to prepare same

prepared & approved of

Mr. Recorder having accordingly prepared an address to His Majesty from this Corporation on the above happy event the same was read approved off and is as follows

To The Kings most Excellent Majesty
Most Gracious Sovereign

"We Your Majestys most dutifull and Loyal Subjects The "Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses and Commons of your Majestys Town "and County of Drogheda beg leave to Congratulate Your Majesty "on the Happy Re Establishment of your Majesty's health, an "Event which affords us in Common with all our fellow Subjects "the most sincere satisfaction

"We most humbly entreat your Majesty to permit us at "the same time to Assure your Majesty of our unalterably Attachment "to your Majesty's person Family and Government, and of our ardent "wishes, That it may please the Almighty to extend his Blessings "to this Nation by a continuance of the Health of a Sovereign "under whose auspicious Reign so many Signal benifits have "been experienced by this Country

In Testimony whereof we have hereunto affixed our "Common Seal this thirtieth day of March in the year of our "Lord 1789

At a Past Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen living present the 22 day of Apl. 1789

Several Petitions were read and disposed off

Easter Gen.l Assemb.ly 24 April 1789
Gen.l Affs.ly

At a General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Councill being present the 24.th April 1789

Mayor Elect

Graves Chamney Esq.r Alderman is elected to serve Mayor of this Corporation for the ensueing year from Michaelmas day next according to the Rule of Succession

Sheriffs Elect

Thomas Owens and Edward Fairtlough Esq.rs are elected to serve Sheriffs of this Corporation for the ensueing year from Michaelmas day next.

to be Certified to Goverinm.t

Ordered that the election of the Mayor and Sheriffs for the ensueing years be forthwith Certifyed to Goverment for their approbation

6 freemen admitted

William Graham and Thomas Fairtlough both of the Town of Drogheda Esq.rs and the Rev.d Austin Martin of Tralee in the County of Kerry Clerke, are admitted free members of this Corporation by Birth James Napper Tandy of the City of Dublin Esq.r Robert Collins of the Town of Drogheda Gent. and Edward Perry of the same Gent. are admitted free members by Special favour on their Several Petitions on paying the usual Fine and fees and taking the usual Oath

Lease granted to Aldn. Hardman of waste Ground out Sundys Gate

Upon the Memorial of Alderman Edward Hardman to last Generel Assembly and the Report of the Auditors and Viewers thereon to this assembly It is ordered that he be and he is hereby granted a Lease of a small lot of Waste Ground near the Gallows and adjoining his Parks without Sundays Gate in this County containing according to a late Survey 2.a 2.r 21.p for 999 years from Easter last at the yearly Rent of Ten Shillings and Ten Shillings Fine the Rent to be applied to the Commons Rents

Lease granted to Aldn. O. Fairtlough

Upon the Memorial of Oliver Fairtlough Alderman to last General assembly and the Report of the Auditors and Viewers thereon to this assembly, It is ordered that he be and he is hereby granted a Lease of a Small lot of Waste Ground on the West side the Great Road without Sundays Gate in this County containing according to a late Survey 1.a 2.r 8.p for 999 Years

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Years from Easter last at the yearly Rent of Five Shillings & and five Shillings Fine a Passage of twelve Feet Wide to lie reserved on the South end thereof leading to the Land west of the same The Rent to be applied as the Commons Rents

£40 to be paid to the Sec.y of the Volunteers

Ordered that the sum of £40 be paid to the Secretary of the Volunteers of this Town in aid towards the Discharge of sev.l debts due by the Corps and that same be allowed in the Treasurers Accounts

£35 ord.d Doct.r Fairtlough attend.t Physician on Pris.rs in the Goal

Ordered that the sum of £35 be paid to dr. Edward Fairtlough Attendant Physician on the Prisoners in the Goal of this Town and County to make up with the £5 presented for him by the Grand Jury last Assizes for his attendance £40 for the year Commencing the 1 of August last

Surgeons

Ordered that 10 Guineas a piece be paid to Surgeons Harpur, Cleapem & Bowen & Dr. Reilly for attending Poor Objects &c at the Infirmary and to Surgeon Roche for his attending poor persons to the end of the present year 1789

case for opinion of Mr. Recorder Relative to the Mall

Ordered that a Case be stated by the Law Agent and laid before the Recorder for his opinion and Advice whether the Corporation have a right to enclose the Mall and to prevent Carrs breaking it up

£100 towards getting a Ring of Bells for St. Peters Church

Ordered that a sum not exceeding £100 be given by this Corporation towards getting a Ring of Bells for the Parish of Saint Peters. provided the Subscription at present on foot will not pay for them

£10 for Support of an Usher

Ordered that the Reverend Charles Crawford Master of the Schoole of this Town on the foundation of those erected by Eras Smith be paid £10. on his Memorial towards the Support of an Usher for said School on the first day of May 1790

£25 ord.d to be paid Henry Hayes for Mooring Chains

Ordered that the sum of £25.. be paid to Mr. Henry Hayes for Mooring Chains and other necessary materials Supplied by him and fixt in the Harbour of this Town for accommodation of Vessells Trading to this port

adjourned

This Assembly is adjourned to Monday the 27.th April instant at noon to be then held for the purpose of making the annual Distribution of the Commons Rents for the ensueing year

Adjournment of Easter Gen.l Assembly 1789

At an Adjournment of the last General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs

At an adjournment

the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 27.th April 1789 for the purpose of making the annual distribution of the Commons Rents for the ensueing year

Pensioners on the Commons List

Ordered that the following persons be paid the sums to their names respectively annexed out of the Rents of the Commons for the present year commencing at Michas last and ending at Michas next Viz.t

Proctors of Saint Johns Poor House for Tuze of Commons	£8 —	Carried forw.d	£83
Jane Blythe	3 —	Mary Carter als Manning	4 —
Dorothy Robinson	4 —	Widow of Jn.o Knight	4 —
Widow of John Moffitt	3 —	Samuel Hale	1 —
Rich.d Emis's daur Elizab.th	3 —	Mary Ackland	6 .. 16 .. 6
Adam Johnston's Wife	4 —	Widow of Mich.l Brookes	2 —
Ann Simpson Widow	4 —	Martha Blakeney	6 —
Widow of John Holland	4 —	Widow of Brab.l Courtney	4 —
Widow of John Woodhouse	3 —	John Staple Hill	2 —
Widow of Geo.r Evans	5 —	Gerthrude Brunton	4 —
Widow of Rob.t Halchett	3 —	Jane Dotson Widow	2 —
Mary Humphreys	3 —	Thomas Donge	4 —
Edw.d Brookes's Children	3 .. 10 —	Widow of Chas.s Elliott	4 —
Widow of John Rencher	6 —	Widow of Zac.h Rencher	4 —
William Marshall	3 —	Sus.a Lyster Jun.r	2 —
Mary Rock	2 —	Wid.w of Ben.r Smith	4 —
John Parkinson	4 —	Mary M.c Donell als Parks	3 —
William Bagnall	3 —	Catherine Morris	4 —
Widow of James Shortell	5 —	Mary Collier daur of Tho.s	2 —
Marg.t Lamprey	2 —	Widow of Ant.o Collier	1 .. 10
Widow of William M.c Cartney	2 —	Robert Hanson	2 —
Ann Humphryson	4 —	Mary Holland	4 —
Mary Walsh als Reed	1 .. 10 —	Ann Appleyard als Courtney	1 .. 10
		Elinor Clarke	3 —
Carried forw.d	£83 —	Tot.l	£160 .. 16 .. 6

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Rent of Prior's Park at Killaneer to be paid to Mrs Blackburne & John Stapleton

Ordered that Eight Pounds sterling being the years Rent due last Michas for Priors Park at Killaneer the bequest of the late Alderman Leigh be received by the Receivers of the Commons Rents and by them paid to the Widow Blackburne & and John Stapleton equally ~

Post Assembly

At a Post Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 15th day of July 1789 ~

Petitions

Several Petitions laid before this assembly were read and disposed off ~

Special Genl Assly

At a Special General assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 17 day of July 1789 ~

Freedom presented

Resolved that the Freedom of this Corporation be presented in a Dist to Sheffington Thompson of Rathmally in the County of Meath Esq~

Genl Quarterly Assembly

At a General Quarter assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the said 17th day of July 1789 ~

2 free Men admitted

Cuthbert Richardson of the Town of Drogheda Carpenter Son of Michael Richardson of the same Carpenter and Benjamin Smith of the same Gent: Son of Benjamin Smith decd upon their Several Petitions to this assembly are admitted Free members of this Corporation by Birth on the usual terms ~

5 free Men admitted

Lawrence Steele the younger of the Town of Drogheda Esqr Joseph Hayes of the same Surjeon Anthony Bunting of the same Gent. John Eccleston of the same Weaver and Mark Hanlon of the same Taylor upon their several Petitions to this assembly and which were referred from last General Quarter assembly are admitted free members of this Corporation by Special favour on the usual terms ~

£15-3-

Ordered that the sum of £15-3 being a Taxed Bill of Costs layed before this Assembly by Mr George Mc Enlegart Attorney in a Prosecution against Rich.d Randles for aiding Prisoners to brake and Escape out of the Goal of this Town be paid by the Treas.r for acc.t of this Corporation ~

£6:16:6 to be p.d to Ann Ashland

Ordered that the sum of Six Guineas be paid by the Treasurer for account of this Corporation to Ann Ashland for her present relief and that her Petition be referred to next Easter General Assembly ~

Spec.l Genl Assly

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 12th August 1789 ~

Freedom presented to the Prince of Wales

Resolved that the Freedom of this Corporation be presented in a Gold Box to His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales In Testimony of our High Veneration of His Princely Character and particularly of those Sentiments of Filial Piety which His Royal Highness displayed on a late trying occasion on which he so conducted himself that it is difficult to determine whether to admire more his tenderness as a Son or his unshaken Loyalty as a Subject ~

29th Sept.r 1789 ~

Acts compared

The foregoing Acts of Assembly were this day compared before us and are ordered to be entered in the Assembly Book as usual ~

Test.

Wm Dogherty Mayor

Wm Meade Ogle
Roger Forde
John Ackland
Wm Holmes ~
Joseph Holmes
Wm Fairtlough
John Bale
Thos Norman } Sheriffs

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Michs Post Afsly

Michaelmas Post Assembly held before

Graues Chamney Esqr Mayor, Thomas Owens & Edward Fairtlough Esqrs Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 7th day of October 1789

Petitions

Several Petitions preferred to this Assembly were read and disposed of

Genl Assembly

At a General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the 9th day of October 1789

Mayor of the Staple

Sir Wm O Dogherty Knt late Mayor was elected Mayor of the Staple and Justice of the Peace for the ensuing Year and Sworn

Common Councilmen

John Ball and Thomas Norman Esqrs late Sheriffs are elected Common Councilmen & Sworn

Constables of the Staple

The said John Ball & Thomas Norman are elected Constables of the Staple for the ensuing Year & Sworn

Coroners

And the said John Ball and Thomas Norman are elected Coroners for the ensuing Year and Sworn

Master of the Guild

Maurice Barlow Esqr is elected Master of the Guild for the ensuing Year

Wardens of the Guild

George Mc Enlegart and Charles Evans are elected Wardens of the Guild for the ensuing Year

Treasurer

Alderman William Holmes is elected Treasurer for the ensuing Year

Officers of the Sword & Mace

Ordered that the Officers of the Sword & Mace & Marshall be continued during the pleasure of this Corporation

Water Customs

Ordered that the Water Customs of this Corpn be collected the ensuing Year by Mr John Fairtlough on the same terms they were collected last year

Cleansing of the Streets

Mr Mayor is requested to contract with and employ such Persons as he thinks proper to cleanse and carry away the Dirt and Soil of the Streets and Lanes of this Town and the Avenues thereto for one Year to commence the 26th Oct. inst.

Aldr Hardman's Resignation of Justice of the Peace

Alderman Edward Hardman having resigned his office of one of the Justices of the Peace of this Corporation and his Resignation of said office being laid before this Assembly the same was accepted

Thanks presented to Alderman Hardman

Resolved unanimously that the Thanks of this Assembly be presented to Edward Hardman Esqr late one of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the County of the Town of Drogheda for his strict and constant attention to his office, the duties of which he has for a Series of years faithfully discharged with advantage to the Town and Honor to himself

Aldr Ackland elected a Justice of the Peace

Alderman John Ackland is elected a Justice of the Peace of this Corporation, in the room of Edwd Hardman, resigned & was Sworn

Auditors & Viewers

Alderman William Meade Ogle Edward Hardman William Gibbons. John Ackland and William Fairtlough and Messrs Henry Coddington. Geo: Evans. Samuel Martin and Burton Dandy are Elected Auditors and Viewers for the ensuing year

Prince of Wales's Answer on his being presented with his Freedom

Sir William O Dogherty late Mayor having laid before this Assembly the Answer of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales on his being presented his Freedom of this Corporation pursuant to the order of a Special Assembly held the 12th August last and the same being Read it is ordered to be entered among the Acts of this Assembly and is as follows

Gentlemen

I thank you sincerely for this Honourable Testimony of your attachment to me, and for your approbation of my Conduct on the late affecting and trying occasion

Idem

You do me no more than Justice when you ascribe to me those feelings and Principles as a Son and as a Subject which ever have and I trust ever will actuate my Conduct in both those Situations, the duties of which it is my utmost earnest wish long to be in the continuance of discharging

ordered

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Sr Wm O Dogherty to be reimbursed his Expenses waiting on the Prince of Wales

Ordered that the Sum of Fifty Guineas be paid by the Treas.r for account of this Corporation to Sir William O Dogherty to reimburse him the expences of his Journey to England for the purpose of waiting upon the Prince of Wales with the Freedom of this Corporation

Aldn Ph. Donaghs Petn for a new Lease

Upon the Petition of Alderman Philip Donagh Denon.n Setting forth that he is in the posession of the following Viz.t All that and those two Parks in Landsharragh cont.g a. r. p. 5. 1. 16 three Parks containing a. r. p. 9. 2. 9 a little Meadow cont.g 1. 2. 20 and one other Meadow containg 8 Acres all lying in Landsharragh aforesaid, also one ferry Park in the Dale on Meath side, and a Small Meadow near Pochen Street together together with a Tenem.t in Duleek Street by virtue of a Lease made by this Corporation to Mary Norman Widow for 61 Years from Easter 1734 at the yearly Rent of £4 — That the Pet.r proposes surrendering said Lease and taking a Renewall thereof at a reasonable Fine agreeable to the act of the General Ass.y made the 20.th april 1787 for regulating the Renewalls of Leases, and the said Petition being pursuant to the said act of Assembly considered by the Auditors & Viewers, and by them with their Report thereon laid before this Assembly, It is thereupon ordered that the said Petitioner be and he is hereby granted a new Lease of the said Premisses for 99 years from Easter last at the Yearly Rent of £4 — and on paying a Fine of £432

Granted

Alderman George Scholes's Petition for a new Lease

Upon the Petition of Alderman George Scholes Setting forth that he is in posession of a small Field cont.g a. r. p. 1. 3. 8 on the South side, and another Field containing a. r. p. 5. 2. 16 on the North side of Fishers Batter, also of one House & Garden on the North side of James's Street without by virtue of a Lease made by this Corporation to Samuel Pendleton late an Alderman of the same deceased for 61 years from Easter 1728 at the yearly rent of £1.10 — by which said Lease is also demised one little House on the South side of St. James's Street without, of which your Petitioner never had posession — That he is also in posession of a parcel of Land in the Yellow Batter without Sunday's Gate containg 5 acres, and of a House and Farm yard on the North side of John Street, by virtue of a Lease from this Corporation to Edw.d Meade late

late of the same Alderman deceased for the term of 61 years from Mich.s 1755 at the yearly rent of £1.10 — And that he is also in posession of

idem a House and Back Side on the Corn Market hill, at the corner turning into Fair Street by virtue of a Lease from this Corporation to his Father Edmund Scholes late an Alderman of the same deceased for 61 years from Easter 1729 at the yearly Rent of £4 — That the Pet.r proposes Surrendering the said Leases and taking Renewalls thereof at reasonable Fines agreeable to an Act of the General Assembly held the 20.th april 1787 for Regulating the Renewalls of Leases and the said Petition being pursuant to the said Act of Assembly considered by the Auditors & Viewers and by them with their Report thereon laid before this Assembly It is thereupon ordered that the said Petitioner be and he is hereby granted a

Granted new Lease of the said two Parks in the Fisher's Batter cont.g together a. r. p. 7. 1. 24 and the said Tenem.t in James's Street without the Gate for 99 years from Easter last at the yearly rent of £1.10 and on paying a Fine of £70

Also he is hereby granted a new Lease of the said Lands in the

idem Yellow Batter containing 5 acres and the said House & Farm Yard on the North side of John Street for 99 years from Easter last, at the yearly rent of £1.10 and on paying a Fine of £30

And also he the said Pet.r is hereby granted one other new Lease of the

idem House & Concerns on the Corn Market Hill at the corner turning into Fair Street for 99 years from Easter last at the yearly Rent of £4 — and on paying a Fine of £20

Petition of Wm Meade Ogle Esq.r for new Lease

Upon the Petition of William Meade Ogle Esq.r Ald.n Setting forth that he is in posession of a House, Backside and Garden on the North Side of West Street in Drogheda now in the posession of the Widow M.Grane, or her Undertenant, by virtue of a Lease made by this Corp.n to Nich.s White Gent. dec.d for 61 years from Easter 1732 at the yearly rent of £0.10 — That he is also in posession of three Tenements or Houses on the North side of West Street aforesaid two of them lying together in the Tenure of the Widow Duffy and Christopher Fallon, and the other in the Tenure of Pat.k & George Smith Innholder, also one small House or Shed adjoining St. James's Gate, on the South side without the Walls, and one Park or Field near Blackbush, on South side in the Liberties of Drogheda containg a. r. p. 7. 2. 26 with a Small croft in the Dale without St. James's Gate aforesaid containing a. r. p. 1. 1. 25 by virtue of a Lease from this Corporation to Edward Meade Esq.r late an Alderman dec.d for 61 Years from Easter 1746 at the Yearly Rent of £1.18. And that he is also in posession of several parcels of Land called the Twenties containing by estimation

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20 Acres, Dobbins's Park 10 Acres, four Acres of Meadow thereto adjoining, ten Acres of Land formerly Nugents, two Acres of Meadow adjoining the same 1/2 an Acre of Meadow near the Twenties late Garnetts, and 12 Acres of Lands adjoining the Town Commons containing in the whole A. R. P. 62..3..20 all situate on South side in the County of the Town of Drogheda by virtue of a Lease from this Corporation to the late Rt. Hontble Lord Chief Justice Singleton dec.d for 61 Years from Easter 1742 at the yearly Rent of £10..15..10 That the Petitioner proposes Surrendering the said three Leases and taking Renewalls thereof at reasonable Fines agreeable to an Act of the General Assembly held the 20th April 1787 for regulating the Renewalls of Leases, and the said Petition being pursuant to the said Act of Assembly considered by the Auditors & Viewers, and by them with their Report thereon laid before this Assembly, It is thereupon ordered that the said Petitioner be and he is hereby granted a new Lease of the said House and premisses in West Street now in the Tenure of the Widow M.Grane and her Undertenants for 99 Years from Easter last at the yearly Rent of Ten Shillings, and on paying a Fine of £75 And also he is hereby granted one other new Lease of the House in West Street in the possession of the Widow Duffy, the House in the said Street late in the possession of Chris.r Fallon and the House in said Street late in the possession of Pat.k George Smith (all on the North side said Street) and also of the s.d parcel of Land at Blacklush containing A. R. P. 7..2..26 the croft in the Dale cont.g R. P. 1..25 and of the small House or Shed adjoining Dublin als James's Gate without for 99 years from Easter 1789 at the yearly Rent of £1..18.. and on paying a fine of £130 And he is likewise hereby granted another new Lease of the s.d other Several Several parcels of Lands

	A. R. P.
The Twentys cont.g	20..0..0
Dobbins's Park	10.....
The Meadw adjoining same	4.....
The Land formerly Nugents	10.....
The Meadw adjoining Same	2.....
The Meadw under the Twentys late Garnetts	1..2
& 12 Acres of Land adjoining the Tn Commons	12
In all	59..2

for 99 years from Easter last at the Yearly Rent of £10:15: & on paying a Fine of £325

Upon the Petition of Aldn Wm Gibbons setting forth that he is in possession of a Park in the Fishers Ballet cont.g

Idem

Granted

Petition of Aldn William Gibbons for a new Lease

Containing A. R. P. 5..0..26, and three small Crofts in the Dale cont.g A. R. P. 2..2..12 all lying without St. James's Gate by virtue of a Lease made by this Corporation to Elizabeth Irwine dec.d for 48 years from Easter 1758 at the yearly Rent of Ten Shillings That the Petitioner proposes Surrendering the said Lease and taking a Renewall thereof at a reasonable Fine agreeable to the Act of the General Assembly of the 20th April 1787 for regulating in future Renewalls of Leases, and pursuant to the said Act of Assembly the Pet.r having laid his Petition before the Auditors & Viewers, and they having considered the same, and made their Report thereon before this Assembly, It is thereupon ordered that the said Petitioner be and he is hereby granted a new Lease of the said Park in the Fishers Batter containing A. R. P. 5..0..26 and the said three Crofts in the Dale cont.g A. R. P. 0..2..12 in all 5..2..38 all lying without St. James's Gate in this County for 99 years from Easter last at the yearly Rent of 10s and on paying a Fine of £34..2..6

Idem

Granted

Upon the Petition of Aldn Wm Holmes Admon of aldn Wm Norman dec.d on behalf of himself and also on behalf of Israel Norman & Thos Norman Gent. Sons, and Mary Norman Daughter of the said Edward Norman, and also on behalf of Sarah Knight and Dorcas Woodside Daughters of Hannah Woodside otherwise Knight, otherwise Norman dec.d who was Daughter of the said Edward Norman, and of Wm Rogers Son of Thos Rogers dec.d by Ann Rogers otherwise Knight another Daughter of the said Hannah; Setting forth that he the said Petitioner is in possession of All that the Westermost part and Proportion of the Augustin Friery near the West Gate in the said Town of Drogheda bounding on the South to the River Boyne, on the North to West Street on the West the Town Wall, and on the East to James Dromgooles and Edw.d Cheshire's Gardens by virtue of a Lease made by this Corporation to the s.d Aldn Edw.d Norman dec.d for 61 years from Easter 1734 at the Yearly Rent of £1..10 That he the said Petitioner proposes Surrendering the said Lease and taking a Renewale thereof as Admon of the said Edw.d Norman for himself and In Trust for the other persons herein mentioned at a Reasonable Fine agreeable to an Act of the Gen.l Ass.y held the 20th April 1787 for Regulating the Renewalls of Leases And the said Petition having been pursuant to the said Act of Assembly laid before and considered by the Auditors and Viewers and by them with their Report thereon laid before this Assembly It is thereupon ordered that the said Petitioner be and he is hereby granted a new Lease a new Lease of the said Westermost part and proportion of the Augustin Friery near the West Gate in the Town of Drogheda for himself and In Trust as above mentioned for 99 years from Easter last at the yearly Rent of £1..10 & paying £100 Fine and Covenanting to Surrender up that part of the premisses in front to West Street as laid down by a dotted Line in the Map thereof to

Petition of Aldn Wm Holmes Admr of aldn Norman for a new Lease

Granted

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To said Lease to be annexed and containing 33¼ feet in depth from North to South at the West end and 25 feet in depth from North to South at the East end thereof, at any time that it shall be found expedient to widen the entrance into the Town at West Gate upon notice being served upon or the Tenants or Occupiers thereof Six Months previous to the time at which such Surrender shall be required, or upon such Notice being posted on the Tholsel of Drogheda

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Upon the Petition of Burton Tandy of Drogheda Esq.r setting forth that he is in possession of 8a. 3r. 23p. of the Lands of Mannimore by virtue of a Lease made by this Corporation to John Jebb late an Alderman of the same for 61 years from Easter 1772 at the yearly Rent of £21 2:5 and praying this Corporation to accept of a Surrender of said Lease and to grant him a new Lease of said Premisses and to permit him to Fine off a moiety of the present Rent, at 8 Years purchase in like manner as other Tenants of the said Lands of Mannimore have done It is therefore ordered by this Assembly that the Petitioner be and he is hereby granted a new Lease of the said Premisses for 99 years from Easter last, on his Fining off a Moiety of the present Rent at 8 Years Purchase

Petition of Burton Tandy Esq.r for a new Lease

Granted

The following persons upon their several Petitions were admitted Free members on the usual terms (that is to say) William Graves Chamney of Drogheda Esq.r Son of John Chamney Esq.r by Birth and William Jones of the same Esq.r Francis Graves of the same Gentleman, John Orson, of the same Esq.r Leonard Crooks Esq.r Lieutenant in His Majestys 96 Regiment, of Foot James Barlow of the City of Dublin Esq.r and Patrick Euring of the same City Esq.r all by Special Favour

7 Freemen admitted

Upon the Memorial of William Latham Blacker of Drogheda Esq.r, setting forth, that he is Tenant, to a Park of Land without Sundays Gate, on the West side of the Road and on the South side of Alderman Oliver Fairtloughs Land that the same Park is Bounded, on the East by a Waste useless Piece of Common about half a Rood, or less joining the Road. And praying a Lease of said Waste Piece of Common which Memorial being referred to the Auditors and Viewers and their Reports thereon, being now Read, It is thereupon ordered by this Assembly that the said Memorialist be and he is hereby granted a Lease of the said lot of waste Ground without side Sundays Gate in this County (N.o 3 as p.r Map,) for 61 years from Easter last, reserving a passage of 12 Feet in Width at the South end thereof from the Publick Road to Mr Heywoods Lands on the West side of said Lott at the Yearly Rent of 5s and 5s Fine

Petition of William Latham Blacker Esq.r for a new Lease

Granted

Ordered that the sum of One hundred Pounds over and above the sum of £1000 lately granted and paid be advanced by this Corporation to the Committee appointed for Conducting and Carrying on the Improvements of the Harbour and River below the Bridge, And the thanks of this Assembly is hereby given to Edward Hardman, Esq.r one of the Gentlemen of the said Committee for his publick Spirit, and unwearied Attention to Effect the said Works which at present are in such a State of forwardness owing in a great degree to his Abilities and judicious Conduct, that there is every reason, to hope the Channel will soon become Straight and Commodious the Obstructions therein removed, and the whole rendered of essential Service to the Trade of this Town

£100 Granted for the improvement of the River Boyne below the Bridge

A Memorial of the Directors of the Turn pike Road leading from Dunleer to Dublin being perferred and read at this Assembly It is thereupon ordered that the said Memorialists be and they are hereby impowered and at Liberty to take down West Gate and James's Gate of this Town and to apply the Materials of them for making the new Roads on the intended Lines of Approach to this Town

Liberty for the directors of the Turn pike Road to take down James's Gate & West Gate

Ordered that the sum of £14:6:9 be paid William Latimer Mason being a ballance due him for repairing the Town Walls in 1787 agreeable to a report made on his account, by the auditors to this Assembly

Wm Latimer to be p.d £14:6:9 for Mason Work

Ordered that the sum of £10 be paid by half Yearly payments for the year Commencing Michs last to Basil.d Denn English School Master in this Town to enable him to Continue his School

£10 to be paid B. Denn English Schoolmastr

The following alterations were made at this Assembly in the Dockett of the Gate Customs Viz.t

Alterations in the Dockett of Gate Customs

	£	d
Every Piece of Woollen Goods of the Manufacture of Ireland		1.
every Horse or back load of do		2
every Cart Load of do		3
every piece of English Woollen Cloath of 20 Yards		2
every piece of do under 20 yards		1
every Cart load of Ls		4
every Stone of Tallow. Carcass brought to Market		¼
every Cask or Cartload of do		3
every Bag of Wool above 2 Cr		3
every Cart load of Cotton Wool		3
Coals for Bleach yards		Nil

Gale Customs Set

The doors being opened the Gate Customs were Set up to Cant. and were Struck off to Mr. Burton Tandy the Highest Bidder for one Year to Commence from and after the 26th day of October instant at £15.11 p.r Week

Post Assembly

At a Post Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 13th January 1790

Petitions

Several Petitions were read and disposed of

Special Gen.l Ass.y

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 15 January 1790

Freedom presented to The Lord Chancellor

Resolved unanimously that the Freedom of this Corporation be presented in a Gold Box of Twenty five Guineas Value to the Right Honourable John Lord Fitzgibbon Lord High Chancellor of Ireland with a Suitable Diat to be prepared, by the Gentlemen who Signed the Requisition, and that the same be presented by Mr. Mayor. Mr. Recorder our Representatives in Parliament, Mr. Mayor of the Staple and the Sheriffs

Freedom presented to Willm. Godley Esq.r

Resolved unanimously that the Freedom of this Corporation be presented, in a Diat to William Godley Esq.r eldest Son of John Godley Esq.r

Gen.l Quarterly Ass.y

At a General Quarterly Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 15 January 1790

Treasurers Acc.t Settled & allowed

The Treasurers Account being laid before this Assembly Stated and Settled by the Mayor Sheriffs late Mayor and the Auditors and Viewers on the 11th instant, and their Reports thereon being Read the same is Allowed and Confirmed And it appears, that the Ballance thereof due by the Treasurer to this Corporation is Eighteen Pounds three Shillings & 1½

James's Street Bullring &c. ord.d to be paved

Ordered that the Pavement of Saint James's Street the Bullring the Bridge Shop Street and that part of West Street from the Wholsel to Stock Well Lane be repaired as soon as the Weather will permit

No Work exceeding £10 to be carried on without Estimating for same

Resolved unanimously that in future no works shall be carried on or any Materials or Articles be purchased at the Expence of this Corporation where the Amount thereof shall exceed Ten Pounds unless an Estimate thereof with a Plann annexed thereof (where such plan is practicable) be first laid before the Mayor and Sheriffs Auditors and Viewers for the time being to Report their opinion thereon and unless such Estimate and Report shall be laid before the then next ensueing General Quarterly Assembly and approved, and it is ordered by this Assembly that any attested Copy by the Town Clerke of this Resolution be furnished to every future Mayor on his entering into Office

Entertainm.t to be given 1st July 1790

Mr. Mayor is requested by this Assembly to omit giving the two Succeeding Quarter Sessions Entertainments of the present year and that in lieu thereof he will please to give one Entertainment on the first day of July next. being the Centenery of the Victory obtained on the Boyne by King William the third of Glorious and Immortal Memory

£40 ann.m to be p.d Aldn. Edw.d Chefshire as Dy. Clke Market

Alderman Edward Chefshire being nominated at this Assembly to Mr. Mayor. as a proper person to Superintend such business as he shall direct as his deputy Clke Market and his Worship having Substituted and Appointed him as such in the Room of Mr. George Elegg deceased, It is therefore ordered by this Assembly that the said Edward Chefshire be paid the Sallary of £40 Ayear, from the 25th december last, during his continuance in the said Office

£20 ann.m to be paid said Edw.d Chefshire for inspect.g the Meal Market

And the said Edward Chefshire is by this Assembly Appointed Inspector of the Meal Market of this Town in the Room of George Elegg deceased at the yearly Sallary of £20. from the 25th december last

Eliz.th Clegg 1 W.dow to be p.d

Ordered that the sum of Ten Pounds be paid by the Treas.r for Account of this Corporation to Mrs Elizabeth Elegg Widow of the late George Elegg

Petition of Ald.n Wm Chefshire for a new Lease

Upon the Petition of Alderman William Chefshire setting forth that he is Tenant in possession of one small parcel of Land containing R. P. 1. 20 and another containing 26 P. without dulcek Gate, on Meath side by virtue of a Lease made by this Corporation to Edward Chefshire late of the same Alderman deceased, for 61 Years from Easter 1757 at the yearly Rent of £1. 6. 6 That he proposes surrendering said Lease, and taking a Renewal thereof at a reasonable Fine agreeable to the Act of April General Assembly 1787 for regulating in future Renewals of Leases and pursuant to the said Act of Assembly he the Petitioner

Petitioner laid this Application before the Auditors and Viewers for a Report to be made thereon and the said Petition having been considered by the said Auditors and Viewers pursuant to the said Act of Assembly and by them with their Report thereon, layed before this Assembly It is therefore ordered that the said Petitioner be and he is hereby granted a new Lease of the said Premises for 99 Years from Michs last. at the present yearly Rent. of £1. 6. 6 upon paying a Fine of £1. 10

Granted

Upon the Petition, of George Tandy Esq.r setting forth that he is in possession in his own Right of All that, and those one Parcel of Land now in several divisions lying at the Green Batter out Sundays Gate containing 7. a. 1. r. 30 p. also one Croft of Land now Tenements and Gardens on the East side of the Land leading to Bolton Town and the North side of Irish Street containing 26 Perches by virtue of a Lease made by this Corporation to Roger Forde Alderman for 41 Years from Michs 1776. at the yearly Rent of £4. 10. And praying a new Lease of the Premisses agreeable to an order of the General Assembly lately made for Renewall of Leases on paying a Fine, which Petition with a Report thereon of the Auditors and Viewers being laid before this Assembly It is thereupon ordered that the said Petition be and he is hereby granted a new Lease of the said premisses for 99 Years from Michs. last at the Yearly Rent of £4. 10. on paying £34. 2. 6 Fine, on his Surrendering the old Lease and Covenanting by the new Lease to give up to this Corporation when required as much of the premes. in Irish Street as shall be wanted to Widen Bolton Lane to 50 feet. on making him a reasonable recompence for same, New Maps of the premisses to be annexed to the new Leases setting forth the intended new Line for Widening said Lane

Petition of Geo. Tandy for a new Lease

Granted

Upon the Petition of Mr. Henry Leland setting forth that he is in possession in his own Right of one House on the West side of Saint peters Street, with back Ground thereto, belonging one other House and back ground on the West side of the same Street also one other House or Tenement and Garden on the West side Magdellan Street in the said Town, together with another House or Tenement and Garden, near the Long Stones or Bridge of Mollary in the Parish of Mollary in the County of Louth, by virtue of a Lease made by this Corporation to his late Father Alderman Henry Leland dec.d for 61 Years from Michs 1763. at the yearly Rent of £1. 10. That the said Houses are in a Ruinious State and the term unexpired of said Lease

Petition of Henry Leland for a new Lease

Lease being too Short for improving same and praying a new Lease thereof and so forth, Which Petition being referred to the Auditors and Viewers and their Report thereon being now Read it is thereupon ordered by this Assembly that the said Petitioner be and he is hereby granted a new Lease of the said Houses Tenements and Premisses for 99 Years from Easter last at the Yearly Rent of £3 and £3 Fine on his Surrendering the old Lease and Covenanting to Rebuild the said Houses in Peter Street, within the first 4 Years of the new Lease

Granted

Upon the Memorial of Mr. Burton Dandy setting forth that considerable damage has been done to the Navigation of the River Boyne by the Rubbish Deposited therein by the Rivulet running between his Quay and that of David Jebb Esq.rs without Saint James's Gate, that the best Method of Obviating same will be by building a Wall or Weir between said Quays the Expence of which by an Estimate annexed to said Memorial amounts to £27. 18 and praying that a moiety thereof may be granted to him in Aid of said Work It is thereupon, and upon a Report from the Auditors and Viewers on said Memorial Ordered by this Assembly that the sum of twelve Guineas be granted by this Corporation to the Memorialists for said Work

Memorial of Burton Dandy for aid for building a Wier near his Quay

12 Gs ord.d him

William Latham Blacker of Drogheda Esq.r is admitted a Free Member by Special favour and William Johnston of the same Shoemaker Son of Adam Johnston Wigmaker is admitted a free Member by birth on their sueral petitions each of them to pay the usual Fine and fees and taking the usual Oath

2 Freemen admitted

Ordered that Mr. Mayor. be and he is hereby impowered to affix the Common Seal of this Corporation to a Petition to Parliament for a Tax of Six pence ₰ Ton on Shipping resorting to this port for the improvement of the Harbours

Petition to Parliam.t for a local Tax

Ordered that the sum of ten Guineas be paid by the Treas.r of this Corporation towards support of the Charitable Infirmary, for the ensuing year and that such sum be paid, annually for said Charity during the pleasure of this Corporation

10 Gs ord.d to the Chan.l Infirmary

Ordered that Surgeon Joseph Harpur William Cleapem James Bowen Jordan Roche and Joseph Hayes and Doctor James Reilly be paid the Sum,

Surgeons

Sum of ten Guineas a piece, at the present year for their Assistance to poor objects, and their Attendance at the Charitable Infirmary in this Town the ensueing year

Court Keepers Sallary advanced

Jane Collier Widow. Court and Tholsel Keeper upon her Petition is ordered an addition of 2 Guineas a year to her Sallary from Xmas last which makes it 8 Guineas a year, her late Sallary being 6 Guineas

Past Assembly

At a Past Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 14th April 1790

Petitions

Several Petitions preferred to this Assembly were read and disposed off

Special Genl. Assembly

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 16th day of April 1790

Freedom presented to the Revd. St George Ashe in a Silver Box

Resolved unanimously that the Freedom of this Corporation be presented to the Reverend St. George Ashe in a Silver Box

General Assembly

At a General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 16th day of April 1790

Mayor Elect

Alderman Joseph Holmes is elected to serve Mayor of this Corporation for the next ensueing year from Michs day next according to the rule of Succession

Sheriffs Elect

Mr. John Leland and Mr. Wallop Brabazon are Elected to serve Sheriffs of this Corporation for the ensueing year from Michs. day next

Ordered that the Election of Mayor and Sheriffs for the ensueing year be forthwith certified to Government for their approbation

Proctors of St. Johns Poorhouse

Hampden Nicholson and Burton Dandy Esqrs are Elected Proctors of Saint Johns poor House for three years from this Easter Assembly

Oliver Darttough Esquire one of the late Proctors of Saint Johns Poor House having laid before this Assembly an account of the Receipts and payments of said Charity for three years past It is ordered that he pay the Ballance thereof in his hands being £6..9..7. to the present Proctors

Recievers of the Commons Rents.

Alderman Henry Smith and George Armstrong are Elected Recievers of the Rents of the Commons for three years from this Easter General Assembly

Premes on the South Quay ordered to be pulled down

Ordered that the Premisses on the South Quay the Estate of this Corporation, the Leases of which are now expired be forthwith pulled down and layed open for the Benefit of the Publick and that the Materials of the Buildings on the Premisses be Sold by Auction and carried away by the Purchasers or for before the first day of June next

Sealing day

Wednesday the 21st April instant is appointed a Sealing day for Corporation Leases

£150 to defray the Expences of the Centenery

Ordered that any sum not exceeding £150 be paid by this Corporation towards defraying the Expences to be incurred by Commemorating on the first day of July next the Centenery of the Victory obtained on the Boyne by King William the third in addition to £100 of Mr. Mayors Sallary which he has agreed to give for same purpose in lieu of the two Sessions Entertainments of this last and next July Sessions) And Mr. Mayor the Mayor of the Staple and Alderman Hardman Aldn. William Chefshire Aldn. Gibbons Aldn. Ashland and the Sheriffs are appointed by this Assembly a Committee to prepare and Conduct the Entertainments to be given on the said Commemoration

Commissioners for Improvemt of the Harb.

In pursuance of an Act passed last Sessions of Parliament Entitled an Act for the Improvement of the Harbour and Port of Drogheda and better regulating the Police thereof impowering this Corporation to Elect six Aldermen and Seven Common Council to be Commissioners under said Act. This Assembly proceeded to Elect said thirteen Commissioners and thereupon, George Schoales Edward Hardman Sir William A Dogherty Oliver Darttough Roger Forde and William Gibbons six of the Aldermen and John Darttough Samuel Martin George Evans Burton Dandy Ralph Smith James Schoales and Robert Pollock Seven of the Common Council of this

Corporation

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Corporation were Elected Commissioners to Act under and by virtue of the said Act of Parliament

every Person applying for Freedom by special favor to deposit 10 Gs

Resolved unanimously that every person hereafter applying to this Corporation by Petition for Freedom by Special favour shall at the time of Lodging their Petition with the Town Clerk at the same time lodge with him ten Guineas as a deposite to discharge The Fine and Fees of Admission; And that the amount of such Fine as shall be layed on by the General Assembly on the Granting such Freedom shall be Forfeited out of the said Deposite unless the Petitioner shall within one year after the Grant comply with the terms of Admission by paying the Fine and Fees and taking the usual Oath

A Free Carpenter admitted

Joseph M.Cabe of Drogheda Carpenter is admitted a free Carpenter by special favour on the usual terms

A free Member admitted

Robert Collels of Jean Ville in the County of Meath Esq.r is admitted a free Member by Special favour on praying £5 Fine & Fees and taking the usual Oath

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And George Ferguson Gentleman Son of the Rev.d Thos Ferguson dec.d is admitted a free member by Birth on their several Petitions on their several paying the respective Fine and Fees and taking the usual Oath

Ordered that the following persons be paid the sums to their Names respectively annexed out of the Rents of the Commons for the present year commencing at Michs last and ending at Michs next Viz.t

Pensioners on the Commons List

	£	s
Proctors of Saint Johns Poor House. for Purze of Commons		8
Jane Bilbie		3
Widow of Jn.o Moffett		3
Richard Ennis Daus Elizabth		3
Adam Johnstons Wife		4
Ann Simpson Widow		4
Widow of John Holland		4
Widow of John Woodhouse		3
Widow of Geo: Evans		5
Widow of Robt. Hatchett		3
Mary Humphrys		3
Edw.d Brookes Children		3 10
Widow of John Rencher		6
William Marshall		3
Mary Roe		2
John Parkinson		4
William Bagnall		3
Widow of James Shortall		5
Margaret Lampree		2
Widow of William M.Cartney		2
Ann Humphrys sen.r		4
Widow of John Knight		4
Sam.l Hale	£	4 10
Mary Ackland	£	6 16 6
Widow of Mich.l Brookes		2
Martha Blakeney		6
Widow of Brab. Courtney		4
John Staplehill		2
Guthrida Brunton		4
Thomas Longe		4
Widow of Chas Elliott		4
Widow of Jac: Rencher		4
Sus.a Lyster Widow		2
Mary M.c Daniel als Parks		3
Mary Collier daur of Thos		2
Widow of Ant.o Collier		1 10
Robert Harrison		2
Mary Holland		4
Ann Applerard als Courtney		1 10
Elinor Clarke		3
Mary Hughes Widow		3
Mary Dennis Widow		3
Ann Ackland		6 15
Priscilla Reamy Widow		2 10
Ann Dowdall Widows		5
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		85 10
	£	101 11 6

Ordered that the Years Rent of Priors Park at Killiney due Michs last Leased to Isaih Moore being £8 (the bequest of the late Alderman Leigh) be received by the Receivers of the Commons Rents and by them paid equally to the Widow Blackburne and John Staplehill

Post. Assembly

At a Post. Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 14 day of July 1790

Petitions

Several Petitions were preferred to this Assembly and referred to next General Assembly

Genl Assembly

At a General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 16 July 1790

A Free Member admitted

Richard Graham of Drogheda Esq.r Son of John Graham Esquire deceased is Admitted free by Birth on his Petition on paying the usual Fine and Fees and taking the usual Oath

2 Free Members admitted

Samuel Cooper of Beamore in the County of Meath Esquire and James Nearns of Drogheda Grocer are admitted free Members by Special favour on their petitions each paying the usual Fines and Fees and taking the usual Oath

1 Vacancy supplied in St.t Johns Poor house

Elinor Clarke Widow upon her Petition is Admitted into a Vacancy in Saint Johns poor House

Special Genl Assembly

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the aldermen and Common Council being present the 19th July 1790

Freedoms

Resolved unanimously that the Freedom of this Corporation be and the same is granted in a Diat to Lieut Cyrel Coote of His Majestys 70th Regiment of Foot for his remarkable attention to the Committee appointed by this Corporation for Conducting the Celebration of the Centenary of the the 1st July 1690, on the first day of July instant

Presented

Resolved unanimously that the Freedom of this Corporation be and the same is granted in a Diat to the Reverend Jerom Alley L.L.B Rector of the Parishes of Bealiew and Drumcarr and Chaplain to the Right Honble Lord Thefield as a mark of our Approbation of his Excellent Sermon preached in Saint Peters Church on the first day of July instant upon the Celebration of the Centenary of the Victory obtained on the Boyne on the first day of July 1690

And M.r Mayor is requested is requested by this Assembly to request that he will be pleased to publish his Sermon preached on the above occasion

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Freedom to be presented in a Fiat to Blayney Balfour Esq.r

Resolved unanimously that the Freedom of this Corporation be and same is hereby Granted in a Fiat to Blayney Balfour of Townley Hall in the County of Louth Esquire

The thanks of this Corp.n to be presented to the Gentlemen of the Choirs of Dublin & Armagh

Resolved unanimously that the thanks of this Corporation be and same is hereby Given to Langrish Doyle Esq.r Doctor Musick and to Mess.rs David Hamilton Thomas Mathews Robert Matheus Robert Rice John Jones and Edward Murray belonging to the Choirs of Dublin and Armagh for their obliging Assistance in performing Divine Service and an Anthem in Saint Peters Church on the first instant on the Celebration of the Centenary of the Victory on the Boyne on the 1.st July 1790

1790 September 29.th

Acts Compared

This day the foregoing Acts of Assembly were compared before us and ordered to be entered in the Assembly Book

Graves Chamney Mayor

Thomas Owens
Edw.d Tairtlough } Sheriffs

William Meade Ogle
John Ackland
Joseph Holmes } Aldn

Post Ass.y

Michaelmas Post Assembly held before Joseph Holmes Esq.r Mayor John Leland and Wollop Brabazon Esq.rs Sheriffs the Aldermen a[illegible] being present the 6.th day of October 1790

Petitions

Several Petitions preferred to this Assembly were read and disposed off

General Assembly

Michaelmas General Assembly held before the said Joseph Holmes Esquire Mayor John Leland and Wollop Brabazon Esq.rs Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 8.th day of October 1790

May.r Staple

Graves Chamney Esquire late Mayor is elected Mayor of the Staple and Justice of the Peace for the ensueing year and Sworn

Com.n Co.l men

Thomas Owens and Edward Tairtlough Esquires late Sheriffs are Elected Common Council men and Sworn

Constables of the Staple

The said Thomas Owens and Edward Tairtlough are elected Constables of the Staple for the ensueing year and Sworn

Coroners

And the said Thomas Owens and Edward Tairtlough are elected Coroners for the ensueing year and Sworn

Master of the Guild

Sir William Dogherty Knight is elected Master of the Guild for the ensueing year

Wardens of the Guild

John Ball and Thomas Norman Esquires are elected Wardens of the Guild for the ensueing year

Treas.r

Alderman William Holmes is elected Treasurer for the ensueing year

Officers of Sword & Mace & Marshal

Ordered that the Officers of the Sword and Mace and Marshal be continued during the pleasure of this Corporation

Water Customs

Ordered that the Water Customs of this Corporation be collected the ensueing year by Mr. John Tairtlough on the same terms of the last year

Cleansing of the Streets

Mr. Mayor is requested to Contract with and employ such persons as he shall think proper to cleanse and carry away the dirt and Soil of the Streets and Lanes of this Town and the Avenues thereto for one year to Commence the 26.th of October inst.

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Common Councilman elected & Sworn

Upon the Memorial of the Fraternity of Smiths of this Corporation setting forth that by the death of Thomas Jones late one of their Common Council, there is a Vacancy of that office and returning Messrs George Potter, George North and John Perkinson three free Brothers of said Fraternity that one of them may be Chosen in his room It is thereupon ordered by this Assembly that the said George Potter be and he is hereby elected and Chosen a Common Council for the said Fraternity in the room of the said Thomas Jones deceased and he being called in was Sworn into Office accordingly

Auditors & Viewers

Aldermen William Meade Ogle Edward Hardman William Gibbons John Ackland and William Faitlough and Messrs George Evans Samuel Martin Burton Tandy and Edward Faitlough are elected Auditors and Viewers for the ensuing Year

Sessions Dinners retrenched

Ordered that instead of the remaining three Sessions Dinners for the present Year, two Dinners be given, one at the next Spring, and the other at the next Summer Assizes, and that the like mode be continued in future

6 Freemen admitted

Anthony Van Homrigh Esqr Son of Aldr John Van Homrigh dec. George Schoales, and Adam Schoales Sons of Adam Schoales of Londonderry, and James Crawford of Drogheda Taylor, are admitted free Members by Special Favour and John Allen Son of Peter Allen dec. and Leonard Shotell Glazier Son of James Shotell dec. are admitted free Members by Birth on their several Petitions, each on the usual terms

£34:2:6 ord. to be pd Geo Evans for fitting up Stalls in the meal mark.

Ordered that Mr George Evans be paid the sum of £34-2-6 which he expended on the fitting up of Stalls at the new Markett for account of this Corporation

£9:0:7½ to be pd Aldn Armstrong for Repair of Road

Ordered that the sum of £9-0-7½ be paid to Aldn George Armstrong which he expended in repairing the Road near Dulech Gate

£10:17:5½ ord. to be paid Law Agent

Ordered that the Sum of £10-17-5½ be paid the Law Agent that defended a Suite instituted by Ennis against Alderman Hardman Relative to unsound Oatmeal Vended in this Town being the Taxed Bill of Costs incurred in the Cause

Gate Customs

The Doors being opened, the Gate Customs were Set up to Cant, and set to Mr George Evans for one Year to commence the 26th October Instant at £16-10 p Week

Spec. General Assembly

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 9th day of October 1790

Lord Lieut. presnd Freedom, Gold Box

Resolved unanimously that the Freedom of this Corporation be presented in a Gold Box to His Excellency John Earl of Westmorland Lord Lieut. General and Gen.l Governor of Ireland as a mark of our Esteem for the Advantages which this Town has experienced under his Administration and that same with a Suitable Address be presented (as soon as the Box can be prepared) by our Chief Magistrate and Representatives in Parliament

Lr Chief Baron Freedom presntd in a Silver Box Gilt

Resolved unanimously that the freedom of this Corporation be presented in like manner in a Silver Box Gilt to the Rt Noble Barry Yelverton Lord Chief Baron of His Majestys Court of Exchequer in Ireland, in Testimoney of our Respect for his eminent Merit

Octr 25th 1790

This day a parcel of Land at Landshavagh Containing a R P 8-2-0 one Park whereof is called the Crooked Acre and a parcel of Tenements and Gardens Situate without Saint Laurences Gate on the West Side of Morgans Lane Containing R P 1-12 were Set in two Lotts by Cant at the Wholsel for 61 years each Lott from Michs last, one Moiety of the Rent of each Lott to be fined off at 14 Years purchase the first Lott being A R P 8-2-0 of Land were set to Mr Francis Graves at £2 p Acre, and the other Lott being the Tenements and Gardens were Set to Mr Burton Tandy at £6:10 a year, The Fine for the Land is £119 the Rent £8:10 & the Fine of the Tenements is £45:10 & the Rent £3:5

Past Assembly

At a Past Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 12th day of January 1791

Petitions

Several Petitions preferred to this Assembly were read and disposed of

General Assembly

At a General Assembly held before the said Mayor and and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 21st of January 1791

Freemen admitted

James Ruxton and John Ruxton both of Drogheda Carpenters Sons of Mathew Ruxton of the same Carpenter upon their several Petitions were admitted free Members by Birth on the usual terms

Widw admitted into St. Johns Poorhouse

Mary Walsh Widow upon her Petition is admitted into the present Vacancy in Saint John's Poorhouse

Aid towards impro'g the Linnen Hall

A Petition from several Linnen Merchants and others praying aid towards enlarging and improving the Linnen Hall of this Town being read It is thereon ordered by this Assembly that Debentures for £500 at £50 each be issued by this Corporation upon their being indemnified by the Petitioners the Indemnification to be approved of by a Special General Assembly

Treasurers Accots

The Treasurers Account with this Corporation Stated and settled the 10th Inst. by the Mayor Sheriffs late Mayor and Auditors were laid before this Assembly, and it appears that there is a Ballance due to him thereon by this Corporation of Three hundred and forty eight Pounds Sixteen Shillings and fourpence three farthings, which is allowed and ordered to be entered in the Acts of this Assembly

Charitable Infirmary

Ordered that Ten Guineas be paid towards Support of the Charitable Infirmary for the ensuing year, and that Surgeons Joseph Harpur, William Cheapem, James Bowen Jordan Roche Joseph Hayes, and Doctor James Reilly, be paid the sum of ten Guineas a piece at the end of the present Year for their advice and assistance to poor Objects and their Attendance at the Charitable Infirmary

Surgeons

Watchmen

A Petition from several of the Watchmen of this Town was laid before the Assembly setting forth that Arrears of Wages as to their names are respectively annexed remains due to them (while James Appleyard was director) and praying Redress Ordered that the Same be and is referred to the Mayor Sheriffs and Auditors to enquire into the merits and that they have power to draw on the Treasurer for said Arrears if justly due to the Petitioners

Centenary of the B. Boyne

Ordered that the outstanding Demands unpaid relative to the Entertainments given the first July last on Commemorating the Centenary of the Battle of the Boyne be referred to and settled by the Committe appointed by the General Assembly in April last and the present Mayor and Sheriffs any Seven of them to have power to draw upon the Treasurer for the amount of their respective Accounts

Special Genl Assly

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 4th Feb.y 1791

A Commiss.r for repair'g the Harbour

Alderman John Archland is elected a Commissioner under the Act of Parliament passed last Sessions for improving the Harbour and Port of this Town in the room of Alderman Sir William O Dogherty dec.d and was sworing accordingly

Spec.l General Assembly

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 21st of February 1791

Counter Petition to that of Dublin

The Corporation of the City of Dublin and the Merchants and Traders thereof having severally Petitioned Parliament praying that the Corn Expal Bounty may be extended to the Port of Dublin It is Resolved unanimously by this Assembly that a Counter Petition to Parliament be prepared, and presented from this Corporation & from the Merchants and Traders of this Town and the Landholders of the Counties of Louth and Meath who shall chuse to sign the same to Set forth that if the export Bounty be extended to the Port of Dublin in addition to the bounties now payable on all Grain Meal Malt and Flour brought to said City by Coast Canal and Land Carriage, such double Bounty would tend as a Monopoly of the Corn export Trade to the Metropolis for the purpose of enriching a few individuals prove highly injurious to the Agriculture of the Kingdom of Ireland, and to the export Trade of this and every other out Port thereof

And

And a Committe being appointed and a Petition prepared accordingly the same was Read and agreed to by this Assembly

idem — And Mr. Mayor is Requested to Assix the Seal of this Corporation thereto and to forward same to our Representatives to be by them laid before Parliament

Special General Assembly — At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 4th March 1791

Reward — Mr. Mayor is Requested by this Assembly to issue a proclamation offering a Reward of £100 to any person who shall within 6 Months from this day discover the person that on Saturday night last Murdered John Pentland late Surveyor of Excise in this Town so as that he or any person aiding abetting or assisting him shall be apprehended and convicted thereof

Post Assembly — At a Post Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 4th May 1791

Petitions — Several Petitions laid before this Assembly were Read and disposed of

General Assembly — At a General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Counil being present the 6th May 1791

Mayor Elect — Alderman William Tarrllough is elected to serve Mayor of this Corporation for the next ensuing Year from Michaelmas day next according to the Rule of Succession

Sheriffs Elect — Bartholomew Parlington Van Homrigh and Francis Gragham Tarrllough Esqrs are elected to serve Sheriffs of this Corporation for the ensuing Year from Michaelmas day next

Ordered that the election of the Mayor and Sheriffs for the ensuing Year be forthwith Certified to Goverment for their Approbation

Freemen admitted — Thomas Warburton of Drogheda Gent and Ralph Richardson of the County of this Town Carpenter upon their severall Petitions are admitted free Members by Special Favor on the usual terms

Common Council man, Resigned. — William Cleafem one of the Common Council Men for the Fraternity of Smiths of this Corporation having laid before this Assembly a Resignation and Surrender his hand and Seal dated the 19th past of the said Office or place of Common Council Man the same is accepted by this Assembly

£38:5:10 ord.d to be paid for Lamp lighting — Messrs. James Davis and James Drew having laid before this Assembly an account of the expence for lighting Globes and Lamps and for Globes &c furnished for the use of this Corporation from the 29th Sept.r last to the first of May instant amounting to £38:5:10 the same is allowed and Ordered to be paid

£4:2: to be p.d for News papers — An account for News papers furnished to the different Mayors from April 1788 to May 1789 amounting to £4:2 ordd to be paid to Alderman William Tarrllough

Mace Bearer — Mr. William Acton upon his petition is appointed Mace Bearer of this Corporation in the room of John Stothard dec.d during the pleasure of this Corporation

Ordered that the following persons be paid the sums to their names respectively annexed out of the Rents of the Commons for the year present commencing at Michaelmas last and Ending at Michaelmas next Viz.t

Proctors

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Pensioners on the Commons List

Proctors of Saint Johns poor

for Turfe of the Commons	2 cwt	8	Widow of Brab. Courtney	£4
Widow of John Moffitt		3	John Staplehill	2
Jane Blith		3	Gertrude Bruton	4
Richard Ennis Daur Ely		3	Thomas Tonge	4
Adam Johnstons Wife		4	Widow of Chas. Elliott	4
Ann Simpsons Widow		4	Widy of Jac. Rencher	4
Widow of John Holland		4	Susana Lyster Junr.	2
Widow of John Woodhouse		3	Mary Mc Daniel als parks	8
Widow of George Evans		5	Mary Collier Daur of Thos.	2
Widow of Robert Hatchett		3	Widow of Ant. Collier	1:10
Mary Humphrys		3	Robt. Harrison	2
Widow of John Rencher		6	Mary Holland	4
William Marshall		3	Ann Appleyard als Courtney	1:10
Mary Poel		2	Mary Hughs Widow	3
John Parkinson		4	Ann Ashland	6:15
William Bagnall		3	Lucilia Keaney Widow	2:10
Widow of Jaines Shotell		5	Ann Dowdall Widow	5
Margaret Lamprey		2	Two youngest Children of	3 2
Ann Humphryson		4	William Mc Cartney	
Widow of John Knight		4	Widow of Connolly Jones	3
Samuel Hale		4	Widy of Wm. Shippalbottom	2
Mary Ashland		6	Marg. Bucknall Robinson	1:10
Widow of Michael Brooks		2	Leonard Shotell	1:10
Martha Blakeney		6	Widy of Robt. Chambers	1:10
		£ 94:16:6		£66:15 94:16:6 £161:11:6

Ordered that the 4 years Rent of Priors park at Killan due Michaelmas last Leased to Isaiah Moore the bequest of the late Alderman Pigh be received by the Receivers of the Rents of the Commons and by them paid equally to the Widow Blackburne & John Staplehill.

Special General Assembly

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the aldermen and Common Council being present the 6th June 1791

Councils opinion of Case about the Vicars Chorals Money

Mr. Recorder having laid before this Assembly the opinions of Mr. Michael Smith, Mr. John O Neill and his own upon the case relative to the present suit with the Lord Primate about the Vicars Chorals, and also a Memorial to the Lord Lieutenant thereon It is Ordered by this Assembly that the said Memorial be sealed by Mr. Mayor and presented to his Excellency as the Memorial of this Corporation

£100 to be borrowed

Ordered that the sum of One hundred Pounds be forewith borrowed on a Debenture at Interest by this Corporation and that such money be advanced by the Treasurer for carrying on the Suit about the Vicars Chorals as Mr. Recorder shall think requisite

Memorial to the L.d Lieut.

The following is a Copy of the Memorial presented to the Lord Lieutenant

To his Excellency John Earl of Westmorland Lord Lieutenant General and General Governor of Ireland

The Memorial of the Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses and Commons of his Majesty's Town and County of the Town of Drogheda

Most humbly Sheweth That King James the 1st by Letters Patent bearing date the 15th July in the 16th year of His Reign granted to the Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses and Commons of the County of the Town of Drogheda several Tenements and Lands at the yearly Rent of five shillings, and the said Mayor Sheriffs Burgess and Commons, did Covenant with his said Majesty his Heirs and Successors that they and their Successors should for ever after, pay Yearly out of the said Premisses to six singing men and three Boys, besides an Organist and Parish Clerke, to be established in the Church of Saint Peters in Drogheda, Sallaries amounting in the whole to the Sum of £44

relative to the Vicars

That the said Sallaries together with £10 yearly to an Organist were constantly paid by the Corporation, till a great part of the Church of Saint Peter was destroyed during the usurpation of Oliver Cromwell

That upon the Restoration of King Charles the Second the Inhabitants of Drogheda, not being able to Rebuild the Church, the Chancell was repaired at the expence of the Corporation for the Celebration of Divine Service and the Establishment of Singing Men and Boys was Discontinued

Chorals Money

That the Corporation apprehending that as soon as the Church should be Rebuilt, a Choir would be re established and that they of Course would be liable to pay the £34 Sterling under the covenant before stated, did at the Request of the then Lord Primate allow the full sum of £34 annualy to the Vicar of Saint Peters to enable him to pay one or more Curates, conceiving themselves justified in such application till a Choir should be Re established

That King William the 3 having testifyed a disposition to bestow some mark of favour on the Corporation as a Compensation for their sufferings in the preceding Reign as well as in other Periods of that

That Century on account of their Loyalty, the Corporation in the Year 1695 petitioned the Crown for the grant of a new Charter for the purpose among many others of ascertaining the bounds and Limits of their Lands and Tenements then in their possession, and a new Charter was accordingly Granted to them, bearing date the 22d of March in the 10th Year of the Reign of His said Majesty King William

And your Memorialists farther shew that in this Charter is contained a grant of all the Lands and Tenements of which the Corporation are now possessed, and by it a Rent is reserved and made payable to the Crown of £47.. 18. 7½ being the Rent certified by the then then Surveyor and Auditor General and which with a Sallary of £6 .. to the Clerke of the said Parish constantly paid by the Corporation, with six shillings Collectors fees makes a Sum more than the Rent of £54 reserved by the said Charter of James the 1st for the maintenance of a Choir .. which establishment had ceased to exist for 50 years immediately preceding the date of the said Charter of William, nor has it yet been revived, or is its re establishment in Contemplation

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And your Memorialists further shew that in the said Charter of William the 3 no mention is made of, or reference had had to the Covenant in the Charter of James the first for the payment of the said Rent or annual Sum of £54 .. to Choristers, but on the contrary there is an express discharge by the Crown to the Corporation from the payment of all and Singular other Rents whatsoever issuing or to be rendered or paid for or out of the premisses or any part thereof granted by said Charter, save and except the aforesaid Rent of £47: 18: 7½ which has been punctually paid at the Custom House of Dublin since the year 1698

That the Corporation conceiving that their Lands were still subject under the Covenant in the Charter of James the 1st to the payment of the Rent or annual Sum of £54 .. continued after the Grant of the Charter of William to apply it to the maintenance of a Curate till the year 1720 when the then Lord Primate Lyndsay prevented such application by causing an Information to be filed in the

The name of the Attorney General against the Corporation in order to compell them to account for and pay the said Rent of £54 .. from the Restoration of Charles the Second to the time of exhibiting the Information as an Arrear due to the Crown alledging that the £54 .. Yearly for the maintenance of a Curate was a misapplication of said Sum by the Corporation, tho such payment had been made at first and continued afterwards at the Request and Special Instance of the different Lord Primates that in the year 1721 on the Petition of the Corporation to the Lord Lieutenant, stating the above vexatious proceeding, a Release of said Arrear was granted under the great Seal of this Kingdom that the Corporation had from the year 1721 discontinued to apply the £54 .. in the manner above stated being advised that the Sanction of a Decree of the Court of Chancery was necessary to justify such application

And your Memorialists further shew that in or about the year 1743 a Bill was filed in the Court of Chancery against the Corporation by Pierce Hughs Vicar of said Church praying payment of said Sum of £54 .. from the year 1726 to the time of Filing said Bill, in order to defray the expence incurred by payment of the Sallary of an additional Curate but no Decree being obtained in this Cause, in the Year 1745 an Information was exhibited in the same Court against the Corporation by the then Lord Primate in the name of Saint George Caulfield His Majestys Attorney General setting forth the application of said Rent of £54 in manner before mentioned previous to the year 1720 as well as the proceedings in the suit instituted by Pierce Hughs, and for the purpose of compelling the Corporation to account for the Arrears alledged to be due on the foot of that annual Charge of £54 .. and for obtaining the Sanction of said Court for the application in future of said Rent to the maintenance of a Curate this suit having abated another Information was in the year 1766 exhibited against the Corporation for the purpose of Reviving the Suits above mentioned

And your Memorialists farther shew that the said Bill, as well as those Informations were founded on a Supposition that the Lands in possession of the Corporation at the time of Filing said Bill and exhibiting said Informations were chargeable with the Payments

Payments annually of said Sum of £54.. on the Event hereafter stated and your Memorialists thro' Ignorance of the legal operation of the Charter of King William, and an erroneous opinion that they should be subject to the payment of the said £54.. per annum, and the arrears since 1720, whenever the Event of the re establishment of the Choir should happen, did file amicable answers to said Bill and Informations, and were induced in 1773, at the instance of His Grace, the present Lord Primate to present a Memorial to the Lord Lieutenant for the purpose of obtaining His Majesty's consent for the application of said Sum to the maintenance of a Curate, considering at that time such application of said £54 per annum, not as imposing a new charge on the Corporation, but meerly as a commutation for a Rent to which the Lands in their possession must really be liable in case of the re establishment of a Choir which they apprehended could easily been effected if the Corporation refused their consent to such application; But it has lately been suggested to the Corporation by Council and for the first time as can be verified by the Affidavit of the proper Officer in the Corporation that all payments made by the Corporation of the said Rent of £54 since the grant of the Charter of William the 3d have been in error and in their own Wrong, as by said Charter all the Lands in the possession of the Corporation are discharged from the payment of all Rent whatsoever except the above mentioned £47.. 18.. 7½ reserved and made payable thereby to the Crown, and as it appears that said Lands are granted by the said last mentioned Charter under the same Rents and Services to which they were liable before such Charter passed under the great Seal (for such Grant is expressed to be according to the Tenor of the Kings Letters bearing Date the 28th day of March in the Ninth Year of the Reign of said King, which Letters by the recital in the preamble of said Charter appear to have contained a direction that the Lands should be granted under the same Rents and services to which they were then liable) the Corporation are advised that a Construction of said Charter cannot be maintained tending to Subject the Lands of the Corporation to a Double Rent namely the Old Rent of £54.., and the new Rent of £47.. 18.. 7½

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Especially when it is considered that the Charter of William was granted at the speaal instance of the Corporation, and according to the avowed intention of the Crown was to be as beneficial as possible to the Corporation and expressly as a Reward for the good great and laudable Services constantly done and performed by the Inhabitants of Drogheda

And your Memorialists further shew that after a discontinuance of 20 years, a claim on the parts of the Primates has again been renewed and another Information has lately been exhibited in the name of the Attorney General in Order to revive the former Suits, And your Memorialists are advised that they are not concluded by the answers of their Predecessors given under the circumstances above mentioned And that as Trustees of the Lands granted by the Crown to the Corporation they should be guilty of a breach of duty if they filed an amicable answer to the Information lately exhibited against them and declined to insist on the discharge in the Charter of William (which Charter has never been stated or put in Issue by any of the pleadings in the former Suits) And to represent to your Excellency that the consent of the Crown for the application of said Rent of £54.. to the maintenance of a Curate was granted in 1774 under an Error originating in the Ignorance of the Members of the Corporation, at that Period as to their Chartered Rights, And your Memorialists are the more convinced of the Expediency and Necessity of resorting to the Gracious Interference of your Excellency when they considered that their Acquiescence under the claim contained in the Information, must induce a Sale of a very considerable part of the Lands granted by the Crown to the Corporation not only for the purpose of satisfying the Demand of the present Lord Primate and the Representatives of his Predecessors, but also to discharge Debts incurred to a large amount by the Corporation in order to defray the expences of various publick Works and Buildings which have proved highly beneficial to the Inhabitants of Drogheda and the Trade thereof and of the adjacent Counties of Louth and Meath and the payment of which Debts must become unavoidable on the Sale of any part of the Corporation

Your Memorialists further shew that the County of the Town of Drogheda contains about 3000 Acres, and that a Cess or rate adequate to the charge incurred for the Repair of Roads and other publick purposes usually provided for by the Presentments of Grand Juries could not be raised without causing great distress to

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The lower Order of the Inhabitants of said County and that the Corporation taking this circumstance into their consideration have constantly applied a great part of their Revenues to the purposes above mentioned and in diminuation of several local and necessary Taxes to which the Inhabitants of the Town are unavoidably Subject And for the enabling of them to afford Relief to the lower Class of Inhabitants in these respects the Corporation have since the year 1788 considerably reduced the allowance of their Chief Magistrate which is now only a £150 ⁊ annum and used their utmost endeavours to effect every practicable Retrenchment in every other article of their Expenditure, But if the amount of their Revenues shall be so very materially diminished by the Sale of their Lands, agreeable to the prayer of the Information they must be rendered in a great measure incapable of pursuing any longer a System, which has been productive of such Salutary consequences to the Town of Drogheda — And from the acknowledged liberality and Munificence of the present Lord Primate as well as the respect which they entertain for the memory of his Predecessors, Your Memorialists are induced to believe that they would not have prosecuted their Claim had they conceived that some thousands of the Inhabitants of Drogheda must be involved in distress by the Sale of so considerable a portion of the Estate of the Corporation for the sole purpose of Reimbursing the Archbishops of Armagh for the payment of so small a Stipend as £40. to a Clergyman officiating in the principal Church in a Town which was one of their Seats in their See but of late years has been deprived of the great benefit derived from the Residence of the Primate, especially if it had been recollected that so considerable a part as 400 Acres in the Counties of Meath and South of the Lands granted by the Charter of King James the first to the Corporation as a consideration for the payment of the said £54 ⁊ annum to the Choristers was granted by the said Corporation in the Reign of Charles the 2d to the Vicar of Saint Peters and his Successors in Fee Farm at the small Rent of 5l. and tho' by the neglect of succeeding Vicars in order to encrease the income of said Vicar, they and the Corporation have been deprived of some of those Lands the

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Part which remains in possession of the Vicar at this day Yields a Rent equal to the amount of the Sallary alledged to have been paid to a Curate, and that exclusive of the above Fee Farm granted, the Corporation also demised at different times at much later periods to the Vicar of said Church and his Successors severall plotts of Ground (held by them under the said Charter of James the 1st on which the Vicarage House and the Offices adjoining are erected, and a very large Garden attached to said House planted and laid out at the small Rent of 5l) tho' said Plotts of Ground could have been let at a very considerable Rent And also, that several Sums of Money have been paid as a Voluntary Contribution, out of the Revenues of the Corporation, towards defraying the expence of Rebuilding the said Church in the year 1751 and of Repairs and additions to the same at Subsequent Periods amounting in the whole to £950 and that an Organ was erected in said Church in the Year 1768 partly at the expence of the Corporation and that the Sallary of an Organist, (who was one of the Objects to which the Rent of £54 a year reserved by the Charter of James the 1st was to be applied, is constantly paid by the Parishioners of St. Peters, and that the Sallaries of £6. to the Clerke & of £3 to the Sexton of said Church has been always paid by the Corporation

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Your Memorialists therefore must humbly pray your Excellency to take the premisses into your consideration and that your Excellency may not issue any Warrant or Order to His Majesty's Attorney General to authorize him to signify a Consent on the part of the Crown to any Decree of the Court of Chancery for the purpose of charging the Corporation with the payment of a Double Rent since the year 1726 to this date as well as in future, and that your Excellency will be pleased to give directions to His Majesty's Attorney Generall to discontinue or Suspend the proceedings on the Information exhibited in the Court of Chancery on the 16th of April 1790 in the name of the Attorney General against the Corporation of Drogheda untill the aforesaid Charter of King William the 3, shall have been inspected, and the Rights of the Corporation under it fully weighed and considered by the Servants of the Crown in the Law Department And that your Excellency will grant such other relief to your Memorialists as to your Excellency may seem Meet

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In Testimony whereof We the said Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses and Commons have hereunto affixed our Common Seal this 6th. day of June in the year of our Lord 1791

Post Assembly

At a post Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the aldermen being present the 10th. day of June 1791

Alderman Elected

James Scholes Esq.r is Elected an Alderman of this Corporation in the room of Sir William Dogherty late an Alderman deceased, pursuant to Notice

Special General Assembly

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 20th. of June 1791

£100 to be borrowed

Ordered that the further Sum of one hundred pounds be borrowed on a Debenture at Interest for this Corporation, the same being immediately to be advanced in the Suit with His Grace the Lord Primate

Alderman Sworn

1791 June 20th. This day James Scholes Esq.r was Sworn an Alderman of this Corporation pursuant to His Election the 10th. inst.

Post Assembly

At a post Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 13th. July 1791

Petitions

Several Petitions presented to this Assembly were read and disposed of

At a General Assembly held before the said Mayor

Gen.l Assembly

and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 15th. day of July 1791

Common Council man Sworn

Upon the Petition of the Master Wardens and Fraternity of Smiths of this Corporation setting forth that by the resignation of William Cleapem late one of their Common Council there is a Vacancy of that Office and they having returned George North, John Parkinson and Robert Harrison three free Brothers of said Fraternity praying that one of them may be Elected in his room, the said George North was thereupon elected a Common Councilman for same in the room of the said William Cleapem, and being called in was Sworn accordingly

3 Freemen admitted

William Brown of Drogheda Cabinetmaker was admitted a free Carpenter by service, Edward Jones of the same Cabinetmaker Son of Connolly Jones deceased was admitted a free member by Birth and Samuel Forster of the City of Dublin Gent.r was admitted a free member by special favour, on their several Petitions all on the usual Terms

Expences of diff.t Fraternities at the Tenentery ordered to be paid

Ordered that the following accounts for Entertainments given to the different Fraternitys of this Corporation on the 1st. of July 1790 (the Centenery of the Battle of the Boyne) be paid by the Treasurer to the following persons and allowed in his accounts Viz.t

To George Elliott	for Fraternity of Carpenters	£25.. 16.. 7
To ... do	for Taylors	13.. 14.. 9
To Peter Cahill	for Shoemakers & Skinners	20.. 19.. 1
To Frances Smyth	for Smiths, Bakers & Butchers	32.. 2.. 8½
		£92.. 13.. 1½

abatement to Lawr.e Kelly of Stall Rents

Lawrence Kelly Chandler of this Town, Lessee to this Corporation for 8 Stalls in the Meat Market at the Rent of £17.. 1.. 3 from Mich.s 1788 upon his Petition setting forth the great expence he was at in building them and the loss he has sustained by Butchers not resorting to that Market but sending their meat elsewhere in Town, He is by this Assembly therefore Ordered to be charged only 8 Guineas a year Rent for said 8 Stalls from 25th. of March last, so long as he shall set them to the Butchers at no more Rent than £1.. 14.. 0 p.r year for each Stall

£10 ord.d to be paid to Edw.d Hardman for a Road

Ordered that Edward Hardman Esq.r Overseer for repairing the great Road without Judays Gate be paid £10 by the Treasurer for account of this Corporation in aid of the presentment for that Work

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£10 Ordered to be paid Basill Denn

Ordered that £10 be paid to Basill Denn English Schoolr Master to enable him to continue his Schoole in this Town for the present year from Michaelmas last

1791 Sept. 29th

Acts Compared

This day the foregoing Acts of Assembly were compared before us and ordered to be entered in the Assembly Book as usual

Joseph Holmes Mayor
Graves Chamney M.S.
John Leland
William Meade Ogle
Wallop Brabazon } Sheriffs
Roger Toole
William Gibbons
Edward Chefshire
James Scholes
William Holmes

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Mchs po: Assly

Michaelmas Post Assembly held before William Tailtough Esqr. Mayor Bartholomew Partington Van Homrigh and Francis Graham Tailtough Esqrs Sheriffs the Aldermen being present, the 5th day of October 1791

Petitions

Several Petitions were preferred to this Assembly and disposed of

Spect. Genl. Assly

At a Special General Assembly held before the said William Tailtough Esqr. Mayor Barth. Partington Van Homrigh and Francis Graham Tailtough Esqrs Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 7th October 1791

Freedom presented

Resolved unanimously that the Freedom of this Corporation be presented in a Silver Box to the Right Honble Hugh Lord Baron Carlton Lord Chief Justice of His Majesty's Court of Common Pleas, as a mark of our esteem for his eminent abilities and publick and private Vertues, the same to be presented by the Mayor Recorder Sheriffs and other Members of this Corporation as chuse to attend

Genl. Assly

Michaelmas General Assembly held before the said William Tailtough Esqr. Mayor, Barth. Van Homrigh and Francis Graham Tailtough Esqrs Sheriffs, the Aldermen and Common Council being present the said 7th day of October 1791

May. Staple

Joseph Holmes Esqr late Mayor is elected Mayor of the Staple and Justice of the peace for the ensuing year and Sworn

Coroners

Constables Staple & Comon Cd.

John Leland & Wallop Brabazon Esqrs late Sheriffs are elected Common Council Men and the said John Leland was sworn

The said John Leland & Wallop Brabazon are elected Constables of the Staple for the ensuing year and Mr. Leland was sworn

And the said John Leland & Wallop Brabazon are elected Coroners for the ensuing year, and the said John Leland was sworn

Mastr Guild

Graves Chamney Esqr is elected Master of the Guild for the ensuing year

Wardens of the Guild

Thomas Owens and Edward Tailtough Esqrs are elected Wardens of the Guild for the ensuing year

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Treas.r

Alderman William Holmes is elected Treasurer for the ensuing year

officers

Ordered that the Officers of the Sword and Mace and Marshall be continued during the pleasure of this Corporation

Water Customs

Ordered that the water Customs of this Corporation be collected the ensuing Year by Mr. John Tailtough on the same terms as the last year

Cleans.g the Streets

Mr. Mayor is requested to Contract with and employ such Persons as he shall think proper to Cleanse and carry away the Dirt and Soil, out of the Streets and Lanes of this Town & the avenues thereto for One Year to commence the 26.th October Instant

Memorial of the Fraternity of Butch.rs for 2 Com. Col.men

Upon a Memorial and Return of the Masters Wardens and Fraternity of Butchers of this Corporation stating to this Assembly that they had chosen and do return Alexander Irwin, Samuel Tailtough Henry Smith, Arthur Jones Thomas Andrews and Henry Rogers, all freemembers of the same for the purpose of two of them being elected Common Councilmen for said Fraternity in the room of Francis Graham Tailtough now one of the Sheriffs & of William Acton now Mace bearer of this Corporation, This Assembly thereupon elected the said Alexander Irwin and Henry Smith Common Councilmen for the said Fraternity in the room of the said Francis Graham Tailtough and William Acton, and the said Alexander Irwin and Henry Smith being called in were Sworn accordingly

Henry Smith & alex.r Irwine elected & Sworn

Addor & Viewer

Mr. John Leland is elected an Auditor and Viewer in the room of the present Mayor William Tailtaugh Esq.r

Addor Hardman one of the River Committee

Alderman Hardman is appointed one of the River Committee, in the place and stead of Alderman Hugh Lyons Montgomery

Petition of Addn Geo: Scholes for a new Lease

Upon the Petition of Alderman George Scholes setting forth that he is Tenant in possession of three or more Cabbins and Gardens in Irish Street, containing One Rood together with one Park in the Green Batter without Sunday's Gate Containing A. R. P. 3.. 3.. 0. also one Tenement and Garden without Lawrence's Gate containing 30 Perches making in The

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The whole A. R. P. 4.. 0. 30, by virtue of a Lease made by this Corporation to Edward Meade Esq.r late an Alderman of the same deceased for 61 years from Easter 1758, at the Yearly Rent of £2.. 10 That he is also in possession of a parcel of Land without Dulcek Gate commonly called the Ferry Park & Road Acre containing Seven Acres one Rood and thirty perches by virtue of a Lease made to him by this Corporation for 61 years from Michaelmas 1758, at the yearly Rent of £7.. 8. 9, And that the said Petitioner purposes surrendering said Leases and to take renewalls thereof at reasonable Times agreeable to the Act of Easter Assembly 1787 for regulating in future the renewal of Leases and pursuant thereto he layed the said Petition before the Auditors and Viewers for their Report thereon which Report being accordingly made and by them layed before this Assembly It is thereupon ordered agreeable to the said Report that the said Petitioner be and he is hereby

Granted

granted a new Lease of several premisses above mentioned for 99 Years from Michaelmas last at the present reserved yearly Rents amounting together to £9.. 18.. 9, on his paying a fine of £60.. 18.. 9, and on his surrendering the said Old Leases, Maps of said Premisses to be annexed to the New Leases

Petition of Wm. M. Ogle Esq.r

Upon the Petition of William Meade Ogle, George Scholes Richard Cooper and Jane Smith setting forth that they are in possession of one Messuage and Garden near Saint Mary's Church Stile, one part in Fishers Batter containing, A. R. P. 4.. 2.. 20 and one Messuage without Dulcek Gate containing 29 perches, one thatched Tenement in John Street & also the Rotten Row by virtue of a Lease made by this Corporation to

for a new Lease

William Ogle Esq.r late an Alderman of the same deceased for 61 years from Easter 1745, at the yearly Rent of Eleven shillings, That they purpose surrendering said Lease and taking a Renewal thereof pursuant to the Act of Assembly made for regulating such Renewal, and the Auditors and Viewers having reported to this Assembly their opinion thereon, It is thereupon ordered by this Assembly that the said Petitioners be and they are hereby granted

Granted

(agreeable to the said Report) a new Lease of the above mentioned premisses for Ninety Nine years from Michaelmas last at the old Rent of eleven shillings per annum on paying a fine of £80 and surrendering the Old Lease, Maps of said premisses to be annexed to the new Lease

Petition of Addn Wm Holmes for a new Lease

Upon the Petition of Alderman William Holmes setting forth that he is in possession of in his own Right of a Lease made to him by this Corporation of several Parks containing together A. R. P. 13.. 1.. 20, part of the Mountain of Saint James's in the Parish of Saint Mary in the County of this Town for 61 years from Michaelmas

Michaelmas 1759 at the yearly Rent of £10..14.. And proposing to surrender said Lease and to take a Renewal thereof pursuant to the Act of Assembly for regulating the fines to be paid for such renewal, And the Auditors and Viewers having layed before this Assembly their opinion thereon, It is thereupon Ordered by this Assembly that the said Petitioner be and he is hereby granted a new Lease of the said premises for Ninety Nine years from Michaelmas last at the present Rent of £10..14.. on paying a fine of £68..2..6,, and on his surrendering the Old Lease, Maps of said Premises to be annexed to the New Lease

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Granted

Upon the Petition of Jeremiah Smith Esquire setting forth that he is in possession in his own right of a parcel of Land at Corballis County Meath containing 19a 2r 0p also of 7a 2r 0p near the poor mans Causey by virtue of a Lease made by this Corporation to his late Father Jere. Smith late an Alderman of the same deceased for 55 years from Michaelmas 1762 at the yearly Rent of £1..15.. And proposing to surrender same and to take a renewal thereof at a reasonable fine pursuant to the Act of Assembly for regulating such fines And the Auditors and Viewers having layed before this Assembly their opinion thereon It is thereupon Ordered that the said Petitioner be and he is hereby granted a new Lease of the said Lands and premises for 99 years from Michaelmas last at the said Old yearly Rent of £1..15,, on paying a fine of £170 and on his surrendering the Old Lease Maps of said premisses to be annexed to the New Lease

Petition of Jeremiah Smith Esq.r for a new Lease

Granted

Upon the Petition of Samuel Tairlough Esquire Lieutenant in His Majesty's 63d Regiment of Foot setting forth that he is in possession in his own Right of a parcel of Land called the Justices Parks now divided into several Parks containing in the whole 17a 1r 10p lying without West Gate in this County by virtue of a Lease made by this Corporation to John Graham Esquire deceased for 61 years from Michaelmas 1756, at the yearly Rent of £12.. And proposing to surrender same and to take a new Lease thereof at a reasonable Fine pursuant to the Bye Law for that purpose And the Auditors and Viewers having layed same with their Report thereon before this Assembly, It is thereupon ordered that the Petitioner be and he is hereby granted a new Lease of the said Lands for 99 years from Michaelmas last at the Old Rent of £12, on paying a Fine of £103..10 and on surrendering the Old Lease Maps of said premisses to be annexed to the new Lease

Petition of Sam.l Tairlough Esq.r for a new Lease

Granted

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Upon the Petition of George Tandy Esquire setting forth that he is in his possession in his own Right of a parcel of the Lands of saint James's in the Parish of saint Mary in this County containing 1a 1r 0p by virtue of a Lease made by this Corporation to Edward Cheshire Esq.r deceased of the same for 99 years from Michaelmas 1759 at the yearly rent of £8..19..4, and purposing to surrender same and take a renewal thereof at a reasonable Fine pursuant to the Bye Law for regulating such Fine And the Auditors and Viewers having layed same with their report thereon before this Assembly It is thereupon ordered that the said Petitioner be and he is hereby granted a new Lease of the said premises for 61 years from Michaelmas last at the present reserved yearly Rent of £8..19..4, on paying a Fine of £51..5, and surrendering the old Lease, Maps of said premisses to be annexed to the new Lease

Petition of Geo. Tandy Esq.r for a new Lease

Granted

Ordered that the Lot of the North commons Leased to Richard Jebb deceased, for 61 years from Easter 1732 be forthwith surveyed, and that the same be set by Publick Cant at the Wholsel in the usual way on a fortnights publick Notice being given

Land to be survey.d &c.

The Auditors and Viewers are requested to view the road thro' the Commons to the Green Batter and to report whether same be properly laid out and made

Road to be Viewed

The fourth day of November next is appointed a sealing Day for Corporation Leases

Sealing day

Upon the Petition of Peter M.c Cuoy Linnen Manufacturer setting forth that he is Tenant to the present Mayor William Tairlough Esquire for part of the Lands of Munnimore the Estate of this Corporation under an agreement for 31 years, on which he has a Bleach Green, That adjoining thereto is a Rood of Ground a Surplus of the Aldermen's Acres which has heretofore being given to the Senior Sergeant at Mace of the Corporation, for the time being. That the Pet.r wants to enlarge his Bleach Green, and has agreed with John M.c Neal the present Senior Sergeant for said Rood of Ground for twenty Shillings a year, during his Right thereto, which is the full Value thereof. And that if he the Petitioner had a certain term of said Rood of Ground he would make Improvements thereon And praying a Lease of said Rood of Ground, and setforth, It is therefore Ordered by this Assembly that the said Pet.r be and he is hereby granted a Lease of the said Rood of Ground for 31 years from Michaelmas last at the yearly Rent of £1.

Petition of Peter M.c Cuoy for a Lease of the Serj.ts Stand

Granted

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2 Freemen admitted

The Revd William Meade Ogle Son of Alderman William Meade Ogle is admitted free by Birth, and John Linton of Drogheda Merchant is admitted free by special favor on their several Petitions and on the usual Terms

£6 Penn. granted to Jamt. Appleyard

James Appleyard late Regulator of the Watch upon his Petition is granted a Pension of Six Guineas a Year during the pleasure of this Corporation

Jane Dodson ordered a guinea

Jane Dodson Widw of Thos Dodson decd is ordered to be paid a Guinea by the Treasr for this Corporation

1791 October the 7th

Gate Customs

The Gate Customs being set up to Publick Auction in the usual manner, the same were struck off to Mr George Evans for £16.. p Week for one year to commence from and after the 26th Day of October Instant

Special General Assembly

At a special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Councill being present the 17th October 1791

The highest bidder for the Gate Customs on the late setting up of them, on the 7th Instant having declined giving security for payment It is resolved by this Assembly that the said Gate Customs of this Corporation be set up to Publick Cant on Wednesday next the 19th Instant at the Tholsel at the hour of One OClock in the afternoon for one year to commence from and after the 26th October instant and that the highest bidder immediately after the setting shall deposite four Weeks Rent and with two other persons as securities to be approved of by Mr Mayor perfect twelve Bonds, one payable every fourth Week, for said Customs, the said Deposite to remain as and for payment of the last four Weeks of said year for which last four Weeks Rent no Bonds is to be given

Gate Customs to be Reset & 4 Wks Rent to be Deposited

1791

1791 October the 19th

Gate Customs Reset

The Gate Customs of the Corporation was this day set up to Cant at the Tholsel pursuant to an Order of the special Assembly held the 17th Instant, and were struck off to Francis Graham Tuitlough Esquire at £15..10. p Week for one year to commence from and after the 26th October Instant

1791 October 31

12 Lott of North Comons Set to Edwd Cheshire

The 12th Lott of the North Commons was this Day set up to Cant at the Tholsel pursuant to an Order of last General Assembly held the 7th Instant, and same was struck off to Edward Cheshire Esquire at £2..13.. p Acre, containing 13..0..4 A. R. P. for 61 years from Easter 1793, two years Rent to be paid down as a Fine

who declined

1791 November the 11th

Reset to Patrick Pentony

The above Sale being declined the said 12th Lott of the North Commons was this day set up to Cant at the Tholsel pursuant to adjournment of the Sale, and the same was struck off to Patrick Pentony at £2..7..6 p Acre containing 13..0..4 A. R. P. for 61 years from Easter 1793 two years Rent to be paid down as a Fine

Quarly Gen: Assly

At a General Quarterly Post Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 11th January 1792

Petitions

Several Petitions were read and disposed of

Genl. Assly

At a General Quarterly Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs, the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 13th day of January 1792

a freeman admitted

John Holland of Drogheda Bookbinder, son of Thomas Holland late of the same Cabinetmaker deceased, upon his Petition was admitted a freemember by Birth on the usual Terms

Henry

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3 Freemen admitted

Henry Pentland of Drogheda Merchant Son of Robert Pentland of the same Merchant, Samuel Ball of the City of Dublin Gentleman one of the Mariners & Thomas Collins of Drogheda Gent, upon their several Petitions were admitted free members by special favor on the usual Terms

Ja.s Davis & Geo: Jones elected & Sworn Com. Co.l Men for the Skinners

Upon the Petition and Return of the Master Wardens and Fraternity of Skinners of this Corporation setting forth that there are two Vacancys of Common Councilmen to represent them in the General Assembly and nominating sixe of said Fraternity to wit James Davis, George Jones Thomas Warburton Edward Jones Robert Walson and William Cleapem in order that two of them be elected The said James Davis and George Jones were elected by this Assembly Common Councilmen for the said Fraternity and being introduced were Sworn accordingly

Jane Holland admitted into S.t Johns Poor house

Jane Holland Widow of John Holland upon her Petition is admitted into Saint John's Poor House and the Receivers of the Common's Rents and to pay her the half years Pension that will become due her on their List to Easter next

Meat Market to be Regulated

Ordered upon the Petition of Mr George Evans that the Rent payable by his Lease for Stalls at the new Meat Market shall not be ~~exacted~~ exacted untill said Market be regulated and put on a proper footing by this Corporation and Mr Mayor & Sheriffs Alderman Edward Chesshire Alderman Barlow Mr John Fairtough Mr Tandy, Mr John Leland and Mr George Evans or any five of them are appointed a Committee for that purpose

Liberty for Tho.s Ladley to Surrender House on the New Quay

Ordered that Mr Thomas Ladley be at Liberty to surrender his Interest to a House at the Meat Market New Quay late George Thomas's on paying up the Rent to the 1.st May.r last

Treas.r Accounts

The Treasurers account with this Corporation stated and settled by Mr Mayor and Sheriffs the late Mayor and the Auditors and Viewers being laid before this Assembly, It appears that there is a Ballance due to him by this Corporation thereon of Two hundred and sixty six Pounds Eleven shillings and seven pence Sterling, which is allowed accordingly

16.s ord.d to the Charitable Surgery

Ordered that Ten Guineas be paid towards support of the Charitable Infirmary for the ensuing year and that Surgeons Joseph Harpur William Cleapem James Bowen Jordan Roche Joseph Hayes and Doctor James Reilly be paid ten Guineas each at the end of the present year for their and Assistance to poor objects, and for their attendance at said Infirmary for the said year

Repair of Goal

Ordered that Stephen Duff Mason be paid £8:16.10 the amount of his Bill for Repairs done at the Goal by order of the present Sheriffs

Special General Assembly

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 23.d January 1792

Ans.r to the Supplemental Bill of Lord Primate

The answer of this Corporation to the supplimental Information of the Right Honble Arthur Wolfe his Majestys Attorney General and his grace the Lord Primate and others being layed before and read at this Assembly the same was agreed to and approved of And it is ordered by this Assembly that the Seal of this Corporation be affixed thereto as the Answer of this Corporation to the said Information

2.d/ General Assembly

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs, the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 1.st Day of February 1792

Address to His Majesty

Resolved unanimously that a dutifull and loyal Address be presented by this Corporation to His Majesty humbly desiring leave to approach his Throne with the most unshaken sentiments of Loyalty and affectionate Regard for His Majesty's Person Family and Government and for our excellent constitution both in Church and State as establish-ed at the Glorious Revolution, and earnestly praying His Majesty to preserve inviolate, the same, and to maintain unimpaired the Protestant ascendancy in this Kingdom

Committee to prepare same

The following Gentlemen were appointed a Committee to prepare the said Address Viz.t Alderman Geore Schoales Edward Hardman and Oliver Fairtough and Mess.rs John Fairtough Ralph Smyth Samuel Martin and Charles Evans, who having withdrawn in a short time returned & layed before this Assembly the following Address To

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To the Kings Most Excellent Majesty

The Humble Address of the Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses and Commons of the County of the Town of Drogheda

May it please your Majesty

Address to the King

We your Majestys most dutifull and loyal Subjects the Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses and Commons of the County of the Town of Drogheda, beg leave to approach the Throne with every sentiment of loyal and affectionate regard for your Majestys person Family and Government

Deeply impressed with the Value of our most excellent Constitution both in Church and State as established at the Glorious Revolution and gratefull to Providence for the happy delivery of our Predecessors inhabiting this Town at that period we feel ourselves peculiarly called upon at this Crisis to beseech your Majesty to preserve inviolate the Protestant Ascendancy in this your Majestys Kingdom of Ireland and to declare that we are determined to support it from inviolation, and firmly to resist every attempt to overturn the same, Relying on your Majesty and on your Royal Progeny to support and maintain that constitution which placed and has confirmed the illustrious House of Brunswick on the Throne of these Realms

Which Address was unanimously agreed to and approved of by this Assembly and the same is ordered to be sealed and presented to His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant by the Mayor Sheriffs and our Representatives in Parliament and such other Gentlemen of this Corporation as shall chuse to attend, in order to be transmitted to His Majesty

approved of

Resolved unanimously that the following Address of Instructions from this Corporation to our Representatives in Parliament be presented Viz.t

Instructions to Repr.s in Parliam.t

To William Meade Ogle and John Forbes Esq.rs Representatives in Parliament for the County of the Town of Drogheda

Sirs

We the Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses and Commons of the County of the Town of Drogheda in common Council assembled having experience of your Principles and Integrity and of your attatchment to our present happy Constitution in Church and State, request that you will to the utmost of your power preserve those Laws inviolate by which the Protestant Ascendancy has been preserved and supported in this Kingdom, and that you will oppose every attempt to alter the same or to destroy that repose and tranquility under which we have so long lived and prospered

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Ordered that when the foregoing Addresses are presented, and answers given to them, they with such Answers be thrice published in the Dublin and Drogheda Journals

to be published

Spec.l Gen.l Assly

At a special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 26.th March 1792

Harry Brabazon Esquire one of the Common Council men of this Corporation is elected a Commissioner for imposing the Navigation of the River Boyne from Drogheda to the Sea pursuant to an Act of Parliament for that purpose in the room of James Scholes Esq.r late a Common Councilman and now an Alderman of said Corporation

Commiss.r of the River Boyne

Gen.l Quarterly Assembly

At a General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 20.th April 1792

May.r elect

Alderman James Scholes is elected to serve Mayor of this Corporation for the next ensuing year from Michaelmas day next according to the Rule of Succession

Sher.s Elect

Messr.s Francis Elliott and John Shekleton are elected to serve Sheriffs of this Corporation for the ensuing from Michs day next

Election to be Certified

Ordered that the election of the Mayor and Sheriffs for the ensuing year be forewith Certified to Government for their Approbation

John

5 freemen admitted

John Goff of Drogheda Shopkeeper James M.ᶜ Knight of the same Merchcant and Thomas Sherrard of the City of Dublin Gent, are admitted freemembers by special favor on the usual Terms And Edward Hardman Junior and Townley Blackwood Hardman both Sons of Edward Hardman Esq.ʳ are admitted freemembers by Birth on the usual Terms upon their respective Petitions

Ninian Rodger granted a Waste Spot of Ground in Bessex Well Lane

Ninian Roger Assignee of Edward Hardman Esq.ʳ of a Ware House and premisses on the North Quay extending to Bessexwell Lane upon his Memorial is granted liberty to take in and enclose a small Waste spot of Ground about Nine feet square lying on the North East corner of said premisses, in Bessexwell Lane, and to add same to the above premisses which is held by Lease from this Corporation for 61 years from Easter 1777

Report of Committee relative to the Meat Markett

The following Report from the Committee appointed last January General Assembly relative to the new Meat Markett being laid before this Assembly was agreed to and is as follows Viz.ᵗ

relative to George Evans

A Report of the Committee ordered by the Corporation on the Petition of M.ʳ George Evans to regulate the Meat Markett adjoinging the new Quay

"That it appears to this Committee that M.ʳ Evans has been a Considerable Looser by the Ten Stalls now in his possession owing to the Markett not being frequented as formly by Butchers

"That in future M.ʳ Evans should only pay half a Guinea "for each Stall during the continuance of his present Lease, provided "that he shall not charge the Butchers to whom he may let "them and who shall occupy them more than 1/ᵗʰ Guinea "for each Stall

relative to Jos.ʰ Tegan

"That M.ʳ Joseph Tegan being in the same Predicament "shall be put on the same footing

"That we find N.º 1 pays no rent, for which we see no "reason, it appears to us that Stall should be let to the highest "bidder

"That in order to remove any cause of Complaint "We recommend to the Corporation to take a surrender of as many "of the Tenants Leases as wish to resign them

"That this Committee recommended that Stalls should be erected and paved for the fish Markett, and Stones for fish erected there, Signed William Fairtlough Mayor, Edward Chefshire Maurice Barlow George Jones, John Leland

Stalls to be erected in the Fish Markett

Ordered that the premisses in Magdellan Street called Saint Stephens Poor house belonging to saint John's Poor house Leased to Henry Simple for 61 years from Easter 1730, at £1. 6s. 6d. ster.ᵍ and the part of the North Commons Leased to Alderman John Broughton for 61 years from 25.ᵗʰ March 1733 at £7. 8s. 4d. ster.ᵍ be surveyed and set by Cant at next July General Assembly in the usual manner

premisses in Magdellan Street ord.ᵈ to be set

M.ʳ Mayor having laid before this Assembly the following Letter to him from M.ʳ Secretary Hobart, the same is ordered to be entered amongst the acts of this Assembly and is as follows

M.ʳ Secretary Hobarts Letter

"Dublin Castle 25.ᵗʰ February 1792

"Sir

"The Lord Lieutenant having transmitted to be laid "before the King the Address to His Majesty from the Mayor Sheriffs "Burgesses and Commons of the County of the Town of Drogheda I "have the Honor to acquaint you by His Excellency's Command that he "has received a Letter from the Right Honble Henry Dundas one of His "Majesty's principal Secretaries of State, informing His Excellency that he "had laid the said Address before His Majesty, And that His Majesty "was pleased to receive the same in the most Gracious manner and to "express his Sense of their Loyalty and affectionate Regard for His "Majesty's person family & Gouvernment as well as the Satisfaction he "derives from their determination on every occasion to support our excellent Constitution in Church and State

To

I have the Honor to be
Sir your mo. ob.ᵗ hum.ᵉ Serv.ᵗ
R. Hobart

the Mayor

The Mayor of Drogheda

£5 to paid to Wm Jones Esq.ʳ for a Road

Ordered that the Sum of Five Pounds be paid to William Jones Esq.ʳ he having expended same in repairing the Road from Drogheda to Ballymakenny last year

Ordered

£5 ord.d to be paid Mr Hardman for a Road

Ordered that the sum of Five Pounds be paid Edward Hardman Esq.r he having expended same a repairing the great Road without Sundays Gate in the Mayoralty of Graves Chamney Esquire

Pensioners on the Commons List

Ordered that the following persons be paid the sums to their Names respectively annexed out of the Rents of the Commons for the present year commencing at Michs last and ending at Michaelmas next Viz.t

Proctors of St. John's poorhouse for		Widw of Brab. Courtney	£1
Turze of the Commons	4:5:0	John Staplehill	2
Widw of John Moffitt	3	Gertrude Brunton	4
Jane Blithe	3	Thomas Tonge	4
Rich.d Ennis Daur Eliz.th	3	Widw of Chas Elliott	4
Adam Johnston's Wife	4	Widw of Zach Rencher	4
Ann Simpsons Widw	4	Sus.a Lyster Jun.r	2
Widw of Wm Latimer	2	Mary M.c Damell als Parks	3
Widw of John Woodhouse	3	Mary Collier Daur of Thos	2
Widw of Geo. Evans	5	Widow of Ant.o Collier	1:10
Widw of Robt Hatchett	3	Robert Harrison	2
Mary Humphrys	3	Mary Holland	1
Widw of John Rencher	6	Ann Apply and Widow	1:10
Wm Marshall	3	Mary Hugh's Widow	3
Mary Roe	2	Ann Ashland	6:15
John Parkinson	4	Priscilla Reany Widow	2:10
Wm Bagnall	3	Ann Dowdall Widow	5
Widw of Jas Shortell	5	Two youngest Children of	2
Marg.t Lamprey	2	William M.c Cartney	3
Ann Humphryson	4	Widow of Con. Jones	3
Widw of John Knight	4	Widw of Wm Shipsabottom	2
Sam.l Hale	4	Mary Burke als Robinson	1:10
Mary Ashland	6, 16.6,	Leonard Shortell	1:10
Widw of Mich.l Brooks	2	Widw of Robt Chambers	1:10
Martha Blakeney	6	Thomas Brunker	2
	£92:16:6		£68:15
			92:16:6
			£161:11:6

Ordered that the years Rent of Prior's Park at Killaneer due Michaelmas last Leased to Josiah Moore the bequest of the late Mr Leigh, be received by the Receivers of the Commons and by them paid equally to the Widow Blackburne and John Staplehill

£5 The Bequest of Thos Leigh to be paid to the Widow Blackburne & John Staplehill

Ordered

£10 to be paid to Basil Denn Ing.h Schoolmas.r

Ordered that £10.. be paid Basill Denn English Schoolmaster to enable him to continue his School in this Town, same to be paid at the end of the present year

Spec.l General Assembly

At a special General Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 27.th April 1792

£200 to be borrow.d to carry on the Suit about the Vicars Chor.s

Ordered that the sum of Two hundred Pounds sterling be forewith, borrowed at Interest by this Corporation to be advanced from time to time as occasion may require to carry on the Suit depending with His Grace the Lord Primate, and that Debentures be issued for same payable with Interest at 6 p.r Cent p.r ann

Post Ass.ly

At a post Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 11.th July 1792

Petitions

Several Petitions were read and disposed of

Gen.l Ass.ly

At a General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 13.th July 1792

5 Freemen admitted

Spencer Huey of the Town of Drogheda Esquire Nicholas Coddington of Old Bridge in the County of Meath Esquire Andrew Boyde of the Town of Drogheda Carpenter John Sillery of the same shoemaker are admitted Free Members by special favor and James Keegan of the same Dyer is admitted a free member by Birth, on their several Petitions, on their paying the usual Fine and taking the usual Oath

Act respect.g the Corp.n Dinners rescinded

Ordered that the Act of Assembly made the 6.th October 1790 regulating the Corporation publick Dinners be and the same is hereby rescinded

Resolved

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Publick Dinners

Resolved unanimously that the Publick Dinners to be given by this Corporation by the Mayor for the ensuing year and his Successors, be on Michaelmas day and every Quarter Sessions yearly, and that the Assizes Dinners be discontinued

Committee to inspect the Fishing in the River Boyne

Ordered that the Mayor Sheriffs and River Committee or any five of them be and they are hereby authorized & impowered to view and take up all and every illegal Net used by any person whatsoever fishing in that part of the River Boyne granted by His Majesty King James the 1st as the property of this Corporation, and oblige every person to give security to bring the Fish caught within said Bounds to the publick Market of this Town for Sale, and not to enter into any Contract or sale of said Fish to any Huxter or forestaller and shall be obliged to take out a Licence for one year from the 24th June last from this Corporation to fulfill the said Condition, which Licence shall be given free of expence

Premes in Magdellan Street to be set

The selling of the Premisses in Magdellan Street belonging to St. John's Poor house and the 10th Lott of the North Commons which were ordered last General Assembly to be set this day is adjourned by Mr. Mayor to next October General Assembly

Post Assembly

At a Special post Assembly held before the said Mayor the Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 28th September 1792

Alderman Elected

Ralph Smyth Esquire is elected a Alderman of this Corporation in the room of Hugh Lyons Montgomery Esquire late an Alderman of the same Deceased pursuant to Notice

The

Acts Compared

The 29th September 1792 This Day the foregoing Acts of Assembly were Compared before us and are Ordered to be entered in the Assembly Book as usual

Att Test

B Van Homrigh
T. G. Fairtough
} Sheriffs

William Fairtough Mayor
Joseph Holmes M.S
William Holmes
William Gibbons
Maurice Barlow
James Scholes

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Michaelmas Post Assembly

Post Ass.ly — held before James Scholes Esquire Mayor Francis Elliott and John Shekleton Esquires Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 3.d October 1792

Petitions — Several Petitions preferred to this Assembly were read and disposed off

Michaelmas General Quarterly Assembly

Gen.l Ass.ly — held before the said James Scholes Esq.re Mayor, Francis Elliott and John Shekleton Esq.rs Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 5.th day of October 1792

Mayor of the Staple — William Fairtlough Esq.re late Mayor is Elected Mayor of the Staple and Justice of the peace for the ensuing year, and Sworn

Constables of the Staple — Bart.e Partington Van Homrigh, and Francis Graham Fairtlough Esq.rs late Sheriffs are elected Common Council-men, and Sworn

Thes.e Bart.e Partington Van Homrigh & Fra.s G. Fairtlough are elected Constables of the Staple for the ensuing year & Sworn

Coroners — And the said Bart.e Partington Van Homrigh, and Francis Graham Fairtlough are Elected Coroners for the ensuing year and sworn

Master of the Guild — Joseph Holmes Esq.r is elected Master of the Guild for the ensuing year

Wardens of the Guild — John Seland and Wallop Bratagon Esq.rs are Elected Wardens of the Guild for the ensuing year

Treas.r — Ald.r William Holmes is Elected Treasurer for the ensuing year

Officers of the Sword & Mace & Marshal — Ordered that the Officers of the sword and Mace and Marshall be continued during the pleasure of this Corporation

Water Customs — Ordered that the Water Customs of this Corporation be collected the ensuing year by M.r Jn.o Fairtlough on the same terms as the last year

Cleansing of the Streets — M.r Mayor is requested to contract with and Employ such persons as he shall think proper to Cleanse and carry away the Dirt and Soil out of the Streets & Lanes of this Town and the Avenches thereto for one year to commence the 26 of October instant

Petition of Ald.n Wm.e Gibbons for a new Lease — Ald.n William Gibbons having layd before this Assembly a Petition setting forth that he is in possession in his own right of a small Concern out Saint James Gate called Slaten Hall, also a Messuage in Irish Street containing 24 perches by virtue of a Lease made to him by this Corporation for 61 years at the yearly Rent of £1:10:- And proposing to surrender same and taking a new Lease of the premisses at a reasonable fine agreeable to the act of April Assembly 1787, for regulating the future Renewals of Leases, and he having layd the said Petition before the Auditors and Viewers, whose Report thereon being also layd before this Assembly It is thereupon Ordered that the said Petitioner be and he is hereby granted a new Lease of the said premisses for 99 years from Michaelmas last at the old Rent of £1:10:- p.r annum, upon his surrendering the old Lease and paying a fine of £13:13:- ; new Maps of the premisses to be annexed to the new Leases, to shew what remains of the concern out James's Gate after what has been lately taken therefrom by the new Line of Turnpike Road

Granted

3 Freemen admitted — Thomas Elliott of Newtown in the County of Louth Gent.n son of Thomas Elliott late of Drogheda dec.d is admitted a free Member by Birth; Richard Lee of the City of Dublin Carpenter who served a regular apprentice ship of 7 years to Peter Allen late of Drogheda Carpenter dec.d is admitted a free Member by Service, and Edward Coyle of the said City Smith, who served a regular apprentice ship for 7 years to Rob.t Harrison late of Drogheda Smith is also admitted a free Member by Service, on their several Petitions, each on the usual terms

Auditors & Viewers — Edward Hardman, Wm Gibbons, John Ackland & Wm Fairtlough Aldermen, and George Evans, Samuel Martin Burton Tandy, Edward Fairtlough, and John Seland, Common Council men, are elected Auditors and Viewers for the ensuing year.

Ald.n Wm Holmes & M.r Thomas Collins disfranchised — Ald.n William Holmes and M.r Thomas Collins, Common Council Man are by this Assembly disfranchised and deprived of all their Freedom rights and Priviledges which they have or can claim or enjoy as Free Members of this Corporation, or as an Alderman, or Common Council Man thereof, they having severally consented thereto under their hands and Seals

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Tenemt belonging to St. John's Poor Set to Ann Callan

1792 October 5, A Tenement on the East: side of Magdalen Street belonging to Saint John's poor house in Drogheda was set by Cant to Ann Callen Widr. for 61 years from Easter last at the yearly Rent of £18:— & £16:— Fine

Gate Customs

Same day, The Gate Customs were set up to Cant, & set to Mr. Wm. Fairtlough at £15:3:— p Week for one year to commence from and after the 26th of October instant

Spel. Genl. Assly

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 29th October 1792

Freedom presented

Resolved unanimously that the Freedom of this Corporation be presented in a Silver Gilt Box to the Rev. Walter Blake Kirwan Prebendary of Howth & Rector of St. Nicholas's without Dublin as a mark of the high Sense we entertain of his great Abilities & of the eminent Service he has rendered to the Charity School of this Town by his most excellent Sermon preached in the Parish Church of St. Peter on Sunday the 28th of Octobr. Inst. And Mr. Mayor & the Sheriffs are requested to wait on Mr. Kirwan therewith, & to request the Rev. Mr. Lambart to attend them on the occasion the same to be published with Mr. Kirwans answer

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 6th October 1792

Special Genl. Assly

Resolved unanimously that the Peace of this Town has for some time past been threatened & disturbed by a number of riotous & disorderly persons calling themselves Defenders & holding Meetings at Sundry places in this Neighbourhood

Resolved that the Peace of the Town & Neighbourhood is disturbed

Resolved unanimously that it appears to this Assembly that a most daring & violent Attack was made on the chief Magistrate of this Town on the Night of Monday the 29th October last when in the Execution of his Office, he endeavouring at the hazard of his Life

attack on the Mayor

Life to preserve the Peace And that he the said Chief Majistrate received a blow on the Face from a Stone which was thrown at him by which he was severely wounded

100 Gs. Reward

Resolved unanimously that the Sum of 100 Guineas or such Proportion thereof as may be requisite be granted by this Corporation in aid of the private Subscription which has been set on foot in this Town by such of the Inhabitants and others who have associated for the purpose of preserving the Peace thereof and of offering Rewards for apprehending & Convicting the Person who threw the Stone by which the Mayor was wounded on the Night of the 29th Octobr. last, & for apprehending & convicting all those who shall under the name of Defenders or otherwise administer illegal Oaths

A Paragraph in the Morning Post or Dublin Courant of Thursday the first of November Inst. respecting a Riot which took place in the Theatre of this Town on the night of Monday the 29th October last being read, Resolved unanimously that the said Paragraph is a false & Scandalous Statement of the said Riot

Resolved unanimously that the Thanks of this Assembly be and they are hereby given to Mr. Mayor for his active Spirited Conduct in suppressing at the utmost hazard of his Life, the Riot which happened in this Town on the Night of the 29th October last

Ordered that the foregoing Resolutions be thrice published in the Drogheda & Dublin Journals

Special General Assembly

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common &c. being present the 10th Decr. 1792

Accomodations for two Troops of Horse

Ordered that a Sum not exceeding Thirty Guineas be granted by this Corporation, and advanced by the Treasurer to provide Beds & Bedding for the accomodation of the two Troops of His Majesty's 17th Dragoons now Quartered on the Inhabitants of this Town

Post Assembly

Christmas post Assembly

At a Quarterly Post Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs, the Aldermen being present the 16th Jany 1793

Several Petitions were read & disposed of

At

xmas Gen.l Assy

At a General Quarterly Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs, the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 18th day of Jan.y 1793.

Aldr. Wm Holmes & Mr. Thos. Collins restored to their Freedoms

Wm Holmes Esq.r late one of the Aldermen of this Corporation, and Mr. Thomas Collins late a Common Councilmen of the same were at last Michs. Gen.l Assembly with their own Consent dispranchised & deprived of all their Freedoms Rights & Privileges which they had or could claim or enjoy as free Members of said Corporation or as an Alderman or Common Councilman thereof Now it is unanimously ordered by this Assembly that the said William Holmes & Thomas Collins be, and they & each of them are hereby elected and made free & restored to their Freedoms of this Corporation & to their respective places of Alderman & Common Council and to all the Rights Privileges Liberties and Franchises and advantages to their said several Offices and places belonging or in any wise appertaining in as full & ample manner as they formerly stood in place and held and enjoyed the same respectively And the said William Holmes was accordingly Sworn a freeman and an Alderman & the said Thomas Collins was also Sworn a freeman & a Common Councilman of this Corporation accordingly

4 Freemen admitted

The Rev.d Charles Crawford of the Town of Drogheda Clke, Gorges Henzill of the same Esq.r William Metcalf of the same Gent & George Tandy Junior of the same Merch.t on their several Petitions are admitted free Members of this Corporation, on the usual Terms

State of the Road to the North Commons to be examined

Ordered that the Auditors & Viewers examine into the State of the Road leading to the North Commons without Sundays Gate in this County & Report their Opinion thereon to next General Assembly

10.th lott of North Commons to be Set

Ordered that the 10.th lott of the North Commons Containing by a late Survey 13.a 2.r 4.p leased to John Broughton for 61 years from the 25.th March 1733 at £7:8:4 p.r Ann. be Set by Cant next General Easter Assembly for 61 years from the 25.th March 1794 Two Years Rent to be paid down as a Fine

The

Treas.r Acco.t

The Treasurers Account with this Corporation Stated & Settled by Mr. Mayor & Sheriffs and the late Mayor & the Aud.rs & Viewers being laid before this Assembly It appears that there is a Ballance due to him by this Corporation thereon of Three hundred & Eighty Seven Pounds Seven Shillings & 11d Ster: which is allowed accordingly

Committee to take abstracts from the Treas.rs acco.t

Ordered that Mr. Mayor & Sheriffs Alderman Hardman Alderman Gibbons Alderman Wm Tainttough Mess.rs Burton Tandy John Leland and Alexander Irwin be & they are appointed a Committee to Collect from the Treas.r last accounts the payments made into one account for each Seperate Head such as Furniture Iron Mongery Coals Candles &c. that it may appear what is the expence to this Corporation of each article And that they Report their opinion to next General Assembly of such Retrenchments as may appear necessary to be made, and of the best means of enforcing payment of the Rents belonging to the Corporation and of the other outstanding Debts due to them

Easter Post Ass.ly

At a Post Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 10.th April 1793

Several Petitions were read & disposed of

East.r General Ass.ly

At a General Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 12.th April 1793

Mayor Elect

Alderman Ralph Smyth is elected to serve Mayor of this Corporation for the next ensuing year from Michaelmas Day next according to the Rule of Succession

Sheriffs Elect

Law.e Steele & William Chapman Esq.rs are elected to serve Sheriffs of this Corporation for the ensuing Year from Michs day next

Election Certified

Ordered that the Election of the Mayor & Sheriffs for the ensuing Year be forthwith Certified to Government for their Approbation

3 Freemen admitted

Geo. Pentland of Drogheda Gent & James Corry of the City of Dublin Esq.r are admitted free Members by Special favor, and Thomas Tainttough of Drogheda Esq.r is admitted a free member by Birth, each on the usual Terms, upon their Petitions

Resolved

Petitions for Freedom to be Balloted for

Resolved that in future, Petitions for the Freedom of this Corporation from Persons not entitled by Birth or Service shall be Balloted for and not voted Viva Voce as heretofore

Memorial of Mich.l Richardson for a new Lease

Upon the Memorial of Michael Richardson Carpenter Setting forth that he is Tenant to the Corp.n for premisses in the Barrack Lane at the yearly Rent of £11:4:9 that on the 8.th of April 1785 pursuant to an agreement with the Corporation by Act of Assembly held that Day, an Arrear of £67:8:6 & a demand of 20 Guineas advanced to him by the Corporation, was ordered to be discharged on his widening said Lane, and building a Wall to enclose said premisses which he accordingly done & a new Lease was then ordered to him, as by the Act of Assembly is mentioned that tho' he complied with doing the Work he neglected taking out the new Lease, & there now is a considerable Arrear of Rent due on the premisses, which are still Waste & unprofitable to him and praying that he may now be granted a new Lease from Easter last

Granted

for 99 years at £5 ℔ Ann. the arrear & 20 Guineas discharged Pursuant to the former Order of Assembly

It is thereupon Ordered accordingly

Billeting officer ord.d 3£ for Extra Trouble

Mathew Ruxton upon his Petition is ordered three Guineas for his extra Trouble in billeting Soldiers for the present year

£17-19-1 Bill of Costs ordered to be paid

Ordered that £17-19-1 being the Amount of a Bill of Cost for an Ejectment brought by this Corporation for non payment of Rent for a House on Tenem.t at the foot of Rockwell Lane late in the possession of Geo: Thomas be paid by the Treas.r for Account of this Corporation

Infirmary & Surgeons

Ordered that 10 Guineas towards Support of the Infirmary be paid to Alr. John Stanley, & that Doctor Reilly & Surgions Cheapem Hayes & Roche be paid 10 Guineas each for their Trouble & assistance attending poor objects at the end of the present year

Fine of the 10.th Lott of the North Commons to be expended on Repairing the Road

Ordered that the fine of the 10th Lott of the North Commons which is this day to be Sett be paid to Hampden Nicholson Esq.r who with Ald.n Hardman Ald.n Tairltough & Mr. Burton Tandy are appointed to expend the same on Repairing the Road leading to the said Commons

premisses ordered to be Set

Ordered that the premisses called a Thatched Cabbin on the West side of Magdellan Street in Drogheda Leased to Wm. Lucas Alderman & No. 117 for 61 years from Easter 1732 at the yearly Rent of 2/6 which expired at Easter last be forthwith Surveyed and same set by Cant by Cant to the highest bidder next General Assembly for 99 Years from Easter last, one Moiety of the Rent to be fined off at 10 years purchase

premisses ordered to be Set

Ordered that the premisses called one House and Garden in West Street on the North side in possession of Geo: Elliott and John Wallace, also a House and Garden on the North side of Dyer Street in possession of Edw.d Jones & John Ross Leased to Wm Graham Esq.r deceased & No. 409 for 61 years from Easter 1733 at the yearly Rent of £2 which will expire at Easter next be forthwith Surveyed, & same set in two lotts by Cant to the highest bidder next Gen.l Quarterly Assembly for 99 Years from Easter 1794 one Moiety of the Rent to be fined off at 10 years Purchase

Sealing Day

Ordered that Monday the 29.th day of July next be appointed a Sealing Day for Corporation Leases

Proctors of St. Johns Poor House

Wm. John Leland & Mr. Geo: North are appointed Proctors of St. Johns Poor House for three years from this Easter Assembly

Receivers of the Commons Rents

Mr. Geo: Ivans and Mr. Francis Graham Tairltough are appointed Receivers of the Rents of the Commons for three years from this Easter General Assembly

Pensioners on the Commons List

Ordered that the following Persons be paid the Sums to their names Respectively annexed out of the Rents of the Commons for the present year commencing at Micks last & ending at Micks next

	£		£
Proctor of St. Johns Poor for Tuzze of the Commons	8	Widw of Jam.s Shallett	5
Widw of John Moffit	3	Marg.t Lamprey	2
Jane Blithe	3	Ann Humphryson	4
adm Johnstons Wife	4	Widw of John Knight	4
Ann Simpson Widw	4	Sam.l Hale	4
Widw of Wm Latimir	2	Mary Ackland	6:16:6
Widw of Jn.o Woodhouse	3	Widw of Mich.l Brooks	2
Widw of Geo: Ivans	5	Martha Blakeney	4
Widw of Robt. Hatchett	3	Widw of Brab. Courtney	4
Mary Humphry	3	John Staplehill	2
Widw of Jn.o Rencher	6	Gertrude Brunton	4
Wm Marshall	3	Tho.s Tonge	4
Mary Roel	2	Widw of Chas. Elliott	4
Jn.o Parkinson	4	Widw of Zach: Rencher	4
Wm Bagnall	3		
Carried forw.d	56	Carried forw.d	£53:16:6

Brought forw.d	£56	Brought forw.d	£53:16:6
Jus.s Lyster Junr.	2	Two youngest Children of	
Mary Collier Dawn of Thos.	2	Wm M.Cartney	2
Widow of Anthy Collier	1..10	Widow of Con. Jones	3
Robt. Harrison	2	Widow of Wm Phippabotham	2
Mary Holland	4	Mary Bunker alis Robinson	2..10
Ann Appleyard Widow	1..10	Leo.d Shortell	3
Mary Hughes Widow	3	Widow of Robt. Chambers	1:10
Ann Ackland	6..15	Thos. Bunker	2
Priscilla Reany Widow	4	Sarah Breamer alis Bagnall	2
Ann Dowdall Widow	5	John Apperson	2
	£87:15		£73:16:6
			87:15
			£161:11:6

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Mr. Leighs bequest

Ordered that the years Rent of Prior Park at Killaneer due Michs last Leased to Isaiah Moore the bequest of the late Mr. Leigh be received by the Receivers of the Rents & paid by them equally to the Widow Blackburne & Jno. Stapleton

Commons

1793 April 12th

10th Lott of the North Commons Set

The 10th Lott of the North Commons Containing 15 Acres was Set up to public Cant in the Tholsel pursuant to notice & Struck off to Hampden Nicholson Esq.r the highest bidder for 61 years from the 25th March next 1794 at the yearly Rent of £2..1 Two years being £61-10 to be paid as a Fine which Fine is to be expended on Repairing the Road to the Commons pursuant to an order of Assembly of this Day

Special General Assembly

At a Special General Assembly held before the Said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 29th May 1793

Wm Chapman Esq.r excused from Serving Sheriff

Fined £50

A Memorial from William Chapman Esq.r one of the Sheriffs elected to Serve for the ensuing year from Michs day next, being laid before this Assembly, Setting forth that since his Election to that office circumstances have occurred which render it totally out of his Power to serve same, & Requesting this Assembly to accept his Resignation thereof on paying a Fine This Assembly therefore Agree and order that the Said William Chapmans

Resignation

Resignation be accepted and that he be excused from serving the said office of Sheriff on his paying to this Corporation a Fine of £50

Election of a Sheriff

Ordered that the Election of a Sheriff for this Corpn. the ensuing Year from Michs day next in the Room of William Chapman Esq.r Resigned be proceeded upon at the next July General Assembly

Post Assembly

Petitions

At a Post Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 17th July 1793 Several Petitions laid before this Assembly were read & disposed of

General Assembly

At a General Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 19 July 1793

Election of Sheriff postponed

Ordered that the Election of a Sheriff for the ensuing Year in the Room of William Chapman Esq.r be postponed till a new notice be given thereof

2 Freemen admitted

Anthony Walsh Esq.r Captain in His Majestys 45th Regiment of Foot, and Arthur M.Clean of Drogheda Shopkeeper, upon their Petitions are admitted Freemembers by Special favor on the usual Terms

Lease to Cuthbt. Richardson

Ordered upon the Petition of Mich.l Richardson that the Lease of the premisses granted to him at last Easter Assembly be made to his Son Cuthbert Richardson

Mayors Sallary to support the Dignity of the Corporation

Resolved unanimously that the Sallary granted by this Corporation to the Mayor is for the purpose of supporting the Dignity of this Corpondtion

£150 a year to the Mayor for 5 Entertainmts

Resolved unanimously that it was the intention of this Corporation in voting £150 a year Sallary to the Mayor that he should give five Entertainments on the Days mentioned in the Resolution for that purpose entered into on the 13th July 1792

Resolved

Remainder of the Mayors Sallary to be withheld

Resolved that Mr. Mayn not having given the Entertainments agreeable to the Resolution of the 13th July 1792 what remains of his Sallary unpaid shall be withheld and applied as this Corporation shall think proper

Election of Mayor & Sheriffs &c to be by Ballott if demanded

Resolved unanimously that in future the Elections for the Offices of Mayor Sheriffs and Common Councilmen of this Corporation shall be by Ballot if demanded

Premisses in Magdellen Street West Street & Dyer Street ord. to be Set

Ordered that the premisses in Magdellen Street West Street & Dyer Street which were ordered last Easter Assembly to be Set at this Assembly be set next Michaelmas General Assembly, and that the Auditors & Viewers do cause Surveys & Maps to be made of said premisses forthwith

Spec. Gen. Asst. for Election of Sheriff

At a Spec. Gen. Assembly held before the Said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present this 16th day of Augt. 1793 Mr. Jno. Jones is elected to Serve Sheriff of this Corpn. along with Mr. Laurence Hill Junr. in the room of Wm. Chapman Esqr. who has declined Serving said Office and ord. that the Election of the Mayor & Sheriffs for the ensuing Year be forthwith Certified to Government for their approbation

to be Certified to Government

Spec. Gen. Assembly

At a special Gen. Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present this 13th Sept. 1793

any Question where an individual is interested to be decided by Ballott

Resolved that every Question to be put at this Assembly (in which an individual Member thereof may be interested) shall be determined by Ballott

Ejectmts Ordered to be brought for Non: payment of Rent

Resolved unanimously that Ejectments for Non Payment of Rent be forthwith brought against every Tenant of this Corporation that now owe or that shall hereafter owe one Year and a half's Rent for their respective Holding

Arrear of Gate Customs duely Sd. Wm. Chefshire & Partners to be taken at £50 a year

Ordered that the Arrear of Gate Customs of £7 4 6 11. q. 2 due to this Corporation by William Chefshire & Partners for the Year ended 26th October 1785 be received by half yearly Instalments of £50 each, The first payment thereof to be made on the first day of May next & the like payment on every first day of November and first day of May untill the whole of said Arrear shall be discharged agreeable to the Proposal of the said Wm. Chefshire now made and accepted of by this Assembly

Bonds & other Debts to be sued for

Resolved that the Bonds and other Debts now due to this Corporation be forthwith demanded, and if not immediately paid the Law Agent is hereby authorized and directed to Sue for the same and to give Notice to that purpose in the Drogheda Journal

Special General Assembly

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 16th Sept. 1793

Chairs & Tables to be provided for the Mayoralty House

Ordered that two Dozen & eight Chairs be provided for the Mayoralty House which with five Dozen and four already there will make Eight Dozen, and that two Dinner Tables be also provided which with five already in the House makes eight for which the Mayor for the time being shall be accountable to his Successor

Brass Branch & Lustres to be provided

Ordered that a Brass Branch be provided for the Sheriffs Room and that the Lustres of the Mayors Room & the Side Branches of both Rooms be repaired

Furniture to be Sold in the Mayr. House except the articles in Schedule to remain

Ordered that all the Furniture belonging to this Corpn. in the Mayoralty House be Sold by public Auction there on Wednesday next Save the articles in the following Schedule mentioned which are to remain therein Viz.

Three Silver Cups
One do. Chalice & Cover
Four large Damask Table Cloths with the Drogheda Arms
Two Pictures — Views of Drogheda
Two Mohogany Side Board Tables
Two do. Dining Tables
Mayors Room

In the Kitchen

Two Jacks and Racks, Kitchen Tables, Dressers & Fire Irons, & the Fixtures therein and in every other part of the House
two large Skreens
The Green Cloaths for Dining Tables
& the Window Curtains

Ordered

£50 a year allowed the Mayor for Furniture

Ordered that the Sum of Fifty Pounds be allowed to the Mayor elect to enable him to provide every other Article of Furniture that he may want for giving his Entertainments at the Mayoralty House on his handing over to his Successor and producing a Receipt from him for the Furniture mentioned in the foregoing Schedule belonging to this Corporation and that the like annual Sum be allowed in future to the Mayor for the time being on the like terms and for the like purpose

The 29th Sept.r 1793

Acts Compared

The foregoing Acts of Assembly were this day Compared before us, and ordered to be entered in the Assembly Book as usual

James Scholes Mayor
Geo: Schoales
Alex.r Taittough William
Will.m Gibbons
John Ackland
Henry Smith
Maurice Barlow
Wm Holmes

Pd Test.

Franc.s Elliott
Jn.o Shekleton Sher.s

Mich.s Post Assembly

Michaelmas Post Assembly held before Ralph Smyth Esquire Mayor Laurence Steele & John Jones Esq.rs Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 9th October 1793

Petitions

Several Petitions were preferred to this Assembly and disposed of

Gen.l Ass.ly

At a general Assembly held before the said Mayor the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 11th Oct.r 1793

Mayor of the Staple

James Scholes Esq.r late Mayor is elected Mayor of the Staple & Justice of the Peace for the ensuing year

Common Council Men

Francis Elliott & John Shekleton Esq.rs late Sheriffs are elected Common Councilmen & Sworn

Constables of the Staple

The said Francis Elliott & John Shekleton are elected Constables of the Staple for the ensuing year & Sworn

Coroners

And the said Francis Elliott & John Shekleton are elected Coroners for the ensuing year & Sworn

Master of the Guild

Wm Taittough Esq.r is elected Master of the Guild for the ensuing year

Wardens of the Guild

Bartholomew Partington Van Homrigh & Francis Graham Taittough Esq.rs are elected Wardens of the Guild for the ensuing year

Treasurer

Alderman Wm Holmes is elected Treasurer for the ensuing year

Officers of the Sword & Mace

Ordered that the Officers of the Sword and Mace and Marshall be continued during the pleasure of this Corporation

Cleansing of the Streets

Mr Mayor is Requested to contract with such Persons as he shall think proper to cleanse and carry away the Dirt and Soil of the Streets & Lanes of this Town & of the Avenues thereto for one year to Commence from the 26th October Inst.o

John Ackland Esq.r Resignation of the Office of Justice of the Peace

John Ackland Esq.r one of His Majestys Justices of the Peace for this Town & County having given in to this Assembly a Resignation under his Hand and Seal of the said Office of Justice of the Peace the same was accepted

Resolved

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John Ackland Esq.r returned Thanks for discharge of Duty

Resolved unanimously that the Thanks of this Assembly be and the same is hereby given to the said John Ackland Esq.r for his diligent & faithfull discharge of the Duties of a Justice of the Peace

a Sheriffs Peer

Wm Chapman Esq.r who was lately elected to serve the Office of Sheriff, and who paid a Fine of £50 to be excused from serving same is elected a Sheriffs Peer & Common Councilman & Sworn

£50 towards support of the Charity School of St. Peters

Ordered that the above Fine of £50 paid by Wm Chapman Esq.r be applied to the support of the Charity School of St. Peters Parish

Common Councilman Elected

George Bruce of the Town of Drogheda Wig maker upon the return of the Fraternity of Taylors is elected a Common Councilman for said Fraternity in the Room of John North dec.d & Sworn

Resignation of Inspector of Works

Alderman Roger Ford Resigned his Office of Inspector of Public Works

said Office discontinued

Resolved that ~~that~~ the appointment of Inspector of public Works at the expence of this Corporation is unnecessary, & that the said Office be discontinued from Michaelmas last

Collector Clerks to receive the Water Customs

Resolved that the Fees hitherto paid for the Collection of the Water Customs of this Corporation are exhavagant, and that the same be reduced in future to two Shillings in the Pound and no more, & that the Collector Clerks be and he is hereby appointed to receive same and to pay the amount thereof Quarterly to the Treasurer of this Corporation

Auditors & Viewers

Aldermen Edw.d Hardman Wm Gilbon John Ackland & Maurice Barlow & Messrs Geo Evans Burton Jandy, Edw.d Faintlough John Leland & Geo: Elliott are elected Auditors & Viewers for the ensuing Year

office of Inspector of the Markets to be discontinued

Resolved that it appears to this Corporation that the Inspection of the Meat Markets is very sufficiently provided for by the Establishment of Market

Markett Stories, & that the appointment of Deputy Clerks of the Markett at the expence of this Corporation be discontinued from the Day the Militia of Drogheda shall return to this County

Chaplain to be discontinued

Resolved that the appointment of Chaplain to this Corporation is unnecessary and that same be discontinued from the Day the Militia of Drogheda shall Return to this County

Treas.rs Acco.ts to be printed annually

Resolved that at the January General Assembly in every Year the Treasurer shall have his Accounts made up & a printed Copy thereof for each Member of the Assembly & that a Special General Assembly shall then be appointed to meet in Eight Days thereafter for the Sole purpose of inspecting and passing the said Accounts

Resolved that it appears to this Corporation that several payments have been made by the Treasurer of orders Drawn on him by several Chief Majistrates and a certain Number of Aldermen Contrary to a positive Order of Assembly of the 15th of January 1790

Treas.r to pay no orders exceeding £10 unless ord.d by a Gen.l Assly

Resolved that in future no Sum of Money exceeding Ten Pounds Rents Sallaries & Interest Money excepted shall at any time be paid by the Treasurer without an Order of the General Assembly

any Sum from £5 to £10 to be signed by 5 Aldm & 5 Co: Cl. men

Resolved that no payment exceeding Five Pounds nor under Ten Pounds be paid by the Treasurer of this Corporation unless the same shall be signed by by the Mayor and five Aldermen and five Common Councilmen of this Corporation, and unless the said Order shall be in full for the Work done or for the Goods or Articles for which such Order shall be given

any Sum under £5 to be in full for Work done or Goods Sold & delivered.

Resolved that no payment under Five Pounds shall be made by the Treasurer of this Corporation unless the same shall be signed by the Mayor, and unless the Order for same shall be in full for the Work or the Goods or Articles for which such Order shall be given

And if the Treas.r shall make any payment contrary to the foregoing Resolutions the same shall not be allowed in his acco.t

Gate Customs to be Set every 4 Weeks

Resolved that in future the Gate Customs shall be Set by Public Cant for four Weeks only to Commence from the 26th October Instant in every year & so on for every Succeeding four Weeks, thro' the year; the first Cant in each year to be held immediately after the October Gen.l Assembly and the Cant for every Succeeding four Weeks to be held eight Days previous to their

their Commencement, and that the Person or Persons taking the same do pay down the purchase Money immediately, on being declared the purchaser

Committee Respecting Coals & Candles

Resolved that the Mayor Sheriffs & Mayor of the Staple be a Committee to take into Consideration the Quantities of Coals & Candles necessary in each Year for the different places furnished with the same by this Corporation, and that said Committee do Report their opinion thereupon to a Special Genl. Assembly to be called for that purpose

4 freemen admitted

Charles Wynne of Drogheda Gent one of the Aldermen, Obadiah Wisdom of the same Gunsmith are admitted free Members by spec. Favor, and Thomas Kelly Jones and Launcelot Jones both of the same Gent Sons of John Jones Esq. one of the present Sheriffs are admitted free Members by Birth on their Several Petitions each on the usual Terms

Messrs. M.Gauran Delahoyd & Dardis exempted from Customs

Resolved that Messrs. Patrick M.Gauran Casimir Delahoyd & William Dardis all of Drogheda Merchants be exempted from the payment of Gate & Water Customs during the pleasure of this Corporation, on their Swearing not to Cover the Goods of others

£17:11:8 ord. to be pd. the Rt. Hontble John Foster for a Road out West Gate & to be presented with the Thanks of this Assembly

Ordered that the Sum of £17.11.8 which was expended in Repairing the Road between West Gate and the Liberty Bridge in this County by the Rt. Hontble John Foster over and above the amount of the Presentmt. of the Grand Jury be paid to him by the Treasurer for account of this Corporation and also that the Thanks of this Assembly be given to him by Mr. Mayor for Attention on that business

Special Post Assembly

At a Special Post Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 21st October 1793

Edwd. Hardman Esq. elected a Justice of the Peace

Edwd. Hardman Esq. one of the Aldermen of this Corporation is unanimously elected a Justice of the Peace for the County of the Town of Drogheda in the Room of John Ackland Esq. resigned & was Sworn

Special Genl Assembly

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs, the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 6th day of December 1793

Mr. John Taintlough to Settle the Water Customs & to give Bonds for the Ballce

Ordered that Mr. John Taintloughs Account for Water Customs due to this Corporation to Xtmas last, be stated and Settled by him with the Mayor Sheriffs and Auditors, & that he have time for payment of the Ballance by four equal Gales at Six Twelve Eighteen and Twenty four Months upon his passing Bonds for the same

£100 Reward

Ordered that Mr. Mayor be empowered to offer a Reward of £100 on behalf of this Corporation for discoveg & Convicting the Assasin of the late Reverend Mr. Butler of Arbracan in the County of Meath, and that he write to the Secretary of the Meath Association to acquaint him thereof

50 Guineas Reward

Ordered that a Reward of 50 Guineas be offered for discovering and Convicting within Six Months the person or persons who lately Set fire to Mr. Hampden Nicholsons Stables and Hay in this County

Chief Majistrate empowered to dismiss Town Serjeants

Resolved that the Chief Majistrate of this Corporation for the time being, hitherto exercised, and of right in future should have the power of dismissing any of the Town Serjeants at Mace for Misconduct or neglect of Duty & to appoint others

Special Post Aſs.y

At a Special Post Aſsembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs, the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 14th Jan.y 1794

Freedom presented

Resolved unanimously that the Freedom of this Corporation be presented to Wallop Brabazon of Rath in the County of Louth Esq.r for his Spirited & Active Conduct as a Majistrate & his readiness in Co-operating with & aſsisting the Majistrates of this Town, & that same be presented in a Silver Gilt Box by Mr Mayor & the Sheriffs

Quarterly post aſsembly

At a Quarterly Post Aſsembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 15th Jan.y 1794

Several Petitions were read & disposed of

Gen.l Quarterly Aſsembly

At a General Quarterly Aſsembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the aldermen & Common Council being present the 17th Jan.y 1794

a freeman admitted

Barth.w Chamney of Drogheda Gent.n Son of John Chamney Esq.r dec.d upon his Petition is admitted a free member by Birth on the usual Terms

£282..3..11½ due by Jn.o Tainltough for Water Customs to be taken by Instalm.ts

It appears to this Aſsembly that the Ballance due to this Corporation for Water Customs by Mr John Tainltough the late Collector thereof to the 29th September last makes the Sum of £282..3..11½ And it is ordered by this Aſsembly that the said Ballance be accepted by Instalments of £50 each payable annually at Xmas upon his perfecting Bonds for same five for £50 each & one for £32..3..11½ the first payable the 25th December next & the others payable every 25th December following to the Treas.r without Interest

no person in the employm.t of the Corp.n who is indebted to the Corp.n to be paid any Sal.y till the Debt be liquidated thereby

Ordered that in future any Person having Office or Employment under this Corporation and entitled to any Sal.y for same, and who shall be indebted in any wise to this Corporation, shall not Receive such Sallary untill the Debt so due to the Corporation shall be applied to liquidate the Debt

Collector of public Cess allowed 3 G.s

John Booth Collector of the County Cess is ordered three Guineas in aid for his Trouble upon his Settling his Accounts regularly with the Treas.r annually for the County Cess to be collected by him

The

Time given to the Farmers of the Gate Customs to pay off Arrear

The Farmers of the Gate Customs for the year ended the 26th October last are allow.d untill next Easter General Aſsembly to discharge the arrear of Gate Customs due by them to this Corporation

Time allowed Mr Chas Evans to print the Treas.rs Accounts

Mr Charles Evans Printer having engaged at this Aſsembly to have the Treasurers Accounts printed on or before the 1st February next he is allowed that time for doing same and Monday the 10th of s.d Month is appointed for a special General Aſsembly to inspect and pass them

a Sewer to be made in Batchelors Lane

The Auditors and Viewers are empowered to cause a Sewer to be made from where Blind Gate Stood to the Grate opposite Mr McGauran's Ware house in Batchelors Lane

Accounts due by the Corp.n allowed

The following Accounts were laid before this Aſsembly and were allowed as Debts due by this Corporation to the undernamed persons viz.t

Capt.n Hayes for mooring Chains &c.a for the River	£25.....
James Davis for officers Hatts	14..13..4½
Chas. White 3 Bills for Prisoners Bread	21..9..
Mess.rs Blacker & Briscoes acco.t for Cloath &c.a got for Serj.ts Coathes &c.a	31..19..6
John Glover for Hewn Stone got 2 Jan.y ins.t for the Goal	14..8..2
J. D. Aylmbowm for Repairing Lustres &c.a in Great Room & for new Lustres in the Sheriffs Room	56..13..7½
Disbursments by Mr Mayor for Soldiers on different Occasions	6..2..3
Pat Pentony for Oak for Town Pumps	8..9..6
John M.c Donnell for Paper.g & Paint.g at the May.ty House	14..6..10
Ph. Smith for Paving Peter Street	21..15..9
Ph. M.c Grimes for Frize for Watchmens Coats	18=0:9½
James Barlow Esq.r for Law proceedings Respect.g the late Mayor	5..8..3
	£238..6..5½

Proctors of St Johns Poor & Receivers of the Commons Rents to account annually

Resolved unanimously that the late Proctors to the Poor of St Johns, and the late Receivers of the Rents of the Commons lay their Accounts for the last three Years before this Corpn at the next General Quarterly Aſsembly and that the present and all future Proctors & Receivers of the Rents of the Commons lay their accounts annually before this Corporation

At

Special General Assembly to examine the Treas.r accounts

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen & common Council being present the 19th Feby 1794 for the purpose of inspecting the Treasurers Accounts

adjourned after Progress made

Progress made and the Assembly adjourned the further Consideration thereof and also to Consider of making Retrenchments, unto Monday next the 24th Feby instant

Special Gen.l Ass.bly for Retrenchments

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs, the Aldermen & common Council being present the 24th Feby 1794 pursuant to the above adjournment & for making Retrenchments

Ordered that the following Retrenchments be made in future Viz.t

Retrenchments

Ladders for Lamp lighters
Washing Table Linnen .... } Struck off

Marshall Serjeants and Bellhour to be allowed in future every Stitch a plain Hatt with a Cockade, a plain blue Coat for the Marshall & Serjeants & a Green one for the Bellhour with white Cloath Capes without Lace

Two Halbertmen, a plain Hatt & Cockade a blue Cloak and white Cloath Capes every two years

Bellhours Shoes Struck off

Sheriffs to be allowed Two Guineas a year for whitewashing the Goal twice in the year

One Bangbeggar only to be paid in future

Town Drummer Struck off

allowance of 20£ a year for Summoning Auditors & Viewers Struck off

No Cockades to be paid for on the 1st July save only for the officers that shall on that Day attend the Mayor

No Weights Beams or Scales to be hereafter paid for by the Corporation the Weights Beams & Scales at present in the different Cranes or Weigh Houses are now given up by this Corporation to the present Mayor for the use of him & his Successors

The Sheriffs are not to provide at the expence of the Corporation in future Glasses or Earthen Ware for the accommodation of the going Judges of Assize

Two Guineas a year for cleaning the Lustres in the Mayoralty House and half a Guinea a year for taking Care of the Clock there to be allowed George Potter from Michaelmas last

His charge for taking Care of the Sword & Mace struck off

Treas.r to state an Acco.t of the diff.t Sums of Money paid to the Law Agent

Ordered that the Treasurer do lay before a Special General Assembly to be held on Monday next the 3d March an account of the several Sums of Money which he has from time to time paid to Alderman John Ackland the Law Agent of this Corporation on account of the Law Suit with His Grace the Lord Primate, and any other Suits in which he has been Concerned for, or on account of this Corporation

Law Agent to State what Proceedings were had to Recover the Debts due to the Corp.n

Ordered that Alderman John Ackland Law Agent of this Corporation be served with a notice of the above mentioned Special General Assembly, and that he do produce to the same the several Bills of Costs relative to such Suits, And that he do also State to said Assembly what proceedings at Law have been taken to Recover the Debts due to this Corporation pursuant to the order made at the General Assembly in October last

adjourned to Monday the 3d March next 1794 for the above purposes

Special Gen.l Assembly

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 3d March 1794 pursuant to adjournm.t of the foregoing Assembly for the purpose of inspecting the Treasurers Accounts and other Matters above mentioned

Treas.r furnished an acco.t of the Sums of Money paid Law agent

An Account of the several Sums of Money from time to time paid to Alderman John Ackland Law Agent of this Corporation was laid before this Assembly by the Treas.r pursuant to an Order of last Assembly

The

Treas.rs Accounts Settled

The Treasurers Accounts for the Rents to and for Easr. & May last, and for the Gate Customs to and for Michs & October last & all other Receipts by him & the Disbursments made by him for account of this Corporation in the Mayoralty of James Scholes Esq.r ended at Michaelmas last having been Read & the Vouchers thereof examined, the Balce thereon appears to be Seuen hundred and Seuen Pounds eighteen Shillings and Sixpence Ster due to him by this Corporation with Twenty four Pounds eighteen Shillings & fourpence being the Interest on said Account making together the Sum of £732 .. 3 .. 10

Special Genl Assembly

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 24th March 1794 Summoned by a Requisition for the purpose of Considering the expediency of appointing an additional Law Agent to this Corporation or a new Law Agent if more Eligible

Law Agent gave a satisfactory State: ment of his Conduct

Resolved that it is not expedient to appoint an additional or a new Law Agent to this Corporation Mr. John Ackland the present Law Agent having given a Satisfactory Statement of his Conduct to this Assembly

Post Assembly

At Easter Post Assembly held the 30th April 1794 Before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen being present

Several Petitions were read & disposed of

Genl Assembly

At Easter General Quarterly Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 2d May 1794

Mayor Elect

Ralph Smyth Esq.r the present Mayor is unanimously elected to Serve Mayor of this Corpn for the ensuing Year from Michs day next

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Sheriffs Elect

William Jones & Lawncelot Fisher Esq.rs are Elected to serve Sheriffs of this Corporation for the ensuing year from Michmas Day next

Election to be Certified

Ordered that the Election of the Mayor & Sheriffs be forthwith Certified to Government for their approbation

4 freemen admitted

Owen Courtney of the Town of Drogheda Taylor Son of Bnabazon Courtney deceased is admitted free by Birth John Potter of Drogheda Watchmaker Son of George Potter of the same Watchmaker is admitted free by Service and Henry Irwine of Drogheda Gent, Son of Alexander Irwine & John Hanlon of Drogheda Cabinetmaker are admitted free Members by Special favor on their respective Petitions each, on the usual Terms

John Allen Goaler ord.d 10 Gs for extra Trouble

Ordered that the Sum of Ten Guineas be paid by this Corporation to John Allen Goalr of this County as a Recompence for his extraordinary Trouble & attention &c. for the time past, and that same be allowed in the Treasurers Accounts

further time allowed the Farmers of the Gate Customs to pay their Arrear

Upon the Memorial of Alderman William Taintlough & Mr. Frances Graham Taintlough Farmers of the Gate Customs for the year ended the 26th October last It is ordered by this Assembly that they be allowed until the 1st May 1795 to discharge the Ballance due on their Bonds for Gate Customs without Interest provided such Ballance be paid on or before that Day

Materials of part of the Town Wall to be Sold

Ordered that the Materials of the Town Wall on the North Side of West Gate be Sold by Auction on Monday next

Pensioners on the Comons List

Ordered that the following Persons be paid the Sums to their Names respectively annexed annexed out of the Rents of the Commons for the present year Commencing at Michaelmas last & ending at Michmas next

Viz.t

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	£	S.	D.
Proctor of St. John's Poor for Twoge of the Commons	8		
Widw of John Moffit	3		
Jane Blith	3		
Adam Johnsons Wife	4		
Ann Simpsons Widow	4		
Widw of Wm Latimer	4		
do of John Woodhouse	3		
do of Geo Evans	5		
do of Robt Halchett	3		
Mary Humphrys	3		
idem Widw of John Rencher	6		
Wm Marshall	3		
Mary Rael	2		
Widw of Jno Parkinson	4		
Wm Bagnall	3		
Widw of Sam[l] Shotell	5		
Mary Lamprey	2		
Ann Humphryson	4		
Widw of John Knight	4		
Sam[l] Hale	4		
Mary Ackland	6	16	6
Widw of Mich[l] Brooks	2		
Martha Blakeney	4		
Widw of Brab. Courtney	4		
Mary Widw of Pat[k] Kegan	3		
	£96	16	6

	£	S.	D.
Gertrude Brunton	£4		
Tho[s] Tonge	4		
Widw of Chas Elliott	4		
d[o] of Zach. Rencher	4		
Sus[a] Lyster Junr	2		
Mary Collier Daur of Tho[s]	2		
Widw of Anthy Collier	1	10	
Robt Harrison	2		
Mary Holland	4		
Ann Appleyard	1	10	
Mary Hughes Widw	3		
Ann Ackland	6	15	
Priscilla Reany now Cleapem	4		
Ann Dowdale Widw	5		
Two youngst Children of Wm M. Cartney	4		
Widow of Con. Jones	3		
do of Wm Shippabottom	3		
Mary Bourke alias Robinson	2	10	
Leonard Shotell	3		
Widw of Robt Chambers	1	10	
Widw of Tho[s] Brunker	3		
Sarah Breamor alias Bagnal	2		
John Apperson	2		
Geo: M. Entegart for Sam[l] Masters Children	11	7	6
Widw of Geo: North	4		
	£87	2	6
	96	16	6
	£183	19	

N.B.

Amount of 9 years Rents of Commons ending East[r] 1794 £183 : 10 : 10½
Deficiency to make up the above Grants 8 : 1½
£183 19

Ordered that the 9 years Rent of Prior Park at Killaneer due Michmas last being £8 due by Isaiah Moore the bequest of the late Mr Leigh be received by the Receivers of the Commons Rents and paid by them to the under named persons — viz.

Mr. Leighs bequest

	£	S.	D.
Widow Blackburne	6		
Widow Howell	2		
	£8		

Adjournm[t] of last Quarterly Ass[y]

At an Adjournment of the said last mentioned Gen[l] Quarterly Assembly held before the said Mayor Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 9th May 1794

Proposal of Geo: Jones for Regulating Porters

Upon a Proposal in Writing made by Mr George Jones dated 17th Jan[y] last for Regulating of Master Porters & Carriers of Coals and which was

Referred

Referred to a Committee

Referred to a Committee appointed for the purpose to report their opinion thereupon, they accordingly laid same with their Report before this Assembly which Report is as follows

Report of the Committee

We are of opinion that the business of measuring Coals calls loudly for Reform, and that there is an absolute necessity for putting both Master Porters & Coal Porters under new Rules & Regulations, We are also doubtfull whether the payment of one Shilling by each Coalship for the use of Jules can be enforced — And we think it better to defer the appointment of an Inspector untill after this business shall be put upon a new footing all which We Submit to your Worships Consideration May 7. 1794 Edw[d] Hardman Will[m] Gibbons Maurice Barlow Will[m] Chapman, Joseph Holmes Burton Tandy Harry Brabazon,

a Committee to make Rules & Regulations for Master Porters & Coal Porters &c and to consider the State of the Pavem[ts] and Quay Walls

Mr. Mayor & the Sheriffs for the time being Alderman Hardman Mr Harry Brabazon Mr Tandy Mr Chapman Mr Tillery & Mr Leland are appointed a Committee to prepare Rules and Regulations for the Conduct of the Master Porters and Coal Porters of this Town, and to Report same to a special General Assembly to be called for that purpose And the same Committee are Requested to frame proper Rules for Regulating of the Basket Boys, & others plying or Carrying of Fish or Meat for Hire from the Markets & likewise to take into Consideration the State of the Pavements, Quay Walls & Mall and to Report their Opinion as above mentioned

every Petition or Memorial to be lodge the Saturday before the Assembly

Resolved unanimously that every Petition or Memorial to be sent up to this Corporation shall in future be lodged with the Town Clerke on or before the Saturday next preceding the Quarterly General Assembly at which such Petition or Memorial is to be presented and read, and that on the Monday Morning previous to such Assembly the Town Clerke shall make out a List of all such Petitions and Memorials lodged with him for that purpose stating the names of the Petitioners or Memorialists & the object of such Petition or Memorial which List shall lye in his office for the inspection of all such Members of this Corporation as shall desire to see the same And it is hereby ordered that the Town Clerke shall not present or read any Petition or Memorial at any Assembly of this Corporation unless such Petition or Memorial shall have been lodged with him within the time limitted by the foregoing Resolution

Mr. Mayor

Wallop Brabazon Esq.r Answer on being presented with his Freedom

Mr. Mayor having acquainted this Assembly of his having presented the Freedom of this Corporation in a Silver Box to Wallop Brabazon Esq.r pursuant to an order of last January General Assembly & having layd his answer before this Assembly, it is ordered that the same be thrice published in the Drogheda Journal and which Answer is as follows

To The Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses & Commons of the County of the Town of Drogheda

Gent

I return you my Sincere Thanks for this Mark of your Approbation, and am extremely happy to find that my assistance has been of any use to your Majistrates in their laudable exertions

If any thing could add to the pleasure I feel on this occasion, it is receiving it thro' the Hands of your Worthy Mayor

I am Gent,
with the greatest Respect
your Obed.t Servant
Wallop Brabazon

Rath April 16: 1794

The following accounts were laid before this Assembly & were allowed as Debts due by this Corporation to the undernamed persons Viz.t

Accounts due by the Corpn.

	£	s.	d
Thos. Collins for Exchange of Duty on Bells for St. Peters Church	25	14	6
Wm. Hamit for British News Papers to 5 Janry last	14	7	1
Alex.r Irwine, he paid for Ringing Bells in 1792	7	19	3
Sam.l Carolan for Work & Materials at the Cross Pumps in October last	8	4	12
John Glover for Hewn Stone Work at the Tholsel & Goal for the present Year	17	12	3½
Geo: North for Iron Mongery	23	10	½
Geo: Jones for 2 Doz.n & 2 Chairs for the Mayoralty House	24	1	
Mr. Mayor which he paid Soldiers	7	4	1½
	£128	12	5

Surgeons

Ordered that Ten Guineas towards Support of the Charitable Infirmary be paid to Mr. John Stanley & that Doctor Reilly & Surgeons Reaston & Hayes be paid ten Guineas each for their Trouble attending poor Objects at the end of the present year

every Account to be Sworn to

Ordered that every Account for Work done or for Goods & delivered for account or use of this Corporation shall be Sworn to by the person claiming payment for same that is a just and true account, and that the Charges therein are fair just & reasonable & that such Work was done or such Goods delivered for the use of this Corporation

Premises to be Surveyed Set

Ordered that the premisses demised by Lease No. 421 to Edmund Schoales Esq.r for 61 years from Easter 1735 belonging to St. John's Poorhouse, be forthwith Surveyed & Set by Cant next July General Assembly for 61 years from Easter 1796 two years Rent to be paid down as a Fine

£50 to be paid Mr. Mayor for extra Entertainments

Ordered that the Sum of Fifty Pounds be paid to Mr. Mayor at Michaelmas over and above his Sallary in Consideration of the extraordinary Expence he has been at in entertaining this Corporation

Mayors Sallary discontinued

Ordered that from Michaelmas next no publick Entertainment be given to this Corporation by the Mayor for the time being save and except on Michaelmas Day only in each year, and that the Sallary of £150 p.r annum now paid to the Mayor shall be from thence forth discontinued

new Market Ground to be enclosed

Ordered that the Sum of £150 to be annually saved from Michaelmas next by the discontinuance of the Mayors Sallary be appropriated for the purpose of leveling and enclosing the Ground in Fair Street purchased by this Corpn. & intended for a Corn Market under the direction of the Market Committee heretofore intended for managing same

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Special Gen.l Ass.y

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 27th May 1794

Report of the Committee for Regulating Porters

The following Report from the Committee appointed by the General Assembly held the 9th May Instant was laid before and read at this Assembly Paragraph by Paragraph and unanimously agreed to allowed & confirmed

To the Worshipfull The Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses & Commons of the County of the Town of Drogheda

The Report of the Committee to whom it was referred to prepare Rules & Regulations for the Conduct of Master Porters Coal Porters & Basket Boys in this Town, & also to consider and to Report the State of the Quay Walls & the Pavements

The said Committee having met pursuant to Notice

all the Master Porters & Porters to be discharg'd & their Bonds cancelled

N.o 1. Resolved that it appears to this Committee to be necessary to discharge all the Master Porters and Coal Porters at present employed or licenced to be employed as such and to cancel their sev.l Bonds in order to put the business of Master Porters and Coal Porters under new Regulations

Twenty Master Porters to be employed

2.d Resolved that it appears to this Committee That Twenty Master Porters will be abundantly sufficient for the business of Weighing and measuring Coals & other Merchandizes on board the Ships and Vessells in this Harbour & that such number & no more be appointed by this Corporation or by a Committee to be named for that purpose, & that all Vacancies which shall happen by Death Removal or Resignation be filled up from time to time by the Corporation or by such Committee

Master Porter to enter into Bond

N.o 3 — Resolved that every Master Porter so appointed shall enter into Bond with one sufficient Surety in the Sum of Forty Pounds for his good behaviour, & for his obeying and Conforming to the Rules & Regulations hereafter mentioned, and to all such Rules & Regulations as may hereafter be appointed by Act of Assembly of this Corporation for the Regulation of Master Porters, and for the performance of his Duty according to his Oath of Office

Porters to be in 2 Divisions

N.o 4 — Resolved that as soon as the whole number of Coal Porters necessary for the business of the Quays shall have been appointed they shall be divided into twenty equal parts or Divisions and every Master Porter shall be furnished with a List of one such part or Division, and also the Names of the several persons who have given Bail for such Porter; and that it shall be the business of each Master Porter to make himself acquainted with the persons Named in such List, both Porters & Bondsmen: and in Case any of the Porters in such List named shall die he should immediately call for & take up such Porters Badge, and bring it to the Mayor for the time being or inform the Mayor if any such Badge shall be withheld: and in case any of the Bondsmen named in such List shall die he shall give the speediest notice thereof to the Mayor for the time being so that another Bail or Bondsman may be provided by such Porter

Master Porters to have Sheaks

N.o 5 — That every Master Porter shall provide himself with a Sheak for the purpose of ascertaining measure, and that he shall at all times make use of such Sheak under penalty of paying a Fine of Twenty Shillings for every neglect

Tubs to be Stamped

N.o 6 — That every Master Porter shall see that the Tubs or half Barrels for measuring Coals or Culm be all Stamped by the proper Officer, and that they are in Dimensions of Depth and Diameters Conformable to Law, and that he shall not suffer any others to be used on board of any Ship or Vessell on board of which he shall be Stationed under the penalty of a Fine of twenty Shillings for every Offence

Sheaks to be marked with the dimensions of the half Barrells

N.o 7 — That the Sheaks to be used by every Master Porter shall be Conformable to a pattern provided by this Corporation and shall contain on one side the Dimensions of the Depth & Diameters of the

Coal

Coal half Barrell and on the other side the Depth & Diameters of the Culm half Barrell and be branded or Stamped by the proper Officer under the penalty of a Fine of Forty Shillings; to the End that every person receiving Coals or Culm may be satisfied that such Measures are just and lawfull

Master Porter offendg to be Struck off & his Bail Sued

N.o 8 That if any Master Porter shall be Convicted before the Mayor for the time being on the Oath of one Credible Witness of any Offence against the foregoing Rules or any Rules hereafter to be established by this Corporation, and shall refuse or neglect immediately to pay the Fine to such Offence annexed such Master Porter shall be immediately Struck off the List of Master Porters & his Security be prosecuted for the penalty of his Bond, & such fine shall not be taken or accepted of, as a Compensation for such Offence after such Master Porter shall have been Struck off the List

N.o 9. That every Master Porter shall on his appointment before he shall act in the Execution of his Office take the following Oath that is to Say

Master Porters Oath

I. A. B. do Swear to be whole to our Sovereign Lord the King and to the Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses & Commons of the County of the Town of Drogheda in the office of Master Porter within this Corporation and in the measuring and weighing of Coals & Merchandize therein, I will to the utmost of my power do equal right to all persons, nor will I suffer myself to be misguided by Love fear or hope of Profit I will not at any time absent myself from my Duty nor suffer it to be executed by others except in case of Sickness or unavoidable necessity nor even in such Case untill another Master Porter shall be Stationed by the Water Bailiff to act in my place I will not suffer any Coal Porter to ply or work for hire on board any Ship or Vessell on which I shall be Stationed who has not his Porters Badge annexed to the breast of his outside Coat so that such Badge may be seen by every person who employ him

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I will take up and Return to the Mayor for the time being the Badges of all such Porters in my Division as shall die; or make Complaint if such Badge be with held. I will Return to him the name of every Baid or Bondsman to the Porter of my Division who shall happen to die; and whenever I shall know of any improper Conduct or misbehaviour in any Porter of my Division I will forthwith make due Complaint thereof to the Mayor for the time being, and in all things belonging to my Office of Master Porter I will well and diligently behave myself

So help me God

Fees to be paid on admission of Master Porter

N.o 10 That if any Person now on the List of Master Porters shall be Reappointed to that Office, he shall not pay the Fees usually paid to the Water Bailiff or Town Clerke on his Re-admission, except those of his Bond & Stamp, all others admitted as Master Porters to pay the usual Fees

if struck off, not to be readmitt

N.o 11 Resolued that if any Master Porter shall at any time be struck off the List of Master Porters for any of the Offences before mentioned or for misconduct of any kind respecting his Office, every such Master Porter shall be for ever after incapable of being Reappointed to the Office of Master Porter in this Town, & that the Duty of the Master Porters be printed and that each of them wear a Medal, to be numbered in the penalty of Five Shillings for each Offence

to Wear a Medal

Coal Porters

Coal porters to enter into Bond

N.o 12 Resolued that before the 16.th of June next, all such persons as shall be approued of by the Mayor for the employm.t of Coal porter under the Rules & Regulations hereafter mentioned shall enter into Bond with one Sufficient Security in the Sum of Five Pounds for his good behaviour & for his obeying & Conforming thereto and also to such further Rules & Regulations as may hereafter be deemed necessary & appointed by Act of Assembly of this Corporation for Regulating the Duty and Conduct of Coal porters, & that from & after the 16.th day of June no person whatever shall be admitted to ply or Work as a Porter at the Quay or on board the Ships & Vessells in this Harbour untill he shall have entered into such Bond

no Porter to take greater Wages than is mention.d in the Schedule

N.o 13 Resolued that if any Coal Porter shall take or demand any greater Wages or hire for the Carriage of Coals Culm or other Goods than is specified in a Schedule of the Rates for Carriage of Coals & other Goods Settled & appointed by Act of Assembly of this Corporation and bearing date the 12.th April 1793 and

which

which said Schedule is hung up in the Tholsel Office for the inspection of all persons concerned, such Porter shall forfeit and pay for every such offence the Sum of Ten Shillings

no Porter to demand hire till it is earned

No 14 That if any Coal porter shall take or demand payment for the Carriage of Coals or other Goods untill such Coals or other Goods shall have been Carried and such Porters Hire or Wages earned such Porter shall forfeit & pay for every such Offence the Sum of Five Shillings; Paymt to be made of the Porters hire or Wages each Day only to the Man who shall carry the last Load

Every Porter to wear a Badge

No 15 That every person appointed to the office of Coal Porter shall be furnished with a Badge which Badge shall be numbered & be fixed to the Breast of such Porters outside coat, so that the Number of such Badge may be seen & known by every Person by whom such Porter may be employed or paid and if any Porter shall ply for Hire or Work on the Quays, or on board any Ship or Vessell without such Badge so affixed such Porter shall forfeit and pay for every such Offence the Sum of Five Shillings

Lists of the Porters

No 16 That Lists shall be made out of the names of all persons appointed Coal Porters specifying the number of the Badge furnished to such Porter and that one such List shall lye in the hands of the Mayor for the time being one other such List in the hands of the Water Bailiff & one other such List in the hands of the Town Clerke

Badge not to be defaced or transfer.d

No 17 Resolved That if any Coal Porter shall deface his Badge or suffer such Badge to be defaced so as to prevent the Number being perfectly legible or shall lend or transfer his Badge to any other Person or exchange his Badge with any other Person or suffer it to be lent transferred or changed whereby any

any other Person may be enabled to Work or ply under Cover of such Badge such Porter shall forfeit and pay for every such offence the Sum of Ten Shillings

Working Hours

No 18 That every Coal Porter shall at all times & Hours from Day light in the Morning between the 29th September and 25th March & from 6 O Clock in the Morning untile Eight O Clock in the Evening between the 25th March and Twenty ninth Day of Sept.r in every Year attend to his Duty of Coal Porter & shall work & carry Coals or other Goods for all persons requiring him so to do as well in loading as unloading Ships or Vessells lying at the Quays without Refusal or delay & that no usage or Custom heretofore practised under pretence of any bye Rules or Regulations amongst Coal porters shall be an Excuse for such Refusal; but that every Porter not actually working at the time when called upon shall be liable to attend and answer the person so requiring him to Work: and if any Porter shall so Refuse, or shall offend herein, he shall forfeit and pay for every such Offence the Sum of Five Shillings

if Refusing to Work to forfeit 5.s

when there is a sufficient Number of Porters none others to be employed

No 19 That when Coal Porters attend their Duty on the Quays in sufficient Number to answer every Demand & are ready & willing to Work at the Regulated prices, no person shall be permitted to employ any others in the loading & discharging of Ships or Vessells; but if at any time there shall not be a sufficient number of Porters to answer such Demand or that the Porters shall refuse to Work or shall demand exorbitant Hire every Person finding himself agrieved thereby shall have Liberty on application to the Water Bailiff to employ others in their Stead, and if any Coal porter shall in such Case molest disturb or otherwise obstruct such other Person in their Work such Porter shall forfeit & pay for every such Offence the Sum of Five Shillings

for want of a sufficient Number others may be employed

any Porter offending against the Rules to be struck off the List

No 20 That if any Coal Porter shall be Convicted before the Mayor for the time being on the Oath of a Credible Witness of any Offence against the foregoing Rules or any Rules hereafter to be established by this Corporation regulating the Duty & Conduct of Porters, and shall refuse or Neglect immediately to pay the Fine or penalty to such Offence annexed such Porter shall be immediately struck off the List of Coal Porters and his Bail sued for the penalty of his Bond & such Fine shall not be taken or accepted of as a Compensation after such Porters Name shall be so struck off the List

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No 21 Resolved that if any Person now on the List of Coal Porters shall be reappointed he shall not pay the Fees usually paid to the Water Bailiff or Town Clerke on his re admission, nor any other Charge except those of his Bond & Stamp all others admitted Coal Porters to pay the usual fees

Fees to be paid by Porters on their admissn

No 22 Resolved that if any Coal Porter shall be Struck off the List for any offence herein before mentioned or for Misconduct of any Kind in his Duty of Coal Porter, every such Porter shall be incapable of being ever reappointed a Coal Porter in this Town and that the Duty of Porters be printed

if Struck off not to be Readmitted

Water Bailiff

No 23 Your Committee Conceiving that the enforcing of the foregoing Rules for Regulating the Duty & Conduct of Master Porters and Coal Porters must in a great Measure depend on the due exertions of the Duty of the Water Bailiff, and Conceiving also that the Duty of Water Bailiff requires to be more fully ascertained & explained do Recommend that the following Oath be taken in future by every Person appointed to that Office and that it be taken by the Water Bailiff on the present occasion on or before the 16th Sixteenth Day of June next when the Master Porters & Coal Porters are to be put under the foregoing Rules

Water Bailiffs Oath

Oath

You shall be whole and true to the Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses & Commons of the County of the Town of Drogheda in the Office of Water Bailiff of s.d Town so long as you shall continue in the said Office You shall carefully Supply all Ships & Merchants with good and Sufficient Planks & Measures necessary for the loading & unloading all Ships or Vessells coming to the Quays, In case of Sickness or absence you shall appoint a Deputy to act for you & you shall be answerable for the Conduct of such Deputy as for your own, you shall Station one

Master

Master Porter on every Vessell coming to the Quays with Coals Culm or any other Goods requiring a Sworn Weigher or measurer between the Buyer & Seller and you shall take care that such Master Porter do constantly attend his Duty therein making due Complaint to the Mayor for the time being of any neglect and in case such Master Porter from Sickness or other unavoidable necessity shall be obliged to absent himself from such Duty you shall Station another Master Porter in his Stead, Stationing every Master Porter in his turn You shall take care that every Master Porter so Stationed be provided with a proper Sheak for ascertaining the measure for Coals and Culm and that such Sheak be branded or Stamped by the proper Officer and marked on one Side ~~with the Dimensions~~ with the Dimensions prescribed by Law for the depth & Diameters of the Coal half Barrell, & on the other side with those of the Culm half Barrell to the end that all persons Concerned may see and know that such measures are just and lawfull you shall take care that the Porters and Bearers do their Office unto every Man indifferently and not suffer or permit them to embezzle or Conceal any mans Goods whatsoever to the best of your knowledge You shall not suffer any Porter to Work upon the Quays or on board the Ships or Vessells on the Quays without his Badge affixed to the Breast of his outside Coat nor shall you suffer any Porter to demand or act any greater Wages than that prescribed by Act 4 Geo 3 c 9 for this County & so demand and payment thereof shall such Wages or Fine be earned and you shall make due Complaint to the Mayor for the time being of all offences herein and of any misconduct that shall come to your knowledge You shall attend Regularly at the times of high Water and low Water at all reasonable Hours of Work for the purpose of providing proper and convenient Births for the Shipping at the Quays and for preventing disputes and disturbance between the Master Porters and the Crews of Ships or Vessells on that account You shall not suffer the Cables Hawsars or other Lines of any Ship or Vessell to be made fast to the Quay Walls or to the Timbers thereof or to any Post or Iron or Shore whereby damage may be Sustained by the Public or by this Corporation, but you shall see that such Cables Hawsers or Lines be made fast to the mooring Chains only, And if damage be done by any Ship or Vessell to the Public or to this Corporation you shall detain such Vessell untill such damage be Repaired and made good You shall take care that no Dirt or Rubbish of any Sort be cast into the River, or if any be you shall acquaint the Mayor for the time being thereof, & present the same at the next Sessions You shall take Care that the Perches of the River be kept up as they ought to be, so that no damage may come to the Shipping in the River for want thereof to the utmost of your power You shall duly execute all Warrants & Precepts upon the Water to you directed by the Mayor Sheriffs or other Officers of this Town & make due Returns thereon

thereon These and all things pertaining to your Office of Water Bailiff you shall well and duly observe and perform to the best of your Power

So help you God

Bailiff Master Porters Oath to be hung up in the Tholsel Office

№ 24 Your Committee also conceive that it would be attended with advantage to the Public if the Duties of Water Bailiff as contained in the foregoing Oath were printed or written fair and hung up in the Tholsel Office, to the end that every person concerned in the due execution of the Duty of Water Bailiff should know in what particulars they are entitled to require his attendance, and that at the foot thereof notice be given to the Public to call on him for redress in the first instance where they shall find themselves aggrieved within his Jurisdiction & in failure of such redress from him to make due Complaint to the Mayor for the time being

Complaint agt the Water Bailiff to be laid before the General Assembly

№ 25 Resolved that all Complaints brought before the Mayor for any neglect of Duty in the Water Bailiff on his refusing or omitting to redress any Grievance within his Juris diction should be laid before the General Assembly next ensuing such Complaint by the Mayor for the time being

Basket Boys

Basket Boys to wear Badges

№ 26 Resolved that it appears necessary that the several Carriers of Meat and Fish from the Markets to the dwelling Houses of the Inhabitants should be badged, and that no person be suffered to ply for Hire therein without having a Badge affixed to the outside of his or her coat

№ 27 That Mr Mayor do furnish Badges for that purpose to such persons as he shall find properly recommended for Basket Boys or Girls & that any Basket Boy or Girl not having a clean & sufficient Basket for carrying Meat or Fish be fined six pence by the Mayor for the time being and on refusal or neglect of paying such Fine to be deprived of their Badges & Struck off the List

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The Mayor to have a List of the Basket Boys

№ 28 That the Badges furnished for this purpose be all numbered, and that the names of the several persons to whom they are given shall be entered in a List and numbered agreeable to the Number on their respective Badges, and that such List be kept by the Mayor for the time being in the Tholsel Office

№ 29 Resolved that the said List together with the Lists of the Master Porters and Coal Porters be kept by the Mayor for the time being all in One Book to be provided for that purpose, and at all times lodged in the Tholsel Office

Quay Walls and Pavements

Quay Walls

We the said Committee have viewed the Quay Walls and find some Considerable Breaches in the Parapet Walls on both sides of the River and some Timber out of their places all which We think require to be Repaired and made good

Pavements

We have viewed the Pavement from the Bullring at the Corner of Johns Street to the West Corner of the Tholsel in Westlest and we find the same in very bad Condition and require to be paved anew to the width not exceeding five Yards We are of opinion that the Sewer at the East end of the Mall should be Continued down to the River, all which We should Submit to your Worships Consideration

John Jones
Edward Hardman
Burton Tandy
W. Chapman
Harvy Brabazon
Anthy Sillery

Report confirmed

The said Report was Confirmed and Ordered to be entered accordingly

Committee to appoint Master Porters &c

Ordered that the following Gentlemen be & they are hereby Constituted a Committee to appoint Master Porters pursuant to the foregoing Resolution № 2. & they are hereby instructed and authorized to add to the Schedule of the Rates of Carriage of Coals the Rates or prices for landing & carrying of Boards Bark Rock Salt Bricks Slates Flags & Ridge Stones and any other Articles that they think necessary should be Rated

Mr Mayor & the Sheriffs for the time being Alderman Hardman Alderman Gibbons, Mr Harvy Brabazon Mr Tandy Mr Chapman Mr Sillery & Mr Leland

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Past Assembly

At a Past Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 16th July 1794

Petitions

Several Petitions laid before this Assembly were read and disposed of

Gen.l Ass.y

At a General Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 18th July 1794

Accounts allowed

The following Accounts were laid before this Assembly and were examined and allowed

Wm. Armit for British News Papers from the 5th Jan.y to the 5th July 1794 £22 Irish

John Bowen & Th.s Latimers account for making a Sewer in Batchelors Lane £4 10 14 10

Estimate for Repair of Quay Walls

John Bowen & Th.s Latimers Estimate for Repairs to be done at the Quay Walls amount £26:17:9 Referred to the Auditors & Viewers

Estimate for Paving James's Street &c.

Philip Smiths Estimate for levelling & paving James's Street & the Bullring £28 7 Accepted and the Work ordered to be done under the inspection of the Auditors & Viewers

Ja.s Biggs's acco.t £8..8..5 ord.d to be paid

James Biggs's Account for Carpentry Work & Materials at the Goal & Tholsel £8:8:5 to be paid on his swearing Same is just & fair

House on the New Quay to be Set

Ordered that the House on the New Quay foot of Stockwell Lane late in the Tenure of George Thomas be set for 99 Years when the London Derry Militia who now occupy it shall give it up and that two years Rent be paid down as a Fine by the Tenant

Committee to inspect the Accounts of the expences of the Entertainment given on the Celebration of the Centenery & to Report the Balance due to Graves Chamney Esq.r

The Committee that was appointed for Conducting the Celebration of the Centenery of the 1st July 1790 in the Mayoralty of Graves Chamney Esq.r are Requested to inspect and State the accounts of the Entertainment given on that occasion and to Report if any and what Balance is due to Mr. Chamney of the Sum of £150 which was granted by this Corporation

Schedule of the Rates of Portenage

The following Schedule for Regulating the Prices of the Portenage or Carriage of Coals &c. was made at April General Assembly 1793 & was read at this Assembly and ordered to be entered

First District

1st District

To the North Quay
Shop Street between the Bullring & Dyer Street
Bessex Well Lane
Flint Lane
Batchelors Lane as far as Kezars Lane

one half penny ℔ Bag

Second District

2d District

To Shop Street between Dyer Street & the Tholsel
Batchelors Lane between Kezars Lane & the Tholsel
Kezars Lane
Dyer Street
South Strand to the Well
Bullring
South Quay

three farthings ℔ Bag

Third District

3d District

To West Street between the Tholsel & Duke Street
The New Quay
Stockwell Lane
Peter Street
Lawe Street
Rosemary Lane
Johns Street

One penny ℔ Bag

Fourth District

4th District

To West Street between Duke Street & Patricks Well Lane
Duke Street
Linnen Hall Street
Corn Market
Fair Street
William Street
James's Street
Rotten Row

one penny farthing ℔ Bag

Robert County Archives

Fifth District

To West Street between Patricks Well Lane & West Gate
Patricks Well Lane
Bonners Lane
Elizabeths Lane
Fair Street between Duke Street & Fair Gate
Magdalen Street
Magdalen Lane
Church Yard & Widows Houses
Paradise Row
Barrack Lane
Castle Street
Corry Hill
Old Corn Market & Hile

5th District — a penny half penny ℔ Bag

Sixth District

To all the Green Lanes
Sundays Street
Morgans Lane
Green hills Road as far as Ulster Lane
Duleek Street
all other parts of St. Marys Parish beyond the Barrack Mount & within the Walls

6th District — a penny three farthings ℔ Bag

Seventh District

To Ulster Lane
North Road as far as the Twenties Road
Slane Road as far as the Liberty Bridge
Trinity Lane
Chesters Lane
Outside Johns Gate to Fleet Lane
Crooked Street
Beamore Road as far as the Inn to Platten
Dublin Road as far as the foot of the Hill

7th District — two pence half penny ℔ Bag

Eighth District

To Green hill Road beyond Ulster Lane
Scarlet Lane
Road out Sundays Gate as far as half Mile Bridge
Wind Mill Lane
North Road beyond Coblalalla
Slane Road between the Liberty Bridge & Mell Lane
Baymon Road from Platten Road to Cowleaze Bridge
Platten Road as far as Levins's Bridge
Mooningtown Road from Dublin Hill to St. James's

8th District — three pence ℔ Bag

A Schedule of Rates for the landing Shipping and Carriage of Goods & Merchandize not before under any Stated Regulation

Bark landing	10 ℔ Ton & an addition of 5 ℔ Ton for every District through which it shall be carried beyond the first District
Deal Boards landing	6d ℔ Hundred
Oram Deals do.	9d ℔ do
Double Orams exceeding 2½ Inches in Thickness	12 ℔ do
Rock Salt landing	6d ℔ Ton W.
Bricks do	2d ℔ Hundred
Slates do	4d ℔ Ton Weight
Ridge Stone Verge & Flags	4d ℔ do
Kelp landing & Weighing	6d ℔ do
Beer & Cyder in Butts	2d ℔ Butt
in Hogsheads landing	1 ℔ Barrell
in Tierces or Barrells	½ ℔ do
Flax Seed in Hogsheads	1½ ℔ Hogshead
Barilla Ashes	3d ℔ Malt

1794 September 29th

The foregoing Acts of Assembly were this Day Compared before us & ordered to be entered in the Assembly Book as usual

Acts Compared

Ralph Smyth Mayor
James Scholes Mayor of the Staple
Wm Holmes

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Law. Reade & John Jones Sheriffs

Meath County Archives

Special General Assembly held the 7th October 1794 Before Ralph Smyth Esqr Mayor Wm Jones & Lancelot Fisher Esqrs Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present for the purpose of lowering the Rents of the Stalls & setting those that are at present unoccupied at the New Market

Special General Assembly

Ordered that Mr Mayor & Sheriffs Aldermen Hardman & Gibbons & Messrs Harry Brabazon Anthy Sillery Geo: Evans & Burton Tandy &c & they are hereby appointed a Committee on behalf of this Corporation to accept the Surrenders of the Leases now in being of the Stalls in the New Market & to Reset them for five Years from Michs last on such terms as they shall think proper to Butchers only for the purpose of vending Meat therein

For Regulating the Meal Market

Michs Post Assby

At a post Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 8th Octr 1794

Petitions

Several Petitions laid before this Assembly were Read & disposed of

Michs General Assembly

At Michaelmas General Quarter Assembly held before the said Ralph Smyth Esq. Mayor Wm Jones & Lancelot Fisher Esq.rs Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 10th Day of October 1794

May. Staple

James Scholes Esquire is re elected Mayor of the Staple & Justice of the Peace for the ensuing Year & Sworn

Comon Cl.

Laurence Steele & John Jones Esq.rs late Sheriffs are elected Common Councilmen & Sworn

Constables of the Staple

The said Laurence Steele and John Jones are elected Constables for the Staple for the ensuing Year & Sworn

And

Coroners

And the said Laurence Steele & John Jones are elected Coroners for the ensuing year and Sworn

Master of the Guild & Wardens of do Treas.r

James Scholes Esq.r is elected Master of the Guild for the ensuing Year Franc.s Elliott & John Shiekleton Esq.rs are elected Wardens of the Guild for the ensuing Year Alderman William Holmes is elected Treasurer for the ensuing year

Officers of Sword & Mace

Ordered that the Officers of the Sword & Mace & Marshal do Continue during the pleasure of this Corporation

Cleansing of the Streets

Mr Mayor is requested to Contract with such persons as he shall think proper to cleanse & carry away the Dirt & Soil of the Streets & Lanes of this Town & of the Avenues thereto for one year to commence from the 26th October Inst.

3 Freemen admitted

James Scholes of Londonderry Merch.t John Scholes of the City of Dublin Barrister at Law & Nicholas Metcalf of Drogheda Gent, are admitted free Members by Special favor on the usual terms

a free member admitted

Harry Brabazon the Younger of Drogheda Esq.r son of Harry Brabazon Esq.r is admitted a free Member by Birth on the usual terms

3 Widows admitted into St Johns poor House

Matilda Latimer Widow of Wm Latimer Jane Parks Widow of Robert Parks and Jane Keating, upon their Petitions are admitted into the three Vacancies in St Johns Poorhouse

Memorial of Jas Biggs & Edwd Richardson Carpters

Ordered on the Memorial of James Biggs & Edward Richardson Carpenters that they get Mr John Pentland of Dublin Timber Merch.t to measure & Value their Work done for this Corpn or in case he Refuses they may get any other Gent of Character to measure & Value the Same to be approved of by Mr Mayor

Work to be measured

Meath Association

Ordered that £20 being the 2d & 3d Deposites on the Subscription of this Corporation to the County of Meath Association be forthwith paid by the Treasurer to Robt Hamilton Esq.r Sec.y to the Association

The

Accounts duely by the Corporation

The following Accounts being laid before this Assembly were allowed & ordered to be paid viz.t

Philip Smiths Accot. for paving Shopstreet & part of West Street £20:18:8

John Allen Goalers Accot. for Disbursments for & at the Goal 12:14:3

Chaplain discontinued

Resolved that a Chaplain to this Corpn. is not necessary & ought to be discontinued from the 29th. Sept.r next

Town Clke assisting Justices discontinued

The twenty Guineas a Year for the Town Clks assisting the Justices of the Peace of this Corporation is discontinued from Michs last

Deputy Clke of the Market discontinued

Resolved that a Deputy Clke of the Market is not necessary & ought to be discontinued from the 29th Sept.r next

30 Gs. a year to be p.d Mrs. E. Cheshire during Life

Resolved that Thirty Guineas a year be paid by this Corporation to Mrs. E. Cheshire from Michs next quarterly during her natural Life

No order for Money to be paid for Roads untill affidt. of the Expenditure & to be lodged 6 days with the Tr. Clke

Resolved unanimously that from henceforth no Money shall be payable by or admissable in the Treasurers Accounts of this Corpn. for making or Repairing any Road or doing any other thing under an Order from the Mayor for the time being unless an Affidavit is first made by the person applying for such order Stating the particulars of the expenditure in the fullest and minutest manner the nature of the Case will admit of & if for making or Repairing any Road the number of perches so made or Repaired shall be specified together with the Breadth of said Road on which Wheel Carriages can with Safety run & also the breadth the Gravel or small Stones have been spread on said Road in making or Repairing

Repairing the same which Affidavit shall be Lodged with the Treas.r eight days at least previous to the Quarterly Assembly and receive the approbation of said Assembly before they shall be payable by the Treas.r

Treas.rs Accounts

Ordered that in future the Treasurer State the Accounts of this Corporation half yearly to Wit at every April Gen.l Assembly & every October Gen.l Assembly the Account at the April assembly for the Sallarys payments & Receipts to & for the 25th March preceding & at the October Assembly for the Sallarys payments & Receipts to the 29th Sept.r preceding & that he Swear to same

Spec.l Gen.l Assembly

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 21st Nov.r 1794

Opinion of Cl.rs on the Mode of Elect.g Officers

Resolved unanimously that the Opinion of Council be taken on the mode of electing the Mayor Sheriffs & Aldermen of this Corporation at the Expence of this Corporation

Committee to prepare a Case for Cl.

Resolved unanimously that Mr. Mayor & the Sheriffs Aldermen Hardman Wm. Holmes & John Akehland Mr. Chapman Mr. Charles Evans Mr. Laurence Steele & Mr. John Jones be & they are hereby appointed a committee to prepare a Case for & on the foregoing Resolution and to Report such Case to next Jan.ry Gen.l Assembly

Post Assly

At a Post Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 1st. day of December 1794

Alderman elected

George Evans Esq.r is unanimously elected an Alderman of this Corporation in the room of Graves Chamney Esq.re dec.d late an Alderman of the same pursuant to notice duly posted, and the said George Evans was Sworn an Alderman accordingly

At

Post Assembly

At a post. Quarter Assembly held before the said Mayn & Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 14th Jan.y 1795

Petitions &c to be Balloted for

Resolved unanimously that all Petitions coming before this Assembly & all Elections & other business in which any individual of this Corporation may be interrested shall be determined by Ballot & not viva voce as has hitherto been practiced

Gen.l Quarter Assembly

At a general Quarter Assembly held before the said Mayn & Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 16th Jan.y 1795

2 freemen admitted

Charles Dopre Sillery Esq.a Son of Anthony Sillery of Drogheda Esq.r & John Tandy of Drogheda Gent, Son of Burton Tandy of the same Esq.r upon their Petitions are admitted free Members of this Corporation on the usual Terms

11 freemen admitted

James Forde Junior & Francis Forde Esq.rs both Sons of James Forde of Dundalk Esq.r an Alderman of this Corp.n Henry Watson Steward ~~of~~ of the City of Dublin Gent, Son of Henry Steward of Drogheda Gent, a Sheriffs Peer of this Corp.n Thomas Harvey Fleming & Sam.l Harvey Fleming of the City of Dublin Printers Sons of John Fleming late of Drogheda & now of Dublin Printer Richard Parker of Drogheda Watchmaker Son of Paul Parker late of the same Watchmaker dec.d John Chambers of Drogheda Cordwainer Son of Edward Chambers of the same Cordwainer The Rev.d Isaac Ashe Rector of the Parish of Tamlaghlin in the County of Armagh & the second Son of Nich.s Ashe late of Drogheda Gent dec.d Barth.w Chamney of Platten in the

the County of Meath Esq.r Son of John Chamney late of Drogheda Esq.r dec.d Edw.d Ackland Hamilton Gent one of the Attornies and Patrick M.c Alpine Hamilton Gent both Sons of Edw.d Hamilton of Drogheda Reedmaker upon their Petitions are admitted Free Members of this Corporation by Birth each on the usual Terms

William Street to be widened

Alderman John Ackland is allowed time till the first day of November next to widen William Street & the Lane leading to Tooting Tower pursuant to the Covenant in his Lease of the premises there situate belonging to this Corporation N.o 671

Auditors & Viewers to Report on oath

Ordered that every Report to be made by the Auditors & Viewers to the General Assembly shall be upon Oath to the best of their knowledge & Judgment

& to enquire what Leases are expired

Ordered that the Auditors & Viewers be & they are hereby required and instructed to enquire what Leases under this Corporation are expired & to Report same to next Gen.l Assembly

no Rubbish to be laid on the North Quay

Ordered that in future no Rubbish or Ballast be laid down on the North Quay & the Water Bailiff is directed to prevent same

Accounts due by the Corporation

The following Bills & Accounts for Money due by this Corporation were laid before this Assembly & allowed viz.t

Chas.l White Baker for Bread for Prisoners from the 18th Jan.y 1794 to the 29th Sept.r last £77:1:11

of which he received on account 15:4:6

Balance due him £61:16:6

John Pentlands Bill of Measurement of Carpenters Work & Materials at the Fish Shambles & Stables by James Biggs & Edw.d Richardson Amount . . . £184:2:7½

out of which the payments made them on account & the Materials got for the Work that are unpaid for are to be deducted also 24 Guineas being half of 50 Guineas paid the Measurer &

Alderman

Alderman George Evans's account for Globe Lamps & other articles from 21 Sept.r 1793 to the 30.th July 1794 ..... £97-5-10½

Accots due by the Corp.n

Mess.rs Davis & Drews acct. for Lighting Lamps in 1793 & 1794 34-16-

Philip Smiths acct. for paving the Bullring & James's Street in 1794 ..... £43:19:1½

Alderman Wm Fairtloughs acct. for Street Globes in Nov.r 1791 ..... 16:7:8

An Estimate of the Expences of a new Door for the Goal by James Biggs £5:19.mo Work to be done

Mr. Wm Wm Kelly's account for candles from Nov.r 1793 to July 1794 amo.t £32:6:7½ Referred to him to furnish a new Bill & to set forth to whom & where the candles were delivered & to produce Vouchers for same

Spec.l Gen.l Ass.bly

At a special General Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 21.st Jan.y 1795

Freedom presented

Resolved that the Freedom of this Corp.n be presented to Wm.m Lawrence Gething Esq.r in a Tiat

Special Gen.l Ass.bly

At a special General Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 11.th Feb.y 1795 to examine & settle the Treasurers Accounts

Committee to examine the Treas.rs Accots

The following Gentlemen were appointed to examine the Treasurers Accounts & to report thereon to a special General Assembly to be called for that purpose viz.t Mr. Sheriff Fisher Alderman James Scholes Alderman Gibbons Mr. Tilley Mr. Alex.r Irwine Mr. John Leland Mr. Harvey Brabazon Alder.n Geo: Scholes & Alderman Edw.d Hardman or any three or more of them to be a Quorum

Spec.l Gen.l Assembly

At a special General Assembly held before the said Mayor Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 24.th Feb.y 1795

Freedom presented to His Grace the Lord Primate

Resolved unanimously that the Freedom of this Corporation be presented in a gild Box not exceeding 25 Guineas in value with a Suitable Tiat to the most Rev.d Father in God Wm Newcome Doctor in Divinity by the Grace of God Arch Bishop of Armagh Primate & Metropolitan of all Ireland the same to be presented by Mr. Mayor & Mr. Recorder as soon as conveniently may be

Spec.l Gen.l Ass.bly to receive the Report of the Committee to inspect the Treas.rs Accounts

At a special General Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 7.th April 1795 pursuant to notice to receive the Report of the Committee appointed to inspect the Treasurers accounts & to adopt such Regulations as may be thought necessary relative to the same in future

Report

The Report being read is as follows

To the Worshipfull the Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses & Comons of the County of the Town of Drogheda

Ballce should be £440.16:3¼

We the Committee to whom it was referred to examine the Treasurers Accounts ending at Mich.s 1794 having examined the same & compared the several Vouchers thereof do it appears to us that a Ballce of Four hundred & thirty seven Pounds three Shillings & four pence ¼ was then due by this Corp.n to the Treas.r

We are of opinion that if the Treasurers accounts were in future to be furnished in the manner herewith submitted to this Assembly there would be a considerable saving of time & trouble in the investigation & of expence in the Printing

We observe in this account Charges to the amount of £66.16. for Coals for the use of this Corporation, which said Charge exceeds those of the preceding Year for the same Article by a Sum of £24 nearly & we are of opinion that much imposition must have been practised therein We therefore recommend some effectual Mode to be adopted to prevent such Waste of the property of the Corporation in future

We

We are of opinion that great Abuses & Waste of the Corpn. Property have been practiced by Works being carried on without their knowledge or Consent for remedy whereof we recommend that a Committee be chosen to whom shall be submitted the Utility of all the Works for the payment of which the order of the chief Majo. is alone sufficient and who shall examine such Works when executed And that such Committee shall Certify the utility of such Works before they are undertaken and the due execution of them when finished and that the Treasurer shall not be authorized to pay for the same or allowed the amount in his Acco. unless such Certificates shall be annexed to the Order for payment

Treas.rs

The Treasurer having laid before us a Table of Interest for Money alledged by him to have been paid on Account of this Corporation to the 16.th Jany. last it appears to us that he should also have accounted for all Sums received by him for this Corpn. to that period which we apprehend would shew a considerable Ballance to be then due & owing by him

Acc.ts

We are of opinion that a written Copy of the Accounts of this Corporation for the half year ending the 25.th Inst.o should be laid before a Committee to be appointed for that purpose on or before the 25.th April next to examine the same and report thereon to a special General Assembly to be called for that purpose to be called within Days after said 25.th April next

We are of opinion that it would be proper for the Treasurer to declare upon Oath by Affidavit annexed to the foot of his Account in every Year that the several Articles of Charge in such Account were actually paid to the person or persons to whom they were due on the several respective Days on which they are charged

Charged without any allowance made and without any Gratuity Fee or Reward given or paid by such person or persons to him or to any person for his use for obtaining payment thereof

All which We Submit to your Worships Consideration

7.th April 1795 (Signed) Lanct. Fisher
Anthy. Sillery
Harry Brabazon
Edwd. Hartman
James Scholes
Wm. Gibbons
Alexander Irwin

idem

Upon reading of which Report it was ordered by this Assembly that in future the Treasurer do State & make up the Corporation Accounts half yearly, the first and next half yearly Account on or before the 1.st day of July next for the last Wicks & Novemb.r Rents that he shall then have received and of the payments he shall have made to & for the 24.th June next and the subsequent half yearly Account on or before the 1.st January next for the Easter & May Rents & the payments to & for the 25.th Dec.r next and in like manner every half year afterwards upon Oath that the payments have been made without Deduction Fee or Reward three Copies of such Accounts to be made every half year one for the Mayor one for the Sheriffs & one to lye in his office for Inspection

Easter Post Assembly

At a General Quarter post Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 15.th April 1795

Several Petitions &.c laid before this Assembly were read & disposed of

Easr. General Assembly

At a General Quarter Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 17.th April 1795

Mayr. Elect

Alderman George Evans is elected to serve Mayor of this Corporation for the ensuing Year from Wicks Day next according to the Rule of Succession

Messrs.

Sheriffs Elect

Messrs. Harry Brabazon Junr. and George Tandy Junr. are elected to serve Sheriffs of this Corporation for the ensuing Year from Sticks day next

Election to be Certified to Government

Ordered that the Election of the Mayor & Sheriffs for the ensuing Year be forthwith certified to Government for their approbation

Sword bearer

Mr. Henry Stewart upon his Petition is admitted and chosen Sword bearer to this Corporation in the Room of Mr. Trevor Williams deceased

3 freemen admitted

Philip Matty Gent & the Revd. Bigoe Henzill Clke both of Drogheda are admitted free Members by special favor on the usual Terms & the Revd. Nicholas Ashe of Athy Clke is admitted a free Member on the usual terms by this Assembly on their several Petitions

Accounts allowed & ordered to be paid

The following Accounts were laid before this Assembly and were allowed & ordered to be paid viz.

A Bill of Costs of Mr. Geo: M Entegart Attorney in defending James Scholes Esq. Mayor in 1793 in a prosecution for Murder in quelling a Riot in the execution of his Office & of which he was acquitted £48 . 14 . 7

Mr. Chas. Evans Printer his account for printing Work done for this Corporation from the 17th Sept. 1793 to the 29th Sept. last £74 : 19 : 10

The said Chas. Evans for Publications in the Dublin Journal in Nov. 1792 relative to this Town which he paid & is to be repaid £2-3-4

John Allen Goaler Jour Orders for transmitting Prisoners amount £13-5-6

Wm Jones Esq. an Order for Repairing the Road from Drogheda to Dundalk between Mr. Nicholsons of Cottage & Listoke in aid of a Presentment granted for same £5

Alderman

Committee to inspect the Pavemts

Aldermen Gibbons James Scholes & Evans & Messrs. Tillery Tandy Leland & Wallop Brabazon are appointed a Committee or any four of them to inspect the pavements of the Streets of this Town & to give them a temporary Repair when wanted

Philip Smiths acct. referred

Philip Smiths account for paving part of Johns Street Amount £7-5-2 referred to the above Committee to inspect and Report

Several lots of the Commons to be Set

Ordered that the several Lots of the North & South Commons & the lot of Ground out Dulcek Gate belonging to St. Johns Poorhouse, the Maps of which were laid by the Auditors and Viewers before this Assembly be Set seperately on Monday the 4th. Mayne.xt at the Tholsel to the highest bidder for 61 years Commence from the expiration of the present Leases respectively two years Rent of each Lot to be paid as a Fine

adjourned to Friday next the 24th. Instant

Adjournmt. of Eastr. Genl. Assly

At an Adjournment of Easter General Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 24th. April 1795

Ann Carson & Priscilla M.Cally Widows upon their Petitions are admitted into St. Johns Poorhouse

Ordered that the following Persons be paid the Sums to their Names respectively annexed out of the Rents of the Commons for the present year commencing at Michaelmas Last & ending at Sticks next

Pensioners on the Commons List

Proctor of St. Johns Poorhouse for Share of the Commons	£8
Widw of John Moffit	3
Jane Blithe	3
Adam Johnstons Wife	4
Ann Simpson Widow	4
Widw of Wm Latimer	4
do of John Woodhouse	3
do of Robt. Hatchett	3
Mary Humphrys	3
Widw of John Rencher	6
Mary Roel	2
Wm Wagnall	3
Widw of James Shortell	5
Margt. Lamphrey	2
Ann Humphryson	5
Widow of John Knight	4
Carried forw.	£62

Brought forward	£62
Sam.l Hale	4
Mary Ackland	6:16:6
Widw of Wick.k Brooks	2
Martha Blakeney	4
Widw of Brab. Courtney	4
Widw of Sam.l Regan	3
Gertrude Brunton	4
Tho.s Tonge	4
Widw of Chas. Elliott	4
do of Zack. Rencher	4
Sus.a Lyster Junr.	2
Widw of Anthy Collier	1..10
Robt. Harrison	2
Mary Holland	4
Ann Appleyard	1..10
Mary Hughes Widw	3
Carried forw.	£115 .. 16 .. 6

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Brought forward	£115.16.6	Brought forw.d	£152.11.6
Ann Ackland	6:15	Sarah Breamer alis Bagnall	2
Priscilla Cleapem alis Keany	4	John Apperson	3:10
Ann Dowdall Widw	5	Geo: M. Integart for Sam. Martins Children	11:7:6
Two youngest Children of Wm M. Cartney	4	Widw of John North	4
Widw of Conoly Jones	3	Thos Bagnale	3
d.o of Wm Shippabottom	4	Cath.e Goodwin Widw	2
Mary Bourke alis Robinson	2.10	Henry Morris	3:10
Leo: Shortell	3	Mary Dixe Widw	2
Widw of Robt Chambers	1.10		£183:19:6
Widw of Thos Brunker	3		
Carried forw.d	£152:11:6		

Ordered that the years Rent of Prior park at Killaneer due Mich.s last being £8 by Isaiah Moore, the bequest of the late Alderman Leigh be received by the Rec.r of the Commons Rents & paid by them to the Widow Blackburne £6 & the Widw Ann Nugent £2

Alder.n Leighs Bequest

Mr. Mayor having acquainted this Assembly that in pursuance of an Order of a Special General Assembly held the 24th Feb.y last, He together with Mr. Recorder & the Sheriffs waited on His Grace the Lord Primate at his House in Dublin on Monday the 20th day of April Instant and presented to him the Gold Box & Fiat of Freedom unanimously voted to His Grace in Testimony of our Sense of his eminent Piety Learning & peculiar Excellence in those Qualities which peculiarly adorn the Christian & Divine; and of our Sincere Approbation of the Appointment of his Grace to the highest Dignity in the Church of Ireland; whose elevation we are persuaded cannot fail to operate for the advancem.t of Religion & Piety not only by the influence of his Example & exertions but also by the emulation which it must excite in the whole Body of the Clergy to imitate that Conduct & possess those Qualities which induced the Government of this Country to select his Grace for the important Trust of presiding over the Religious Establishm.t of this Kingdom

Addres and Freedom sent.d to His Grace The Lord Primate

To which his Grace was pleased to give the following Answer

His Grace's Answer

Mr. Mayor & Gentlemen

I shall always retain a most lively Sense of the distinguished honor which I have received from the very respectable Corporation of Dropheda

You have much enhanced the obligation which is a great one in itself by that excessively polite and flattering manner in which you have been pleased to confer it. I feel myself humbled and exhorted by your favourable opinion, of which I shall earnestly endeavour not to render myself altogether unworthy by a carefull & unremitted attention to every part of my Duty

Addres & Answer to be printed

Ordered by this Assembly that the foregoing Addres and Answer be three times published in the Dublin & Drogheda Journals

order rescinded

Resolved that the order of Assembly of the 16th September 1793 granting £50 to the Mayor of this Corporation for the time being for to provide necessaries and giving an Entertainm.t in the Mayoralty House at Michaelmas in every Year be and the same is hereby rescinded from & after Mich.s 1796

Wm Kelly to be paid for Candles

Wm Kellys Account for Candles from Nov.r 1793 to July 1794 Amount £32.6:7½ was allowed by this Assembly

Resolved that the Accounts of this Corporation after being examined & Settled by the Assembly be printed in future Sixty Copies to be Struck off & that Rent Rolls of the Lands belonging to St. John's Poorhouse & of the Commons & also Alder.n Leighs Bequest be also printed & annexed to the Accounts

Treas.rs Accts to be printed when Exam.d

Prisoners Bread

Ordered that the Mayor for the time being shall have it in his power to give an Order for any Sum not exceeding £5 to buy Bread for Prisoners in the Goal of this Town, & to renew such Order on Affidavit of the Expenditure of the former Sum

Special Gen.l Assembly

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor, Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 8th Day of June 1795

Suit with the late Lord Primate to

Whereas it has been Communicated to this Assembly that the Rev.d Arch Deacon Robinson as representative of the late Lord Primate has signified a Wish to settle in an amicable manner the Suit which did depend in His Majestys High Court of Chancery in Ireland between the said late Lord Primate & this Corporation by Referring the same to two Lawyers one to be chosen & named by each party

Resolved

Corpn to set out their claims agt the dem.d of the late L.d Primate

Resolved unanimously that this Corporation will forthwith set out such Claims as they think they are entitled to make as a Set off against the Demand of the said Arch Deacon Robinson as Representative of the said late Lord Primate, & that they are desirous and willing to refer the same to the decision of two Lawyers one to be chosen and named by each party

Spec.l Gen.l Assembly

At a special General Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 15th June 1795

The Corpn Lawyer to be consulted on the Mode of submitting to Arb.n the Cause with the Repres.a of the late Lord Primate

Resolved unanimously that this Corporation will Consult their Lawyer Councellor John Ball on the Mode of Submitting the Cause depending between them and the Representative of the late Lord Primate to Arbitration, and they will & do hereby impower him to confer with Councellor Radcliffe conducting Lawyer on the part of the said Representative, and to settle all prliminaries respecting such Submission, and the Security that may be deemed expedient to be entered into by the parties, and that they will comply with such terms & prliminaries as may be settled & agreed on between their respective Lawyers

Special post Assembly

At a Special Post Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 30th June 1795

an Alderman elected

Wm Jones Esq.r is unanimously elected an Alderman of this Corporation in the room of Roger Ford Esq.r deceased late an Alderman of the same pursuant to Notice duly posted, & the said William Jones was Sworn an Alderman accordingly

A Justice of the Peace elected

Alderman Wm Gibbons is unanimously elected a Justice of the Peace of this Corporation in the room of Alderman Roger Ford dec.d & was Sworn accordingly

At

Quarter post Assembly

At a Quarter post Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 15th July 1795

Petitions

Several Petitions laid before this Assembly were read & disposed of

Gen.l Assembly

At a Quarter General Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 17th July 1795

3 Freemen admitted

John Nicholls & Wilson Riddock both of Drogheda Gent, and Robert Armstrong of the same Weaver are admitted free Members by special favor and Beaver Vandenwright of the same Gent, is admitted a free Member by Birth on the like terms on their several Petitions to this Assembly, on their severally taking the usual Oath

Accounts allowed

The following Accounts were laid before this Assembly were allowed and ordered to be paid Viz.t

Casimir Delahoyde's Account for Boards for Pumps	£	6..2..9
Ph.s Smiths do. ..... for paving in Johns Street		7..5..2
Geo.s Potters do. .. for Gold Freedom Box for His Grace the Lord Primate		28..9..4
Do. for a silver freedom Box for Wallop Brabazon Esq.r		7..19..3
Henry Smiths Do. for lighting & Furnishing 48 Globes for 7 Months ending 1st May last		34..16..—
	£	84..12..6

John Allen appointed Auctioneer

John Allen Marshall to this Corporation having for several years past acted & done the business of Auctioneer on every occasion for the Corporation & not having hitherto received any Fee or Reward for his Trouble, Ordered by this Assembly that he be paid ten Guineas for his past services & trouble & that he be paid five Guineas a year in future from Michs next as Auctioneer to this Corporation

£30 for Repair of the Mayty House

Ordered that any Sum not exceeding £30 be allowed to Mr Mayo elect to be laid out in Repairing the Mayoralty House & that he account for same

Materials of Tuerdays Gate to be Sold

Ordered that the Materials of Tuerdays Gate be sold by Auction on the 31st Inst.o and that the Avenue on which same Stands be widened to fifty Feet

Cowlaze Bridge to be Repaired

Ordered that a Sum not exceeding £10 be allowed for Repairing the Cowlaze Bridge & the Avenue on which Duleek Gate Stood & Alderman Smith & Mr. Mayor Elect are impowered to superintend the Expenditure thereof

Strand Road to be Repaired in Aid of Presentmt.

Ordered that any Sum not exceeding the Sum lately presented by the Grand Jury for repairing the Strand Road out St. Laurences Gate be paid by this Corporation in aid of said Presentment & for the purpose of effectually Repairing said Road, and the overseers appointed by the Grand Jury together with Alderman Gibbons Mr. Mayor elect & Mr. Anthony Pillery are requested to superintend the expenditure thereof

Law Agent to furnish his Bills of Costs

Ordered that Mr. John Ackland the Law Agent do furnish his Bills of Costs with this Corporation one Month previous to next Genl. Quarter Assembly and that Mr. Mayor do call a Special Genl. Assembly for the purpose of receiving those Bills of Costs one Month Oct.r Genl. Assembly

Special Genl. Assembly

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 15.th Sept.r 1795 for the purpose of receiving the Law Agents Bills of Costs & other purposes

Law Agent allow.d further time to furnish his Costs

Ordered that Mr. John Ackland the Law Agent of this Corporation be allowed untill next Easter General Assembly to furnish his Bills of Costs against this Corporation

At

Special Genl. Assembly on attack on the Mayor

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 23.d Sept.r 1795 for the purpose of taking into Consideration the late most violent Attack made by a Member of this Corporation on the Chief Majistrate in the execution of his Office on Wednesday the 16.th Inst.

Alderman Joseph Holmes having appeared in his place presented the following Apology

"To the Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses & Commons of the County
"of the Town of Drogheda

"Gentlemen

Apology

"I am sensible that my Conduct to the Mayor on Wednesday "the 16.th Inst. was improper & reprehensible, and beg leave to "assure the Assembly that the words I used on that occasion "were the result of sudden passion, & proceeded from the warmth "of my Temper, and that I had no deliberate intention of giving "offence I therefore beg leave to acknowledge my Error and "request the Mayor to accept this Apology, which I "would have made before to him in person, but that I wished "my Apology to be as public as the Offence

23.d Sept.r 1795

Accepted

Resolved that Mr. Mayor be requested to accept the said Apology, which he accordingly did

Ordered that same be published three times in the Drogheda & Dublin Journals, & Dublin Evening Post

Ordered that the Thanks of this Assembly be and the same is hereby given to Mr. Mayor for his ready Compliance in accepting of the said Apology

Sp.l General Assly

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 28.th September 1795 for the purpose of taking into consideration the propriety of granting the Stables near the New Quay in Stockwell Lane for a Barrack for Foot Soldiers

Relative to the Horse Barrack

Resolved that this Corporation now are & ever were anxious to accommodate Government and with that view lately erected the Stables above mentioned for the use of the Cavalry that were or that may hereafter in future happen to be quartered here — That it would not only be a considerable loss to convert them into a Barrack for

foot

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Foot Soldiers, but would also be of great public inconvenience to remove the Fish & Milk Markets which are now held on the Ground adjoining said Stables And Mr. Mayor is requested to intimate same to Mr. Wolfe, the Agent of Government who applied to him on the business

1795

Acts Compared — Sept.r 29th The foregoing Acts of Assembly were this day Compared before us, and ordered to entered in the Assembly Book as usual

Ad. Test.

Ralph Smyth — Mayor
Wm. Jones
Lancelot Fisher — Sheriffs
Geo: Evans
Will.m Gibbons
Wm. Holmes

Spec.l Post Ass.ly — At a ~~Special~~ Post Assembly held before George Evans Esq.r Mayor Harry Brabazon Junr. & George Tandy Junr. Esq.rs Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 7th October 1795

Petitions disposed of — Several Petitions laid before this Assembly were read & disposed of

Gen.l Ass.ly — At a General Quarterly Assembly held before the said George Evans Esq.r Mayr Harry Brabazon Junr. & George Tandy Junr. Esq.rs Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 9th October 1795

Mayr. of the Staple — Ralph Smyth Esq.r is elected Mayor of the Staple & Justice of the Peace for the ensuing Year & sworn

Comon Cl. — Alderman William Jones & Lancelot Fisher Esq.rs late Sheriffs are Elected Common Council & the said Lancelot Fisher was Sworn

Constables of the Guild — The said William Jones & Lancelot Fisher are elected Constables of the Staple for the ensuing Year & the L. Lancelot Fisher was Sworn

Coroners — And the said Wm. Jones & Lanct. Fisher are elected Coroners for the ensuing Year and the said Lanct. Fisher was Sworn

Mastr. of the Guild — James Scholes Esq.r is elected Master of the Guild for the ensuing year

Wardens of the Guild — Laurence Steele & John Jones Esq.rs are elected Wardens of the Guild for the ensuing Year

Treasr. — Alderman William Holmes is Elected Treas.r for the ensuing Year

Officers of the Sword & Mace — Ordered that the Officers of the Sword and Mace and Marshall do Continue during the pleasure of this Corporation

Scavengers — Mr. Mayor is requested to Contract with such persons as he shall think proper to Cleanse & Carry away the Dirt and Soil of the Streets & Lanes of this Town & of the Avenues thereto for one Year to continue from the 24th October Instant

Common Council — Alderman Edward Hardman Wm. Gibbons John Ackland and James Scholes & Messrs. Burton Tandy Edw.d Tuitlough John Leland & Chas. Evans Common Councilmen are Elected Auditors & Viewers for the ensuing Year

Edward

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4 freemen admitted

Edward Pentland of Drogheda Merch.t Son of Robert Pentland — The Rev.d Henry Ashe of Mallaville in the County of Armagh Clk.e Son of Nicholas Ashe dec.d are admitted free Members by Birth — and Joseph Hinson of Drogheda Brazier & Thomas Brunker of the same Bricklayer are admitted free Members by Service on their several Petitions in the usual Terms

late Mayor Ret.d Thanks

Resolved that the Thanks of this Assembly be given to Ralph Smyth Esq.r the late Mayor for his Spirited Conduct during the two years of his Maynalty

Accounts with Ald.n John Ackland liquidated

Resolved that all Accounts & demands whatsoever now depending between this Corporation & John Ackland Alderman be liquidated & mutual Releases & discharges executed and passed

Annuity of £50 ay.r granted to him

Resolved that from the 29.th day of September last an Annuity of £50 be granted by this Corporation to the.s John Ackland during his Life, the same to be applied in the first Instance each half year to the Discharge of the Rents of such premisses as he is liable to pay Rent for to this Corp.n & the overplus if any to be paid over to the.s John Ackland by the Treasurer every half year

Inspector of Nuisances

Resolved that a person be appointed by this Corp.n with a Sallary of £20 as an Assistant to the Mayor in order to inspect Nuisences and assisting the Market Jury

Geo North appointed

Ordered that George North be appointed to the said office

Office of Chaplain Revived

Ordered that the office of Chaplain of this Corporation be revived & that the Rev.d Joseph Fairtough be appointed thereto from Michs last at the Sallary of Twenty Guineas during pleasure

Repair of Green hills Road

Ordered that the purchase Money being £11. 10 which Mr Anthy Sillery lately paid for the Materials of Sundays Gate be returned to him by the Treas.r and that he apply the same towards the Repair of the Strand Road to Green Hills

Resolved

Houses & premiss.s to be Set

Resolved that the Houses & back Ground on the Northside of West Street demised by Lease N.o 409. made to William Graham Esq.r deceased with other premisses for 61 years from Easter 1733 and also the Lot of Ground on the Westside of Magdalen Street late in Lease to Alderman William Lucas deceased N.o 417 for 61 years from Easter 1732 be Set by public Cant next January General Assem.bly for 99 years from Easter next — One Moiety of the Rent of each Lott to be fined off at 10 years Purchase

a Ballce paid by Alderman James Scholes

Alderman James Scholes delivered in at this Assembly his Accounts of Receipts & payments relative to the House in Stockwell Lane, late George Thomas's now in Lease to Burton Tandy, which was for some time used as a Barrack or Lodgings for Soldiers, from which acco.t he States that he Owes a Ballance of £12. 19 to this Corporation which he is to pay the Treasurer for their Account

Spec.l Gen.l Post Assy

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 26.th October 1795

Freedoms presented

Resolved unanimously that the Freedom of this Corporation be presented in a Vial to Norman Steele of Maynalty in the County of Meath Esq.r as a Testimony of our Approbation of his Spirited and indefatigable Exertions as a Majistrate at a time when the Laws of this Country were outraged by a daring Banditti of Insurgents who menaced an overthrow of all Order and Government, and by whose Activity the Peace of the neighbouring Counties was in a great measure Restored, Resolved that the same be accompanied by a Silver Box

Freedoms presented

Resolved unanimously that the Freedom of this Corporation be presented in a Vial to John William Foster Esq.r Collector of this Port accompanied with a Silver Box

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Resolved unanimously that the Freedom of this Corporation be presented in a Vial accompanied with a Silver Box to The Honble Thos Foster Colonel of the Louth Regiment of Militia In Testimony of our Opinion of his private Worth and of our Confidence that he will imitate in his public Conduct the Principles & Virtues of his Father

idem

Resolved that Frederick Bowes Esq.r of Drogheda be presented with the Freedom of this Corporation in a Vial accompanied by a Silver Box

At

Spec.l Gen.l Assly

At a special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs, the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 18th. November 1795

Resolved unanimously that an Humble & dutifull Address be presented to our Most Gracious Sovereign to Congratulate him on his late, most fortunate & providential Escape from the daring Attack made on his most Sacred Person And al.so

Resolved to address His Majesty

Ralph Smyth Wm. Gibbons Wm. Faintlough Burton Tandy & Doctor Edward Faintlough are appointed a Committee to draw up the same

The said Committee having retired accordingly drew up & reported that they had agreed to the following Address

To the Kings Most Excellent Majesty

"The Humble Address of the Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses
"& Commons of the County of the Town of Drogheda
"in the Kingdom of Ireland

Address to His Majesty

We your Majestys dutifull & Loyal Subjects the Mayr. Sheriffs Burgesses & Commons of your Majestys Town and County of Drogheda humbly beg leave to Congratulate your Majesty on your late happy & providential Escape from the wicked & attrocious Attempt made on your Majestys Sacred Person in your way to & from your Parliament, and to assure your Majesty of our utter abhorrence of such Seditious & treasonable conduct: of our inviolable and Sincere Attachmt. to your Majestys Person and Governmt. and our firm determination to defeat them with every thing in our powers against all your Enemies foreign or Domestic

In Testimony whereof we have hereunto affixed our Common Seal this 18th November 1795

presented to the L.d Lieut.

Resolved unanimously that the said Address be & is agreed unto & that same be presented to his Excellency the Lord Lieut. by the Mayor Sheriffs & such other Members of the Corpn. as chuse to attend to be transmitted to His Majesty

At

Post Quarterly Assly

At a Post Quarter Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 13th. Jan.y 1796

adjourned to 10 O'Clock on Friday Morning next the 15th. Jan.y Inst.

Idem

At a Post Quarterly Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 15th. Jan.y 1796 pursuant to Adjournment

Petitions

The several Petitions laid before this Assembly were read & disposed of

General Assly

At a general Quarterly Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 15th. Jan.y 1796

L.d Lieutenants Ans.r to the Address

Mr. Mayor having laid before this Assembly a letter from His Excellency the Lord Lieutenants Secretary in Answer to the Address to His Majesty from this Corporation It is thereupon Ordered that the said Address & Answer be three times published in the Drogheda & Dublin Journals

10 Gs. to Mr. Mayor to Reimburse him

Ordered that the Sum of Ten Guineas be paid to Mr. Mayor to Reimburse him for his Expences in going to Dublin & presenting the Address to the Lord Lieut. to be transmitted to His Majesty

10 Gs. to the late Mayor

Ordered that the Sum of Ten Guineas be paid to the late Mayor to Reimburse him for his Expences in going to Dublin & presenting the Address to His Majesty which was Voted in His Mayoralty

Order Rescinded

Resolved that the Order made last October General Assembly for applying the Revenue of the Gate Customs to the building a Corn Market be, & same is hereby Rescinded

Ordered

Committee for build.g a Corn Mark.t

Ordered that a Moiety of the Revenue arising from the Gate Customs be paid to the following Gentlemen Committee for building a Corn Market, Mr. Mayor Alderman Gibbons Mr. Burton Jandy Mr. Leland Alderman Armstrong & Mr. Steele

first paym.t to be made 12 Jan. 1796

Ordered that the first payment to be made out of the Revenue of the Gate Customs to the above named Committee for the above mentioned purpose be from the last Setting thereof on the 12.th Jan.y Inst.r and that the payment of £75. 10 made by the Treas.r to the Committee on the 14.th December last be repaid to him for account of this Corporation

Tenants in Arrear to be Ejected

Resolved unanimously that all the Tenants under this Corporation who may have owed three half years Rent or upwards on the first day of November last shall on or before the 25.th day of March next pay all Rent they may owe up to the said first day of Nov.r save one half years Rent only & the Treas.r is hereby directed to furnish a List of all such Tenants as shall be so indebted to the Law Agent with proper Materials & Instructions so as enable him to serve Ejectments And the Law Agent is hereby desired peremptorily to eject all such defaulters before next Easter Term so that the Corporation may proceed on their Ejectments & have Judgment before the Commencement of the next long Vacation

Trustees of Graves Chamney Esq.r to be sued for bequest of Alderm.n Graves

Resolved unanimously that the Law Agent to the Corporation be and he is hereby authorized to take such Steps as Council shall advise against the Trustees & Representatives of the late Graves Chamney Esq.r dec.d who was Heir at Law of William Graves Esq.r deceased for Recovery of the Sum of £500 bequeathed by the said William Graves for Charitable purposes with the Interest due thereon

£5 to be p.d the late Sheriffs

Ordered that the Sum of £5 be paid to Messrs. John Leland & Wallop Brabazon who were Sheriffs of this Corp.n in 1791 being a fine imposed on the Corp.n which they were obliged to pay

Mr

Watch Coats for Serjeant at Mace

Mr. Mayor is requested to provide two Watch Coats for two of the Serjeants at Mace who are frequently ordered to sit up at Night in the Tholsel

Water Bailiff discharged of Debt & to rec.d his Sallary

Resolved unanimously that Mr. John Fairclough be & he is hereby discharged from the Debt due by him to this Corporation & that his Sallary (which has been withheld from him as Water Bailiff) be paid from the 29.th September last

Planks for the Shipping

Alderman Hardman and Mr. John Leland are requested to provide twelve new Planks for the use of the Shipping & to give an Order on the Treasurer for same

19 freemen admitted

The following nineteen Persons were admitted free by Birth & Service on the usual Terms on their several Petitions to this Assembly viz.t

William Knight of the City of Dublin Upholsterer Son of John Knight late of Drogheda Bricklayer deceased by Birth

Thomas Latimer of Drogheda Mason Son of William Latimer late of the same deceased by Birth

William Latimer of Drogheda Bricklayer Son of William Latimer late of same deceased by Birth

Rich.d Brunker of Drogheda Mason Son of Thomas Brunker late of the same Mason deceased by Birth

William Ruxton of Drogheda Cabinetmaker Son of Mathew Ruxton of same Cabinetmaker by Birth

William Wynne and Charles Wynne of Drogheda Gent both Sons of Thomas Wynne late of the same Chandler dec.d and a Sheriffs Peer by Birth

John North of Drogheda White Smith Eldest Son of Francis North late of the same Nailor deceased by Birth

John Elliott of the City of Dublin Cabinetmaker Son of Tho.s Elliott deceased by Birth

James Forde Student of Trinity College Dublin Son of the Rev.d James Forde by Birth

William Brabazon of Drogheda Gent Son of Harry Brabazon of the same Esq.r by Birth

Joseph Smith of Mary Street in the City of Dublin merch.t Son of Benjamin Smith late of Drogheda dec.d by Birth

John Apperson & Thomas Apperson both of Meath Hill in the County of Meath Breeches Makers by Birth

Joseph

Joseph Roel of Drogheda Penukemaker Son of Patrick Roel late of same deceased — by Birth

idem — James Appleyard of Drogheda Weaver Son of James Appleyard of Shop Street Cordwainer dec. by Birth

James Richardson Corporal in the Drogheda Regiment of Militia Son of Edwd. Richardson of Drogheda Carpenter by Birth

John Glover Junior and Hugh Glover both of Drogheda Stone Cutters Sons of John Glover Senr. of the same Stone Cutter — by Service

Sale of Ground in Magdalen Street adjourned

Ordered that the Sale of the lott of Ground on the West Side of Magdalen Street & North of Irish Street be adjourned to Monday Next and that so much of it on the South side be given up as will be wanted to widen Irish Street to 50 feet

The following Accounts & Bills for the following Sums due by this Corporation to different persons were returned to this Assembly by the Auditors & Viewers & were allowed & ordered to be paid

Accounts of diffr. persons allowed

Jos. Holmes's Bill of Costs on Presentmt. of the Grand Jury for a Nuisance	£3:10:0
Wm. Symits Account for News Papers from 5 July 1794 to 5 July 1795 £12:12 @ 8	13:18:8
Nichs. Davins Bill for Serjeants Cloathes got Sept. 1794	12:5:7½
Benj. Smiths Accot. for Sewt. Articles from Augt. 1794 to Sept. 1795	24:17:8
Wm. Kelly & Accot. for Candles from Michs. 1794 to Michs 1795	10:19:2
George Norths Account for Iron Work from 15th Oct. 1794 to Oct. 95	2:11:3
John Keatings Account for Iron Work for the Frame in Oct. & Dec. 93	5:0:3
John Longs Account for Repairing a Road in April 1794	3:0:3
Matthew Ruxtons Accot. for Repairing & finding Materials for Work at the Mayoralty House at Michs 1795 & Order of Geo Evans Esq.	12:9:3
John Allens Accot. of Sundry Disbursments at the Goal	9:0:5
Ralph Smyth Esqr. late Mayor for Postage of News Papers & Letters	7:4:3
	£110:0:7

Estimate for Repair of the Pound

Thomas Brunkers Estimate for Repairing of the Pound or Pinfold in Magdalen Street Referred to the Auditors & Viewers

Houses in West Street Set to Alderman Jamr. Scholes

1796 Jany. 15 The Houses & Ground on the North side of West Street were Set by Public Cant this day pursuant to Notice and were Struck off to Alderman James Scholes the highest bidder for the term of 99 Years from Easter next at the yearly Rent of £24:10 one Moiety thereof to be fined off at 10 Years purchase

Ground in Magdalen Street Set to Andw. Boyd

1796 Jany. 25 This Day the lott of Ground on the West side of Magdellan Street and South side of Irish Street was Set by public Cant at the Tholsel pursuant to Notice and Struck off to Mr. Andrew Boyd the highest bidder for 99 Years from Easter next at the Yearly Rent of £5:2 — one half of which Rent to be fined off at 10 Years purchase

Special General Assembly

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 26th Day of Jany. 1796 to consider of the best Mode of preserving the Peace & quiet of the Town

Committee to prepare

Alderman Hardman Doctor Faintlough Mr. Burton Tandy Mr. Fisher & Mr. Charles Evans are appointed a Committee to prepare an Address to the Lord Lieutenant setting forth the disturbed State of the Town from the Riotous Conduct of the Privates of the Donnegal Regiment of Militia & to pray their Removal — and the said Committee having retired for a short time returned & laid the following Address before this Assembly which being Read the same was agreed to & ordered to be Engrossed & Sealed under the Common Seal of this Corporation & transmitted by the Town Clerke to the Lord Lieutenants Secretary to be laid before His Excellency, and that said Address be entered in the Assembly Book and is as follows

Address to the L. Lieut. to Remove the Donnegal Militia for Riotous Conduct

To His Excellency Earl Camden Lord Lieutenant General & General Governor of Ireland

The Address of the Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses & Commons of His Majestys Town & County of the Town of Drogheda

Sheweth

That the peace and good Order of the Town of Drogheda is, & for a Considerable time past has been materially interrupted & disturbed by the Riotous and disorderly Conduct of the Private Men of the Donnegal Regimt. of Militia now quartered in this Town That a numerous Meeting of the Inhabitants of said Town was lately held at the Request of several respectable Individuals to the Mayor to call them together for the purpose of adopting such measures as might appear expedient for Restoring & preserving the Peace of the Town

That a Memorial was unanimously agreed to & ordered by the said Meeting to be Signed by the Mayor & Sheriffs on behalf of the Inhabitants to be laid before your Excellency, requesting that your Excellency would be pleased to order the Donnegal Regiment of Militia to be removed from Drogheda and that your Excellency would be further pleased

pleased to order other Troops into the Town before the Departure of the said Militia

That your Memorialists find with Concern that the said Regiment still remain Quartered in this Town and that from the Continued and Repeated disorderly Conduct of the Men they are Constrained to beseech your Excellency to Remove the Cause of their Complaint — That since the above Memorial Several Examinations & Affidavits have been lodged in the hands of the Majistrates of said Town for Various Robberies & Outrages Committed by the said Militia — That the Regular business of the Markett is obstructed by the Soldiers forcing the Country People to give the provisions without any fixed price or bargain for them & afterwards to take such price as they are pleased to give — That the Chief Majistrate has been Surrounded & threatened by them when Attempting to preserve Peace and good Order, and has been so far intimidated as to abandon the Markett to their Power — That in Consequence thereof the Supply of Potatoes which at this Season of the year is usually from three hundred to four Hundred Sacks on Market Days has not for some Weeks past exceeded fifteen or Twenty Sacks and that thereby the poorer Class of the People are highly distressed and becoming Clamorous

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That numbers of the said Militia have been heard to declare Vengeance against the Persons & Houses of those whom they Conceive to have been most instrumental in the Measures adopted for procuring their Removal

May it therefore please your Excellency to order the said Donnegal Regiment of Militia to be removed from the Town as Speedily as may be done as the only means of Restoring Peace and good Order therein and that your Excellency will be further pleased to order other Troops into the Town before their Removal to prevent any Outrage which they may be induced & have threatened to Commence against the Persons & Property of individuals — In Testimony whereof we have hereunto affixed our Common Seal the 26th day of Jany 1796

1796 Feby 29 This day a Jury was Ballotted for & Sworn before the Mayor & Sheriffs pursuant to Notice duly published in the Drogheda Journal to try & enquire into the Merits of the Petitions of the following Persons to the Freedom of this Corporation by Birth

Jury to try

and Service pursuant to their several Petitions to last General Assembly & the orders of Reference made thereon that is to say — John Wynne of Drogheda Hatter Robt Young of the same Cordwainer John Dawson of the City of Dublin Merchr Henry Hale of Dundalk Cabinetmaker James Moore Henry Moore Robert Moore & John Moore all of Killaneer in the County of the Town of Drogheda Farmers John Tonge of Drogheda Weaver Edward Carroll of the same Gent William Davis of the same Cordwainer George Kilpatrick of the same Peruke maker Roger Williamson of the same Hatter William Kane of Queensborough in the County of Louth Shoemaker William Simpson Cabinet maker & Boyle Simpson Carpenter both of Hurkle in the County of Meath John Hale of the City of Dublin Gent Robt Williamson of the same Shoemaker William Lucas & James Lucas both of the same Perukemakers James Seaton Gent & William Seaton Merchr both of the same & the Revd Lancelot Dowdale of the same Clerke

the Claims of the following persons to their Freedom

And the said Jury upon their Oaths returned the following Verdict that is to say

"John Wynne Hatter — Did not appear
"Robt Young of the Town of Drogheda Cordwainer
allegation of Petition true — Service
"John Dawson of the City of Dublin Merchr
allegation not proved
"James Moore & John Moore
"Henry Moore all of Killaneer
"Robt Moore Farmers ... } Allegations Proved Birth
"John Tonge of Drogheda Linen Weaver — Allegation not proved
"Edwd Carroll of Drogheda Gent — did not appear
"William Davis of same Gent — did not appear
"George Kilpatrick of same Hairdresser Allegation Proved — Ser.
"Wm Simpson Cabinet maker
"Boyle Simpson Carpenter } Allegations not proved
"of Hurkle
"John Hayle of the City of Dublin Gent — Did not appear
"Samuel Hale of the same Coachmaker Did not appear
"Wm Lucas of the City of Dublin Gent & James Lucas of the
"same Did not appear
"Jame Seaton Gent & Wm Seaton Merchr of the same
Did not appear
"Revd Lancelot Dowdall Clke of the same Did not appear
"Roger Williamson of Drogheda Hatter — Did not appear
"Robt Williamson of Drogheda Shoemaker did not appear

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Post Aſs.ly

At a Post Quarter Aſsembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 6.th April 1796

Petitions

The several Petitions laid before this Aſsembly were read & disposed of

Gen.l Aſsembly

At a Quarter General Aſsembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 8.th day of April 1796

Mayor Elect

Alderman William Jones is elected to serve Mayor of this Corporation for the ensuing year from this day next according to the Rule of Succeſsion

Sheriffs elect

Townley Blackwood Hardman & Nevinson Rodger Esq.rs are elected to serve Sheriffs of this Corp.n for the ensuing year from Michaelmas Day next

Election to be Certified

Ordered that the Election of the Mayor and Sheriffs for the ensuing year be forthwith Certified to Gouvernm.t for their approbation

7 freemen admitted

George Ball of the Town of Drogheda Esq.r Edw.d Tisdall of the same Gent Joseph Carson of the same Cordwainer, Douglas Massey of the same Cordwainer Ralph Eccleston of the same Reedmaker & Weaver Henry Leland of the City of Dublin Hatter & George Tew Gent, one of the Attornies upon their sev.l Petitions are admitted free Members by special favor on paying the usual Fine & fees & taking the usual Oath

2 freemen admitted

George Rotheram of Crosdrum in the Co.y of Meath Gent, and James Davis of the Town of Drogheda Esq.r upon their Petitions are admitted free Members of this Corporation by special favor on paying a fine of five Guineas each, the usual fees & taking the usual Oath

3 freemen

Edw.d Chambers of Drogheda Carpenter Son of Edw.d Chambers late of the same Cordwainer dec.d William Oliver Faitlough of Drogheda Gent Son

admitted

Son of Mr. John Faitlough and James Richardson of the Drogheda Regiment of Militia Second Son of Edward Richardson of Drogheda Carpenter are admitted free Members by Birth, and Anthony Shaw of Drogheda Brazier is admitted a free Member by Service on their several Petitions on their paying the usual fine & fees & taking the usual Oath

Sealing day

Monday the fourth day of July next is appointed a Sealing Day for Corporation Leases

Aſs.ly adjourned

This Aſsembly is adjourned to Monday the 18.th day of April Instant

Spec.l Gen.l Aſs.ly

At a special General Aſsembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs, the Aldermen & Common Council being present pursuant to a Requisition for the purpose of Granting the Freedom of this Corporation to Captain John Barrett of His Majestys Navy the 14 Apr.l 1796

freedom presented to Capt.n Barrett

Resolved unanimously that the Freedom of this Corporation be granted to Captain John Barrett of His Majestys Ship the Experiment in Consideration of his Services in the West Indies during this War

Adjournm.t of Gen.l Aſs.ly

At an Adjournment of a General Quarterly Aſsembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 18.th April 1796

Commiſsioners for improv.g the Port of Drog.a elected

George Armstrong Esq.r & Maurice Barlow Esq.r two of the Aldermen of this Corporation are elected Commiſsioners for improving the Port and Harbour of this Town in the Room of Aldn. Oliver Faitlough who has Vacated his place of Commiſsioner by absence and of Alderman Roger Ford dec.d and Mess.rs John Leland Charles Evans & Edw.d Faitlough M. D three of the Common Council of this Corporation are elected Commiſsioners for the same purpose in the room of George Evans now Mayor Ralph Smyth late Mayor & of Samuel Martin dec.d late Common Councilman pursuant to notice posted for that purpose Conformable to the Act of Parliament paſsed in the 30.th year of His Majestys Reign entitled "An Act for the improvement of the Port and Harbour of Drogheda & the better Regulation of the Police of s.d Town

Ordered that the following Persons be paid the Sums to their Names respectively annexed out of the Rents of the Commons for the present year Commencing at Michaelmas last & ending at Michaelmas next, that is to say

Proctors

Pensioners on the Commons List

Proctors of St. Johns Poor for Furze of the Commons	£8
Widow of John Moffit	3
Jane Blithe	3
Adam Johnstons Wife	4
Ann Simpson Widow	4
do. of John Wood House	3
do. of Robt. Hatchett	3
Mary Humphreys	3
Widow of John Rencher	6
Mary Rael	2
Wm. Bagnall	3
Widow of James Shotell	5
Margt. Lamprey	2
Ann Humphryson	5
Widow of Jno. Knight	4
Saml. Hale	4
Mary Ackland	6:16:6
Widow of Michl. Brooks	2
Martha Blakeney	4
Widow of Bnal. Courtney	4
Widow of James Regan	3
Gertrude Brunton	4
Thos. Tonge	4
Widow of Chas. Elliott	4
do. of Zach. Rencher	4
Sus.a Lyster Junr.	2
Widow of Anthy. Collier	1:10
Robt. Harrison	2
Mary Holland	4
Ann Appleyard	1:10
Mary Hughes Widow	3
	£111:16:6

Brought forwd.	£111:16:6
Ann Ackland	6:15
Priscilla Cheapem alis Reany	4
Ann Dowdall Widow	5
Two younger Childn. of Wm. McCartney	4
Widow of Conolly Jones	3
do. of Wm. Shippabottom	4
Mary Bourke alis Robinson	2:10
Leon.d Shotell	3
Widow of Robt. Chambers	3
do. of Thos. Brunker	4
Sarah Brema alis Bagnall	2
John Appenson	3:10
Geo. M. Entegart for Samuel Martin's Children	11:7:6
Widow of John North	4
Thos. Bagnall	3
Cath.e Goodwin Widow	2
Henry Morris	3:10
Mary Dix Widow	2
Elizth. Regan Widow	3
Ann Reilly Widow	5
Edwd. Robinson	4
Mary Chambers Widow of Edwd. Chambers	5
Judith Turvey	6:16:6
	£206:5:6

Ordered that the Year Rent of Prior's Park at Killaneer due Michs last being £8. by Isaiah Moore the legatee of the late Alderman Leigh be received by the Receivers of the Rents of the Commons & paid by them to the Widow Blackburne £6 & to the Widow Ann Nugent £2

Alderman Leighs bequest

Judith Turvey is granted fourteen Guineas a year to be paid her by this Corporation from Michs last during pleasure

Mrs Turvey a Pension.r

Ann Reilly Widow is granted five Guineas a year to be paid her by this Corporation from Michs last during pleasure

Mrs Reilly like

Messrs. Anthy Sillery & Lancelot Fisher are appointed Receivers of the Rents of the Commons for three years from this Easter Assembly

Recrs of the Comons Rents

Messrs

Proctor of St. Johns Poor House

Messrs. Charles Evans and Alexander Irwine are appointed Proctors of St. John's Poor House for three years from this Easter Assembly

Appre. Fee with Austin Martin

Ordered that the Sum of Thirty Guineas be paid by the Treas.r out of the Fines arising from the Leases of the Commons as an Apprentice Fee with Austin Martin Son of the late Samuel Martin dec.d

Paving the Streets

Ordered that Mr. Mayor be & he is hereby impowered to have the Paving of the Streets & Lanes of this Town finished which were left unfinished last year

20 Gs to Gravel the Malle

Ordered that a Sum not exceeding Twenty Guineas be granted for Gravelling the Malle on the North Quay & that Mr. John Leland Mr. Chas. Evans & Mr. Hardman do direct the Work

Repair of the Mayoralty House

Ordered that a Sum not exceeding Fifty Pounds be granted by this Corporation to Alderman William Jones Mayor Elect for the necessary Repairs of the Mayoralty House

Renewall of Lease of part of Primates Palace

Ordered that a Renewall of the Lease of that part of the Primates Palace Ground on the North side of Lawrence Street, now called Crow Street be accepted of and perfected under the Seal of this Corporation to & with Aldermen William Holmes & Henry Smith at and under the Rent & fine payable for same pursuant to the Clause for Renewall thereof contained in the Leade now in being from them of the said Ground called Crow Street

10 Gs to the Charitable Surgery

Ordered that the Sum of Ten Guineas be paid at the end of the present year to the Treas.r of the Charitable Infirmary towards the Support thereof

The following Accounts were laid before this Assembly & ordered to be paid viz.t

Accounts ord.d to be paid

John Siddalls Acco.t for Sundry Articles Duc to him for Chaise Hire & Entertainments to several Maj.ties	£37:0:9
Chas. Evans's Acco.t for Rent from 20 Sept.r 1794 to 19 Sept.r 1795	62:11:11
Geo Jones's Acco.t for Chairs for the Mayoralty House	72:9:2
Geo M. Entegart for his taxed Bill of Costs in a Prosecution the King ag.t Pat Tear which was directed by the present Mayor	7:17:6
Geo North's Acco.t for Chimney Sweeping from Oct.r 1795 to the 22d Apl. 1796	5 1:10
Arthur Harpurs Account & Affid.t for Repair of a Road out Dulcek gate	5
Tot.	£130:1:2

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Ordered that the Sum of Eighteen Pounds be granted

Repair of Barrack Hill & Dulcek Street

for Repairing Thirty six Perches of Barrack Hill & Dulcek Street and that Henry Smith & George Armstrong Aldermen be appointed to Superintend said Work

Ordered that the Sum of £16..10..6 be paid to

late Shers reimbursed Fines in the Exchq.

Barthw Van Homrigh & Francis Graham Fairtlough Esqrs Sheriffs of this Corporation in 1792 being Costs paid by them in the Court of Exchequer to reduce Fines imposed on the Mayor & them relative to Proceedings in the Tholsel Court

Spec.l Gen.l Assly

At a special General Assembly held pursuant to a Requisition & Notice before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 21 April 1796 for the purpose of granting the Freedom of this Corporation in Fiats to James Philips Brabazon Esqr Alexander M.Clintock Molesworth Philips Edw.d Wilmot & Henry Garnett Esqrs The Rev.d William Coddington & Edward Bagnall Gent

There was not any business done
Adjourned Sine die

Spec.l Gen.l Assly for the Corn mark.t

At a special General Assembly held pursuant to Requisition and Notice before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 9.th Day of May 1796 — for the purpose of considering and adopting the most eligible plan of a Corn Market and also the Propriety of taking down such Part of the Town Walls as may be necessary for erecting same

Plan Resolved on

Resolved that the Plan of a Corn Market as drawn by Mr Johnston in the Year 1787 and which was approved of by the Commissioners appointed under the Act of Parliament of the 25 Year of his present Majesty's Reign Entitled "An Act to explain and amend the several Laws in Force for the Encouragement of Agriculture" be carried into

into Execution in Depth from Fair Street 200 feet and that at the Depth of 200 feet from Fair Street a tempering Wall 10 feet high be run across from East to West so as to inclose and complete so much of the said Plan, until it shall be found necessary to take in the Remainder of the Ground

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Resolved that the Committee appointed to erect a Corn Market be empowered to take down such Parts of the Town Walls as may be necessary for that Work

Post Assly

At a Quarterly post Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Alderman being present the 17 July 1796

Petitions

Several Petitions preferred to this Assembly were read and disposed of

Genl Assly

At a General Quarterly Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 17 Day of July 1796

Petition referred to a Jury

The Petition of James Jones of Drogheda Tallow Chandler for his Freedom by Servica is referred to a Jury

2 Freemen admitted

Boyle Simpson Carpenter and Cabinet maker and James Simpson Cabinet maker both of Drogheda are admitted Freemembers by Special Favor on the usual Terms

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Richard Siddale of Drogheda Gent. Son of John Siddale Inholder and William Adams and Anthony Adams Reilly both Sons of William Adams deceased upon their several Petitions are admitted free members by Birth on the usual Terms

Robt Armstrongs Sallt. augmented

Robt Armstrong's Sallary of 6£ a Year for billiting Soldiers upon his Petition is augmented to 10£ a Year from the 24.th June last during Pleasure

Sarah

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admission to St. John's Poorhouse

Sarah Shippabottom, Widow upon her Petition is admitted into a Vacancy now in St. John's Poor House

Ann Biggs to be paid 40s.

Ann Biggs, Widow to be paid 40 Shillings out of the Commons List at Michs next being the half a Years Pension that will then be due to the Widow Shippabottom now admitted into St. John's Poor House

Repair of Road out West Gate

Ordered that thirty Guineas be granted towards repairing the Road without West Gate from John Conry's House to the Twenties

Repair of Road out Sundays Gate

Ordered that Ten Pounds be granted towards repairing the Cross Road from the Twenties Road to the great Road leading to Listoge without Sunday's Gate under the Inspection of Alder.n Hardman & Mr. M.l Chester

Accounts ordered to be paid

The following Accounts were laid before this Assembly and were allowed and ordered to be paid

Mr. Henry Hayes's Acco.t for Timber bought at Liverpoole and freight &c from thence for Planks &c for Use. Shipping at Quay £38.19.2

Mr. Charles Evans's Acc.t for Printing Notices &c in the Drogheda Journals relative to the Militia £2.14.9½

Mr. Patrick Macay's Acc.t for Cloth &c for Serjeants Cloaks at Michs. last £19.10—½

Patrick Long's Acc.t & Affidavit for repairing 18 Perches of the Road to Old Bridge between the Grave Gate and the Slated House lying West thereof £4.19—

Peter M.c Cabe's Affidavit for widening 20 Perches of Road to Ballymahenny £3.16.—

Adjourned to Monday the 27.th Inst.

At

Adjournm.t of G.l Ass.y

At an Adjournment of the last General Quarter Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and common Council being present the 27 July 1796

Plan of the Corn Market

The Committee appointed for Building a new Corn-Market laid before this Assembly a Plan thereof made by Mr. Francis Johnston Architect and same was approved

Gate Customs ord.d for building the Corn Mark.t

Resolved unanimously that all Orders heretofore made for granting the Savings made in the Mayors Salary, or relative to the Gate Customs or any Part thereof or any other Moneys whatsoever for the Building of a Corn Market be and they are hereby rescinded And it is now unanimously Ordered by this Assembly that in Lieu of the said Grants the full Amount of the Gate Customs of this Corporation shall in future be paid over by the Treasurer of this Corporation immediately on his receiving them unto the Treasurer of the Committee appointed to carry on the said Building and that the same shall be by them applied to that and to no other Purposes whatever

Gen.l M.c Integarts Bill on the Treas.r allow.d

Ordered that Geo. M. Entegrats Bill on the Treasurer fav.r Mr. Michael Chester for Thirty Guineas being the Apprentice Fee Ordered to be paid out of the Fines of the Leases of the Commons with Austin Martin Son of Sam.l Martin dec.d be allowed as a sufficient Voucher in the Treasurer's Acc.t when paid

Geo: Potters Acc.t for Freedom Boxes allowed

Mr. Geo. Potter's Acc.t for four Freedom Boxes voted last October Assembly to Jn.o Wm. Fossster Esq.r Col.o of the Drogheda The Hon.ble Col.o Foster of the Louth Militia Norman Stell Esq.r and Major Bowes was laid before this Assembly and allowed Amt. £31.17

Spec.l Gen.l Ass.y

At a special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 19.th Day of Aug.t 1796

Resolved

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a Spot of Ground to be left open on the East Side of the Corn markt.

Resolved that the small Piece of Ground which will remain unapplied for the purpose of Building a new Corn Market after the Ground necessary for the said Market shall be enclosed on the East Side by the intended Wall or Line for squaring the said Market Ground and which small Piece of Ground lies at the South East Corner of the Market Place and is fronting to Fair Street: Be and the same is hereby ordered to be laid open for the Accommodation of the Public to admit of a Passage to a new Street intended to be laid open on the East Side of the said Market by Ralph Smith Esqr

Spec.l Genl Assly

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 7 Day of September 1796 "For the purpose of taking into Consideration the Propriety" of offering the Services of this Corporation to Government in the present Crisis of ~~publick~~ Affairs"

This Corpn to assist Governmt

Resolved unanimously that this Corporation are ready to assist Government to the utmost of their Abilities when called upon for that Purpose

Acts Compared

1796 Sept. 29 The foregoing Acts of Assembly were compared before us and order to be entered in the Assembly Book

Geo. Evans, Mayor
Ralph Smith. M.L.
H. Brabazon } Sheriffs.
G. Sandy }

Mau. Barlow
Jn.o Ackland
Wm Holmes
Jos.h Holmes

Corporation of Drogheda to Wit.

Michs. Post Assly 1796. Petitions

At a Post Assembly held before Will.m Jones Esqr Mayor Townley Blackwood Hardman & Ninian Rodger Esqrs Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 5.th Day of October 1796

Several Petitions laid before this Assembly were read and disposed of

Michs Genl Assly 1796

At a General Assembly held before the said Wm Jones Esqr Mayor Townley Blackwood Hardman and Ninian Rodger Esqrs Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 7.th of Octr 1796

Mayr Staple

George Evans Esqr late Mayor is elected Mayor of the Staple and Justices of the Peace for the ensuing Year & sworn

Comon Council Men

Harry Brabazon Junr and Geo. Sandy Esqrs late Sheriffs are elected Common Council Men and the said Geo. Sandy was sworn

Constables of the Staple

The said Harry Brabazon and Geo. Sandy are elected Constables of the Staple for the ensuing Year and the said Geo. Sandy was sworn

Coroners

And the said Harry Brabazon and Geo. Sandy are elected Coroners for the ensuing Year and the said Geo. Sandy was sworn

Master of the Guild

Ralph Smyth Esqr is elected Master of the Guild for the ensuing Year

Wardens of the Guild

Lawrence Steel and Jn.o Jones Esqrs are elected Wardens of the Guild for the ensuing Year

Treasr

Aldn Wm Holmes is Elected Treas. for the ensuing year

Officers of Sword & Mace & Marshal

Ordered that the Offices of Sword and Mace and Marshall do continue during the pleasure of this Corporation

Cleansing of the Streets

Mr Mayor is requested to contract with such persons as he shall think proper to cleanse and carry away the Dirt and Soil of the Streets and Lanes of this Town and of the Avenues thereto for one Year to commence from & after the 26.th Octr Inst.

Alderman

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Auditors & Viewers

Alderman Edward Hardman William Gibbons John Ackland and James Scholes and Messrs. Burton Sandy Edward Fairtlough John Leeland Geo. Elliott and Charles Evans are elected Auditors & Viewiers for the ensuing Year

Misnomer, set right

The Name James Simpson Cabinetmaker admitted a free Member last July General Assembly being a Misnomer his Name being Wm. the same is ordered to be set right

freemen admitted

Edward Latimer of the Town of Drogheda Shoemaker Son of William Latimer deceased William Clarke of the same Hozier Son of Jonathan Clarke of the same Hozier Jnº Taylor of the same Gentᵏ Son of the late Robert Taylor of the same Apothecary deceased Jnº Stewart of the same Gent. Son of Henrᵏ Stewart of the same Gent. Henry Faulkner Ruxton Son of Mattʰᵘ Ruxton Carpenter George Ball of Balls Grove Esqʳ Son of Aldᵐⁿ Robt Ball deceased John Jebb Junʳ of Dublin Gent. Son of Jnº Jebb late an Alderman the Revᵈ Latham Coddington Dean of Kilfennora Son of Henry Coddington Esqʳ Hamilton Graham Esqʳ Son of Jnº Graham Esqʳ decᵈ David Appleyard of the City of Dublin Shoemaker Son of Joseph Appleyard late of Drogheda Shoemaker decᵈ Samˡ Fewtrall of the City of Dublin Gent. Son of Wmˢ Fewtrill late of Drogheda decᵈ Daniel Head of Dublin Carpenter Son of Jnº Head late of Drogheda Carpenter decᵈ Jnº Hawthorn of Dublin Gent. Son of Thomas Hawthorn decᵈ Jnº Elliott of Dublin Schoolmaster and Andrew Elliott of the same Carpenter both Sons of Robt Elliott late of Drogheda Ironmonger upon their several Petitions to this Assembly are admitted Free Members by Birth on the usual Terms

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John Kane of Drogheda Perukemaker James Jones of the same Tallow Chandler and James Rodgers late of the same Cordwainer now Drum Major in the Drogheda Militia upon their several Petitions to this Assembly are admitted free Members by Service on the usual Terms

The following five Petitions for Freedom were

were referred to a Jury for the Petitioners to prove their Allegations

Petitions referred to a Jury

William Bagnall Farmer Son of Jnº Bagnall John Tonge of Drogheda Weaver Son of Thomas Tonge Alexander Courtney of Drogheda Carpenter Son of Brabazon Courtney deceased Thomas Taylor of Drogheda Gent. Son of Robt Taylor late of same Apothecary deceased and Robt Cannell of Dublin Cooper Son of Charles Cannell late of Drogheda Cooper deceased

Admission to the Poor house

Mary Collier Widow of Anthony Collier upon her Petition is admitted into a Vacancy in St Johns Poor House

Lands to be set for 99 years Houses for 99 Yrs

Resolved That in future all Lands the Property of this Corporation be set for a Term of Ninety nine Years and one half the Rentˢ be fined down at twenty Years Purchase and that Houses and Building Ground in this Town & Suburbs be set for ninety nine Years and one half of the Rent fined down at ten Years Purchase

Treas. Accᵗˢ

Ordered that the Treasurers Accounts for two Years Disbursements ending Michs last and for two Years Rents ending Easter and May last be forthwith examined by the Auditors and Viewers and that sixty Copies be then printed

Aldermⁿ Ackland Surrender of the Corn Markᵗ Hoˢ

Alderman Jnº Ackland having intimated to this Assembly his Intention of surrendering the Corn Market House at the Corner of Fair Street and Peter Street which was demised to him by this Corporation, his Surrender thereof is now accepted and it is ordered by this Assembly that the said Premises be set by public Auction for one Year from the first Day of Novʳ next

Petition of B. Van Homrigh for the younger Children of Aldn Van Hom = righ

Upon the Petition of Barthᵉ Van Homrigh Esqʳ on Behalf of the younger Children of Alderman Jnº Van Homrigh decᵈ setting forth that Anthony Marshall Uncle to Petrˢ had a Lease under this Corporation of Land without Dulech Gate which at his Death he bequeathed to his Brother Jnº Marshall for his Life and at his Death and the Death of his Widow he bequeathed a fourth Part of said Lease to the younger Children of the said Jnº Van Homrigh – That on Jnº Marshalls becoming a Bankrupt his Interest in the Lease was sold and purchased by Aldᵉʳ Edward Chefshire who has been ejected for Non payment of the Rent due to this Corporation whereby the said younger Children are deprived of any Benefit from the Bequest of the said Anthony Marshall And pray this

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this Corporation to take the premises into Consideration and grant said younger Children such Relief as in Justice shall seem meet, It is thereupon ordered by this Assembly that the said Land be forthwith surveyed and that the same be set by public Auction at the Tholsel on the 1st Novr next for 99 Years from next Easter One Moiety of the Rent to be fined off at Twenty Years Purchase and that out of said Fine the said younger Children of Alderm Van Homrigh be paid a reasonable Compensation for their Interest under the Will of the said Anthony Marshall And Alderman Hardman Mr Burton Sandy and Alderman William Holmes are a Committee to ascertain said Compensation

The Assembly adjourned to Wednesday next the 12th Oct. Inst.

Adjournmt. of Michs. Genl. Ass.y — 1796

At an Adjournment of the said last mentioned General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 12th October 1796

Constable of the Staple & Coroner

Harry Brabazon, Esqr. Junr. was sworn a Common Councilman Constable of the Staple and Coroner pursuant to his Election the 7th Inst.

Memorial of Mr. John Fairlough

Upon the Memorial of Mr. Jno. Fairlough setting forth that a General Assembly held the 24th April 1789 an Order was made for 100 £. to be paid towards getting a Ring of Bells for the Parish Church of St. Peter's that in Consequence thereof and sundry other Subscriptions he wrote to Mr. John Rudhall of Glocester for a Peal of Bells which are now up in said Church that he remitted Mr. Rudhall £300 British in the Year 1793 and that Mr. Rudhall drew a Bill on him for £100 British which he Accepted but same was protested for Non Payment that he applied for Payment of said £100 so ordered by this Corporation but was not paid same by the Treasurer that in Consequence thereof Proceedings at Law were had against the Memorialist for said Sum the Refusal whereof rendered him unable to discharge his Acceptance of

of Mr. Rudhalls Bill and that the Sum of £17. 19. 3 Interests besides Costs have occurred due to Mr. Rudhall and exclusive of the Amount of said Acceptance there still remains a considerable Balance due to said Rudhall which Memorialist wishes to have discharged and is willing to pay such Balance as may remain in his Hands unaccounted for which Memorial being referred to the Auditors and Viewers to examine the Accounts relative thereto and they having accordingly examined same, reported to this Assembly that they have considered the said Memorial and examined Memorialists Account of Money received and expended by him on Acct of the Ring of Bells furnished by Mr. Rudhall verified by the Memorialists Affidavit annexed to said Report and that they are of Opinion that the Treasurer of this Corporation may take up and discharge Memorialists Acceptance of Mr. Rudhalls Draft on him for 105 £. together with the Interest due thereon and Costs incurred by Memorialists suffering said Draft to be protested for Non Payment which Report being read at this Assembly the same is agreed unto

Granted

Law Agent to Recover Lands from of St. John's

Ordered that the Law Agent shall take such Steps as Council shall advise for Recovery of the Possession of certain Lands belonging to the Poor of St. John's which were lately demised in reversion to Jno. Mullan and which are overheld by James Jones

Watch Coats to be provided for Watchmen

Ordered that new Watch Coats be forthwith provided for the Watchmen at the Expence of this Corporation

Mr. Mayor to write to Mr. Recorder to Resign his Office

Mr. Mayor is requested by this Assembly to write to Mr. Recorder and to inform him that it is the Wish of this Corporation he would resign that Office, the Duties of which they conceive he cannot longer attend

Accounts paid before this Ass.y

The following Accounts and Demands upon this Corporation were laid before this Assembly and were agreed to and allowed viz.t

Anth.y Sillery's Acct for repairing the Strand Road to Green Hills in Summer 1795. Ballance due,

due to him £14:7:5½

Wm Skelly's Acct for Candles for the Watch House and Sholsel from Octr 1795 to August last £3.7.4.9½

Town Clerke's Acct for several Writings &c from Septr 1793 to 20th Augt 1796 £18.4.5

Pat Long's Acct for Repair of a Road £5.-.-

Jno Jones Esqr Do 5.-.-

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Wm Armits Account for British News Papers for the Year ending Michs last £.18.4.-

Excors of Jno Fleming for Statiomary from Michs 1793 to Michs 1794 Ralph Smyth Esqr Mayor £10.2.0

Hampden Nicholson for repairing the Bridge at Green Batter out Sundays Gate £4.18.6½

Joshua Dickinson Mason for Work at the Guard House &c £2.9.1

Nunns for Stones got for Stables built near the new Market in Jas Scholes Mayoralty £8.-.-

Spel Genl Assly

At a special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and common Council being present the 18th Octr 1796.

Requition

Mr Mayor laid before this Assembly the following Requisition for Convening same)

To Wm Jones Esqr Mayor of Drogheda

Sir

for granting Freedom

You are hereby requested to call a special General Assembly of this Corporation for the Purpose of granting the Freedom thereof by Fiat to the following Gentlemen Viz.t

The Rev.d Vesey Dawson of Galtrim

Thomas

Thos Pepper of Ballygarth Esqr
James Brabazon of Morrington Esqr
Philip Brabazon of Carrstown Esqr
William Disney of Dublin Esqr
Revd Brabazon Disney of Syden
Revd Robt Disney of Dublin
Thos Disney of Dublin Esqr
Edward Disney of Dublin Esqr
Thos Pepper Junr of Ballygarth Esqr
George Pepper of Ballygarth Esqr
Alexr M. Clintock of Newtown Esqr
Jno M. Clintock of Drumcar Junr Esqr
Revd Alexr M. Clintock of Drumcar
James Gibbons of Dublin Esqr
James Corry of Dublin Esqr
Henry Bellingham of Castlebellingham Esqr
Allan Bellingham of Dublin Esqr
Allan Bellingham Junr of Dublin Esqr
Allan O'Brien Bellingham of Milestown Esqr
Gerrand Moore of Drogheda Esqr
Lawrence Steele of Drogheda Esqr
Revd Hugh Shields of Drogheda
Beaver Blacker of Drogheda Esqr
Wm Murray of Drogheda Esqr
Wm Filgate of Liscenny Esqr
Revd Jno Barlow of Dundalk
James Gartside of Navan Esqr
Revd Sir Thos Forster of Phillerstown
Revd Doctor Little Rector of Lowth
Launcelot Fisher of Dublin Esqr
Henry Foster of Southina Esqr
Revd James Montgommery of Dundalk
Anthony Brabazon of Carstown Esqr
Edward Blackburne
Revd Geo. Hamilton of Hampton
Townley Filgate Esqr Barrister
Charles Duffin Esqr Linen Hall Dublin
Thos O'Reilly of Baltrasna Esqr
Anthy O'Reilly of Coty Westmeath Esqr
James Tisdale of Baun Esqr
The Revd Saml Gerrard of Dunleer
Jno Pollock of Dublin Esqr
Matthew Forlescue of Stephenstown Esqr
Molesworth Philips of Belcotton Esqr
Robt Waller of Allarstown Esqr
Revd Danl A. Beaufort D.D. of Collon
Geo. Darley of Dublin Esqr
Peter Adams of County Lowth Esqr
John Gilbert of Slane Esqr
Revd Wm Woolsey of Castlebellingham
Wm Brereton of Richardstown Esqr

Charles

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Charles Hamilton of Dublin Esq.
Wm Batt. of Dublin. Esq.
Wm Gray of Dublin Esq. M. D.
Francis Adams of Benjerstown Esq.
Francis Manning of Drahestown Esq.
Revd Singleton Harpier of Dublin
Chas Henr. Sillery of Slane Esq.
Jas Greene of Dublin Esq.
Jno Godley Junr of Dublin Esq.
Alexr Godley of Dublin Esq.
Wm Joseph Sillery of Slane Esq.
Anthony Sillery of Ardee Esq.
Henry Sillery of Slane Esq.
Jno Finlay of Dublin Esq.
Edward Bagnall Coy. Meath Esq.
Joseph Filgate of Coy. Louth Esq.
Mr. Jno. Fyans of Dublin
Mr. Thos Fyans of Dunleer
Mr. Richard Fyans of Dublin

Given under our Hands this 10th Octr. 1796

Geo Scholes
Wm Gibbons
James Scholes
Anthy Sillery
Harry Brabazon
Barthw Van Homrigh
Law.e Steele Junr
Hampden Nicholson

a Motion was made that the said Seventy one Persons should be admitted to their Freedom

The previous Question was moved that this Assly be dissolved which passed in the Negative by a Majority one, the Numbers being for dissolving 26 against dissolving 27

Alderman James Scholes moved that the Freedom of this Corporation be granted to the Revd Vesey Dawson of Galtrim in a Fiat

Mr. Ball moved an Amendment to Mr. Scholes' Motion that the Words on paying a Fine of Twenty Pounds be added

Mr. Ball insists that the Question before this

this Assembly be put Viva Voce and not by Ballot Mr. Mayor overruled Mr. Balls Motion and desired the Question should be determined by Ballot as usual

Mr. Sandy moved that the further Consideration of the Business of this Assembly be adjourned to the first of August next which Motion being seconded by Alderman Evans was balloted for, and upon casting up the Numbers there were 29 Beans against and 25 for the Motion Mr. Ball objected to its being a fair Ballot and demanded that the Question ~~that the Question~~ should be balloted for again in asmuch as there was one Bean more in the Box than there were Members present that voted Mr. Mayor over ruled Mr. Balls Objection & Demand

Alderman James Scholes' Motion that the Freedom of this Corporation be granted to the Revd Vesey Dawson of Galtrim in a Fiat with Mr. Balls Amendment on paying a Fine of Twenty Pounds was again moved and seconded Mr. Mayor refused to let the Amendment stand as Part of the Question and that the Original Motion alone be balloted for

Mr. Ball objected to balloting for more than one Person at a Time, Mr. Mayor directed that four Persons should be severally balloted for as usual beginning the first four named in the Requisition And accordingly the Names of the Revd Vesey Dawson of Galtrim Thos Pepper of Ballygarth James Brabazon of Mornington Esqr and Philip Brabazon of Carstown Esqr were severally balloted for and upon casting up the Numbers they were as follows viz.h

for Vesey Dawson 33 Black & 27 White Beans
for Thos Pepper 32 Black & 26 White Beans
for Jas Brabazon 47 Black & 11 White Beans
for Philp Brabazon 37 Black & 23 White Beans.

The Members present that balloted exclusive of the Mayor were 53 James and Philip Brabazon were declared rejected Vesey Dawson and Thomas Pepper were moved to be balloted for again, the above Ballot for them being erroneous; no further Ballott was proceeded upon

Alderman

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Alderman Gibbons moved that the Assembly be adjourned to ten O'Clock Tomorrow Morning and was seconded by Aldermen Ralph Smyth Mr Mayor was of Opinion that a special General Assembly could not be legally adjourned

Assembly adjourned

no other Business was done
The Assembly broke up.

At a special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 4th Novr 1796

Spel Genl Assly

Mr Mayor laid before this Assembly the following Requisition for convening same Vizt

To Wm Jones Esqr Mayor of Drogheda

Requisition for granting Freedoms

Sr

You are hereby Requested to call a special General Assembly of this Corporation for the Purpose of granting the Freedom thereof by Fiat without Fine to the following Gentlemen

to the follow.g Psons

Alexander M. Clintock of Newtown Esqr
Christr A. Nicholson of Balrath Esqr
Revd Brab Disney of Sydden
Revd Robt Disney of Dublin
Thos Disney of Dublin Esqr
Edwd Disney of Dublin Esqr
Henry Bellingham of Castlebellingham Esqr
Allan Bellingham of Dublin Esqr
James Gibbons of Dublin Esqr
Laurence Steele of Drogheda Esqr
Henry Foster of Southina Esqr
Charles Duffin of Dublin Esqr
John Pollock of Mountaintown Esqr
Revd Alexr M. Clintock of Dromcar
Jno M. Clintock Junr of Dromcar Esqr
Wm Filgate of Lisrenny Esqr
James Corry of Dublin Esqr Wm

Wm Josh Sillery of Slane Esqr
Henry Sillery of Slane Esqr
John Gilbert of Slane Esqr

Given under our Hands this 1st Day of Novr 1796

James Scholes
Wm Gibbons
Anthony Sillery
Harry Brabazon
Lawce Steele Junr
Launt Fisher
Geo. Scholes

The Order made at a General Assembly held the 6th April 1785 for regulating the Admission of Freemen by special Favor or otherwise was read

Assembly dissolvd

Wm M. Entegrat moved that this Assembly be dissolved, which Motion being seconded was put and balloted for and carried in the Affirmative the Numbrs being for dissolving 27 against it 25 Mr Mayor declared the Assembly dissolved accordingly

There were 51 Members present (besides Mr Mayor who did not ballot) there were 52 Beans in the Box which was one too many

Post Assly

At a Post Quartedly Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen being Present the 11th Janry 1797

Pettions

Several Petitions were read and disposed of that were laid before this Assembly

Genl Assly

At a General Quartedly Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 13th Janry 1797

to be adjourned

Resolved unanimously that this Assembly on its breaking up do adjourn to Tuesday 17th Instt for the sole Purpose of taking into Consideration the

Treasurers

Treasurer's Accounts and the State of the Finances of this Corporation and if any other Business shall remain unfinished this Day a future Day shall then be appointed for Discussion thereof

three freemen admitted

Geo. Metcalf and George Manning both of Drogheda Gent. and James Eccleston of the same Reedmaker upon their Petitions were admitted free Members by special Favor on the usual Terms —

1 freeman admitted

Geo. Hardman of Drogheda Esqr Son of Edward Hardman of same Esqr upon his Petition was admitted a free Member by Birth on the usual Term

Mem.d of Excors of Graves Chamney Esq.r for a Ballance due them

Upon the Memorial of John Percival Hunt and Robt Warren Esqrs Excors of Graves Chamney Esqr Dec.d setting forth that a Balance of £67-0-3 was due to the said Chamney on the Foot of Mayoralty Entertainments given by him while Mayor of this Corporation the Year ended Michs. 1790 and that same still remains due to them as his Excors and that they are desirous of being allowed same in Discharge of an Arrear of Rent due by them to this Corporation It is therefore orderded by this Assembly that the said Balance of £67:0:3 be allowed them in Part Discharge of the Rent due by them at Easter last as Excors of the said Graves Chamney as is desired.

allowed

£100 granted to the Yeomanry Corps

Ordered that the Sum of one Hundred Pounds be granted by this Corporation to Yeomanry Corps of this Town to defray the extra ordinary Expences attending the Equipment of the Men above the Sum allowed for it by Government and Mr. Mayor and the Sheriffs are hereby impowered to perfect a Debenture under the Corporation Seal for Payment of same with Interest at 6 pr Cent pr Annum

Surgeon Pattoon to assist at the Charitable Surgery

Surgeon Roger Pattoon is appointed to attend and assist in dressing and relieving poor Persons at the Infirmary in this Town and that he be paid at the End of the present Year ten Guineas

Mr.

Notice of a spec.l Gen.l Assembly

Mr. Mayor gave Notice to this Assembly that he would call and hold a special General Assembly at 10 O'Clock on Tuesday next the 17th Inst. to consider the Propriety of granting the Freedom of this Corporation to the Revd Doctor Moylan of Cork for his late excellent Exhortation to the Roman Catholic Inhabitants of that Diocese

Assembly adjourned

This General Quarter Assembly was then adjourned to Tuesday the 17th Inst. for the Purpose of considering the Treasurer's Accounts and the Finances of this Corpn

Spec.l Gen.l Assly

At a special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Commons Council being present the 17th Day of January 1797 pursuant to Notice given by Mr. Mayor on Friday last for the Purpose of considering the Propriety of granting the Freedom of this Corporation to the Reverend Doctor Francis Moylan of Cork for his late excellent Exhortation to the Roman Catholicks of that Diocese

Freedom presented to Doctor Moylan R. C. Bishop of Cork

Resolved unanimously that the Freedom of this Corporation be granted to the Revd Doctor Francis Moylan R. C. Bishop of Corke in a Fiat with a Silver Box of five Guineas Value as a Mark of our Esteem for his pious Exertions and excellent Exhortation to the Roman Catholic Inhabitants of his Diocese for promoting Peace and good Order at the Moment of threatened Invasion

Adjourn.d Gen.l Assly

At an Adjournment of last general Quarter Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 17th Jan.y 1797 for the Purpose of considering the Accts and Finances of this Corporation

Treas.rs Accounts to be printed

Ordered That the Treasurer's Accounts be forthwith printed and 80 Copies thereof struck off and

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and that when done and distributed Mr. Mayor is requested in a Fortnight after to call a special General Assembly to examine and settle same

Spec.l Gen.l Ass.y

At a special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 21.st Feb.y 1797 for the Purpose of granting the Freedom of this Corporation by Fiat to John Pollock of Mountainstown in the County of Meath and Edward Wilmott of Drogheda Esq.rs

freedom presented to John Pollock

A Motion being made and seconded that the Freedom of this Corporation be granted to the said John Pollock in a Fiat same was ballotted for and carried by a Majority of 5 the Numbers being 18 for and 13 against the Question

like to Edw.d Wilmot

A like Motion was made and seconded for granting the Freedom as above to said Edw.d Wilmott Esq.r and being ballotted for was carried by a Majority of 11 the Numbers being 21 and 10 against same

Spec.l Gen.l Ass.y

At a special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 16.th Day of March 1797 pursuant to a Requisition for the Purpose of granting the Freedom of this Corporation to William Dardis of the Town of Drogheda Merch.t

freedom presented to Wm. Dardis

Resolved unanimously that the Freedom of this Corporation be granted to Mr. Wm. Dardis of Drogheda Merch.t in a Fiat In Testimony of our Esteem for his private and public Character & of his Zealous and steady Attachment to the Constitution

At a special General Assembly held before the

Spec.l Gen.l Ass.y

the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 10.th April 1797 pursuant to a Requisition for the Purpose of receiving the Resignation of Henry Meade Ogle Esq.r of his Place of Alderman

Resignation of Aldermen Henry Meade Ogle Accepted

Mr. Mayor having laid before this Assembly a Resignation under the Hand and Seal of Henry Meade Ogle Esq.r one of the Aldermen of this Corporation of the said Place and Office of Alderman It is ordered by this Assembly that the said Resignation be and the same is hereby Accepted

Special Post Assembly

At a special Post Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen being present 26.th Day of April 1797

Alderman Elected

Anthony Sillery Esq.r is elected an Alderman of this Corporation in the Room of Henry Meade Ogle Esq.r late an Alderman of the same resigned pursuant to Notice duly posted And the said Anthony Sillery Esq.r introduced was sworn an Alderman of this Corporation accordingly

Easter Post Ass.y 1797

At a Quarterly Post Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 26.th Day of April 1797

Several Petitions read and disposed of

Easter General Ass.y 1797

At a General Quarterly Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 28.th Day of April 1797

Mayor Elect

Alderman Anthony Sillery is elected to serve Mayor of this Corporation for the ensuing Year from Michs. Day next according to the Rule of Succession

James

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Sheriffs Elect

James Metcalf and Richard Jebb Esqrs are elected to serve Sheriffs of this Corporation for the ensuing Year from Michaelmas Day next

Surgeons

Ordered that Doctors Fairtlough and Reilly and Surgeons Hayes Cleapem and Pattoon be paid ten Guineas each at the End of the present Year for their Attendance to relieve poor Persons at the charitable Infirmary in this Town and that said Hayes be paid ten Guineas for his Attendance there last Year

Election to be Certified

Ordered that the Election of the Mayor and Sheriffs for the ensuing Year be forthwith certified to Government for their Approbation

5 freemen admitted

The Revd James Sandiford Son of Henry Sandiford formerly of Drogheda Thomas Fisher now a Private in the Louth Regiment of Militia Son of Jam. Fisher late of Drogheda Stone Cutter dec. Austin Wynne of Ballyboy in the County of Meath Gent. Son of Thomas Wynne dec. and Connolly Jones of Drogheda Printer Son of Connelly Jones late of same Mariner dec. on their several Petitions are admitted free Members of this Corporation by Birth on the usual Terms and Andrew Bourke of Cordwainer is admitted a free Member of the same on his Petition by Service on the usual Terms

Interest Money to be paid by Certain Rents

Ordered that in future the Demands for Interest Money on this Corporation be discharged by appropriating the Rents of particular Tenants for Payment thereof half Yearly and that the Arrears of Interest now due be discharged forthwith

Mr Patk Gernon exempted from Gate & Water Customs

Resolved unanimously that Mr Patrick Gernon of the Town of Drogheda Merchr be exempted from

from Payment of Gate and Water Customs during the Pleasure of this Corporation on his Swearing not to cover the Goods of others and paying Sixpence Yearly

Audrs & Viewers to view Ground adjoining the Boyne from the Linen Hall to the Fish Markt

Ordered that the Auditors & Viewers do forthwith View the Ground adjourning the River from the Linen Hall to the Fish Market and strike out a Line of Street of a proper and convenient Width not less than forty feet and that Mr Patrick Gernon be impowered to open a Passage from his Garden to Linen Hall Street agreeable to the said Line as soon as he shall perfect a Bond of the Penalty of 1000 £ Conditioned that the said Passage shall lie open for the Use of the Public and that he shall when called upon by this Corporation give up so much of his Garden Ground Gratis as will be wanted or may be necessary for the said intended Line or Street whenever this Corporation can procure the Ground necessary for continuing the same to the new Quay at the Foot of Stockwell Lane

Committee to examine the Income and Expenditures of this Corpn

Resolved that the following Gentlemen be and they are appointed a Committee to examine the Income and Expenditures of this Corporation and to consider and report their Opinion to the next General Assembly what Measures it may be necessary to adopt to prevent a farther Accumulation of Debt and to enable the Treasurer to make Payment of just Demands Vizt The Major and Sheriffs Alderman John Ackland George Armstrong Ralph Smyth and Anthony Sillery Burton Tandy Edwd Fairtlough Barthw Van Homrigh and Robt Pollock Esqrs

Accots & Petition

Ordered that the following Accounts and Petition laid before this Assembly be referred to and examined and reported

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reported on by the said Committee

Chas. Evans' Acct. for Printing Work from Mich.s 1795 to Michs. 1796 — £92.4.3½

Geo. North's 2 Accts. for Iron Mongery one for £24.9.2 the other £8.1.7½ — 32:10:9½

Messrs. Evans & Smith for lighting Lamps &c — 75:13:2

Alderman Evans' Accts. for sundry Articles — 13:5:5

idem — Taylor and Fogerty Apothecaries for Medicines for Prisoners — 15:13:5½

John Fairtough's Acct. relative to Bells got for St. Peters' Church — 51.17.4

Nicholas Kelly's Acct. for repairing Strand Road — 5:0:0

Rev.d Joseph Fairtough's Petition

The Assembly adjourned to Monday the 10.th of May next at twelve O'Clock the first Business then to be proceeded on to be the Disposal of the Common's Rents for the ensuing Year

Ass.ly adjourned — The above Assembly was further adjourned to Monday the 29.th May at 12 O'Clock.

further adjourned — The said Assembly was further adjourned to Tuesday the 6.th June next at 12 O'Clock

An Adjournm.t — At an Adjournment of Easter General Assembly held the 6.th June 1797 before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present

report of the Committee to lie over for — The Committee appointed last General Ass.y the 28.th April to examine the Income and Expenditures of the Corporation and to consider and report what Measures it may be necessary to adopt to prevent a further Accumulation of Debt and to enable

for the Consid.n of next Gen.l Ass.ly — enable the Treasurer to make Payment of just Demands having laid before this Assembly their Report upon the said Business to them referred and the same being read it was thereupon ordered by this Assembly that the said Report do be over for the Consideration of next General Assembly

The following Accounts and Petition referred to the above mentioned Committee to examine and report upon to this Ass.y and their said Reports were severally agreed to and confirmed and are as follows

idem — Mr. Chas. Evans' Acct. and Affidavit for Printing Work from Michs. 1795 to Michs. 1796 — £92:4:3½

Report examined and allowed

allowed — Mr. Geo. North's two Accts. for Iron Mongery one for £.24:9:4 the other £8:1:7½ — 32:10:9½

Report examined and allowed

Messrs. Evans' and Smith's for lighting Lamps &c. 75:13:2

Report examined and allowed

Alderman Evans' Acct. for sundry Articles 13:5:5

Report — The Committee are of Opinion that the Sum of £.2:12 being the Amount of a Bill furnished by Beaver Blacker on the 29.th Sept.r 1795 for Wax Candles shou.d be deduct.d from the above account

£13:5:5
10:13:5

Remains to be paid Mr. Evans

Messrs. Taylor and Fogerty Apothecaries for Medicines for Provisions &c — £15:13:5½

Report examined & Allowed

Nich.s Kelly's Acct. for repairing the Strand Road — 5:0:0

Report examined and allowed

Mr.

Mr. John Fairtlough his Acct. relative to Bells for St. Peter's Church — £51:17:4

Report — The Committee are of Opinion that as no correct Acct. of Subscriptions has yet been furnished by Mr. Fairtlough nor is it all clear to them that this Corporation are bound to make good any Deficiency which might appear therein having by Order of Assembly the 15th Jan.y 1796 discharged him from his Debt to them

Report

Rev.d Joseph Fairtlough's Petition for Assistance

Report — "Examined and disallowed Memorialist "not having any Claim whatsoever on this Corp.n

Barth.w Van Homrigh Esq.r Petition on Behalf of the younger Children of John Van Homrigh Esq.r deceased

Report — "The Committee are of Opinion that "the Sum of £24:10 is a reasonable Compensation "to the younger Children of the late Ald.r Van "Homrigh for their Interest under the Will of the "late Anthony Marshall of and to the premises "without Dulech Gate

Midsummer Post Assembly 1797

At a Post Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 12th July 1797

The Several Petitions laid before this Assembly were read and disposed of

Midsummer Gen.l Ass.y 1797

At a General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being

being present the 14th July 1797

Answer of Doctor Moylan on being presented his Freedom

Mr. Mayor having Acquainted this Assembly that having transmitted the Freedom Box and Fiat voted by this Corporation on the 17th Jan.y last to the Rev.d Doctor Francis Moylan R. C. Bishop of Corke as a Mark of our Esteem for his pious Exertions and excellent Exhortations to the Roman Catholic Inhabitants of his Diocese for promoting the Peace and good Order at the Moment of a threatened Invasion He received from that Gentleman the following Answer

To William Jones Esq.r Mayor of Drogheda

Sir

I cannot sufficiently express the Sentiments of Gratitude I feel on the Honor conferred on me by the Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses & Commons of Drogheda in their unanimous Vote of the Freedom of their Town for my Exertion and Exhortation to the Roman Catholic Inhabitants of this Diocese for promoting Peace and good Order at the Moment of threatened Invasion

In addressing my Flock at that awfull & most critical Juncture on the Line of Conduct which they should and am happy to be able to say they did observe; I only complied with the Obligations of the Station I fill in Regard to them and with the Principles of Duty and Affection I Owe to my King and my Country

The Approbation of so respectable a Body of Fellow Subjects as the Corporation of the ancient and opulent Town of Drogheda must greatly enhance the Satisfaction arising from a conscientious Discharge of Duty. I am, I could not but be, highly flattered and gratified by it. I beg Leave therefore to request they will accept thro' their worthy Chief Magistrate my best Thanks and warmest Acknowledgements I have Sir the Honor of being with sincere Wishes for your Welfare and Happiness and for the Prosperity of the Town of Drogheda

Your much Obliged
& most Obed.t Servant
F. Moylan R. C. B. of Cork

Corke June 23.d 1797

to be three times published

Ordered by this Assembly that the foregoing Vote Address & Answer be three Times published in the Cork and Drogheda Journal

The Town Clerke having laid before this Assembly a Letter to him from James Metcalf Esq.r one of the Sheriffs elect for the ensuing Year desiring to be excused from serving said Office on paying a Fine

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Jam.s Metcalf Esq.r excus.d from serv.g Sheriff

Fine, It is therefore ordered that the said James Metcalf be excused from serving said Office on paying a Fine of Fifty Guineas

any person declining to serve Mayor or Sheriff to pay a Fine of £200

Resolved unanimously that in future any Person Elected to serve the Office of a Mayor who shall decline to serve said Office shall pay a Fine of Two Hundred Pounds and that any Person elected to serve the Office of Sheriff who shall decline serving same shall pay a Fine of One Hundred Pounds

Spec.l Gen.l Aff.ly to be held to Elect a Sheriff

Ordered that a special General Assembly be held on the 24.th Day of July Instant for the Purpose of electing a Sheriff for the ensuing Year in the Room of James Metcalf Esq.r who has been excused from serving that Office

4 freemen admitted

Henry Head of the City of Dublin Stone Cutter Son of John Head deceased Thomas Fergusson of the same Gent. Son of William Ferguson Att.y and Austin Wynne of Ballyboy in the County of Meath Son of Thomas Wynne deceased were admitted free Members by Birth and Patrick Adair of Drogheda Shopkeeper was admitted a free Member by Service on their several Petitions to this Assembly on the usual Terms.

3 freemen admitted

Philip Brabazon of Carrstown in the County of Louth Esq.r the Rev.d John Barlow of Dundalk in the County of Louth Clerk and Beaver Blacker of the Town of Drogheda Grocer upon their several Petitions were admitted free Members on paying a Fine of Five Guineas & the usual Fees

Mr. Thos. Taylor appointed assistant to the Charitable Surgery

Ordered that Mr. Thomas Taylor be and he is hereby appointed an Assistant to the charitable Surgery with a Sallary of ten Guineas per Annum

2 Admissions to St. Johns Poor House

Esther Roche and Jane Morris upon their Petitions are admitted into St. Johns Poor House

adjourned

Adjourned to the 15.th Augt. next for the Purpose of disposing of the Commons Money and other Business left undone at this Assembly

Spec.l Gen.l Aff.ly

At a special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 24.th July 1797 for the Purpose of electing a Sheriff for the ensuing Year in the Room of James Metcalf who is excused from serving that Office

Sheriff Elect

Nich.s Metcalf Esq.r is elected to serve Sheriff of this Corporation for the ensuing Year from Michaelmas Day

Day next along with Rich.d Jebb Esq.r in the Room of James Metcalf Esq.r

Election to be Certified

Ordered that the Election of the Mayor and Sheriffs for the ensuing Year be forthwith certified to Government for Approbation

Special Post Gen.l Aff.ly

At a special ~~General~~ Post Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen ~~and Common Council~~ being present the 30.th Day of August 1797 pursuant to a Notice duly posted for the Purpose of electing an Alderman

an Alderman Elect.d

Barth.w Van Homrigh Esq.r is elected an Alderman of this Corporation in the Room of Joseph Holmes late an Alderman of the same dec.d pursuant to Notice duly posted and the said Barth.w Van Homrigh was sworn an Alderman of this Corp.n accordingly

Spec.l Post Aff.ly

At a special Post Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 15.th Day of Sept.r 1797 for the Purpose of electing an Alderman in the Room of Jn.o Forbes Esq.r dec.d pursuant to a Notice duly posted

an Alderman Elect.d

Geo. M.cEntegart Esq.r is elected an Alderman of this Corp.n in the Room of John Forbes Esq.r late an Alderman of same dec.d pursuant to Notice

"Common Co.uncilman Sworn

1797 Sept.r 18.th This Day James Metcalf Esq.r was sworn a Common Councilman of this Corporation he having been elected to serve the Office of Sheriff for the ensuing Year and having paid Fifty Guineas Fine on being excused serving said Office

Alderman Sworn

1797 Sept.r 28.th This Day Geo. M.cEntegart Esq.r was sworn an Ald.n of this Corporation pursuant to his Election the 15 Inst.t

Spec.l Gen.l Aff.ly

At a special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 28.th Day of Sept.r 1797 for the Election of a Recorder of this Corporation in the Room of John Forbes Esq.r dec.d pursuant to Notice signed & posted by Mr. Mayor

Recorder Elected

Peter Van Homrigh Esq.r Councellor at Law was elected Recorder of this Corporation in the Room of Jn.o Forbes Esq.r late Recorder of the same deceased

Election to be Certified

Ordered that the Election of the said Peter Van Homrigh to the Office of Recorder of this Corporation be forthwith certified to Government for their Approbation

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Acts Compared

17[illegible] Sept.r 29.th The foregoing Acts of Assembly were compared before us and ordered to be entered in the Assembly Book

William Jones, Mayor

A.d Test

Townley B. Hardman, Nivian Rodgers } Sheriffs

William Holmes
John Ashland
Maurice Barlow
Anth.y Sillery

Rich.d Jebb

Stitchs Post Assy

At a Post Assembly held before Anthy Sillery Esq.r Richard Jebb & Nich.s Metcalfe Esq.rs Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 4.th day of October 1797

Petitions

Several Petitions laid before this Assembly were read and disposed of

Peter Van Homrigh Esq.r sworn Recorder

1797 Oct.r 5.th This day Peter Van Homrigh Councellor at Law was sworn Recorder of this Corporation in the Room of John Forbes Esq.r deceased pursuant to his Election

Stitchs Genl Assy

At a general Assembly held before the said Mayor & Comp.a & Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 6.th day of Oct.r 1797

Mayr Staple

Willm Jones Esq.r late Mayor was elected Mayor of the Staple & Justice of the Peace for the ensuing year

Constables of the Staple

Townley Blackwood Hardman & Nivian Rodger Esq.rs late Sheriffs are elected Constables of the Staple for the ensuing year & Sworn

The

Common Council Men

The said Townley Blackwood Hardman and Nivian Rodger are elected Common Councilmen & Sworn

Coroners

And the said Townley Blackwood Hardman & Nivian Rodger are elected Coroners & Sworn

Mast.r of the Guild

George Evans Esq.r is elected Master of the Guild for the ensuing year

Wardens of the Guild

Harry Brabazon Junr & George Tandy Esq.rs are elected Wardens of the Guild for the ensuing year

Treasr

Alderman William Holmes is elected Treasurer for the ensuing year

Officers of Sword & Mace

The Officers of the Sword & Mace & Marshal to Continue during the pleasure of this Corporation

Scauengers

Mr Mayor is Requested to Contract with such persons as he shall think proper to cleanse & Carry away the Dirt & Soil of the Streets and Lanes of this Town & of the Suburbs thereof, and Auenues thereto for the ensuing year to Commence from and after the 26.th day of October Inst.

Aud.rs & Viewers

Aldermen Edward Hardman Wm Gibbons John Ackland & James Scholes & Mess.rs Burton Tandy Edward Fairtlough John Leland George Elliott and Charles Evans are elected Auditors & Viewers for the ensuing year

Petn of Jam.s Davis for a new Lease

Upon the Petition of Mr. James Davis Hatter setting forth that he is now in possession of two Houses on the West side of Magdalen Street in this Town by virtue of a Lease made by this Corporation to Richard Cooper late of the same Wigmaker dec.d for 61 years from Easter 1748 at the yearly Rent of 11s 6d that the said Houses are in a ruinous State and the term of s.d Lease unexpired too short to induce him to Expend the Money necessary for improving them and praying a new Lease which Petition being referred to the Auditors & Viewers, and their report being now read It is thereupon ordered by this Assembly that thes.d Petr be and he is hereby granted a new Lease of the said premisses for 99 Years from Stitchs last at the yearly Rent of £ [illegible]

Granted

on his Surrendering the present Lease, and Covenanting to Rebuild within five years, and that Maps of the premiss.s be annexed to the new Leases

ord.d

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20 Gs to be pd Alicia Holmes in aid of Loss she sustained

Ordered that the Sum of Twenty Guineas be paid to Alicia Holmes Milliner as a Contribution from this Corpn in aid of the Loss she lately sustained by a Burglary & Robbery of Goods out of her House in West Street

Committee to ascertain the Recorders Right to Vote at Assembly of this Corporation

Resolved that Mr Mayor the Sheriffs & Recorder be a Committee to inspect the Books of this Corporation for the purpose of ascertaining the Right of the Recorder to vote at the Meetings of this Corporation, and that they have Access to the Books of this Corporation for that purpose

proceedings of Bo: Assy 15 Septr last illegal ---

Resolved that it is the opinion of this Assembly that the proceedings of the last Assembly of the 15th Sept. last on the Election of Alderman in the Room of John Forbes have been illegal and Contrary to Usage and Custom

proper Steps to be taken to annul same

Resolved therefore that the proper Steps be forthwith at the Cost of this Corporation to annul the said proceedings of the 15th September by such legal proceedings as shall be advised and that the following Members be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to carry this Resolution into Effect Ralph Smyth William Gibbons Burton Tandy James Scholes and Franc Elliot Esqrs

The following Accounts for Debts duely this Corpn to the undermanted Persons were laid before this Assembly & allowed viz.

Debts due to diffr persons allowed

Onslow Williamsons Account & Affidt for Repairing the Road from the foot of Dublin Hill to St James's without St James's Gate £5

Revd John Graves's Account & Affidt for building a Culvert on the Road near Carntown 1:17:10

Henry Smith Brazier his Accot & affidt of a Ballance for sundry Articles 10:9:2½

Pat M Granes Account & affidt for Balle due for Repairing the Road to the Tuenties with Westgate 33:6:9

Geo: Jones Cabinet Maker his Accot for diffr Articles £4:1:9½ affidt to be made that the Work was done & the Charges just

Wm

Wm Armits Accot of a Balle due to him for News Papers £7:16

Accots referred to the Audrs & Viewers

The following Accounts were Referred to the Audors & Viewers to examine and Report viz.

James Davis's Account for Hatts &c for Officers furnished at Ottacks 1796 £11:3:2

John Flinns Accounts for Glazing Work 10:19:6

William Wrights Accounts & affidt for Sand delivered & for paving Work 5:12:2

Edwd Hardman's Account for Wine 4:11

Geo Nath Accot & affidt for Iron Work 6:13:2

Michl Stanleys Account for Wine 8:16:7½

Adjourned

This Assembly adjourned to Monday the 16th Octob. Instt

Adjournmt of Genl Assy

At an Adjournment of the said last General Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 16th day of October 1797

Petns for Commons Money Referred to a Committee

The several Petitions for Commons Money being now Read Resolved that they be Referred to the undernamed Gentlemen, who or any five of them are appointed a Committee to examine into the merits of the allegations of them, and Report to a Special Genl Assembly on the 31st augt Instant Viz.t Mr Mayor Aldn Gibbons Major Faintlough Al. Faintlough Wm Barry Brabazon John Faintlough John Regan John Jones and Alexr Irwin

Sealg Day

Tuesday the 31st Octr Instt is appointed a Sealing Day for Corporation Leases

Servts of the Crown interfering in Elections

Resolved that it is the opinion of this Assembly that an interference highly unconstitutional and dangerous to the Rights of Election has been exercised by the Servants of the Crown on the late Contest for the Town of Drogheda

Freedom not to be granted to placemen &c

Resolved that in future the freedom of this Corporation shall not be granted to any Lord Lieutenants suite nor to any person holding place or Pension during pleasure under the Crown

adjourned to the 31st October Instant

At

Spl Genl Assly

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 31st day of October 1797 pursuant to a Requisition & Summons to consider of granting the freedom of the Corpn to the Rt Honble Lord Viscount Gosford

Freedom presented to Lord Gosford

Resolved unanimously that the Freedom of this Corporation be presented in a silver Gilt Box to the Rt Honble Lord Viscount Gosford Colonel of the Armagh Regiment of Militia In Testimony of the high sense we entertain of his public Conduct and private worth and that same be presented by the Mayor Sheriffs Recorder & Alderman Van Homrigh and that this Resolution and his Lordships Answer be three times published in the Dreoghedа Journal

Assly adjourned

The last General Quarterly Assly which was adjourned to this day the 31st Octr Inst. 1797 is further adjourned to Monday the 13th day of Novembr next

May. Staple & Justice of the Peace Sworn

1797 Novr 25 This day Alderman Wm Jones was Sworn Mayor of the Staple & Justice of the Peace pursuant to his Election last Stticks Genl Assly

Spec. Genl Assly for settling the Commons Money

At a Special General Assembly held before the Rt Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 6th day of December 1797 for the purpose of settling the Commons Money

Recr of the Comons Rents

Ant. Tilley Esq. (the present Mayor) and Lancelot Fisher Esq. the present Receivers of the Rents of the Commons having laid before this Assembly their account, It appears therefrom that the following is a true Statement thereof Viz.

Amount

their accot

Amount of the years Rents Recd to & for Easr 1796	£206:17:6½
Amount of the years Pensions granted at Easr Assly 1796 for the year ended Stticks 1796	206:5:6
	12:–
Amount of the years Rents to & for Easter last 1797	305:10:9½
Amount of the years Pensions for the year ended Stticks last 1797 being the same as those that were granted & paid the preceding year save only that Ann Biggs was ord. and paid the Pension that was late Ann Shippabottom	306:2:10 / 206:5:6
Ballce in their Hands	Ballce now in their hands £99:17:4

Ordered that the Sum of Twenty Guineas be paid by Mr. Mayor out of the above Ballance of the Commons Rents now in his Hands towards the Support of Alderman John Ackland

Ordered that the following persons be paid the Sums to their names respectively annexed by Mr. Mayor & Mr. Fisher Receivers of the Commons Rents out of the above mentioned Ballce now in their hands viz.

Robt. young Shoemaker	£5
Alicia Holmes Widw	5
John Eccleston	5
Marg.t Aston for Ann Sawkill	5
Abigail Buenker	3
Widw Hatchett	3
Jane Blithe	3
Mary Elliott & Child	4
Cath.e Holland Daughter of Jn.o Holland late Assly	3
Ann Reilly alis Fairtough Widw	7
Joseph Roel	5
Mary Kegan	2
Ann Biggs & Child.n Wife of Jam.s Biggs	5
James Crawford Taylor	5
Thos. Winslow Carpenter	5
Gertrude Brunton	5
Widw Appleyard	4
Widw Woodhouse	3
	£77

The above Ballce disposed of

At

Po Afs.ly

At a Post Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 10th day of Janry 1798

Petitions

Several Petitions laid before this Assembly were read & disposed of

Gent. Afs.ly

At a General Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 12th Janry 1798

A Commiss.r elected for the Port

Alderman Geo Evans was Elected one of the Commissioners for improving the Port & Harbour of this Town in the Room of Edward Hardman Esq.r one of the Members of Parliament for this County

3 freemen Admitted

Caleb Barnes & John Barnes Esq.rs Sons of Caleb Barnes Esq.r are admitted free Members by Birth and John Skekleton Junr. of Drogheda Gent is admitted a free Member by Special favor on their Several Petitions on the usual Terms

Acts of Assembly to be transcribed y.rly

Resolved unanimously that in future the Acts of each Assembly be always transcribed into the Assembly Book previous to the Succeeding Quarter Assembly Day and read upon the opening of said Assembly

£50 p.r ann granted to the Chief Majistrate

Resolved unanimously that the Sum of Fifty Pounds heretofore granted to the Chief Magistrate of this Corporation in addition to the perquisites arising from the Crane be paid to William Jones Esq.r the late Mayr. and to the present and all Succeeding Mayors of Drogheda

Doctor Greene appointed to the Charitable Surgery

Resolved unanimously that Doctor James Greene be & he is hereby appointed one of the Physicians to the Charitable Surgery in this Town in the Room of the late Doctor James Reilly dec.d at the usual Sallary

Resolved

Mr. Mayor to distrain Tenants in Arrear

Resolved unanimously that the Mayor for the time being be & he is hereby required by this Assembly to distrain all Lands Tenements & premisses belonging to this Corporation from time to time for all Rent & Arrears of Rent now or hereafter to become due to this Corp.n thereout over and above one half year's Rent

Adjourned to Thursday next

Adjournm.t of Gen.l Afs.ly

At an Adjournment of the above last mentioned General Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 18th Janry 1798

£51..17..4 a Ball.ce due to Mr. Jno Fairtlough for Bells & ord.d to be paid

Resolved unanimously that the Sum of Fifty one Pounds Seventeen Shillings & Fourpence be paid to Mr. John Fairtlough in full of a Ballance due to him on account of the Bells of St. Peters Church

Two Cracked Bells to be Sold

Resolved unanimously that the two Cracked Bells now in the Tholsel be Sold & the amount brought to the Credit of the Corp.n Account

Surrender of Lease to be accepted from Ald.n Fairtlough

Upon the Memorial of Alderman Oliver Fairtlough It is ordered that a Surrender of his Lease from this Corp.n of old Walls & premisses in Bessex Well Lane be accepted & that he be exonerated from the Arrear of Rent now due to this Corp.n thereout being twelve years Rent at Easter last 97 at £5 p.r ann

Memisses to be Set

Ordered that the above Holding in Bessex Well Lane be advertized & Set by Auction at the Tholsel in the usual manner by the Mayor for 99 years from the 25th March next

Premisses Set

1798 March 12th The above mentioned lot of Ground in Bessex Well Lane was this day Set by Cant at the Tholsel to Henry Pentland the highest bidder for £9: 17: 6 a year for 99 years from the 25th March next (98) one half of said Rent to be fined off at 10 years purchase

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Easter Term Aſs.G

At a General Assembly held the 20th April 1798 Before Anto Sibley Esq. Mayor Richd Jebb & Nr. Metcalf Esqrs. Sheriffs The Aldermen & Common Council being present

Mayr Elect

Alderman Bartw Van Homrigh is elected Mayor for the ensuing Year from Michs day next according to the Rule of Succession

Sheriffs Elect

Beaver Van Homrigh & John Tandy Esqrs are elected Sheriffs of this Corpn for the ensuing year from Michaelmas Day next

Election certified

Ordered that the Election of the Mayor & Sheriffs be forthwith certified to Governmt for their Approbation

Minutes of Aſs to be entd in a bound Book & signed by the Mayor

Resolved unanimously that in future the Minutes of the Proceedings of each and every Corporate Meeting be entered in a bound Book & read by the Town Clerke and signed by the Chief Magistrate before the Assembly dissolves & Compared by his Worship with the Assembly Book at the opening of the Corpn before any other busines is proceeded on

no Grant of Money until proposed at one Aſs & Confirmed at the next

Resolved unanimously that no Grant of Money of any Nature or kind whatsoever, either by Debenture or otherwise shall in future be made without being first proposed at one Quarterly Assembly & agreed to at the next Quarter Assembly

a free Man admitted

John Cooper of Beamore in the County of Meath Esqr is admitted a free Member of this Corpn by special favor

idem

Robert Norman of Liverpoole in the Kingdom of Great Britain Esqr is admitted a free Member of this Corpn by Birth on the usual terms

Annty of 30 Gs to the Widw of Aldn Josh Holmes

Ordered an Annuity of 30 Gs a year from Michs last out of the Commons Money to Alicia Holmes als Tairtlough Widw of Aldn Joseph Holmes

ord.

Ordered that the following Persons be paid the following Sums to their Names respectively annexed out of the Rents of the Commons for the present year Commencing at Michs last & ending at Michs next that is to say

Pensioners on the Commons List

	L. s. d.
Rectors of St Johns Pon for Turze of the Commons	8 — —
Jane Blithe als Elliott	5 — —
Adam Johnsons Wife	4 — —
Ann Simpson Widw	4 — —
Widw of Jno Woodhouse	3 — —
Widw of Robt Hachett	5 — —
Mary Humphrys	3 — —
Widw of Mr Rencher	6 — —
Widw of Jams Shortell	5 — —
Ann Humphryson	5 — —
Widw of Mr Knight	4 — —
Sam. Hale	4 — —
Mary Eckland	6 : 16 : 6
Widw of Michl Brooks	4 — —
Martha Blakeney	4 — —
Widw of Bnab. Courtney	4 — —
Mary Widw of Jams Regan	5 — —
Gertrude Brenton	4 — —
Tho. Tonge	4 — —
Widw of Chas Elliott	4 — —
do of Zach. Rencher	4 — —
Sus.a Lyster Junr. Junr	2 — —
Robt Harrison	5 — —
Mary Holland	4 — —
Ann Appleyard	1 : 10 —
Mary Hughes Widw	3 — —
Ann Eckland	6 : 15 —
Priscilla Cleapem als Reany	4 — —
Ann Dowdall Widw	5 — —
2 Younger Childn of Wm M Cartney	4 — —
Alice Jones Widw of Con. Jones	6 — —
	£ 137 - 1 - 6

Carried forw.d £ 137 - 1 - 6

Marg.t Bourke als Robinson	5 — —
Leonard Shortelle	3 — —
Widw of Robt Chambers	3 — —
Jana Bremer als Bagnal	2 — —
John Appierson	3 : 10 —
Geo M.Integart for Sam.l Martin Child	11 : 7 : 6
Cath.e Goodwin Widw	2 — —
Mary Dia Widw	2 — —
Eliz.th Regan Widw	5 — —
Ann Reilly Widw	10 —
Edw.d Robinson	5 —
Mary Widw of Edw.d Chambers	5 — —
Judith Turney	6 : 16 : 6
Tho.s Winslow	6 — —
Mary Thornton Widw of Geo:	5 — —
Marg.t Watson	10 —
Ann Ross als Brenton	5 — —
Ann Blithe Widw	5 — —
Cath.e Holland	5 —
William Cooke of Dublin	5 — —
Edw.d Brenton	5 — —
Joseph Roe	5 — —
Mary Regan	5 — —
Ann Biggs Wife of Jas	6 — —
Jams Crawford	5 — —
Rich.d Quash	5 — —
Jam.s M. Cartney	5 — —
Robt Young	5 — —
John Eccleston	5 — —
Marg.t Aston on behalf of Ann Lawkill	5 — —
Ann Biggs Widw	4 — —
	£ 296 - 15 - 6

Mrs Gibson to be paid an arrear

Ordered that Mrs Gibson be paid an Arrear of one years Pension due to Mrs Moffit dec.d

Mr Blackburne & Mrs Nugent Rent of Prior Park

Ordered that the years Rent of Prior Park due Michs last be paid to Mrs Blackburne £6 & to Mrs Nugent £2

Corpn Accots to be printed

Resolved that the Accounts of this Corpn be forthwith printed Commencing at Michs 1794 & Ending at Michs 1797

Adjourned to Monday the 4th May next

Aff.y adjourned to 4 May 1798

1798 May 4th Adjournm.t of last Gen.l Assembly held this day before

Anth.y Sillery Esq.r Mayor
Rich.d Jebb & } Sheriffs
Nich.s Metcalf Esq.r }
The Aldermen & Comon Co.l being present

Pet.ns for Commons Money

15 Petitions Relative to Commons Money postponed to next Gen.l Post Assembly

Mary Hughes ordered 5 Guineas

5 Guineas Ordered to be paid Mary Hughes out of the Commons Money

Report of Committee appointed 28 April 1797

The Report of the Committee appointed 28.th April 1797 Read, and thereupon the follow.g Resolutions passed unanimously

Exp.s of the Goal to be paid by the Co.y

Resolved that the Expences attending the Goal of this Town & County be not paid by this Corp.n from & after the 1.st Jan.y next, and that this Resolution be laid before the Grand Jury at the next General Assizes that they may make provision for Same to be raised by Presentment of this County

Exp.s of the Watch to be paid by the Inhabitants

Resolved that the Expences of the Watch establishm.t of this Town or any Charge Relative thereto shall not be paid or borne by this Corporation from and after this next, and that all such Expences from thenceforth shall be levied and paid by the Inhabitants pursuant to Act of Parliament

Streets to be paved at the Expence of the Inhabitants

Resolved that the Expences for paving the Streets and Lanes of this Town shall not be paid by this Corp.n from & after the 1.st Sept.r next and that same sho.d and ought from thenceforth to be levied off the Inhabitants of this Town pursuant to Act of Parliament

levelling Rubbish on the Strand discontinued

£5:12:8 paid annually to Mary Magil for leveling Rubbish on the Strand is ordered to be discontinued

Parish Clerkes & Sextons Sal.ys cont.d

Parish Clerkes Sal.y of £6 & Sextons Sal.y of £3 continued

Bangleggars Sal.y discontinued

Bangleggars Sal.y to be discontinued from & after the 24.th June next

The

Sal.y for Pumps discontinued

The Annual Sal.y of £12 for keeping the Cross Pumps in Repair to be discontinued from & after the 24 June next

Sallary for Fire Engines altered

The Annual Sallary of £9:2 for keeping the Fire Engines in Repair to be discontinued, and M.r Mayor is empowered to get them repaired, and when repaired to order a sum not exceeding two Guineas to be paid Quarterly to Henry Smith provided he shall at least once in every three Months publickly exhibit them and shew that they are in perfect Order and Ready for any Emergency

M.rs Caldwell

Elizabeth Caldwells Sallary of £16 a year for taking Care of the new Meat Market is discontinued from and after the 24.th June next unless she shall to M.r Mayors Satisfaction for the time being do the bisiness effectually

Mayoralty House Keepers Sallary Continued

Frances Smiths Sallary of £10 a year for care of the Mayoralty House Continued

Geo: North's Sallary Cont.d

Geo North's Sallary of £20 a year for preventing Nuisances Contin.d, & he is hereby directed to keep Regular Lists of such Nuisances as he shall Report to the Chief Magistrate and lay a Duplicate thereof before every Quarter Assembly, and also before the Grand Jury at every Assizes

Chaplains Sal.y Continued

Rev.d Joseph Fairtoughs Sallary of £22:15 as Chaplain Continued

Judges Lodgings not to be paid for

Judges Lodgings not to be paid for by this Corp.n in future

Ring.g Bells not to be p.d for

The Expence of Ringing Bells not to be paid by this Corp.n

Lamps

The number of Lamps to be lighted at the expence of this Corp.n from this next not to Exceed 20

Printing

Expences for Printing not to exceed more than One Notice for the Gen.l Quarter Sessions no Notice of an adjournment, no Proclamation of the Mayors more than one Publication no Militia advertisements one Notice only for Sale of Gate customs

idem

no Advertisem.t whatever more than three times unless particularly ordered by the Gen.l Assembly

The Gen.l Assemblys & Adjournments not to be advertized

House Keeper of the Tholsel to be 4 Guineas Sal.y yearly from the 24.th June next

The Committees Report relative to Printing the Corp.n Accounts Nilled

The

Coals — That part of the Committees Report respecting Coals for the Tholsel & Mayoralty House Nilled

Treasr — That part of the Committees report respecting the Arrears of Rent due to the Corpn & for the Treas. to take Steps to ensue payment thereof Nilled

Rental to be printed — That part of the Report relative to the printing of a Rent Roll of the Estates of this Corpn setting forth the Dates Terms &c of the Underlenants Leases, to be executed

Report relative to the Corne Markt Nilled — That part of the Committees Report respecting the Gate Customs to be paid to the Treasurer of the committee for building the Corn Markt Nilled

report relative to the Water Customs post poned — That part of the Committees Report respecting the Water Customs, & that same be paid by Mr Collins to discharge the Interest Money due by this Corpn postponed

Report post poned — That part of said Report recommending the appointmt of a Committee of five for the purposes therein mentioned Postponed

idem — And that part of the said Report recommending the Collecting & printing the several Orders made for paymt of Money is also postponed

£20 Ordered to repair Dulcek St &c — Ordered that a Sum not exceeding £20 be paid for Repairing Dulcek Street & part of Barrack Hill containing 54 perches Henry Smith & Geo Armstrong Esqrs Mayor Duff & Thos Stafford Overseers

Spec. Gen. Assly — At a Special General Assembly held before the said Anthony Sillery Esqr Mayor Richd Jebb & Nichs Metcalf Esqrs Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 12th June 1798

Subscriptions to defend the Town — Resolved unanimously that the following Gentlemen be & they are hereby appointed a Committee to collect Subscriptions for putting this Town in a proper State of defence at this Critical Juncture that is to say - Mr Mayor The Sheriffs Mr Burton Jandy Mr Harry Brabazon Alderman Barlow Alderm Fairtough William Doctor Fairtough & Mr Shekleton & Mr Recorder is appointed their Treasr

Spec. Gen. Assembly — At a Special Gen. Assembly held before the said Anto Sillery Esqr Mayor Richd Jebb & Nichs Metcalf Esqrs Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 12th June 1798

Mem. to the Ld Lieut — The following Memorial to his Excellency the Lord Lieut. of this Kingdom being laid before this Assembly, the same is approved of And it is ordered that it be forthwith Sealed & transmitted to His Excellency

To His Excellency Earl Camden, Lord Lieut. Gen. & Gen. Governor of Ireland

The Memorial of the Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses & Commons of His Majestys Town and County of the Town of Drogheda

Sheweth That since the departure of the Fermanagh Militia, this Town has been left with only two Companies of the Carlow Militia, which with one Company of yeomen Infantry Containg 100 Men & a Troop of Cavalry containing 52 Men and a detachment of a neighbouring Troop of Thirty form its only defence

Mem. — That in peaceable times the Town was seldom left with less than four Companies of Regulars; That from Expresses, Escorts and Guards, few Men could be brought to resist the Rebels should they make an Attack

That the Inhabitants of this Town & Suburbs, Amount to nearly 30, 000 many of whom are notoriously disaffected

Your Memorialists therefore Submit to your Excellency's Consideration that 500 Regulars at least are in the present Situation of Affairs necessary for the defence of this Important Town And further Submit to your Excellency the propriety of allowing the Militia or Yeomen the use of two pieces of Cannon formerly belonging to the Volunteers, at present in the Ordnance Stores in the Castle of Dublin

In Testimony whereof we have hereunto affixed our Common Seal this 12th Day of June 1798

Ad. Test. — The foregoing was forwarded to the Rt. Honble Lord Castlereagh Secy of State at Dublin

At

Spec.l Genl. Afs.ly for giving up the Meat Markt. to the Cavalry

At a special Genl. Assembly held before the said Mayor Sillery Esq.r Mayor Rich.d Jebb & Nich.s Metcalf Esq.rs Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 7th. July 1798 for the purpose of giving to Col.o Maxwell of His Majestys Regim.t of Dumfries Fencible Cavalry now quartered here every accommodation that this Corporation can, in the Shambles in the new Meat Markett at the new Quay for their Horses &c.

Committee to report thereon

Major Fairtlough Mr. Harry Brabazon Mr. Burton Tandy Doctor Fairtlough & Alderman Van Homrigh are appointed a Committee to examine into the State of the new Meat Markett & the Leases in being thereof, & to report same to next Genl. Assembly

Post Afs.ly

At a Quarterly post Assem.bly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 11.th July 1798

Petns

Fifteen petitions relative to Common's Money postponed by last General Quarterly Assembly to this Post Assembly are now referred to next General Assembly

Genl. Afs.ly

At a General Quarter Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 13.th July 1798

Petns for Commons Money Referred

Fifteen petitions for Common's Money are referred to the Consideration of next Easter General Afs.bly

Mary Regan admitted into St. John's Poor house

Mary Regan, Widow upon her Petition is admitted into St. Johns Poor house

Anth.y Allen ord.d to be p.d for ringing Bells

Ant.o Allen's Bill for £ 2.. 16.. 10½ for ringing and repairing of Bells is allowed of and ordered to be paid

Resolved unanimously that it appears to the Satisfaction of this Assembly that John Cain [illegible] Town of Drogheda perriwig Maker and Hair Dresser has broken the Oath of Allegiance taken by every Freeman on his Admission to the Freedom of this Corporation & that said Cain is a perjured Traitor; it is therefore unanimously resolved that John Cain be and he is disfranchised of all the privileges of a Freeman of this Corporation

John Cain Disfranchised

Afs.ly adjourned

Adjourned to Wednesday next the 18.th July inst. at 12 O'Clock at the Mayoralty House

Adjournm.t of Genl. Afs.ly

At an Adjournment of Midsummer General Assembly held the 18th July 1798 before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Alder & Common Council being present

Upon the Memorial of the Master Wardens and Brethren of the Fraternity of Carpenters setting forth that by the death of John Regan late one of their Common Councilmen there is a Vacancy and returning James Regan, Thomas Winslow & Matt.w Ruxton three free Brothers thereof one of whom to be elected in his room, the said James Regan is elected by this Assembly a Common Councilman for the said Fraternity and being called in was sworn accordingly

Jas. Regan elected a Comon Co.l Man & Sworn

The following Acco.ts and Memorials relative to the Demands on this Corporation were referred to the Auditors & Viewers to examine and report viz

Accounts &c. referred to the Audrs & Viewers

Geo. North's Accot for Iron Mongery .... £ 3.. 8.. 7

Mich.l Stanley's Memorial for Wine delivered in the Mayoralty of Ald.r Evans ..... £ 8.. 16.. 7½

Pat.k Carney's Memorial for Payment of Sand delivered by William Wright .....

Walls of the Meat Markt.

Resolved that the Stalls of the Meat Markett on the New Quay at the Foot of Stockwell Lane are the Property of this Corporation

Resolved unanimously that the Mayor and Sheriffs do on Behalf of this Corporation wait upon Col.o Maxwell

Maxwell and assure him of their Readiness to accommodate him with the Shambles and also in every other Matter as far as in their Power lies

Old Chappel out West Gate

Resolved unanimously that the Mayor and Sheriffs wait on General Weymes the Commanding Officer in this Town and offer him on Behalf of the Corporation their Concerns called the Old Chappel outside West Gate for the Accommodation of the Soldiers

Assembly of Aldermen

At an Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 26th Sept 1798

Burton Tandy Esq elected an Alderman

Burton Tandy Esquire was unanimously elected an Alderman of this Corporation in the Room of John Ackland Esquire late an Alderman of the same pursuant to Notice duly posted

Acts Compared Ad Test

29th Sept 1798 The foregoing acts of Assembly were this day compared before us and ordered to be Entered in the Assembly Book as usual

Arthy Sillery, Richd Jebb, Nicholas Metcalf, Barthw Van Homrigh, Maurice Barlow, Wm Holmes

Post Assembly

At a Quarterly Post Assembly held before Barthw Partington Van Homrigh Esq Mayor and Beaver Van Homrigh and John Tandy Esq Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 3d day of October 1798

Petns

Several Petitions laid before this Assembly were read and disposed of

Recorders right of Voting at the Assy

Peter Van Homrigh Esq Recorder of this Corporation claimed at this Assembly a Right of Voting thereat by Virtue of his Office, which Claim was admitted by this Assembly but he declined Voting

Burton Tandy Esq Sworn an Alderman

Same day Burton Tandy Esq was sworn an Alderman of this Corporation pursuant to his Election the 26 Ulto

Michs Genl Assly

At a General Quarter Assembly held before the said Barthw Partington Van Homrigh Esq Mayor Beaver Van Homrigh and John Tandy Esq Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 5th Octr 1798

Mayor of the Staple

Anthy Sillery Esq late Mayor was elected Mayor of the Staple and Justice of the Peace for the ensuing year and sworn

Constables of the Staple

Richard Jebb and Nicholas Metcalf Esqrs late Sheriffs are elected Constables of the Staples for the ensuing Year and the latter was Sworn

Common Cl

The said Richard Jebb and Nicholas Metcalf are elected Common Councilmen and the latter was Sworn

Coroners

And the said Richard Jebb and Nicholas Metcalf are elected Coroners for the ensuing year and the latter was sworn

Mast of Guild

Wm Jones Esq is elected Master of the Guild for the ensuing year

Wardens of Guild

Townley Blackwood Hardman and Ninian Rodgers Esquires are elected Wardens of the Guild for the ensuing year

Treasurer

Aldn William Holmes is elected Treasurer for the Ensuing Year

Officers

The Officers of the Sword & Mace and Marshall to continue during the Pleasure of this Corporation

Cleansing Streets

Mr Mayor is requested and impowered to contract with such Persons as he shall think proper to cleanse and carry away the dirt and Soil of the Streets and Lanes of this Town and of the Suburbs thereof and of the Avenues thereto for the ensuing year to commence from and after the 26th day of October inst

Auditors & Viewers

Aldermen Edward Hardman, William Gibbons, James Scholes and Burton Tandy and Messrs Edward Fairbrough John Leland George Elliott Charles Evans and John Shekelton Common Councilmen are Elected Auditors & Viewers for the Ensuing Year

Aldn

2 Commissioners for improveing the Harbour

Aldermen Ralph Smyth and Burton Tandy are elected Commissioners for improveing the Port and Harbour of Drogheda in the room of Aldr Geo. Scholales resigned and of Aldr John Ackland dec.d

Recorder claims a right to vote at the Assembly — opinion of Council to be taken thereon

Peter Van Homrigh Esq.r Recorder of this Corporation claimed at this Assembly a right to Vote thereat, Which Claim this Assembly not feeling themselves competent to decide upon, It was resolved that a Case be laid before Counsellor Sawin for his opinion thereon

Free Member admitted

Edw.d Hale Gibbons, Gent. Son of Aldr William Gibbons on his Petition is admitted a free Member by Birth on the usual Terms

Grants to four Widows of 2 Gui.s each out of Common's Rents

Mary Dix, Widow of Benj.n Dix, Ann Simpson Widow of Thomas Simpson, Mary Kane otherwise Brooks widow of John Kane and Jane Elliott Widow of John Elliott are ordered two Guineas each out of the Commons Rents and their petitions are referred to next Easter Gen.l Assembly's

Pension granted to Mary Young Widow

Mary Young Widow of Rob.t Young dec.d upon her Petition is ordered the Pension on the Common's List that was lately granted to her said late Husband and her Name to be inserted instead of his on said List

Dr Fairtlough to be paid £13.6

Ordered that Doctor Edward Fairtlough be paid £13.6 being so much paid by him to Chas White for Bread delivered for Prisoners in the Goal from the 14.th July to the 30.th Sept.r last

Mr Jas Metcalf to be paid £6.5.1½ for paveing St Johns Street

Ordered that James Metcalf Esquire be paid £6.5.1½ being so much he lately paid to Matw Smith and others for paveing St. John's Street

Accounts referred to the Auditors & Viewers

The following Acco.ts for Demands upon this Corporation were laid before this Assembly and referred to the Auditors and Viewers to examine and report them to the Gen.l Quarter Assembly viz.t

James Fitzsommons's Acco.t for Cloth for Serjeants Cloaks &c £.25.7.3 got in Sept.r 1797

James

James Stafford's Acco.t & Affidavit for repaireing Barrack Lane and Duleck Street £20.9

Richard Courtney's Acco.t for repaireing a Gullet at Duleck Gate £3

Wm Armstrong's Acc.t for Carpentry Work done in July 1796 £3.1.2½

Henry Smith's Acc.t for Tin, Lead and other Work to the 25.th Sept.r 1798 £10

Geo. North's Acc.t for Ironmongery &c. to the 1.st Oct.r inst. £2.7.10

Anthy Sillery Esq.r late Mayor Disbursements by him £0.19.6

James Lawson's Acco.t and Orders for painting & Glazing Work done in Nov.r & Dec.r last at the Mayoralty house transferred to Geo. Delahoyde £3.13.11 & £3.10.5 Total £7.4.4

Beaver Blacker's Acc.t for Wax Candles pec.d in 1788 Sir William O'Dogherty Mayor £3.2.4

Nich.s Kelly's Affd.t of the Expenditure of £5 granted by Wm Jones Esq.r Mayor in 1796 for repaireing Strand Road sworn 3.d Aug.t 1798 before Anthy Sillery £5

idem

Wm Jones Order on William Holmes Dated the 24.th Dec.r 1796 to Jas Lawson on acc.t of Work at the Mayoralty house £5.13.9

Wm Jones Order to Burton Tandy for two Barl.s of Beer Dated 3.d July 1797 £4

Wm Jones' Order on Wm Holmes to Matw Ruxton dated 6.th July 1797 for Beer to the Yeomen £3.11

Same ... on same 13.th March 1797 favr do for like 1.11

do ... do 6.th April 1797 favr Bern.d McCann } 9.15.4½
for repaireing Roof of Mayty house

John McCann's Accot &c. for repaireing the Crane & Goal } 4.17.2
18 Dec.r 1797 Anthy Sillery Mayor

do.s acco.t &c. for Repairs at Market house in Feb.y 1798 Dr May.r 4.18.2

Wm Armstrong's Accot &c. for Racks for Soldiers arms at Tholsel in June 1798 3.10.8½

Assembly adjourned

The Assembly was adjourned to Tuesday the 9.th Oct.r inst.

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Adjournmt of Genl Assembly

1798 Octr 9th At an Adjournment of last Genl Quarter Assembly held this day before the said Barthw Partington Van Homrigh Esqr Mayor Beaver Van Homrigh and John Tandy Esqr Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Councilmen being present

Accounts referred to the Auditors and Viewers to examine and report

The following Accots were laid before this Assembly and are referred to the Auditors Viewers to examine & report to next Genl Quarter Assembly - viz.t

Evans of John Fleming's Acct for Stationery from 1795 to 1796 Geo. Evans Mayor ..... £2..8..6

John Holland's Accot for Stationary for sept.r 1797 Wm Jones Mayor ..... £8..17..6

do.s accot for . do. from sept.r 1797 to sept.r 1798 Anth.y Sillery Mayor ..... £7..15..6½

Wm Skelly's Acct for Candles from Nov.r 1797 to Mich.s 1798 Anth.y Sillery Mayor ..... £38..0..5

James Napper Tandy disfranchised

Resolved unanimously that James Napper Tandy a free Member of this Corporation be disfranchised for being notoriously disaffected and disloyal to the King and Constitution and an Outlaw and for having lately appeared on the Coast of this Kingdom in a hostile Manner with a Body of French Troops sent to invade this Country

Engl. News Paper

Mr Mayor is impowered by this Assembly to write for an English Newspaper

Special Genl Assly

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 30th Octr 1798

Water Customs to be applied in discharge of Mrs Barlows Interest Money

Ordered that the Collector of the Water Customs do furnish an Accot at every Genl quarter Assembly of the produce of said Customs for the preceding Quarter And that the Ballce at present in his Hands shall be applied to the discharge of the Interest Money Due to the Miss Barlows, and that the future Produce of said Customs shall be applied in the same Manner until the Arrear of Interest now due to them shall be discharged

At

Special Genl Assly

At a special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 10th day of Novr 1798 pursuant to a Requisition and Summons issued for the Purpose of presenting the Earl of Enniskellen with the Freedom of the Corporation

Freedom presented to Earl Enniskillen

Resolved unanimously that the Freedom of this ancient and loyal Corporation be granted to the Right Honble the Earl of Enniskellen in a Silver Gilt box in Consideration of his spirited and upright Conduct during the Time he Commanded the Garrison of Drogheda and his uniform support and Adherence to the Laws & Constitution of this Country at all Times and particularly so during the present detestable and unnatural Rebellion

by the Mayor

Resolved that same be presented to the Earl of Enniskellen by the Worshipful the Mayor and such Members as choose to attend and that the said Resolution with his Lordships Answer be thrice published in the Dublin Journal and Dublin Evening Post

Spec.l Post Assembly

At a special Post Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 16 Jany 1799

Aldn Elected

Edwd Fairtlough Esqr M. D. is elected an Alderman of this Corpn in the room of Geo Schoales Esqr late an Aldn of the same pursuant to Notice

Post Assembly

At a Quarterly Post Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 16th Jany 1799

Petitions

Several Petns preferred to this Assembly were read & referred to next Genl Assembly

Genl Assly

At a Quarterly Genl Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sher.s the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 18 Jany 1799

Jas Sandiford's Petn for a new Lease

James Sandiford's Petn for Renewall of a Lease of Tenem.ts on the Old Corn Mark.t Hill & Land out Dulcek Gate Referred to the Auditors & Viewers to get the premises Surveyed & to report their Opinion to the next Genl Assembly

John

3 freemen admitted

John Elliott of Drogheda Cabinet makr & Arthur Holmes & Thos Holmes both of the same Weavers upon their Petns are admitted free Members by Special favor on the usual terms

Thomas Collins Junr admitted a free Member

Thos Collins of Drogheda Junr Gent on his Petn is admitted a free Member by Birth on the usual Terms

Frances M. Smith granted Liberty to Occupy the Gateway into the Meat Market

Frances Mary Smith on her Petn is allowed the Liberty of Occupying the Gateway into the Meat Market at the foot of Stockwell Lane adjoining her dwelling House during the pleasure of this Corpn

Vacancy in St Johns Poor House

Friendship M.Ginnies upon her Petn is admitted into St Johns Poor house

Repair of the Cowbage Bridge

Ordered that Mr Mayor be and is hereby impowered to draw on the Treas. for any Sum not exceeding £5 for Repairing of the Cowbage Bridge

Sheriffs to be repaid Expc of publishing Resolutions

Ordered that the Sheriffs be repaid the Expences of printing & publishing the Resolutions lately entered into by the freemen & freeholders of this County respecting an Union with Great Britain

Mr Mayor to enforce payment of the Rents

Ordered that Mr Mayor be & he is hereby impowered to take every legal proceeding by Ejectm.t Distress or otherwise that he shall think necessary to enforce the speedy payment of the Rent & Arrears of Rent due to this Corpn. Ordered that the Treas.r do pay out of the first Rents that shall come to his Hands one years Int. of the principal Money due to Alderman Henry Smith by this Corpn

Lane next the old Nunnery in Dyer Street to be laid open

Ordered that the Mayor & Sheriffs do forthwith Cause the Lane next to the old Nunnery in Dyer Street leading to the River to be laid open for the convenience of the Public

Accounts ordd to be paid

The following Accounts for Work & Materials duely by this Corpn to the undernamed persons were Ordered to be paid by this Assembly

Wm Kelly's Accot for Candles furnished to the Watch House & Hotsel & Watch House from 6 Mths 1796 to 6 Mths 1797 £33.6.11

Chas Evans's Accot for Printing Work done from 6th Octr 1796 to 11th Octr 1797 83:4:11

Js Davis's Accot for 5 Hats delivered for officers from Mths last 1798 9:10 8

Thos Stafford Accot for Repairing Bank Lane & Bulleck Street in 1798 20:9

John Flinn for Glazing Work two Bills Viz.t one for £15:0:9½ the other for £1:4:6½ Tot.l £16..5:3½

Disney Drummond 2 Bills for Paint.g & Glazg £4:19:6½ £3:13:10 —— Tot.l —— } 8:13:4

idem

Ns Kellys Affidt for Repairg the Strand Road in Augt 1798 } 5

Geo Flemings Accot for Stationary Goods got from 6 Mths 1795 to 6 Mths 1796 & Evans May } 2:8:6

Geo North Mem.l & Accot for Iron Work got for Public Works made in defence of the Town from May 1798 to July 1798 } 26:13:7

adjourned to Monday the 21st Inst at one oClock

Edwd Fairtough Esq Sworn an Ald.n

1799 March 28 This Day Edward Fairtough Esq.r was sworn an Alderman of this Corporation pursuant to his Election last January

Spec.l General Assembly

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Alderman and Common Council being present the 28th day of March 1799

"pursuant to a Requisition and Summons for the Purpose of enquiring
"into the Causes of the very great Deficiency and Poverty of the Treasury
"both now and for some Time back so that no Tradesman or other
"Person who has any just demand on the Corporation be the same
"ever so small can get a penny and to devise and adopt some
"effectual Mode of Retrieving the Corporation Credit to prevent it
"from sinking so low in future"

Committee to Report to next Gen.l Assly

Ordered that the following Gentlemen be and they are hereby appointed a Committee for the Purposes in the Summons & Requisition above mentioned, Viz.t George Armstrong, George M.Entegart, Edward Fairtough, and Burton Tandy, Aldermen and John Leland, Launcelot Fisher, Francis Elliott, George Tandy and Nicholas Metcalf Common Council, and that they report their Opinion and Proceedings thereon to next General Assembly

At

Easter post Assembly 3d April 1799

At a Quarterly Post Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen being present this third April 1799

Several Petitions laid before this Assembly were read and disposed of

Easter General Assembly 5th April 1799

At a General Quarter Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 5th April 1799

John Holland, Common Councilman for Taylors

Mr John Holland of Drogheda Statibner is elected a Common Councilman for the Fraternity of Taylors in the Room of George Bruce deceased and was Sworn

George Coulter, a Comn. Coun: for Bakers

Mr George Coulter of Drogheda Merchr is elected a Common Councilman for the Fraternity of Bakers (on their Return of him and two others) in the Room of George Elliott deceased and was Sworn

Mayor Elect

Alderman George M.Entegart is Elected to serve Mayor of this Corporation for the ensuing Year from Michaelmas day next by Succession

Sheriffs Elect

Wm Oliver Fairtlough and Henry Pentland Esqrs are Elected to serve Sheriffs of this Corporation for the Ensuing Year from Michaelmas Day next

Election Certified

Ordered that the Election of the Mayor and Sheriffs for the next ensuing Year be forthwith Certified to Government for Approbation

Receivers of the Rents of the Commons

Aldn Ralph Smyth and Mr Laurence Steele are appointed Receivers of the Rents of the Commons for three Years from this Easter Assembly

Proctors of Saint Johns Poor House

Mr James Hegan & Mr Geo. Coulter are appointed Proctors of Saint Johns Poor House for three years from this Easter Assembly

The

Report of the Committee on the Finances of the Corporation

The following Report from the Committee appointed at a Special Assembly held the 28th March last to devise and report the Means necessary to extricate the Corporation from the present Embarrassed State of their Funds and the Cause thereof was laid before and read at this Assembly (and is as follows)

1st Para: Expunged

"It appears to your Committee that a Principal Cause of the "Derangement of the Finances of the Corporation is the Treasurer having "entirely neglected the Provisions of an Act of Assembly passed in October "1785 notwithstanding by said Act five p Cent instead of his former "Sallary of Fifty Guineas a year was allowed him as a Compensation "of his making himself responsible for any Arrears from that Period, and "it also appears that the Treasurer has paid various Sums of Money "in direct Violation of different Orders of Assembly"

Expunged

The above first Paragraph was ordered by this Assembly to be Expunged

2. Para:

"It further appears to this Committee from the Arrears of Rents & "other Debts due to this Corporation and from the Amount of the "Debts due by the Corporation the Mode he hitherto pursued in receiving "and expending the Corporation Funds is defective and that in order "to have the Funds effectually received and properly applied it will "be necessary for the Corporation to appoint a standing Committee "to inspect and controul all Receipts and Disbursements, whose "particular Province it shall be whenever they shall think fit to call "on the Treasurer to lay before them all the Corporation Accounts and Receipts "ready filled by the Treasurer (save his own Name and the Date) for all "Debts due to the Corporation up to a certain Day to be named "previously by said Standing Committee, which Receipts or any Number "of them as the Committee may think fit shall be endorsed or counter-"signed by three of the Committee at least and returned to the "Treasurer to Countersign for the Purpose of Collecting the Amount "of said Receipts, and the Committee shall at any Time or day they "may think fit call on the Treasurer for the Money collected under said "Receipts or the Production of said Receipts and if the Person or Persons "for whom such Receipts were so signed shall appear after reasonable "Application to be still indebted then said Committee shall have "Authority to order the most effectual Proceedings at Law to be taken "forthwith for the Recovery of the Debts so due by some Attorney or "Law Agent to be hereafter appointed by the Corporation"

"It

3. Para:

"It further appears to your Committee that in Order "effectually to extricate the Corporation from its present Load of "Debt it is not merely necessary to take vigourous Proceedings "for Recovery of the Debts due to the Corporation but it is also "requisite for said Standing Committee to inspect controul and "direct all Payments to be made and that the Treasurer "shall on no Account pay any Money to any Person without "an Order Specially for that Purpose Signed by three of the "Committee at least, nor shall he under Pain of Dismissal "omit to pay forthwith any Sum so ordered provided he shall "then have so much Money in his Hands belonging to the "Corporation"

"It further appears to your Committee that one Branch "of the Duty of said standing Committee should be to "proceed into an Investigation for the Purpose of ascertaining "the exact and particular Premises contained in the Corporation "Estate and in whose Possession respectively they now are and to "have from Time to Time the different Concerns falling out "of Lease reset without Delay and to take special Care that in "all the new Leases the Demised Premises shall be accurately "described and in fine that said Committee shall have a full "and general Superintendance of the Corporation Rights "Property Revenues and Expenditures Subject nevertheless to "the Revision and Controul at all Times of the Corporation "at large"

4th Para:

"It further appears to this Committee that for the Purpose "of retrieving the Credit of the Corporation and for the gradual "Liquidation of the Debts that hereafter on every first day of June "and first day of December in each Year the Sum of One hundred "pounds be paid into the Hands of the said standing Committee "by the Treasurer which Sum is to be immediately applied to the "Payment of Bond Debts, said Standing Committee to give "an Account of the Application thereof to the next Gen.l Assembly"

Signed— "Geo. M. Entegard
"Edw.d Fairthough
"Burton Tandy
"N.s Metcalf
"Laun.t Fisher
"Fran.s Elliott
"Geo. Armstrong
"Geo. Tandy

Upon reading of which Report It was Ordered by this Assembly that the first Paragraph thereof be Expunged Resolved

Resolved that the following Members be appointed a Standing Committee for the Purpose mentioned in the foregoing Report for one Year

Standing Committee

Mr. Mayor
Geo. Armstrong
Edw.d Fairtlough
Geo. M. Entegard
Burton Tandy
} Aldn

Townley Hardman
Laun.t Fisher
Fran.s Elliott
John Seland
} Com. Coun.

to Meet every Monday

And that the said Standing Committee shall meet at the Hour of 12 O'Clock next Monday for the Purpose of carrying into Effect the Business to them referred

Law Agent

Beaver Van Stomrigh Esq.r is elected Law Agent of this Corporation

Debts to be omitted in the Treas.r Acc.ts

The Treasurer is ordered by this Assembly to omit in all future Accounts of this Corporation any Debts due by Bond or otherwise to this Corporation by the late Aldn John Ackland or any Arrear of Water Customs heretofore due by Mr. John Fairtlough

Yeoman admitted

Tho.s Holmes Esq.r Lieut.t of Marines Son of Joseph Holmes is admitted a free Member by Birth on the usual Terms

Vacancy Supplied in St. John's Poor House

Sarah Cudden is admitted into St. John's Poor House

11L a year pension, allow.d Mrs Caldwell

Ordered, upon the Petition of Eliz.th Caldwell Widow of Edward Caldwell deceased that upon her giving up to this Corporation Possession of the Dwelling House wherein she now resides situate at the foot of Stockwell Lane, she be allowed a Pension of £16:—:— a year out of the Commons Rents from Easter last

Adjourned to Tuesday next

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At an Adjournment of the said last mentioned General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 9th day April 1799

Ordered that the following Persons be paid the Sums to their Names respectively annexed out of the Rents of the Commons for the present Year Commencing at Mich.s last and ending at Mich.s next (that is to say)

Pensioners on Commons Rents

Proctors of St. Johns poor House for Furze of the Commons	£ 8:—:—
Jane Blithe als Elliott	5:—:—
Adam Johnston's Wife	4:—:—
Ann Simpson Widow	5:13:9
Widow of John Woodhouse	3:—:—
Widow of Robt. Hatchett	5:—:—
Mary Humphrys	3:—:—
Widow of John Rencher	6:—:—
Widow of James Shortell	5:—:—
Ann Humphryson	5:—:—
Widow of John Knight	4:—:—
Sam.l Hale	4:—:—
Mary Ackland	6:16:6
Widow of Mich. Brooks	4:—:—
Widow of Brab. Courtney	4:—:—
Gertrude Bawnton	6:16:6
The Wife of Thos. Tonge	4:—:—
Widow of Chas. Elliott	4:—:—
ditto of Zack Rencher	4:—:—
Sus.a Lyster	4:11:—
Mary Holland	4:—:—
Ann Appleyard	3:8:3
Mary Hughes Widow	6:16:6
Ann Ackland	6:15:—
Pricilla Cheasern als Reany	4:—:—
Ann Dowdall Widow	5:—:—
Mary McCartney & 2 Sisters Daurs of Wm. M.Cartney	6:16:6
Alice Jones Widow of Connolly Jones	6:—:—
Mary Bourke als Robinson	5:—:—
Carried forward	£143:14:—

Brought Forward	£ 143:14:—
Pensioners on Commons Cont.d Leon.d Shortell	3:—:—
Susan Widow of Robt. Chambers	4:11:—
Sus: Bremer als Bagnall	2:—:—
Geo. M.Entegart for Sam. Martin's Son	11:7:6
Cath. Goodwin Widow	4:11:—
Mary Dix Widow	5:13:9
Eliz.th Kegan Widow	5:—:—
Edw.d Robinson	6:16:6
Mary the Widow of Edw.d Chambers	5:—:—
Judith Turvey	6:16:6
Thomas Winslow	6:—:—
Mary the Widow of Geo. Thornton	5:—:—
Ann Blithe Widow	5:—:—
Marg.t Watson	10:—:—
Ann Rose als Brunton	5:—:—
Cath. Holland	5:—:—
William Cooke of Dublin	5:—:—
Edw.d Brunton	5:—:—
Joseph Roe	5:—:—
Ann Biggs Wife of James	6:—:—
James Crawford	6:16:6
Rich.d Quash	5:—:—
James M.Cartney	5:—:—
John Eccleston	5:—:—
Marg.t Aston for the Use of Ann Sawkill	4:—:—
Ann Biggs Widow	10:—:—
Mary Martin Widow of Samuel Martin	6:16:6
Jonathan Clarke	4:11:—
Will.m Armstrong	4:11:—
Mary Kane als Brooks Widow	4:11:—
Jane Elliott Widow of John Elliott & her 2 Children	4:11:—
Marg.t Collier Widow	6:16:6
John Bolton	11:7:6
Rose Evans & Cath.e Evans 5 Guineas each	13:13:—
The 4 Children of Edw.d Richardson 3 Gui.s each	5:13:9
Marg.t McClean Wife of Arthur McClean	11:7:6
Geo. Jones for two Children of Arthur Jones	5:13:9
Edward Bridges	4:11:—
Ann Fagan als Simpson	10:13:—
The 5 Younger Sons & 1 Daur of the late Ald.n Jn.o Ackland 6 Gui.s each	4:—:—
The Wid.o of John North late of Queensborough	£ 175:3:3
ordered	

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Eliz.th Holmes's Pension struck off

Ordered that the Annuity of 30 Guin.s a year granted at Easter Assembly 1798 out of the Commons Money to Eliz.th Holmes als Fairtlough Widow of Jos.h Holmes be struck off

20 Guin.s granted

Ordered that 20 Guin.s a year be granted and paid out of the Commons Rent for the Children of the late Aldn Joseph Holmes

Bal.ce in the Rec.rs of the Commons Rents hands to be paid to James Carey & Ann Humphryson

Ordered that the Bal.ce in the Hands of the late Receivers of the Rents of the Commons be forthwith paid over by them to the present Receivers, Who are to pay thereout unto James Carey and Ann Humphryson six Guineas a piece and to John Bolton five Guineas

Rent of Prior Park to be paid to Mrs Blackburne & Ann Nugent

Ordered that the years Rent of Prior Park due Mich.s last be paid to Mrs Blackburne £6 and to Ann Nugent £2

20 Guin.s ordered to Mr Jn.o White

Resolved that the Sum of Twenty Guineas be presented to Mr John White of this Town being the Amount of Damages granted against him by a Jury at the last Assizes for an intemperate Expression made use of by him during the heighth of the late unnatural Rebellion and in Testimony of the Sense the Corporation entertain of his good and loyal Conduct on every Occasion

Houses and Premisses Set by by Auction

1799 May 7 The undermentioned Houses & Land were this day Set by Auction from the 1.st Inst.o for 99 years to the undermarshed persons being free Members, pursuant to Advertisement, viz.t

One Dwelling House on the West Side of the New Quay at the foot of Stockwell Lane late in the Tenure of Mrs Caldwell Set to Burton Tandy Esq.re for 99 yrs from 1 May Instant at the yearly Rent of £16:10 one half thereof to be fined off at 10 years Purchase

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One other Dwelling House on the East Side of Shop Street now in the Tenure of Mrs Cartside and her under Tenants, Set to Mr Wm Regan for the like term of 99 years from the 1.st May inst.t at the yearly Rent of £13 one half to be fined off at Ten years Purchase

Idem

One park or Parcel of Land Situate without St Laurence's Gate on the North Side of the Road to Green Hills Cont.a ac.s r.s p.s 3:3:20 set to Burton Tandy Esq.r for the like term of 99 years from 1 May inst.t at £5:11: p.r Acre yearly Rent one half of which to be fined off at 20 years purchase

N.B. previous to the Sale it was declared by Mr Mayor's Order that 10 p.r Cent of the Fines of each Lot was to be paid immediately after the Sale, & the Remainder of the Fines on the perfection of the Leases on Tuesday the 4.th June next, when he would seal the Leases with the Corporation Seal

Midsummer Post Assembly

At a quarterly Post Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 17.th day of July 1799

Pet.rs

Several Petitions laid before this Assembly were read & disposed of

Midsummer Gen.l Assembly

At a General quarterly Assembly held the 19.th July 1799 Before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present

3 freemen admitted

The Rev.d Richard Fisher of Slane in the County of Meath Clerk James Greene of the Town of Dragheda Esq.r M.D. and Edward Scott of the same Hair dresser upon their several Petitions are admitted Free Members by special Favour on the Usual Terms

Pet.rs referred to the Audit.rs & Viewers not Reported on, to be reported by Standing Committee

Ordered that all Petitions heretofore referred to the Auditors & Viewers & that have not been reported on, be and they are hereby referred to the Standing Committee

Tuesday

Sealing day appointed

Tuesday Sennight the 30.th July inst.t is appointed a Sealing day for Corporation Leases

2 Commiss.rs Elected for the Harbour

Mr. Francis Elliott & Mr. James Davis, Common Councilmen are Elected Commissioners of the Boyne Navigation to fill two Vacancies now in that Board pursuant to the Act for improving the Harbour of this Town

Geo. Richardson put on the Commons List

George Richardson Shoemaker on his Petition is Ordered the Pension out of the Commons Money lately allowed to Jonathan Clark deceased being £6:16:6 Yearly

Instr. due to Miss Barlows & Ald.n Henry Smith to be paid out of the Water Customs

Ordered that so soon as the Interest Money due to the Miss Barlow by this Corporation shall be discharged out of the Water Customs, then that the Interest due by them to Ald.n Henry Smith shall be then paid to him thereout

Ann Biggs is admitted into St. John's Poor House & Pens.n on Comm.s Rem.d for her Children

Ann Biggs is admitted into Saint John's poor House and her Pension on the Commons List Ordered to be paid to her Children

John Allen Order's £30:0:6

John Allen Goaler & Marshal on his Memorial is Ordered £30:0:6 being 9 Months Sallary due him 24 June last £18:15:— and £11:5:6 for transmitting Prisoners, on his Memorial & Account Annexed thereto

Wm. Ol. Faitlough Att.y Ord.d £11:15:9

Mr. Wm. Ol. Faitlough Att.y Ordered to be paid his Bill of Costs being £11:15:9 for prosecuting last Lent Assizes James Kernan & James Farman for Robbery of Alex.r Hewitt

Alex.r Hewitt Ord.d 5 Guin.s

Alex.r Hewitt Ord.d to be paid £5:13:9 to reimburse his Expences on the above Ment.d Prosecution

Petitions

The following Petitions Memorial & Accounts were referred to the Standing Committee viz.t

Lucy Elliott for Renewal of a Lease

Petition of Lucy Elliott, Wdow of George Elliott for Renewal of a Lease

Rev.d Jer. Alley relative to Vicar Chorals Money

Memorial of the Rev.d Jerom Alley for a demand as Curate of St. Peters Parish out of the Vicar Chorals Money

Miss Barlows for Renewal of a Lease

Memorial of Miss Eliz.th & Miss Pat.e Barlow for Renewal of a Lease

Petition

Ob. Wisdom Gun Smith £14:17:10½

Petition & Affidavit of Ob. Wisdom Gun Smith for £14:17:10½

Wm. Wright for Sand £5:12:2

William Wrights Account & Affid.t for Sand delivered for the Use of the Corporation £5:12:2

Mich.l Chester Esq.r for a Road £4:5:7½

Michael Chester Esq.rs account & Affid.t for repairing Magdalen Street £4:5:7½

Mr. Jak. Sandiford for Renewal of a Lease

Mr. James Sandifords Petition for Renewal of a Lease referred last January to the Auditors now to go to the Standing Committee

Mr. Geo. North's Acco.t

Mr. Geo North's Acco.t & Affid.t for Iron Mongery referred last April to the Auditors now to go to the said Committee

Mr. Frances O Farrells 2 Accts £5:8:2

Mr. Franc.s O Farrell for Picks & Barrs £2:5:6 & for Screws & Weights £3:2:8 Total £5:8:2

Acts compared

1799 September 29.th The foregoing Acts of Assembly were Compared and Ordered to be entered in the Assembly Book as usual

Ad Test

B. VanHomrigh, Mayor

Beaver Van Homrigh } Sheriffs
John Tandy . . . . }

Wm. Gibbons . . .
Maurice Barlow } Ald.n
Wm. Holmes

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Mich.s post Ass.bly 9 Oct. 1799

At a quarterly post Assembly held before George M.c Entegart Esq.r Mayor and William Div.s Tavitlough and Henry Pentland Esq.rs Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 9.th day of October 1799

Several Petitions were read and Referred to next General Assembly

Mich.s Gen.l Ass.bly 11 Oct. 1799

At a General quarterly Assembly held before the said Geo. M.c Entegart Esq.r Mayor, Wm. Div.s Tavitlough & Henry Pentland Esq.rs Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 11.th Oct. 1799

Mayor of Staple

Bart.e Partington Van Homrigh Esq.r late Mayor was Elected Mayor of the Staple and Justice of the peace for the Ensuing year & Sworn

Constables

Beaver Van Homrigh and John Tandy Esq.rs late Sheriffs were elected Constables of the Staple for the Ensuing year & Sworn

Com.n Councilmen

The said Beav.r Van Homrigh & Jn.o Tandy were Elected Common Councilmen & Sworn

Coroners

And the said Beaver Van Homrigh & John Tandy were Elected Coroners for the ensuing year & Sworn

Mast.r of Guild

Ald.r Arth.y Sillery was Elected Master of the Guild for the ensuing year

Wardens of d.o

Richard Jebb and M.r Metcalf Esq.rs are Elected Wardens of the Guild for the Ensuing year

Treasurer

Ald.r Wil.m Holmes is elected Treas.r for the Ensuing year

Officers

The Officers of the Sword & Mace and Marshal to Continue during the pleasure of this Corporation

Cleaning Streets

M.r Mayor is requested and impowered to Contract with such persons as he shall think proper to cleanse & Carry away the Dirt and Soil of the Streets & Lanes and Avenues of this Town and the Suburbs thereof for the ensuing year to commence from and after the 26.th day of Oct.r Inst.

Com.n Coun.n for Smiths

John Potter of Drogheda Watchmaker is Elected is a Common Councilman for the Fraternity of the Smiths of this Corp.n in the room of George Potter dec.d pursuant to a return made of him Potter by said Fraternity for that Purpose

John

2 freemen admitted

John Bell of Drogheda Merch.t and Robt Gammell of the same Master, were admitted free Members by Special favor on the usual terms

1 like

John M.c Entegart of Drogheda Gent, Son of Patick M.c Entegart late of the same Merch.t deceased is admitted a free Member by Birth on the usual Terms

Pet.n refused

George Brunkers Petition for freedom by Service is referred to a Jury

like

Disney Drummond.s Petition for Freedom by Special favor, referred to next Jan.y Gen.l Assembly

Ald.r Wm. Gibbon.s Pet.n for a Lease Refused

Alderman William Gibbons.s Pet.n for Renewall of a Lease of premises out Sundays Gate referred to the Standing Committee to Report their Opinion to next General Assembly

Jas. Sandiford.s Pet.n rejected

James Sandiford.s Petition for Renewall of a Lease referred last General Assembly to the standing Committee was returned by them to this Assembly Rejected

Thanks voted to late Mayor & Sheriffs

Ordered that the thanks of this Corp.n be presented to our late worthy Chief Majistrate for his upright Conduct in discharge of his Duty during his Mayoralty, and that the like thanks be presented to the late Sheriffs

Sealing day

Ordered that Leases of the premises set on the 7.th May last be sealed by M.r Mayor on Monday the 4.th Nov.r next

£200 Ord.d to be paid Rev.d M.r Alley, Curate of St. Peters in part of the Arr.s of Vicars Chorals

The Draft of a Discharge from the Rev.d Jeron Alley, Vicar of St. Peters for £200 in part of the Vicar Chorals Money due by this Corporation, with the Recorder's Opinion thereon having being laid before this Assembly It is Ordered that same be Engrossed & on his Executing same that M.r Mayor do seal two Debentures of £100 each to bind to bear Interest at 6 p.C.t p.Annum from the 25.th June last, being five Years Salary then due him at £40 p.Ann.m as Curate of said parish agreeable to the Recommendation & Consent of His Grace the present Lord Archbishop of Armagh

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Fishery of the River Boyne to be set

A Case respecting the Title of this Corporation to the Fishery of the River Boyne with the Recorder's Opinion thereon having been laid before this Assembly It is thereupon Ordered that the said Fishery be set by Auction to the highest Bidder for one Year from the 25th day of March next

Fire Engines

Ordered that the Standing Committee do enquire into the State of the Fire Engines and cause them to be repaired forthwith

St. Laurence's Gate

And the said Committee are requested & impowered to prevent any person from taking Possession of St. Laurence's Gate

Passage from the New Market

And the said Committee is also impowered to lay open the Ground belonging to this Corpn at the foot of Mr. Peter Stongoole's Garden on the South side of West Street next the River Boyne, as a passage for the Use of the Public from the New Market at the foot of Stockwell Lane to the Linen Hall

Rent to be applied for from Barrack Board for New Market

Mr. Mayor and Mr. Recorder are requested & impowered to apply to the Barrack Board for a Rent to be paid this Corporation for the New Market at the foot of Stockwell Lane now & for some time past converted into a Cavalry Barrack

Goal to be repaired

Resolved that a temporary Repair is absolutely necessary for the Goal of this Town and that the Sheriffs do cause an Estimate of the Expence thereof to be made out & laid before the Standing Committee for their Approbation

Waste Ground out Sunday's Gate

Ordered that the Standing Committee do cause the Waste Ground out of Sunday's Gate to be Surveyed in Order that same may be set for Building

Spec.l Gen.l Ass.bly Summoned not held

1799 Oct.r 18th A Special Gen.l Ass.bly was summoned to meet this day for the purpose of presenting the Freedom of this Corporation with a suitable Address to his Excellency Marquis Cornwallis But no Assembly was held

Special Ass.bly 5 Dec.r 1799

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor Sheriffs Aldermen & Common Council being present the 5th Dec.r 1799 for the purpose of Granting the Freedom of the Corporation to the Rt. Honble Earl Conyngham

Earl Conyngham voted

The Assembly was moved That the Freedom of this Corporation be presented to the Rt. Hon. The Earl Conyngham in a Silver box in Testimony of our Respect & of oath & the Motion being seconded - a Ballott was demanded & seconded The question

This Freedom

Question was balloted for, & was carried in the Affirmative by a Majority of Eight - there being Nineteen for, and 11 against same

Ordered that Mr. Mayor, The Recorder & Sheriffs do wait on Earl Conyngham with the said Freedom, Box & suitable Address and that Mr. John Potter do prepare the Box

Applicat.n made to Barrack Bd. for Rent of New Market

Mr. Mayor acquainted this Assembly that he lately applied on behalf of this Corporation to the Barrack Board for some Rent to be paid for the Shambles or Meat Market which is now and has been for some time past made Use of as Stables and Hay yards &c. for Government Cavalry; and that in Answer to such Application he received the following Letter from the Secretary of the Board viz.t

Barrack Office, 23 Oct.r 1799

Geo. M.Entegart Esq.r
&c.

Answer of the Board

Sir. I am directed to acquaint you in Answer to your Letter of Yesterday That as a considerable Sum of Money has been laid out by this Department in fitting up the Shambles at Drogheda for Stabling upon the Disposition that no Rent would be demanded for the premises, and the Measure having been acceded to by the Department at the Request of the Inhabitants of Drogheda, to be relieved from having the Horses of the Cavalry quartered on them The Barrack Master General does not feel himself warranted in surrendering the premises or paying any Rent for them

I have the Honor to be
Y.r Mo: Obd.t Serv.t
John Hughes - Sec.y

Ld. Lieut. to be applied to for Redress

Ordered that a Memorial from this Corporation be prepared & laid before the Lord Lieutenant Setting forth the Circumstances of the above Business & praying Redress

Jn.o Leland to be Treas.r to Committee for building Corn Market & Lieut. Tisher a Member

Mr. John Leland is appointed Treasurer to the Committee for building the New Corn Market in Jan.s Street in the room of Ald.n Geo. Armstrong resigned, and Mr. Lieut.t Tisher is appointed a Member of the said Committee in the room of Ald.n Tillery

Extraord.y Ass.bly 15 Jan.y 1800

At a Quarterly Post Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 15 January 1800

Several Petitions were read and disposed of

At

Christmas Gen.l Assembly
17 Jan.y 1800

At a General Quarter Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 17.th day of January 1800

L.d Conyngham's Answer on being presented with the Freedom

Mr. Mayor laid before this Assembly Lord Conyngham's Answer on being presented with the Freedom of this Corporation which was ordered to be entered and is as follows

To the Mayor Recorder Sheriffs & Corporation of Drogheda

Gentlemen

That my Conduct during the late unnatural Rebellion should have Merited the Approbation of your ancient & respectable Corporation gives me the highest Satisfaction and to be thus honorably Enrolled among Your Freemen shall ever be considered by me as one of the most gratifying Circumstances of my Life,

To oppose the desperate Attempts which were made to overturn our Excellent Constitution required the Exertions of every loyal Subject mine were particularly Stimulated by the Example of the Yeomanry Corps of Drogheda & its Neighbourhood to whose indefatigable Zeal the preservation of this part of the Kingdom from rebellious Anarchy is to be chiefly attributed

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen
Your much obliged humb.e Serv.t
Conyngham

Slane Castle
Jan.y 5.th 1800

Dist.d Drummond admitted free

Dissney Drummond of Drogheda Glazier upon his petition is admitted a free Member by Spec.l favor on the usual terms

Hen.y Hardman Esq.r admitted free

Hen. Hardman Esq.r of Drogheda Son of Edw.d Hardman upon his petition is admitted a free Member by Birth on the usual terms

Rich.d Jebb's pet.n for renew.l of a Lease referred

Rich.d Jebb Esq.r's petition for renewal of a Lease (No. 540) is referred to the Standing Committee; to be reported to next General Assembly

Mr. Gernon's proposal for a Road at foot of his Garden

The proposal of Mr. Pal. Gernon relative to the Opening of a Road or Street at the foot of his Garden to the new Market at the foot of Stockwele Lane; Referred to the Standing Committee to be reported at next Gen.l Assembly

Fire Engines

Mr. Mayor is requested to get a proper person from Dublin to inspect the Fire Engines

Lau.ce's Gate

Mr. Mayor is requested to give Notice to M.r Bird not to possess himself any part of Lau.ce's Gate, and restore it to the State it was in before he broke a door Way into it

Mem.l of Government pet.n for Stables &c in Stockwele Lane

Ordered that a Memorial be prepared from this Corp.n to be laid before the L.d Lieut.t for a Compensation from Government for the Stables & Ground at the New Market in Stockwele Lane now in the possess.n of the Cavalry

Watchmen's Coats

Pet.n M.c Guiness's Acco.t for Watchmen's Coats £24-3-4 & Pat. Duffy for making same £3-7-4 and to be paid on being signed by a Stand.g Committee

Watch Committee

A Report of the Watch Committee was read & same is referred to the Standing Committee to examine & report their opinion to next Gen.l Assembly

Sealing day appointed

Ordered that the Lease of the Land out Lau.ce's Gate set the 7.th May last to M.r Jandy be made to Jn.o Wm. Foster Esq.r on Thursday next & that the other Leases of other premises set same day be also then sealed by Mr. Mayor agreeable to the Sales

Ald.n Sillery reb.t a Batt.n of Corn.l Rents in his hands

Ordered that the Law Agent do write to Ald.n Sillery to pay over to the present Rec.r of the Commons Rents the Batt.ns in his hands of the said Rents received by him otherwise that he will be proceeded against for the same

Stand.g Comm.ee to consider M.r Smith's Lett.r to M.r Ball rel.e to the local Acts

Ordered that the Standing Committee do take into Consideration M.r Smith's Letter to M.r Ball relative to the City of Limerick & Town of Drogheda, joining in an Application to Parliam.t for an Amendm.t of the local Acts for said City and Town and that they do report to this Corp.n such Alterations & Amendm.ts & they may think requisite & necessary in the present local Act for the Town of Drogheda same to be reported at the Adjournm.t of this Assembly

Accd.t referred to Stand.g Comm.ee

Matth.w Reston's Accd.t for Carpentry Work £18-11-5 d.o for Furnishing Provisions to different Pris.rs £12-1-2½ referred to the Standing Committee

adjourned

adjourned to Wednesday next

Spec.l Gen.l Ass.bly 10 Feb.y 1800 relat.e to petitioning Parliament against a legislative Union

At a Spec.l Gen.l Ass.bly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 10 Feb.y 1800 for the purpose of taking into Consideration the Necessity of petitioning Parliam.t against the Measure of a legislative Union

The Ass.bly was moved that a Pet.n on said Subject shall be presented & that a Committee be appointed to prepare the same which Committee having retired for the purpose & prepared same & it being laid before this Assembly it was unanimously agreed to And the Seal of the Corporation be affixed thereto & that same be transmitted to our Representatives to lay before Parliament

At

10 Feb.y 1800

Spec.l G. Ass.bly for the purpose of raising a Subscription for the Relief of the Poor

At a Spec.l Gen.l Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen & Com.n Council being present the 10 Feb.y 1800 for the purpose of taking into Consideration the propriety of raising a Subscription to purchase Provisions for the Relief of the Poor of this Town, when it was unanimously agreed that the Sum of £300 be forthwith raised either by Debenture or by the Appropriation of Corporation Rents to that Amount and given to a Committee for the above Purposes on the terms of being repaid to this Corp.n when the Provisions purchased therewith shall be sold out

Special Ass.bly 16 April 1800

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 16.th day of April 1800, pursuant to a Requisition dated the 12.th inst.o directed to the Mayor & Notice given by him, for the Purpose of considering the propriety of petitioning the King against the Measure of a legislative Union with Great Britain, which has now undergone a Discussion in Parliament

Petition to the King against an Union

A Motion being made that a Petition be prepared & presented to His Majesty against the above Measure same was unanimously agreed to by this Assembly; And Mr. Mayor, Alds.n Hardman & Sandy, Messrs. Metcalf, Brabazon, Beaver Van Homrigh & Mr. Disbrowe are appointed a Committee to prepare same, and report said petition to this Assembly at 12 O'Clock — to which time this Assembly is now adjourned

Spl. Gen.l Ass.bly 17 April 1800

At a Special Gen.l Assembly held by Adjournment before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 17.th April 1800

The Committee appointed to prepare and report to this Assembly a petition to his Majesty against a Legislative Union with Great Britain reported same, which is ordered to be entered & is as follows —

Copy of the

To the King's Most Excellent Majesty

The humble petition of the Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses and Commons of the County of the Town of Drogheda, convened by the Mayor at the Tholsel of said Town on Wednesday the 16.th day of April 1800 pursuant to Public Notice

We your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects the Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses and Commons of the County of the Town of Drogheda beg leave to approach Your Majesty with Sentiments

Petn to the King against

of the most unshaken Loyalty to your Majesty's Royal Person Family & Government to express our most unalterable Attachment to our present free and invaluable Constitution as established at the memorable period of 1782; under which Constitution this Kingdom has advanced in Prosperity with a Rapidity unexampled in the History of Nations;

And to state to your Majesty, That it is with the most heartfelt Concern Your Petitioners have seen the measure of an incorporate Legislative Union which was rejected in our last Session of Parliament again brought forward in Parliament by Your Majesty's Ministers Contrary to the almost unanimous Sentiments of Your Majesty's Subjects in this Kingdom, a Measure which Your Petitioners conceive to be fraught with inevitable Ruin to the Trade and Manufactures of Ireland, by depriving them of the protection of a superintending Resident Parliament and placing them at the discretion of a foreign Parliament where their true Interests have never been and probably never can be understood, and where in any Question of Competition that may arise between the two Countries, their Interests will sink under the Weight of superior Numbers

That your Petitioners humbly conceive that they will be essentially injured by the Adoption of said measure, in as much as by their Chartered Rights they are entitled to send two Representatives to a Resident Parliament, which Rights are to be exchanged by the proposed Union; for the useless Privilege of sending one Member to a distant and external Parliament

That Your Petitioners have observed with Grief the flagrant and unconstitutional Means to which Your Majesty's Ministers have resorted to procure a Majority in Parliament in Support of this Nefarious and fatal Measure, the gross Misrepresentation by which they have led Your Majesty to conceive, that the Sentiments of Your Majesty's faithful Subjects in this Kingdom have become favorable to this Project, when it is notorious that in proportion as the terms of the proposed Union have been detailed the Alarm & Agitation of the Public Mind have become more conspicuous

That Your petitioners ever distinguished for their Loyalty Zeal and Ardor in Support of your Majesty's Government are prepared to shed the last drop of their Blood in defence

of Irish Independence and British Connexion and they cannot conceive anyone Measure more likely to Counteract the Blessings they enjoy under that Independence and that Connexion, than an incorporate Union of the two Kingdoms, the tendency of which must be in their humble Opinion Separation, the avowed Object of their Enemies, both foreign and domestic — Union

Your Petitioners do therefore most humbly implore Your Majesty to exert Your Royal Authority and to rescue your faithful and loyal Subjects of Ireland from the complicated Calamities which this Measure, if carried into Effect must entail upon them and their Posterity and which must be ultimately subversive of the happiness, the peace & the prosperity of this Kingdom and of the Empire at large — idem

And your Petitioners will ever pray

In Testimony whereof We have hereunto unanimously affixed our Common Seal the day and year first above Written

Easter Post Assly 23d April 1800

At a quarterly post Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 23d April 1800

Several Petitions laid before this Assembly were read and disposed of — Petitions

Easter Gen. Assly 25 April 1800

At a General Quarterly Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 25th April 1800

Burton Tandy Esqr is elected to serve Mayor of this Corporation for the ensuing year from Michaelmas day next being the next Alderman in Succession — Mayor elect

George Metcalf & John Cooper Esqrs are elected to serve Sheriffs of this Corporation for the ensuing year from Michaelmas day next — Sheriffs elect

Ordered

Ordered that the Election of the Mayor and Sheriffs for the ensuing Year be forthwith certified to Government for their Approbation — Election certified

Chas. Corn.s Wynne of Drogheda Gent. Son of Mr. John Wynne & Wakefield Hamilton late of Drogheda now of the City of Cork Gent. youngest Son of Edw. Hamilton upon their Petitions are admitted free Members by Birth on the usual terms on their respectively proving at the Adjournment of this Assembly that they are of Age & that John Wynne the Father of Charles was free at his Birth — Chas. Corn.s Wynne & Wakefield Hamilton admitted free by Birth on proving their being of Age

Aldermen Edward Hardman, Wm. Gibbons, James Scholes & Burton Tandy, and Messrs. Jno. Leland, Charles Evans, Townley Blackwood Hardman, James Davis & Lieut. Fisher Common Councilmen are elected Auditors & Viewers for the ensuing year — Auditors & Viewers elected

Resolved that the Orders of References heretofore made on Petitions for Renewals of Leases for the Standing Committee to report thereon, be and the same are now rescinded And it is ordered by this Assembly that all petitions and Applications for Renewals of Leases shall be referred to and be reported on to the next General Assembly by the Auditors & Viewers — Orders for standing Committee to report on Petitions for Renewals of Leases rescinded — And such Reports to be made by the Auditors & Viewers

The Auditors & Viewers are hereby authorized & required forthwith to consider the most eligible Mode that they can devise to raise Money to discharge the debt due by this Corporation to the Representatives of several late Lord Primates & others for Arrears due of the Vicar Chorales and to report same to this Assembly — Money to be raised to pay Arrears due of Vicars Chorales

Resolved that the Law Agent do forthwith lay a State of the Proceedings in the Cause relative to the Vicars Chorales, and a List of such Credits as have been claimed or which he conceives ought to be claimed by this Corporation together with a Case thereon before the Recorder and John Ball Esqr, And that such Application or other Mode of Proceeding as they may advise to obtain permission from the Chancellor to have the Masters Report preferred for the purpose of obtaining all Credits to which this Corporation appears to them to be entitled shall be taken by said Agent without Delay — State of Proceedings in Cause relative to Vicars Chorales to be prepared by Law Agent & Case laid before Recorder & John Ball Esqr

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Audrs & Viewers to call on Recrs of the Common Rents for a Statemt of their Accots & to report same

The Auditors and Veiwers are requested to call upon the present and late Receivers of the Commons Rents for a Statement of their respective Accounts and to report thereon to next Assembly

Memorial of Aldr Ra. Smyth for a Lease referred to auditors

The Memorial of Aldr Ralph Smyth for a Lease of a piece of waste Ground out Sundays Gate was referred to the Auditors & Viewers to consider & report their Opinion to next Gen. Assembly

Adjourned to Wednesday next 30th April inst.

Adjournmt of last Genl Ass.y 30 Apl 1800

At an Adjournment of the above last mentioned Genl Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 30th April 1800

Chas Corn.s Wynne son of Jn.o Wynne admitted free

Mr Mayor acquainted this Assembly that Chas Corn.s Wynne had proved his being of Age and that his father was free of this Corporation at the time of his birth, he is therefore admitted free agreeable to an act of last Assembly

Wakefield Hamilton not proving his being of age his petn rejected

Wakefield Hamilton not having by himself or any person on his behalf made proof of his being of Age his petition to last Assembly is Rejected

Proctors of St Johns poor to state their accts

The Auditors & Viewers are requested to call on the former & present Proctors of St Johns poorhouse for a Statement of their respective Accounts and to report same to next General Assembly

Adjourned to Friday the 2d May next

1800 May 2 Further adjourned to Wednesday 7th May inst.

no Meeting held

Spc. Gen. Ass.ly 4 June 1800

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 4th day of June 1800 for the purpose of addressing His Majesty on his late providential Escape from the hands of an Assassin

Committee appointed to draw up an address to His Majesty on his late providential Escape from an Assassin

Resolved unanimously that an address expressive of our feelings on the abovementioned occasion be prepared and presented to His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant for the purpose of laying same before his Majesty and the following Members are appointed a Committee to prepare same, viz.t Mr Mayor, Mr Recorder, Aldermen Gibbons, Van Homrigh, Faulkner M.D. & Barlow, & the two Sheriffs - and that the same be presented by our Representatives in Parliament & the Recorder

Spc. Gen. Ass.ly 4 July 1800

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 4th day of July 1800

Proposal on the part of Archdeacon Robinson in the Cause Relative to the Vicars Chorals

The following Proposal of John Radcliff Esq.r Counsel.r at Law on the part of the Rev.d Archdeacon Robinson Exor of the late Primate Robinson in the Cause depending with this Corporation for Recovery of his Demand out of the Vicars Chorals Fund, was by Mr Mayor laid before this Assembly, and is as follows

Archdeacon Robinson will on being paid by the Corporation of Drogheda five hundred pounds on Account of his Claim ascertained by the Master within one Month from the date hereof and being also secured the Remainder of his said Demand & Costs by the Obligations of the said Corporation for £100 each payable with legal Interest for the same at the End of six Months from the date hereof, discontinue his Proceedings on the Information Exhibited in his behalf, and release the said Corporation & their Successors from the said demand, they agreeing by deed that in Case of Non payment or Failure of any of the said Securities or Non performance of their Agreement on their part, the said Archdeacon shall have Liberty to proceed on the said Information and decree as if this Agreement or Proposal was not made, and that if this Proposal shall not be now carried into Execution the said Archdeacon shall be at Liberty to go into the Account last decreed forthwith & to hear his said Cause finally at the Sittings after this Term

25 June 1800 I propose the above on the part of the said Archdeacon Robinson

John Radcliff

We

accepted of & acceded unto by the Corporation

We think the Corporation ought to accede to the above Proposal

Peter Van Homrigh
John Ball

Copy

Whereupon & on its being approved and recommended by the Recorder & John Ball Esq.r the said Proposal is unanimously accepted of & acceded unto by this Assembly on the part of this Corporation

Lease of Premises No. 447, in West Street Corner of Peter Street, to be surveyed & set

Ordered that the House and premises demised by Lease No. 447 Situate in West Street at the Corner of Peter Street now two Tenements in the Occupation of Messrs. Philip Maginnis & Sam.l Flood made to Ald.r Wm. Graves dec.d for 61 years from Easter 1741 at the yearly rent of £3 — be forthwith surveyed and a Map made thereof And that the same be set to the highest bidder being a free Member of this Corporation at the Tholsel on Wednesday the 23.d July inst.o at Noon, for 99 years to commence at Easter 1802 Subject only to the said yearly rent of £3 — The Purchaser to pay down £500 — of the Purchase Money immediately after the Sale in Cash or Bank Notes & the remainder in Six Months

Mem.d To Ld Lieut.t for rent or Compensat.n for Stables used by Governm.t Troops

Ordered that the Town Clk do forthwith prepare the draft of a Memorial (under the direction of the Mayor and Recorder) from this Corporation to the Lord Lieutenant for an adequate rent & Compensation for the Stables & premes at the New Market at the foot of Stockwell Lane for the time they have been used & occupied as a Barrack & Stables & shall hereafter be occupied & used as such by His Majesty's Troops stationed in this Town

Midsummer Po. Assly 16 July 1800

At a Quarterly Post Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 16.th July 1800

Petitions

Several Petitions laid before this Assembly were read & disposed of

Memorial of

Upon the Memorial of Elz.th & Patience Barlow Spinsters the only surviving Children of Ald.r James Barlow dec.d setting forth that they are in possession of All that formerly an old ruinous House & Garden Situate on the North side of West Street near the West Gate in the Town of Drogheda on which he built a Coach-house & Stable meaning to Bldkeney's Land East & North the

Miss Barlows for a Lease.

the said Street South and the Lane leading from said Gate to Fair Street by the Town Wall, West by Virtue of a Lease dated 4.th April 1738 made by this Corporation to the Honble Henry Singleton Esq.r for 61 years from Easter then last at the yearly rent of 15.s That they did not know 'till lately that the said Lease was expired nor did they know the Mode of applying for a Renewal thereof agreeable to the Custom & Usage of the Corporation and hoping their not applying sooner will not prejudice them and requesting a new Lease of the premises & so forth

Reports by Audrs & Viewers

Which Memorial being referred to the Auditors & Viewers, their Report thereon was laid before this Assembly and is as follows, viz.t

"We are of opinion that Memorialists may have a Lease of the premises "from Easter last for their own Lives at the present rent without any Fine"
"Which we submit to your Worships Consideration"

Signed — Edw.d Hardman, Wm. Gibbons
Burton Tandy, Chas. Evans
Laur.t Fisher, Townley B. Hardman — Aud.rs & Viewrs.

Grant

It is therefore ordered by this Assembly that the said Elz.th & Patience Barlow be and they are hereby granted a new Lease of the said premes from Easter last at the present yearly rent of 15.s without any Fine for their own Lives — The premises to be surveyed and maps to be annexed to the new Leases

Petition of Ald.r Wm. Gibbons for a Renewal of a Lease

Upon the petition of Ald.r Wm. Gibbons setting forth that he is in possession in his own right of a Lease under this Corporat.n of two Strips of Ground at Sunday's Gate for 61 years from Easter 1786 at the yearly rent of 10.s That the premises have been waste and unproductive these 13 years past, but that he has lately improved them, and would build more on them but thinks the term unexpired of the old Lease too short And praying a Renewal

Report

Which petition being referred to the Auditors & Viewers & their report thereon being read — It is thereupon Ordered by this Assembly that

Grant

the said Wm. Gibbons be and he is hereby granted a new Lease of the said Premises for 99 years from Easter last at the present rent of 10.s & paying £2:10 Fine — Maps to be annexed to the new Leases

Proposal of Mr. Pat. Gernon

The proposal of Mr. Pat. Gernon was laid before this Assembly stating that a Communication may be opened from the New Quay to the Linen Hall, that he will make a Lease to the Corporation for ever at £5 per annum of 30 feet in Breadth of the Ground at the

the foot of his Garden for that purpose, provided the Corporation will make him a similar Lease of the piece of Ground that will remain after 30 feet are taken of the Ground formerly in Lease to

idem

Edw.d Percival (now part of Peter Dromgoole's Garden) to complete said Communication, and that he will build a Wall of Lime & Stone in front of the River Boyne on both Lots and will covenant to erect such buildings on the Ground to be leased that no Obstruction or Inconvenience can be given to the said intended Communication

Referred and Reported.

Which Proposal was referred to the Auditors & Viewers whose Report made to this Assembly is — That the Corporation should throw open the whole of the Ground between Mr. Dromgoole's Garden and the River and which was leased to Edw.d Percival said Dromgoole's Landlord on Condition that Mr. Gernon will make a Lease for ever at 6.d p.r year of a similar portion of his Garden, the whole to form a Street between the Linen-Hall & the New Market

Report agreed to

Which Report is agreed to by this Assembly

Ja.s Sinclair admitted free by Service

James Sinclair of Drogheda Peruke-maker & Hair-dresser upon his petition is admitted a free Member by Service on the usual terms

Mr. Thos. Collins to be allowed 4 p.r Cent. for receiving the Water Cust.ms

Mr. Thos.d Collins Receiv.r of the Water Customs on his Petition is to be allowed 4 p.r Pound (£) fees on said Customs in future; this not to be considered as a Precedent to his Successors

Widows of St. John's Poor house

Ordered upon the Petition of the Widows of St. John's Poor house that the Proctors of said Poor be paid one Shilling p.r Week for each of said Widows from the 11.th day of July inst.t until next Michs Gen.l Assembly for their Relief

Ground out West Gate to be set

Ordered that the Ground outside West Gate formerly occupied by the Catholic Chapel be surveyed & set to the highest bidder for 99 years from Easter last one half of the rent to be fined off at 20 years purchase

Treas.r to return a List of Leases within 5 years of being expired & of those expired & not renewed

Ordered that the Treasurer do report to the Corporation such Leases as are within five years from Easter last of expiring and of such as have already expired and are not renewed

It

£300 to be raised & paid for Relief of the poor

It is unanimously agreed to and ordered by this Assembly that in Consideration of the extreme Distress of the poor who cannot possibly exist without immediate Relief, The sum of Three hundred pounds shall be paid by this Corporation to the Committee that superintend the Expenditure of the charitable fund established in this Town, to be by them applied in aid of said fund — And it is also declared that nothing but absolute Necessity and the saving the Lives of Numbers of the Inhabitants, should induce this Assembly to depart from the Standing Rule made at the General Assembly held at Easter 1798 — And for the purpose of raising the said sum of £300 with all convenient Speed, the Treasurer of this Corporation is hereby authorized and required to accept three Bills for £100 each, payable in six, twelve and Eighteen Months for said Sum of £300 and which is to be allowed him in his Accounts with this Corporation

Ald.n Tandy Mayor elect Proposal accepted

Resolved unanimously (agreeable to the Wishes of Mr. Alderman Tandy the Mayor Elect) that the Emoluments of the Cranes for the year of his Mayoralty be given to the Committee in Aid of the fund for the poor and that the usual Dinner on Michs day be dispensed with for the ensuing year

Jn.o Edw.d Fogerty appointed an Assist.t at the Char.ble Infirm.y

Mr. John Edward Fogerty Apothecary is appointed an Assistant at the Charitable Infirmary in the room of Mr. Thos. Taylor

Adjourned to Monday the 28.th July inst.t

Adjournm.t of last Gen.l Ass.y 28 July 1800

At an Adjournment of last General Assembly held before the Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 28.th July 1800

Ann Simpson admitted into the Poor House

Ann Simpson, Widow upon her petition is admitted into a Vacancy in St. John's poor house

Jane Ashe Wid.o granted Ann Simpson's Pens.n on Com.n List

Jane Ashe, Widow of William Ashe is granted the Pens.n on the Common's List from Easter last that was allowed thereout to Ann Simpson

Ordered

Robt. Harrison restored to his Pens.n on Common List

Order'd that Robt. Harrison be restored to his annual pension of £5 — on the Commons List from Michs. last and that the sum of £5 — be also forthwith paid to said Harrison by the Rec.r of the Commons Rents in Lieu of the Arrear which would have accrued to him during the time he was struck off the List

Proposals for Repair of Mayty. house & Town pumps

Ordered that the Mayor receive proposals & Estimates for repairing the Mayoralty house and Town pumps

Special assy. 19 Sept.r 1800

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 19th. day of Sept.r 1800 for the purpose of returning thanks to the Officers and Privates of the Mid Lothian Yeomanry Cavalry for their exemplary Conduct during their residence in this Town

Mid Lothian Cavalry addressed

A Motion was made for the above purpose and a Committee appointed to prepare an Address, which was accordingly prepared (and same being) read was unanimously agreed to & is as follows

To Lieutenant Colonel Sir James Foulis Bart. commanding the Mid Lothian Light Dragoons at Drogheda

Address

We the Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses and Commons of the County of the Town of Drogheda would feel ourselves highly culpable did we neglect the present opportunity of expressing the high Sense we entertain of the Conduct of the Mid Lothian Light Dragoons during their residence in this Town, and we cannot but regret that an Event is shortly to take place which will deprive these Kingdoms of the protection of so valuable a Corps as the Mid Lothian Cavalry.

We request you will communicate these our Sentiments to Colonel the Earl of Ancram, the Officers, non-commissioned Officers and Privates of the Regiment, and at the same time please to accept yourself our most grateful thanks

For

for your polite, gentlemanlike and Soldierly Conduct during your constant residence amongst us since the Mid Lothian Regiment have been quartered in this Town — In Testimony

Idem

whereof We have hereunto affixed our Common Seal this 19th. day of September in the year of our Lord 1800

Resolved un: that the said Address be presented to Sir James Foulis by the Mayor and that it with his answer be published three times in the Drogheda Journal and Dublin Evening Post

to be published

Acts compared

1800 Sept.r 29th. The foregoing Acts of Assembly were this day Compared before us, and ordered to be entered in the Assembly Book as usual

Ad. Test

Geo. M.Entegart — Mayor
Will.m Ob.t Fairtlough
Henry Pentland — Sheriffs

Will. Gibbons
Oliver Fairtlough
Burton Tandy
Wm. Holmes — Aldermen

Mich.s Post Assembly 8 Oct.r 1800

At a Quarterly Post Assembly held before Burton Tandy Esquire Mayor George Metcalf and John Cooper Esq.rs Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 8.th day of October 1800

Petitions referred

Several Petitions were read and referred to next General Assembly

Mich.s Gen.l Assembly 10 Oct.r 1800

At a General Quarterly Assembly held before the said Burton Tandy Esq.r Mayor George Metcalf and John Cooper Esq.rs Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 10.th day of October 1800

Mayor of Staple

George M.Entegart Esq.r late Mayor was elected Mayor of the Staple & Justice of the peace for the ensuing Year and Sworn

Constables

Wm. Oliver Tarlbrough & Henry Pentland Esq.rs late Sheriffs were elected Constables of the Staples for the ensuing Year and Sworn

Common Council

The said Wm. Oliver Tarlbrough & Henry Pentland were elected Common Councilmen and Sworn

Coroners

And the said Wm. Oliver Tarlbrough & Henry Pentland were elected Coroners for the ensuing Year and Sworn

Master of the Guild

Barth.w P. Van Homrigh Esquire was elected Master of the Guild for the ensuing Year

Wardens

Beaver Van Homrigh & John Tandy Esquires were elected Wardens of the Guild for the ensuing Year

Treasurer

Ald.n William Holmes was elected Treasurer for the ensuing Year

Officers of Sword & Mace & Marshall

The Officers of the Sword & Mace & Marshal to continue during the Pleasure of this Corporation

Scavengery

The Mayor is requested and impowered to contract with such Persons as he shall think proper to cleanse and carry away the Dirt and Soil of the Streets Lanes & Avenues of this Town and the Suburbs thereof for the ensuing Year to commence from & after the 26.th day of Oct.r inst.

Memorial of the Rev.d Jnom Alley

The Memorial of the Rev.d Jnom Alley & the Report of the Auditors Viewers thereon being read before this Assembly It was ordered that the said Report be and the same is agreed to and confirmed, and the said Memorial & Reports are as follows (that is to say)

"To the Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses & Commons of the County of the Town of Drogheda"

"The Memorial of the Rev.d Jnom Alley"

Sheweth

"That he has served the Curacy of the Parish of St. Peter Drogheda for

the last Year ending the 25.th day of June and hitherto received no Sallary for the same

"That he submits to the Consideration of the said Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses and Commons whether a less Sallary should be granted to the Curate of said Parish, than to the Curates of Parishes of less Extent and of less Duty"

Idem

"That he requests the said Mayor &c. will take his Case into their Consideration and order him to be paid such Sallary as may be deemed adequate for his performance of the Duties of the said Curacy during the said Year"

"12 July 1800"

"Jnom Alley"

Report made thereon

The following is the Report made thereon

"We are of Opinion that the Prayer of this Memorial cannot be complied with"

Signed

Burton Tandy — Mayor
"Wm Gibbons —
"Chas Evans —
"James Davis —
"Tourn.y B Hardman" — Ald.n & Wm.n

Resolved un.n that the annual Sum of £54 which this Corporation is bound by Charter to pay as Vicar Choral's Money to an Organist and to singing Men & Boys in the Parish Church of St. Peters Drogheda be hereafter solely applied as follows, to wit the Sum of £6 a year a piece to be paid to the Organist and Parish Clerk of said Church for the time being for their instructing a sufficient Number of the Charity School Boys of said Parish to sing and attend in said Church and the remaining £42 of said annual Sum of £54 to be paid for and applied to the Support & Maintenance of such singing Boys And it is the Intention of this Resolution that the said Sum of £6 to be paid yearly to said Parish Clerk shall be in lieu of the like Yearly Sum or Sallary heretofore paid him by this Corporation And it is further Resolved and ordered by this Assembly that the Treasurer of this Corporation be and he is hereby authorized to pay the said annual Sum of £54 to the Stewards of the said Charity School of St. Peters Parish to be by them paid & applied to the Purposes said for the Purposes aforesaid by two equal half yearly Payments in every Year And that any Sum now due by the Corporation as an Arrear for the preceding Year of said £54 be paid to the present Stewards of said School

Vicars Choral's Money appropriated
Organist 6 Pounds — £6
Parish Clerk — 6
Singing Boys — 42
£54

Resolved that the Resolution of the Gen.l Assembly of the 18.th July last for Letting by Cant the Ground out West Gate formerly occupied as a Catholic Chapel be & the same is hereby rescinded

Resol.n rescinded relat.g to Grou.d out West Gate

Upon the Memorial of Mess.rs Wm Dardis, Cas.r Delahoyde & Roger Hamice of the Town of Drogheda Merchants on behalf of themselves & the other Roman Catholic Inhabitants of St. Peters Parish Drogheda Setting forth that the old Chapel out West Gate and Premises thereto annexed have been occupied by the Memorialists and their Predecessors in this Town for near a Century past, That at present same are appropriated as for a Charity School for the Instruction of poor Children and requesting a Lease of the said Premises may be granted to the Memorialists as Trustees for the Roman Catholic Inhab.ts at large of said Parish for the said charitable Purposes on such reasonable terms

Mem.l of Mess.rs Dardis Delahoyde & Hamice for a Lease of Prem.s out West Gate for a Charity School for poor Child.n of Catholics of St. Peters Parish

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as these be deemed meet — Which Memorial was referred to the Auditors & Viewers and their Report thereon was laid before this Assembly and is as follows

Report of Aud.rs & Viewers

"We are of Opinion that a Lease of the Premisses for the Purpose of a School or Chapel may be granted to the within named Trustees for 99 Years at the present Yearly Rent of £3-5-" Signed - Burton Tandy Mayor - James Boyd - Wm. Gibbons - Town.r B Hardman - Aud.rs & Viewers — It is therefore Ordered by this Assembly that the said Report be and the same is agreed to & Confirmed And that a Lease of the said Premisses be and the same is hereby granted to the said Memorialists as Trustees for the Purposes aforesaid for 99 Years from Xmas last (1800) at the said Yearly Rent of £3-5- Mayn. of said Premis.s to be answerable to the Lessees

Grant

Instructions to Aud.rs & View.rs on making Reports on Pet.rs for Renew.s of Leases

Resolved unan.s that the Auditors & Viewers be instructed in considering Petitions for Renewals of Leases referred to them, to value the Premisses at the full and actual Rent which shall appear to them just and equitable between Man and Man on View and that in reporting on such Petitions they shall take one third of such Value as the Rent to be paid by the Petitioner, and that it shall be at the Option of the Petitioner to pay the whole of such Rent or to pay down one half thereof at 17 Years Purchase on getting a Lease for 99 Years

Three Members admitted

Wakefield Hamilton, Gent.n Son of Edw.d Hamilton of Drogheda, admitted a free Member by Birth on his petition on the usual terms

Pet.rs for Freedom referred to a Jury

George Sillery and Wm. Sillery, Gent.n both Sons of Francis Sillery of Carrickblack in the County of Meath having petitioned for their Freedom in right of Birth, their Petitions are referred to a Jury before whom the Petitioners are to prove the Allegations of their Petitions

Jn.o Armstrong ord.d Jane Woodhouses Ann.y of Pen.n on Common's List 5 Guin.s to be paid him by Treas.r —

Ordered on the Petition of John Armstrong that the Arrear of Pension due to the late Widow Jane Woodhouse out of the Commons Money be paid to him by the Receivers of the Commons Rents and that 5 Guineas be paid him by the Treasurer of this Corp.n to reimburse him the Expence he incurred in her last Illness and on her Interment

Estimate for Repair.s Goal

Ordered that the Sheriffs have an Estimate made immediately of the Repairs absolutely necessary to be done at the Goal of this Town

Motion made for grant.g the Freed.m of Corp.n to Lt. Lieut.t —

A Motion was made by Ald.n Ralph Smyth and Seconded "That a Special General Assembly should be called for granting the Freedom of this Corp.n "in a Gold Box To his Excellency Earl Cornwallis Lord Lieut.t of this Kingdom" Mr. Smyth then desired to withdraw said Motion - The Question was therefore put, Whether he be permitted to withdraw same, which Question was balloted for, and the Numbers on both Sides being given (12 each) the Mayor gave his Vote against the Withdrawing - The Original Motion was then put and balloted for - and passed in the Negative by a Majority of 11 Votes - 17 against it and 6 for it

Negatived

Thanks voted to late Mayor & Sheriffs &.c

Ordered that the Thanks of this Corporation be presented to our late worthy Mayor for his spirited Conduct during his Mayoralty - and that the same be also given to the late Sheriffs and also to our worthy Recorder and that same be printed

Ordered

Pavem.ts to be Surveyed

Ordered that the Land out Dulcek Gate demised by Lease N.o 450 made to Ald.n John Gilbert now in the Possession of Mr. Newton, as also the House & Premis.s in Mop Street demised by Lease N.o 457 to Chas. Caldwell be forthwith Surveyed & Maps made of them to be laid before next General Assembly

Xmas Po. Assly 14 Jan.y 1801

At a Post.t Quarterly Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen being present this 14.th day of January 1801

Petit.ns dispos.d of

Several Petitions laid before this Assembly were read & disposed of

Xmas Gen.l Assly 16 Jan.y 1801

At a General Quarterly Assembly held before the said Burton Tandy Esq.r Mayor Geo. Metcalf & Jn.o Cooper Esq.rs Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 16.th day of January 1801

every Question to be balloted for if demanded

Resolved that the Resolutions heretofore made that every Question wherein a Member is concerned shall be balloted for, be and the same is now rescinded And it is ordered by this Assembly that a Ballot shall take place on every Question if called for by a Member and seconded

Case to be prepared for the Opinion of Council relat.e to Vicars Chorals Money

Resolved that a Committee be appointed for the Purpose of laying before Council a Case for his Opinion and Advice as to the proper Line of Conduct to be observed by this Corporation respecting the Paym.t or Appropriation of £54 — p.r this Corporat.n is bound by Charter to pay annually as Vicars Choral Money and that said Case be laid before the Corporat.n at large before same be laid before Council

Committee to prepare same

Ordered that the following Gent.n be and they are hereby appointed a Comm.ee for the above mentioned Purpose to wit - Mr. Mayor, Mr. Recorder, Ald.n Van Homrigh, Ald.n M Intogart and Mr. Town.r B Hardman

Free Member admitted

Mr. Roger Patoun, of Drogheda, Surgeon, upon his petition is admitted a free Member by special favor on the usual terms

£150-12- Ordered to be paid to Mr. Jn.o Seland Treas.r of the Com.rs for building Corn Market House

Ordered that the Sum of £150-12- paid to the Treasurer of this Corporation for Gate Customs for August, September, October and November 1799 and for which he credited this Corporation in his Accounts be by him paid over out of the Revenues of this Corporation to Mr. John Seland, Treas.r of the Com.rs for building the New Corn Market House as soon as such Revenues will admit

Alice Rencher admitted into St. John's Poorhouse

Alice Rencher, Widow upon her petition is admitted into St. John's Poorhouse

Pavements to be repaired

The undermained Gent.n are appointed a Committee to inspect the State of the Pavements of this Town and forthwith to repair the same the Expence thereof to be paid by the Corporation - to wit Ald.n Gibbons, Ald.n Van Homrigh Mr. Seland, Mr. Pollock and Mr. Coulter —

Wm. Skelly's Bill for Candles for Watch House Ord.d to be paid

Ordered that Wm. Skelly's Bill for Candles for the Watch House for the Year ended Mich.s last be paid by this Corporation

Resolved

Resolutions against private Stills

Resolved that any person concerned in private Distillation is the worst Enemy of the poor

Resolved that a Sum not exceeding Two Guineas be paid to any person giving such private Information to any of the Magistrates of this Town as shall lead to a Seizure of every Still

Thanks voted to Tho.s Crooks Esq.r

Resolved that the Thanks of this Assembly be given to Tho.s Crooks Esq.r Surveyor of Excise for his indefatigable Zeal in the Seizure of private Stills

to be printed

By the above three Resolutions ordered to be published in the Drogheda News letter and 1000 hand bills printed and dispersed

Motion for an increase of the Recorder's Sallary to stand over till next Gen.l Quart. Assbly

John Bale Esq.r moved that the Recorder's Sallary of £20 be increased to £100 a year to be paid to our present Recorder Peter Vanhomrigh Esq.r on Account of the Integrity Ability and Diligence with which he has discharged the duties of his Office – which Motion being seconded by Ald.n Evans, and being for a grant of Money the same is to stand over for the Consideration of next Generde Quarter Assembly

List of Pensions & Sallaries to be made out

Ordered that a list of the Pensions paid by the Corporation and of Sallaries be made out and given to the Auditors & Viewers by the Treas.r

2 Commiss.rs of the River Boyne Com.ee elected

Ald.n Van Homrigh and Ald.n M. Culegart are appointed Commiss.rs for improving the Port and Harbour of Drogheda and River Boyne in the room of Burton Tandy Esq.r present Mayor & Ald.n Geo. Armstrong

Monday the 2.d March next is appointed for setting the following Denom.ns – viz.t several Parks out Duleek Gate leased to Jn.o Gilbert fo.l N.o 450 – A House &c. on the West side of Shop street leased fo.l 1455 to Cha.s Caldwell – and a House on the East side of Shop street at the Corner of the North Quay Leased fo.l N.o 458 – made to Jn.o Broughton each lot to be set for 99 years to commence at Easter 1805 – one Moiety of the Rent of the Land to be fined off at 20 Year's Purchase and of the Rent of the Houses at 10 Year's Purchase – Three fourths of the Corn House belonging to the Poor of St. Johns. no part of their Rent is to be fined off but the taker is to pay 2 years Rent of their said part as a fine, a Moiety of the Rent of the other fourth part is to be fined off at 10 years purchase

Lands & Houses to be set

Sealing day

Tuesday the 17.th day of March inst.o is appointed a Sealing day for Corporation Leases

adjourned to Monday next at 12 O'Clock

Easter post Ass.bly 15.th April 1801

At a Quarter post Assembly held before the said Burton Tandy Esq.r Mayor George Metcalf and John Cooper Esq.rs Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 15 April 1801

Petitions

Several Petitions laid before this Assembly were read and referred to next General Assembly

Easter Gen.l Ass.bly 17 April 1801

At a General Quarter Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Councilmen being present the 17.th April 1801

Mayor elected

Edward Fairtough Esq.r is elected to serve Mayor of this Corporation for the ensuing Year from Michaelmas day next according to the Rule of Succession

Sheriffs

James Greene and George Portland Esq.rs are elected to serve Sheriffs of this Corporation for the ensuing Year from Mich.s day next

Certifies

Order'd that the Election of the Mayor and Sheriffs for the ensuing Year be forthwith certified to Government for Approbation

The following Motion of John Bale Esq.r at last General Assembly and to be now put was balloted for – viz.t

Recorder's Sallary increased to £100

"That the Recorder's Sallary of £20 be increased to £100 a year to be "paid to our present Recorder Peter Van Homrigh Esq.r on Account of the Integrity "Ability & Diligence with which he has discharged the duties of his Office"

Which Motion was carried in the Affirmative by a Majority of two

The Numbers were for 25 – against 23

Petitions for Renewals of Leases postponed to next Gen.l Ass.bly

The following five Petitions for Renewals of Leases which were referred to the Auditors and Viewers & reported upon & read at this Assembly are postponed to the Consideration of next General Assembly – viz.t Ald.n Edward Hardman's, Wm. Gibbon's, Mess.rs Leland & Muskitrick's Guardians of Geo. Ellis's Children, Ald.n Ol. Fairtough and Ald.n William Holmes

Auditor applying for Renewal of a Lease to resign

Resolved that in future any Auditor or Viewer having a Petition of his own for the Renewal of a Lease to be considered by them shall vacate his place as an Auditor before he presents it for Consideration, and that another be appointed in his room

Mr. Jn.o Leland resigned as an Auditor – and Mr. Rodger appointed in his room

Mr. John Leland resigned at this Assembly his place as an Auditor & Viewer and Mr. Nin. Rodger is elected in his room

Ass.bly adjourned

Adjourned to Monday next the 20.th inst.o at 11 O'Clock for disposal of the Common's Rents & other business

Adjourn.d held 20 April 1801

At an Adjournment of the above mentioned Easter General Ass.bly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 20.th April 1801

Carlile

Free Member

Carlile Pollock Esq.r Lieut.r in the Navy upon his Petition is admitted a Free Member by Special Favor on the usual terms

One of the Town Pumps Stolen & Bells taken away —

Ordered that the Law Agent prosecute the Person who has stolen one of the Town pumps and also the person who took away the Bells belonging to this Corporation

Law Agent to sue for Arr.s of Commons Rent.s or for Acc.ts due by Proctors

Resolved unanimously that the Law Agent do forthwith sue for all Arrears due by any former Receivers of the Commons Rents & for all Arrears due by any former Proctors of St. John's Poorhouse

Town Pumps —

Mr. Mayor is requested and empowered to cause the Town Pumps to be put into proper Repair

House at the Corner of the North Quay and Shop Street to be set

Monday the 18th Inst.t next is appointed for the open Sale or Setting of the house on the East side of Shop street at the Corner of the North Quay Leased per L.t 458 to John Broughton to be let for 99 Years from Easter 1805 three fourths belonging to the Poor of St. Johns, 2 Years Rent of their part to be paid as a fine; and a Moiety of the Rent of the other fourth part being the undivided property of the Corporation to be fined off at 10 years Purchase

Act of last Oct.r Assembly for Instruct.n of Aud.rs & Viewers on Reports on Pet.ns for Renewals of Leases Rescinded —

A Motion was made by Mr. Harry Brabazon & seconded that the Resolution and Instructions voted for the Government of the Auditors & Viewers last Oct.r Gen.l Assembly on their making Reports on Petitions for Renewals of Leases be now rescinded; which being balloted for the same was rescinded accordingly the Numbers were for rescinding 22 ag.st 8 Majority 14

Aud.rs & Viewers to be increased to 15

Resolved that the Auditors & Viewers do hereafter consist of 15, no less than 7 of whom to sit or report on any Business referred to them by this Corporation and that to each Report the following Affidavit be annexed "I swear that I saw have viewed the Premises and that the Report hereunto Annexed "is made according to the best of my Judgement Skill & Knowledge & agreeable "to the Instructions of the Corporate Acts of Assembly in this Case made & "provided" All difference of Opinion to be decided by Ballot without any special demand for that purpose being made and not only by the Auditors & Viewers but by any Committee to whom any Matter may be referred for their Consideration

Oath —

Differ.ce in Opinion to be decided by Ballot

Instruct.ns to Aud.rs & Viewers on Report.g on Petitions for Renewals of Leases

Resolved unan.: that it be an Instruction from this Assembly to the Auditors & Viewers on reporting upon Petitions for Renewals of Houses Lands or other Premises that they shall first take into their Consideration & value the said Premises at the full Value between Man and Man & that the Pet.r so applying shall then be entitled to a Renewal of his Lease for 99 Years at one fourth of the full annual Value as a Rent & on paying or fining down another or second fourth at 17 Years Purchase for Lands & 10 Years Purchase for Houses always obliging the Pet.r for Renewal of a Lease of a House or Houses by a special Covenant and any other necessary Legal Deed to build or rebuild within 5 Years after the Expiration of the term of Years in his old Lease under a forfeiture of his new Lease or Paym.t of treble Rent as the Corporat.n may think fit, giving it also as a Matter of Instruction to the Aud.rs & Viewers that they specially report on Oath on each particular Case what Sum or Compensation the Pet.r appears to them to be justly entitled to

(if any) for the term he proposes to surrender) on obtaining a Renewal; and that all Reports shall hereafter be received at one Assembly and taken into Consideration not sooner than the then following Quarter Assembly

Ordered that not to be rescinded or made without 3 Months previous Notice

Resolved unan.: that no Rules Orders or Regulations of this Assembly now or hereafter to be enacted shall be rescinded without three Months previous Notice, & that no further or new Regulations Rules or Orders shall be hereafter adopted by this Assembly except in Matters of Course without similar Notice

Notice was given by Mr. Town.r Hardman that he would at the next Gen.l Quart.r Ass.bly move for the Reconsideration of the Subject of Renewal of Leases & Instructions to the Auditors & Viewers on that Head

7 Additional Aud.rs & Viewers

The following 7 Gentlemen upon being ordered by a Majority of this Ass.bly are added to the List of Auditors & Viewers viz.t Ald.n Geo.h Ensteard, Ald.n Geo. Evans, & Mr Nich.s Metcalfe, Mr. Francis Blake, Mr Geo. Coulter, Mr Han. Brabazon & Mr Jn.o Skeleton

2 Com.rs appt. by Ald.n Smyth to inspect his Acc.ts as Pur.r of the Com.n Rents

The following Gent.n were named Elected by Ralph Smyth Esq.r to inspect his & Mr Sam.l Steele's Accounts as Rec.rs of the Rents of the Commons, viz.t Ald.n Geo. McEntegart & Ald.n Van Kormick, Ald.n Faulkner, Mr Han. Brabazon, Mr Leland, Mr Hardman & Mr Thos Evans

10 Gui.s ord.d towards Apprenticing Wm Edw.d Tighe

Ann Lowry otherwise Tighe Widow of Hugh Tighe dec.d is ordered 10 Guin.s out of the Corporation funds towards apprenticing out her Son Wm Edw.d Tighe

Mem.l of Matt.w Ruxton

A Memorial of Matthew Ruxton for Charges incurred by him for Support of disaffected Prisoners &c. in the Year 1798 during the Rebellion amounting to £43-15 being referred to the Aud.rs & Viewers was given into this Assembly, with their Opinion indorsed thereon, as follows "The Aud.rs & Viewers are of Opinion that the within or such part as may "appear right and fair should be paid out of the Money subscribed by the Inhabitants "for the defence of the Town in the Year 1798"

Aud.rs Opinion thereon

Spec.l Gen.l Ass.bly 4 May 1801

At a Special General Assembly held the 4th day of May 1801 for the purpose of finishing the business of last Easter Gen.l Ass.bly & other Matters — before the said Mayor Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present

Mem.l to the L.t Lieu.t

Resolved that a Memorial be prepared & transmitted to the L.t Lieu.t stating that by the Letter of the Barrack Master General to Capt.n Aldridge of the date of the 18th April last it appears that he is under the Idea that the Corporat.n made a Grant of the Shambles to Government for a Horse barrack, and also the Resolutions of the Assemblies of the 7th & 18th days of July 1798 be laid before his Excellency in Order to shew that they never intended to alienate their Property & that they were willing to accommodate Col.o Maxwell of the Dumpries for the time, and Mr Mayor, Mr Sheriff Cooper Ald.n Van Kormick & Ald.n Holmes are appointed a Committee to prepare and present the same

Relat.g to the Shambles now Cavalry Barracks

10 Debentures for £100 each to be put to Interest

Ordered that Mr Mayor &c. and he is hereby empowered to perfect ten Debentures for £100 each payable by this Corporat.n to Archdeacon Robinson for the Arrears of Vicars Choral Money due him as personal Representative of the late Lord Primate Robinson, with Interest for same from the 24 June last agreeable to the Proposal acceded to by this Gen.l Ass.bly held 4th July last

And Deacon Robinson for an Arrear of Vicars Choral Money

Resolved

Mr Mayor to enquire about the two Bells taken from the Tholsel —

Resolved that Mr. Mayor be empowered by this Assembly to institute an enquiry relative to the two Bells that were lately taken out of the Tholsel, and take such Steps as appear to him right for Recovery of same

Fishery of the River Boyne from the Bridge to the Sea, to be set for 1 Year

Resolved that the Fishery of the River Boyne from the Bridge of Drogheda to the Sea to be set from the 1st. day of May inst. for 1 year, to a free Member of this Corporation and that the Tenant shall not interfere with the Fishery at Baltray and Mornington; and that same be set by public Sale at the Tholsel on Monday next the 11th inst. at Noon, the Purchase Money to be paid down immediately after the Sale in Cash or Bank Notes

2 Vacancies filled in St. John's Poorhouse

Ann Appleyard, Widow, and Mary Brunton, Spinster, are upon their petitions admitted into St. Johns Poorhouse

Fishery of the River Boyne, set for 1 year

1801 May 11th — The Fishery of the River Boyne from the Bridge of Drogheda to the Sea was this day set by Cant at the Tholsel for one Year from the 1st inst. to Mr. George Coulter, a free member, for the Sum of £6..5 — Saving the Rights of the People of Mornington and Baltray to fish as heretofore

Midsummer Po. Assbly 15th July 1801

At a Quarter Post Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 15th July 1801

Petitions read — Assembly

The Petitions preferred to this Assembly were read & referred to next General

Midsummer Gen.l Assbly 17 July 1801

At a General Quarter Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 17th day of July 1801

Ald.r Wm Holmes withdrew his Pet.n for Renewal of a Lease

Ald.r Wm Holmes withdrew his Pet.n for Renewal of a Lease — the terms reported by the Auditors & Viewers he could not comply with

4 Pet.ns for Renewals of Leases and Reports of Aud.rs & View.rs affirmed

The Petitions of Ald.r Edw.d Hardman, Ald.r Wm Gibbons, Ald.r Oli.r Fairtlough and of John Leland & Alex.r Munkitrick for the renewals of Leases and the Reports made by the Auditors & Viewers on them being severally read — A Motion was made and the Question put Whether the said Reports be agreed to & confirmed Which passed in the Affirmative by a Majority of 1 — there being 14 for confirming and 13 against

The Petitions and Reports are as follows to wit

Pet.n of Edw.d Hardman Cit.n for Renewal of a Lease

To The Worshipful The Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses and Commons of the Corp.n of the Town of Drogheda — The Petition of Edward Hardman of the said Town Cit.n Sheweth That your Pet.r is in Poss.n in his own right of a Lease made by this Corporation to his father Edw.d Hardman late of Drogheda Cit.n dec.d of one Park or Parcel of Land adjoining the Lands of Rathmullen Cont.g 2a. 2r. 16p. together with the Tenements & Gardens on the West side of Duleek Street in the Town of Drogheda, Cont.g 1a. 2r. 30p. for 61 Years from Easter 1760 at the Yearly Rent of £1 — That the aforesaid term of said Lease is within the time prescribed by this Corporat.n for granting Renewals — and praying a new Lease and so forth — Which Petition being referred

Report thereon — Confirmed

referred to the Auditors & Viewers, they reported that the Pet.r shall have a new Lease of the Premisses for 99 Years from Easter last at the Yearly Rent of £3 — Stg.g — The said Report was now agreed to and Confirmed

Pet.n of Ald.n Wm Gibbons for Renewal of a Lease

To The Worshipful The Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses & Commons &c.

The Petition of Wm Gibbons of the said Town Alderman Sheweth

That your Pet.r is in his own right in Poss.n of an Old House and Garden in Tay Street by Virtue of a Lease under your Corporat.n — That the House is in a ruinous State — That Pet.r thinks the term unexpired being 23 Years is too short and requests your Worships to accept of a Surrender of said Lease and to grant him a term of 99 Years on such reasonable terms as to your Worships shall seem meet and he will pray

Report thereon — Confirmed

Which Petition being referred to the Aud.rs & View.rs they reported that the Pet.r shall get a new Lease of the Prem.s for 99 Years from Easter last at the Yearly Rent of £3..8..3 — The said Report is now agreed to & Confirmed

Pet.n of Ald.n Oliver Fairtlough for Renewal of a Lease

To The Worshipful The Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses and Commons &c.

The Pet.n of Ald.n Oliver Fairtlough — Sheweth

That your Pet.r is in Poss.n in his own right of all that & those a. r. p. parcel of Land called St. Sau.rs Park near the Twenties Cont.g 17. 1. a also of an Orchard Place now Two parcels without Duleek Gate, on One of which is the Bound of St. Mary's Parish & 2 or three Cabins, the other bounded as the Map by Virtue of a Lease made to his father Oliver Fairtlough late an Alderman dec.d for 61 Years from Easter 1743 at the Yearly Rent of £1 — That the said Lease is near expiring & within the Rules of this Corp.n for renewing, and praying a new Lease of said Prem.s and so forth — Which Pet.n being referred to the Aud.rs & View.rs they reported that the Pet.r shall have a new Lease of the Prem.s for 99 Years from Easter last paying at the Rate of 16s 8d per Acre for the Land and £1 — Rent for the Remn.t out Duleek Gate — Maps to be made of the Whole — Which Report is agreed to and Confirmed

Report thereon — Confirmed

Jn.o Leland & Alexan.r Munkitrick's Pet.n for Renewal of a Lease. In Trust for 2 Child.n Minor Daughters of Geo. Elliott dec.d

To The Worshipful The Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses and Commons &c.

The humble Petition of John Leland of the Town of Drogheda Merch.t and Alex.r Munkitrick of Ardee Gent.n Guard.ns of Marg.t and Mary Jane Elliott Minors under the Age of 21 Years Dau.rs of George Elliott late of Drogheda Grocer dec.d under the Will of Lucy Elliott dec.d his Widow and their Mother

Sheweth That the said Geo. Elliott was a Free member & Common Councilman of the Corp.n that the time of his death was possessed of all that & those several Cabbins & Gardens (formerly two Parks) Cont.g a. r. p. 2. 3. 23 Situate with.t Sunday's Gate near the Town Wall on the North side of the Town of Drogheda by Virtue of a Lease from this Corp.n to his Grandfather Geo. Elliott dec.d for 61 Years from St. Mich.s 1756 at the Yearly Rent of £3..10 — That the Cabbins & Prem.s are in a ruinous State and the term unexpired of said Lease (being 17 Years from St. Mich.s last) too short to expend that Money that will be necessary to rebuild & repair them and praying

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a new Lease in trust for said Minors and so forth —

Report thereon —

Which Petition being referred to the Auditors & Viewers they reported that the petit.rs shall get a new Lease of the prem.s for 99 years from Easter last at the yearly rent of £7 — Which Report is now agreed to & confirmed

Confirmed —

Tho.s Sallery & Cha.s Sallery's pet.n for grad.s by birth referred to a Surv.r

Francis Sallery & Cha.s Sallery sons of Francis Sallery of Drumo in the County of Meath having petitioned for their freedom by Birth their Pet.rs are referred to a Surv.r

Cath.e Rolland admitted into the Poorhouse

Catherine Rolland upon her pet.n is admitted into Masonry in St. John's poorhouse

Mich.s day Dinner

Ordered that the Mayor elect be requested to give the Aldermen on Michaelmas day according to annual Custom

Opin.n on Case relat.g to Houses &c. in Shop.t to be got by Law Ag.t

Mr. Mayor is requested by this Assembly to urge the Law Agent of the Corporation to get the Opinion of Council forthwith on the Case relative to the Houses & Premisses in Shop.t the Estate of the Corp.n now in the tenure of the Repr.s of the late Cha.s Caldwell Esq.r &c. that the same may be set as soon as possible pursuant to a form. Order of Assembly And the Treas.r is hereby directed to pay Cole Cuthbert Esq.r out of the Gen.l arising therefrom the Sum of One Hundred Pounds in part of the £600 due to him by the Corp.n as Assig.d of his Mother Mrs. Mary Gunning otherwise Cuthbert

and £100 in part of debt due to Mr. Cuthbut to be paid —

Comm.ee for Repair of Mayoralty House &c.

Resolved that the Mayor elect, Ald.n Van Homrigh & Ald.n Exham be appointed a Committee for the purpose of taking into Consid.n the Repairs absolutely necessary for the Mayoralty house and to May an Estimate of the Expences thereof before an Assembly to be called for that purpose

Doncas Jane Woodside &c. to be p.d £66.13.4 Sul. of £400 due by Deb.s to her Mother Jan.a Woodside als Knight dec.d

Ordered that Doncas Jane Woodside Dau.r and Legatee of Hannah Woodside als Knight dec.d the present Holder of four Debentures for £100 each due by this Corp.n be paid Interest at the rate of 6 £ C.t p. Ann.m for the said Princ.l Money of £400 from the 17.th January last

Ald.n Tandy to be repaid 14 Guin.s by th. Rec.r of the Com.n Rents

Ordered that 14 Guin.s paid by Ald.n Tandy to the late Ald.n Jno. Ackland dec.d in part of 20 Guin.s granted him out of the Commons Rent in 1797 be repaid to Mr. Tandy by the present Rec.r of said Rents

Spec.l Gen.l Ass.bly 21 July 1801

At a Special Gen.l Ass.bly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen & Com.n Council being present the 21.st July 1801

Sealing day —

Wednesday the 12.th day of August next is appointed a Sealing day for Corp.n Leases

Fine of a Lease to Ald.n Hardman —

Ald.n Hardman proposes to fine of one half of the Yearly Rent of £3 reserved by the Aud.r & Viewers to be the Rent of the Leases to be sealed to him

Ald.n Ob. Fairtlough & Ald.n Gibbons decline fining off any part of the Rent reserved to be paid by them — Mess.rs Leland & Mumkitrick Trustees for Gu. Elliott's Children will fine off one half of the Rent reserved

Other Persons decline pay.g fines —

Case for Opin.n of Coun.l Ridgeway —

Mr. Mayor is requested to transmit to Coun.l Ridgeway as soon as possible the Case and Counterpart of the Corp.n Lease made to Cha.s Caldwell of the Houses &c. on the West side of Shop Street, for his Opinion thereon

Spec.l Gen.l Ass.bly 4 Aug.t 1801

At a Special Gen.l Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 4.th Aug.t 1801

Shambles

The Consideration of presenting a Memorial to the Lord Lieu.t respecting the Shambles is postponed to a future day

Estimates for Repairing Mayoralty House

Two Estimates of Dis. Drummonds were laid on the table for Repairing Mayoralty house Amo.t £34.12 —

Comm.ee in Shop.t to be set according to Adjust.t

Case relative to St. Saviours Church with Coun.l Ridgway's Opinion, also Mr. Stewards Let.r to the Town Clerk read — The Setting of the Concerns to be proceeded as advertised

Acts compared

1801 Sept.r 29.th The foregoing Acts of Assembly were this day read and Compared before us and ordered to be entered in the Assembly-book as usual

Ad Test.m

Burton Tandy — Mayor

George Metcalf, John Cooper — Sheriffs

Will.m Gibbons, George Evans, Edward Fairtlough, Will.m Holmes — Aldermen

Boole County Archives

Michs Post Afs.bly 7th October 1801.-

At a quarterly post Assembly held before Edward Fairtlough Esquire Mayor, James Greene and George Pentland Esqrs Sheriffs, the Aldermen being present the 7th October 1801

Petitions referred &c.-

Several petitions were read and referred to next General Assembly

Michs Genl Afs.bly 9th Octr 1801.-

At a General Quarterly Assembly held before the said Edward Fairtlough Esqr Mayor, James Greene and George Pentland Esqrs Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 9th Oct.r 1801

Mayor of Staple

Burton Tandy Esqr late Mayor was elected Mayor of the Staple and Justice of the Peace for the ensuing Year and sworn

Constables of d.o

George Metcalf and John Cooper Esqrs late Sheriffs were elected Constables of the Staple for the ensuing Year and said George Metcalf was sworn

Common Councilmen

The said George Metcalf and John Cooper were elected Common Councilmen and said George Metcalf was sworn

Coroners-

And the said George Metcalf and John Cooper were elected Coroners for the ensuing Year and said George Metcalf was sworn

Master of the Guild

George M.Entegart Esqr was elected Master of the Guild for the ensuing Year

Wardens of d.o

William Oliver Fairtlough and Henry Pentland were elected Wardens of the Guild for the ensuing Year

Treasurer

Aldn William Holmes was elected Treasurer for the ensuing Year

Officers of Sword Mace & Marshal

The Officers of the Sword and Mace and Marshal to continue during the pleasure of this Corporation

Cleansing of the Streets

The Mayor is requested and impowered to contract with such persons as he shall think proper to cleanse and carry away the dirt and Soil of the Streets Lanes and Avenues of this Town and the Suburbs thereof for the ensuing Year to commence from & after the 26th day of Octoberins.t

Jane Hatchett Wid.a admitted into St. John's poorhouse-

Jane Hatchett Widow of Robert Hatchett upon her petition is admitted into a Vacancy in St. John's poorhouse

Mary Crawford Widow of Jas. Crawford ord.d £5 yearly on Common List

Mary Crawford, Widow of James Crawford upon her petition is granted the pension of £5 a year on the Common List to Easter next

Char.ble Grants freed from Restraint of former Orders-

Resolved that charitable Grants be exempted from any Restraint of former Orders of Assembly

Ann

Ann Sinclair granted £4.11.0

Ann Sinclair Widow is granted £4.11.0 out of the Funds of this Corporation

Anth.y Miles ord.d £11.7.6

Anthony Miles one of the Serjeants of Mace is granted £11.7.6 for his Extra Exertions, Duty and Expences on various Occasions

Committee to regulate Watch Establishm.t

Resolved that a Committee be appointed to inspect and regulate the Watch Establishment pursuant to the local Watch Act for this Town, and to report the number of Watchmen necessary, to ascertain the annual Sum requisite for its Support & to direct in what Manner & for what Purposes same shall be expended; and that in as much as a new applotment for the Support of said Establishment cannot be proceeded on 'till the next July Sessions that this Corporation will make good the Sum necessary for the Support of the Watch for one Year ending next July Sessions, if any deficiency shall arise in the Sum collected for the said Year from the Inhabitants at large as Watch money - and Mr. Mayor, Messrs. Henry Pentland, Alexander Irvine, George North and Charles Evans or any three of them are appointed a Committee for the above Business

Ls.6.2 Ord.d to Chas Evans for print.g

Ordered that £s.6.2 for printing Resolutions in the Dublin Journal in 1792 be paid to Mr. Charles Evans by the Treasurer for Acco.t of this Corporation

£20 Ord.d for repair.g Dulcek Street &c.

Ordered that a Sum not exceeding £20 be expended on repairing the Road or Street from Dulcek Gate to the Bullering under the direction of Aldn Armstrong and Thomas Owens & Harry Brabazon Esqrs -

Aldn Hardman added to Com.e of new Corn Mark.t

Aldn Hardman is added to the Committee for building the New Corn Market

Committee to report State of Mayoralty house

Resolved that a Committee be appointed to report the State of the Mayoralty house and the Sum necessary to repair the same, and that the following Gentlemen be a Committee accordingly - Mr. Mayor, Mr. Owens, Mr. Fount.n B. Hardman, Mr. John Fairtlough and Mr. Leland

Application to be made by Mr. Mayor for Resposession of Shambles

Resolved that Mr. Mayor do forthwith apply for the restoration of the Shambles now occupied by Government as Stables for the Military, to the General of the District, And that if same are not immediately given up that a Memorial be prepared and presented to His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant claiming the Resposession thereof & reasonable Compensation as rent for same, from the period at which said Shambles were ordered to be taken again into Possession of this Corporation to the present day

Treas.r Acco.t to be made up

Ordered that the Treasurer do make up the Accounts of this Corporat.n each Year shewing the Rents to Easter and Payments to Michs in each Year since the last Accounts that were printed

Ann

Louth County Archives

Ann & Sarah Smith, appointed House Keepers at Mayoralty House

Ann and Sarah Smith Daughters of the late Frances Smith dec.d are appointed House-keepers of the Mayoralty house in the room of their said late Mother at the usual Sallary

31.st Oct.r 1801. — Assembly to elect an Alderman

At an Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs & the Aldermen the 31.st day of October 1801, for electing an Alderman in the room of Oliver Fairtlough Ux.r dec.d pursuant to notice duly posted for that purpose

Jas.s Metcalf Esq.re elected an Alderman in the room of Ol.r Fairtlough Ux.r dec.d —

James Metcalf Esq.re is unanimously elected an Alderman of this Corporation in the room of Oliver Fairtlough Ux.r Esq.re late an Alderman of the same deceased and was sworn an Alderman accordingly

A.mas post Ass.bly 13.th Jan.y 1802 —

At a post Quarter Assembly held before the said Edward Fairtlough Esq.r Mayor, James Greene and George Pentland Esq.rs Sheriffs, the Aldermen being present the 13.th January 1802

Petitions read &.c

Several Petitions laid before this Assembly were read and disposed of

A.mas Gen.l Ass.bly 15.th Jan.y 1802. —

At a General Assembly held before the said Edward Fairtlough Esq.r Mayor, James Greene and George Pentland Esq.rs Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 15.th January 1802

3 Free members by Special favor

William Knipe of the Town of Drogheda, Merchant, Henry Metcalf Gent.n Son of Ald.n James Metcalf, and Wm. Leslie Murray of Eastham in the County of Meath Esq.r upon their several petitions were admitted Free Members of this Corporation by Special favor on the usual terms

10 Free Members by Birth

Mark Singleton, James Singleton and Henry Singleton Esq.res Sons of the late Sydenham Singleton Esq.re dec.d, William Anthony Holmes Gent.n Son of Joseph Holmes dec.d, Thomas Molineaux, Watchmaker, Son of John Molineaux of Drogheda, Saltpetremen, Francis Brunker of Drogheda, Cordwainer, Son of Thomas Brunker, Bricklayer deceased, Thomas Coddington of Old Bridge in the County of Meath Esq.r Son of Henry Coddington Esq.r, Thomas North of the City of Dublin, Whitesmith, Son of Francis North late of Drogheda, Sailor dec.d, Charles Ruxton, Son of Matthew Ruxton of Drogheda, Carpenter and John Collier a private Soldier in the Louth Militia Son of Thomas Collier dec.d upon their several petitions were admitted Free Members of this Corporation by Birth on the usual terms

Treas.r of the New Com Mark.t Comm.rs to settle

Ord.d that the Treas.r to the Fund for erecting the New Com Market be impowered to settle the Account of John Glover, Stone Cutter laid before this Assembly stating a Balance of £374. 13. 1p to be due to him thereon and to pay him the Interest of £300. 0. 0 at 6 p.Cent from

Settle the Accot. of Jn.o Glover, Stone-Cutter —

from the 16.th June last until the Principal Sum shall be discharged and to bring such Balance as shall appear to be due to him to his Credit in a new Account

6 Petitions for Freedom referred to a Jury

The following Petitions for Freedom were referred to a Jury for the Petitioners to prove the Allegations of them respectively, viz.t —

Henry Sheils of Dairve in the County of South Esq.r Son of Wm. Sheils Esq.r dec.d to prove that he is now of full age

John Ogle of the City of Dublin Esq.r Son of the Rev.d Wm. Ogle dec.d to prove that he is now of full age

Samuel Adams Esq.r Son of Wm. Adams late of Drogheda Esq.r deceased to prove that he is now of full age

Philip Elliott of Duleek in the Co.ty of Meath Carpenter, to prove the Allegations of his petition claiming by Service

Edward Petit, Shoemaker, to prove the Allegations of his petition claiming by Service

John Bagnall, Peruke-maker, to prove the Allegations of his petition claiming by Service

adjourned to Tuesday next, the 19.th Jan.y Inst.o at 11 o'Clock in the forenoon

Adjournm.t of last Ass.bly 19.th Jan.y 1802.

At an Adjournment of last General Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs, the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 19.th Jan.y 1802

Jn.o Cooper Esq.r sworn Com. Coun.r &.c

John Cooper Esq.r one of the late Sheriffs was sworn a Common Councilman, Coroner and Constable of the Staple pursuant to his Election last Mich.s General Assembly

Motion made & to be considered next Gen.l Ass.bly relat.e to Bal. Voting

A Motion was made and seconded, that no second ballot on any question hereafter shall be allowed unless it shall appear that a Mistake was made on the first Ballot — this Motion to be considered and determined next General Assembly

The like relative to Petns for Freedom by Birth or Service

A Motion made and seconded "That in future no petition for Freedom to this Corporation by Birth or Service shall be received in the Town Clerk's Office unless said petition shall set forth that the petitioner is of the full age of 21 years and an Affidavit is annexed thereto or subjoined that the Allegations of said petition are true to the best of the Deponent's Knowledge & belief whether such Affidavit shall be made by the petitioner or by one of his Relations or near Freinds and that every such petition so lodged shall be signed by the petitioner himself or by some Freind impowered by the petitioner to sign same, by letter or

other

other sufficient and satisfactory Authority from the Petitioner himself — this to lie over for the Consideration of next Genl Assembly

Treas.rs Accot with the Corp.n stated —

The Treasurer laid before this Assembly the Corporation Accounts pursuant to an Order of last October Assembly, for 4 Year's rents to & for Easter and May last and Water and Gate Customs to and for Mich.s last December last and for Fines and Seals of Leases and fines of Freemen &c. sworn from the 31.st Jan.y 1798 to the 15.th inst. and also of Disbursements from the 8.th February 1798 to the said 15.th Jan.y inst. — And it appears by said Account that there is a Balance due thereon to this Corporation of £72-7-2 3/4

Bal.ce due Corp.n thereon £72-7-2 3/4

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Committee appoint.d to consider and report the most eligible Mode to raise Money

The following Gentlemen are appointed a Committee to consider the present State and Circumstances of this Corporation and to advise the most eligible and speedy Mode to raise Money to discharge the Demands at present on this Corporation, to wit — Mr.s Mayor, Ald.n Gibbons, Ald.n M.Entegart, Mr. Leland, Mr. Town.y B. Hardman, Mr. Fisher and Mr. Coulter, any three to be a Quorum, and that they report their Opinion to the General Assembly on Monday next to which time this Assembly upon its breaking up will adjourn

Corporation Acco.ts to be printed —

Resolved that the Corporation Accounts be forthwith printed for the Use of the Members

Easter and May Rents to be immediately paid in —

Ordered that Notice be published forthwith that the Tenants of this Corporation do pay their Rents and Arrears due at Easter & May last or that they be immediately sued for same

Motion for a Rec.r to be appoint.d for Comm.rs rents to be considered next Genl Assembly —

Motion — that a Receiver & Treasurer of the Rents of the Commons be appointed with an Allowance of six pence in the pound as a Recompence for the trouble of receiving same and distributing & paying it to the pensioners to whom same shall be ordered by this Corp.n — to be considered next General Assembly

£24 ord.d to Ald.n Geo. Cains for 2 Year's attend.ce of Town pumps —

Ordered that Ald.n Geo. Cains be paid the Sum of £24 being for two Year's attending and keeping the Town pumps in Order ending at Mich.s 1799

Henry Smith's Acco.t referred to the Standing Committee

Mr. Henry Smith laid some Acco.ts before this Assembly which are now referred to the Standing Committee to examine and allow if proved to them to be just and right

Mr. Jn.o Glover to get Debentures for £300

Ordered that the Sum of Three Hundred Pounds be paid by Debentures out of whatever Balance appears due to Mr. John Glover if it is his Wish to take the same

Great Coats for Watchmen

Ordered that Mr. Mayor do provide Great Coats for the Watchmen

adjourned to Monday next, the 25.th Jan.y inst. at 12 Clock

Special Genl Assbly 25.th Jan.y 1802

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 25.th January 1802

John Singleton Esq.r voted his Freedom by Fiat

Mr. Mayor acquainted this Assembly that he convened same pursuant to a Requisition for the purpose of considering of the granting the Freedom thereof to John Singleton Esq.r eldest Son of the late Syd.m Singleton Esq.re deceased —

A Motion was made and seconded to that effect and it was thereupon Resolved unanimously that the Freedom of this Corporation be granted to the said John Singleton Esq.r in a fiat

Adjournm.t of last Gen.l Quart.r Assbly 25.th Jan.y 1802

At an adjournment of the last General Quarter Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs, the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 25.th January 1802

Report of Committee of Finance

The Committee appointed last General Assembly to consider and report to this Assembly the business to them referred laid their report on same before this Assembly which is as follows, to wit —

The Committee appointed to consider the present State of the Finances of the Corporation and to report to the General Assembly the most speedy and effectual Means of raising Money to answer the present demands, having met at the Tholsel on the 21.st January inst. (1802) have come to the following Resolutions, viz.t

1.st Resolution to sell Property on the Malle agreed to

1.st — Resolved that it is the Opinion of the said Committee that the Property on the Malle which was purchased by this Corporation from the Heirs of the late Wm. Coddington Esq.re should be sold by publick Auction

The Question upon which Resolution being put the same was agreed unto

The second Resolution in said Report relative to Proceedings against Tenants for Recovery of Rent was nilled, and instead thereof the following Resolution was moved and agreed to, viz.t

2.d Resolution agreed to

2.d Resolved that all Rent and Arrears of Rent now due to this Corporat.n up to the 25.th March and 1.st May last, shall be paid into the Treasurer within 21 days at farthest after the 25.th March & 1.st May next as the Case may be and that in future any Tenant standing indebted to this Corporation in a Year's Rent beyond 21 days after same shall be due (and one Application made to such Tenant for Payment) shall be proceeded against for Recovery thereof by Gectment or otherwise And that the Treasurer shall on no Pretence receive less than the Year's rent after it falls due provided 21 days beyond the Year shall be allowed by the Tenant to expire without Payment of half a Year's Rent

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3.d Resolved that it is the Opinion of this Committee that Notice shall be given to the different Tenants of this Corporation that the Corporation is ready to renew all Leases not having more than 31 Years unexpired, coming within the Description & Meaning contained in the Standing Rules of the Corporation for the Renewal of Leases

3.d Resolution for Renewals of Leases

The Question upon which 3.d Resolution being put the same was carried and agreed to

agreed to

4.th Resolved that it is the Opinion of this Committee that every Auditor & Viewer making and subscribing a Report certified by Affidavit as required by the present Rules, shall be paid for each Report the Sum of half a Guinea, provided such Report shall be acceded to by all Parties and such Expence to be defrayed by the Tenant or Tenants seeking and accepting a Renewal

4.th Resolution that Aud.rs & Viewers be paid half a Guinea on every Report for Renewals of Leases

The Question upon which said 4.th Resolution was put the same carried and agreed to

agreed to

5.th Resolved that all Money hereafter paid to this Corporat.n as Fines for Renewals of Leases, shall be appropriated exclusively to the discharge of the Principal Sums and Interest thereon due by this Corporation, by Debentures And that the Treasurer shall keep a seperate and distinct Account of such Transactions whereby it may appear that the Intent and Meaning of this Resolution has been strictly complied with

5.th Resolution — Fines for Renewals of Leases to be appriated to discharge the Princ.l & Interest due by Debent.s

The Question upon which 5.th Resolution being put the same was agreed to

agreed to

Signed — Edw.d Fairtlough, Mayor
Saun.l Fisher
John Leland
Town. B. Hardman
Geo. Coulter
Geo. M.Entegart
Comm.ee

An Estimate of Thomas M.Carm, Slater, for Repairs necessary to be made at the Goal &c.a in Consequence of a late violent Storm £7. 15. 6 was referred to the Sheriffs, to get the Work done

Estimate for Repairs of Goal

Ald.n Tandy the late Mayor to be paid his Salary of £100 on his Receipt

Ald.n Tandy late Mayor's Salary to be paid on his Rec.t

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 22.d March 1802

Spec.l Gen.l Ass.bly 22.d March 1802

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The following Proposals for the Premisses on the Mall or Custom-house Quay belonging to this Corporation which were advertised to be sold, were laid before this Assembly by Mr.e Mayor, viz.t

Proposals for Premises on the Mall

A Proposal of Mr. William Shelly's for two Lots held by Mr. Thomas Coleman and one Lot held by himself to pay £450
d.o ..... of Mr.s Mary Magrane for the same three Lots to pay £480
d.o ..... of Mr. John Leland for the whole of the Property to pay £1051
d.o ..... of Jn.o Wm. Foster Esq.r for the whole of d.o to pay £1100

not accepted

— none of which Proposals were accepted

Order'd that the said Property be sold by Publick Auction at the Tholsel on Monday the 5.th April next at Noon

Order to be sold by Publick Auction

Sold to Geo. Ball Esq.r

1802. April 5.th — The above mentioned Premises were accordingly sold this day by Auction to George Ball Esq.r for £1145 from 1.st May next

1802. April 24.th — This day a Jury was balloted for and sworn before the Mayor and Sheriffs pursuant to Notice, to try and enquire into the Merits of the following persons who claim the Freedom of this Corporation by Birth and Service, viz.t George Brunker of Drogheda, Basketmaker, Wm. Sallery, George Sallery, Charles Sallery and Francis Sallery all of the County of Meath, Gent.n & Henry Sheils of Newtown Darver Esq.r John Ogle of the City of Dublin, Esq.r, Samuel Adams Esq.r Philip Elliott of Dulcek, Carpenter, John Bagnall, Ponkemaker, and Edward Petit, Shoemaker, both of Drogheda — and the Jury upon their Oaths returned the following Verdicts, that is to say, that the said George Brunker, Henry Sheils, Samuel Adams and Edward Petit had proved their Claims, that they could not agree to find for said John Bagnall and the other Claimants did not appear

Jury balloted & sworn to try Merits of Claimants for Freedom by Birth and Service

Verdicts of Jury

Easter Do. Ass.bly

At a Quarterly Post Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 28.th April 1802

Petitions referred

The several Petitions following laid before this Assembly were read and referred to next General Assembly, viz.t
John Wm. Foster Esq.r for Renewal of a Lease
Cat.e Ewing, Esq.r ..... for d.o ..... of three Leases
five Petitions for Freedom by Birth
two d.o ..... for d.o ..... by Special Favor
Eight d.o ..... for Common's Money, & two d.o .. for the Poor-house

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Spec.l Gen.l Ass.bly 30.th Aprile 1802 Requisition for Freedom of Roger Hamill –

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor the 30.th April 1802, convened by Requisition for the Purpose of granting the Freedom of the Corporation to Roger Hamill –

Requisition read –

A Motion was made and seconded, that this Assembly be dissolved same being contrary to the standing Rules – The Question thereupon was put and balloted, the Numbers were for dissolving 31 for proceeding 18 – Majority for dissolving 13 – Whereupon the Assembly was dissolved accordingly

dissolved

Easter Gen.l Ass.bly 30.th April 1802

At a General Quarter Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 30.th April 1802

Message from the Lord Primate about the Vicars Chorals Money

A written Message from His Grace the Lord Primate to this Corporation was laid before this Assembly by Mr. Mayor relative to the future Application of the £54 a year called Vicars Chorals Money payable by the Corporation And the same is referred to the Committee appointed January General Assembly 1801 to consider that Business and they are requested by this Assembly forthwith to proceed upon and carry the Resolution then passed into Effect in the speediest Manner

referred to a Committee

Mayor elect

Ald.r James Stetcalf is elected to serve Mayor of this Corporation for the ensuing year from Michs day next according to the Rule of Succession

Sheriffs elect

Richard Siddall and William Knipe Esq.rs are elected to serve Sheriffs of this Corporation for the ensuing year from Michs day next

Election certified –

Ordered that the Election of the Mayor and Sheriffs for the ensuing year be forthwith certified to Government for Approbation

3 free Members admitted by Special Favor

James Mayne of Dublin Gent. John Godley of same Esq.re Son of John Godley Esq.r & John Byrne of same Gent. upon their several Petitions are admitted free Members by Special Favor on the usual terms

5 d.o admitted by Birth

George Ford, Lieut.t in the 50.th Regim.t of Foot, John Ford Lieut.t in the 28.th Regim.t of Foot both Sons of the Rev.d James Ford of Ballymakenny Henry Ackland Gent. Son of John Ackland late Alderman dec.d Roger Allen of Drogheda Cordwainer, Son of Peter Allen dec.d and Justin Martin of Dublin Cabinetmaker Son of Samuel Martin dec.d upon their several Petitions are admitted free Members by Birth

John

John Jandy Esq.r elected a Commiss.r of the Port

John Jandy Esq.r is elected a Commissioner for Improvement of the Port and Harbour of Drogheda in the Room of Francis Elliot dec.d

Salt quit granted to Capt.n Smyth for Repairs of a Road

Resolved that the Sum of 50 Guineas be granted by this Corp.n to Capt.n Smyth for the effectual Repairs of the Road from Mr. Nicholson's Bridge to his Bleach at Landsharragh

Beans only to be used in Balloting

Resolved that no Ballot shall in future take place but with Beans only

Repairs of the Mayoralty House –

Resolved that Mr. Mayor shall be impowerd to take the Advice and Directions of Mr. Johnson or some other Architect of Character as to the permanent Repairs that may be necessary for the Mayoralty – house and to carry into Effect such Repairs as may be advised forthwith and that this Corporation will make good the Expence of such Repairs

Repairing Dulleek St and Barrack Hill

An Estimate for repairing Dulleek Street & the Barrack hill from the turn of the Bullring to Dulleek Gate cont.g 771 perches at 11/4½p.d Sq.re perch including Overseer's Wages making the Sum of £40 – 7 – 7½p was laid before the Assembly by Ald.n Henry Smith, for which Work £20 was ordered, the Balance for completing same being £20 – 7 – 7½p is now ord.d Geo. Armstrong, Tho.s Owens, Harry Brabazon & Jn.o Cooper Esq.rs Overseers

£4 – 11 – 0 to defray Judges Lodgings last Assizes

Resolved that the Treasurer be directed to pay the present Sheriffs the Sum of £4 – 11 – 0 in Order to defray the Expence of the Judge's Lodgings at the last Assizes

£6 – 16 – 6 to late Sheriffs for Judges Lodgings

Resolved that the Treasurer of this Corp.n be allowed to pay over to Wm. Ob. Fairtlough & Henry Portland late Sheriffs the Sum of £6 – 16 – 6 for their Expences during their Sherriffalty for lodging the Judges

£5 to each chartered Corp.n to perambulate the Franchises

Resolved that the Sum of Five Pounds Sterling be granted to each of the chartered Corporations towards defraying the Expences of their perambulating the Franchises of this Town

adjourned to Wednesday next the 5.th May 1802

Adjournm.t of Easter Gen.l Ass.bly 5.th May 1802

At an Adjournment of above last mentioned Easter General Assembly held pursuant to Adjournment the 5.th day of May 1802 before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present

Committee to collect standing Orders now in being

The Mayor and Sheriffs, Ald.n Holmes, Ald.n Evans, Mr. Harry Brabazon and Mr. Laun.e Fisher are appointed a Committee, to inspect and collect the standing Rules & Orders of this Corporation now in being

Mr. Brasington appointed Surveyor

Mr. Richard Brasington is appointed Surveyor of this Corp.n

Applicat.n for Renewals of Leases referred to the Ald.n & Wardens

Memorial of Jn.o Wm. Foster Esq.r for Renewal of a Lease & petition of Pat.k Ewing Esq.r for Renewals of 3 Leases were referred to the Auditors & Viewers to report their Opinion to next General Assembly

Mr.

A pension of 15 Guin.s order.d to Jn.o M.Cartney Comm.on Coun.l for Taylors

Mr. John M.Cartney, Common Council man for the Fraternity of Taylors upon his petition is ordered by this Assembly a pension of 15 Guin.s a year from Easter last on his giving up his place of Common Council man, the first quarter to be paid in Advance

A like pens.n of 15 Guin.s ord.d to Mich.l Richardson Common Coun.l for Carp.rs

Mr. Michael Richardson, Carpenter & Common Council man for the Fraternity of Carpenters being in an infirm and distressed State is ordered by this Assembly a pension of 15 Guineas a year from Easter last on his surrendering his place of Common Councilman and on his surrendering a Lease of premisses in the Barrack Lane made to his late Son Cuthbert Richardson dec.d by this Corporation, the first Quarter to be paid in advance

Mr. Saunt.r Fisher appoint.d Receiver of the Rents of the Commons

Mr. Launcelot Fisher is appointed Receiver and Treasurer of the Rents of the Commons with an Allowance of Six pence p.er pound Serj.d as a recompense for his trouble in receiving from the Tenants and paying said Rents to the different Pensioners that this Corporation shall order same to be paid

late Receiv.rs of Rents of Commons to state and settle their Accos. with the present Receiver

Ordered that the late Receivers of the Rents of the Commons do state and settle their Accounts with Mr. Fisher the present Receiver and if any deficiency to discharge the present pensions shall appear a proportionable deduction shall be made from each pensioner to make good such deficiency

Mr. Irwine's State of Corp.rs Accos. to be printed

Mr. Alexander Irwine presented a Statement of the Corp.rs Accos. Ordered that same be forthwith printed

Mr. Rodger & Mr. Holland appoint.d Proctors

Mr. Ninian Rodgers and Mr. John Holland are appointed Proctors of St. John's Poorhouse for three Years from this Easter General Assembly

Corner House of Fair St. & Peter Street to be set

Ordered that the Corner House of Fair Street and Peter St. be set by Publick Sale from the 1.st November next for 99 Years, one Half of the Rent to be fined off at 10 Year's Purchase

Assignm.t of Premises sold to Mr. Ball to be sealed by Mr. Mayor

Mr. Mayor is hereby impowered to affix the Common Seal of this Corporation to the Deed of Assignment from the Corporat.n to George Ball Esq.re of premisses on the Mall sold to him the 5.th April last pursuant to Order of Assembly

Mr. Mayor to write to Mr. Recorder to apply to Govern.t for rent of Cavalry Barrack

Mr. Mayor is requested to write to Mr. Recorder (now in Dublin) to make the most eligible and speedy Application to Government for a reasonable Rent or Compensation to be paid to this Corporation for the Cavalry Barrack at the foot of Stockwells Lane for the time past and in future

Rev.d Jos.h Fairtlough

Rev.d Joseph Fairtlough applied by his Brother for three Months time to pay his Arrear of Rent

Mr. Geo. Coulter appoint.d Inspector of Fishery of the Boyne

Mr. George Coulter is appointed Inspector of the Fishery of the River Boyne from the Bridge to the Sea for 5 years from this Easter Assembly

John

Goaler's Salary augmented 5 l.a a year

John Allen, Goaler, upon his Petition is ordered £10 a year additional Sallary as Goaler from the 25.th March last, the better to enable him to execute that Office and employ an Assistant or Turnkey

Verdicts of Jury ballot.d between Rodry Merits & Claim.ts for Freedom by Birth

1802 June 10.th — The Claims of Wm. Sallery, George Sallery and Francis Sallery Sons of Francis Sallery all of Dunroe in the County of Meath, Gent.n to the Freedom of this Corporation by Birth, were this day proved to a Jury and a Verdict given for each of them & of their being of full Age

Midsum.r Po. Assembly 14.th July 1802

At a Quarterly Post Assembly held before the said Edw.d Fairtlough Esq.r Mayor, James Greene and George Pentland Esq.rs Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 14.th July 1802

Petitions preferred

Several petitions laid before this Assembly were read & referred to the next General Assembly

Midsum.r Genl. Assembly 16.th July 1802

At a General Quarterly Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 16.th July 1802

Wid.r Wisdom elected a Common Coun.l for the Carpenters

Abadiah Wisdom of Drogheda, Gunsmith, is elected & sworn a Common Council man for the Fraternity of Carpenters of this Corporation in the room of Michael Richardson resigned, upon the petition & Return of said Fraternity signed by the Master and Wardens laid before this Assembly

Wm Kegan elected Common Coun.l for Taylors

Mr. Wm Kegan is elected and sworn a Common Council man for the Fraternity of Taylors of this Corporation, on the petition and Return of said Fraternity to this Assembly in the room of Jn.o M.Cartney resigned

Ald.n M.Entegart elected Law Agent

Ald.n George M.Entegart, is elected Law Agent of this Corporation in the room of Beaver Van Homrigh Esq.r deceased

two Lots of Prem.s to be set by Auct.n

Ordered that the Tenement and Premisses on the South side of the Barrack Lane, late in Lease to Cuthbert Richardson dec.d and the House at the Corner of Fair Street and Peter Street, be set by Auction at the Tholsel on Monday the 2.d August next in seperate lots, for 99 years from Mich.s next, one Moiety of the Rent of each Lot to be fined off at 10 years Purchase

30 Guin.s granted to Ralph Smyth Esq.r for a Road out Sunday's Gate & to keep same in Repair for 20 Years at his own Expence

Ralph Smyth Esq.r upon his Memorial is ordered 30 Guineas in addition to a Grant of 50 Guin.s at last April Assembly to finish in a proper Manner the making and repairing the Road from Mr. Nicholsons Bridge out Sunday's Gate through the Green Batter to the Lands of Landshanagh, which Road he engages to make & Completely finish & Gravel Lime and afterwards to keep in proper Repair for 20 years at his own Expence

Joseph

a free member by Spl. Favor

Joseph Woodroffe of the City of Dublin Gent.n upon his petition is admitted a free Member by Special favor on the usual terms

five free members by Birth

and

one free member by Serv.e

Thomas Wynne of Drogheda Gent.n Son of Mr. John Wynne, John Fairtlough Junr. Gent.n Son of Mr. John Fairtlough Senr., Charles Sallery Son of Francis Sallery of Dunore in the County of Meath Gent.n, Wm. Henry Ogle of the City of Dublin Esqr. Son of the late Revd. Wm. Ogle decd. and Isaiah Moore of Killaneer in the County of the Town of Drogheda, Weaver, Son of Isaiah Moore decd. upon their several petitions are admitted free members by Birth on the usual terms and George Coulter Son of John Coulter of Beamore in the Co.y of Meath Linen Manufacturer upon his petition is admitted a free member by service on the usual terms

Ald.n Tandy, petn. relat.e to premr.s in James's Street

Ald.n Burton Tandy upon his petition is impowered to cause the Ground under the Gateway in James's Street belonging to his House on the South Quay to be lowered and to underpin the Walls thereof and that this Corporation will make good the Expence

Repairs of different Streets &c

Ordered that a Sum not exceeding Five pounds be granted to Ald.n Evans, Ald.n Jones & Harry Brabazon Esq.r for repairing the road from the pound to Sunday's Gate and lowering the same and also that the Sum of Five pounds be granted to the above Gentlemen for repairing Crow Street

idem

Ordered that the Sum of Fifteen pounds be granted to Mr. Chas. Evans to complete the road from Butter Gate to Sunday's Gate to be accounted for on Oath

idem

Ordered that £2-2-5 p.d be granted to the Revd. Mr. Graves to reimburse him that Sum expended on repairing part of the road out Sunday's Gate leading towards Listoke

Petitions for freedom referred to a Jury

The following Petitions of the undernamed persons for freedom are referred to a Jury viz.t

William Moore, of Killaneer ..... pet.r by Birth
William Fewtrile, Junr. ..... like-
James Lucas ..... like-
William Lucas ..... like-
James Jonge ..... like-
Robt. Parkinson, junr. ..... like-

— adjourned to Monday, 26.th July inst. —

1802.

Verdicts of Jury Called'd & Sworn to try Merits of Claimants for freedom by Birth and Service

July 19.th — The Petitions and Claims for freedom, of Wm. Moore of Killaneer, Weaver, Son of Isaiah Moore decd., of Robt. Parkinson of Dublin, Carpr. Son of Robt. Parkinson decd., of James Jonge of Drogheda, Weaver, Son of Thomas Jonge of the same, Weaver, of James Lucas of Dublin, Wigmaker, and of Wm. Lucas of the same Gent.n both Sons of Richard Lucas decd., of Wm. Fewtrille of Dublin, Writing Clerk, Son of Wm. Fewtrille, and of John Ogle Esq.r of Dublin Son of the Revd. Wm. Ogle decd. were this day proved to a Jury & Verdicts given for their freedom, by Birth & of their being of full age and also of the petition of John Bagnall of Drogheda Wigmaker

Wigmaker, being entitled to his freedom by Service and of his being of full age was proved to a Jury and a Verdict for same given

Special Genl. Assbly. 3. Aug.t 1802

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs, the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 3.d day of August 1802, for the purpose of finishing the business left undone by last General Assembly

Petns. referred to next Genl. Assbly.

The petitions of Thomas Winslow, Edward Robinson and Robert Sharp to be admitted to take Care of the New Corn Market house in Fair Street are referred to the Consideration of next October Genl. Assembly

Mr. Pat. Gernon's Proposal referred to the Aud.rs & Vieweres

The proposal of Mr. Pat. Gernon relative to a passage or Street from the New Quay to the Linen hale is referred to the Auditors & Vieweres to report their opinion to next General Assembly

Pensioners on Common's List who are not paid is to be paid by the Receiv.r of the Common's Rents out of the first Monies that shall come to his hands

Resolved that the several pensioners on the Common's List whose pensions are in arrear since Michaelmas last, be paid such Arrears out of the first Monies which shall come into the hands of Launcelot Fisher Esq.r the Receiver of the Common's Rents and that he be and is hereby instructed to that effect

£44-8-6 due to Pens.rs on Common's List ordr.d to be advanced by Treas.r & to be repaid by the Rec.r of the Common's Rents

Resolved that the Sum of £44-8-6 appears to be due to the several pensioners on the Common's List to Mich.s and Easter last over & above the Money now in the Receiver's hands And that the Treasurer of this Corp.n be authorized to advance that Sum until it can be repaid by the Receiver And that no new pensioner shall be put on the Common's List until the said Loan of £44-8-6 be repaid to this Corporation

Report of the Auditors & Vieweres on Petition of the Revd. Fhos. Fairtlough and

The following Report of the Auditors & Vieweres upon the petition of the Revd. Thomas Fairtlough and Edward Fairtlough Esq.rs Executors of Ald.n Oliver Fairtlough William decd. was made to this Assembly viz.t 12.th July 1802 — We the "undersigned Auditors & Vieweres having previously viewed the premisses "following are on our oaths of the following opinion, and which Opinion we "give according to the best of our Judgement, Information and belief — We are "of Opinion that the Land &c. near Sandsharragh containing "according to the new Survey thereof is worth and would set between Man "and Man by Lease to a solvent Tenant at the yearly Rent of £2-10- Jacre "and Man by Lease to a solvent Tenant at the yearly Rent of £2-10- Jacre "We are of Opinion also that the Field in Windmill Lane is worth and "would set between Man and Man by Lease to a solvent Tenant at "the yearly Rent of £8 — Jacre — We are of Opinion that the premisses "in Great George's Street are worth and would set between Man and Man "by Lease to a solvent Tenant at the yearly Rent of £9 — with a

"Clause

and Edw.d Fairtlough Esq.r Executors of Ald.r Oliver Fairtlough Willm deceased for Renewal of a Lease

"Clause obliging the Tenant to rebuild the Premisses in front
"We are also of Opinion that a Lease for 99 years ought to be made
"of all the foregoing Lands & Premises according to the Reduction &
"terms settled heretofore by the Corporation for Renewal of Leases
"We are also of Opinion that we are not called on to Report relative
"to the House in West Street, without first informing the corporate
"Assembly that it appears to us that from a Clause in the Lease
"made by the late Alderman Oliver Fairtlough to his Under Tenant
"Laurence Kelly he has bound himself to renew at the same Rent
"at which said Kelly now holds said Premises, namely the yearly
"Rent of £34-2-6 whenever he his Executors or Assigns, should
"obtain a Renewal thereof, and that therefore we should receive
"from the Assembly further and fuller Instructions relative
"thereto" Signed - "George M.r Categart - "Chas.r Evans -
"Saun.l Fisher - "Wm Gibbons - "John Shekleton - "Ninian Rodgers -
"Geo. Evans" - —

Oath at foot of said Report

"We the foregoing Auditors and Viewers do swear that we have
"viewed the Premisses and that the Report hereunto annexed is made
"according to the best of our Judgement, Skill and Knowledge and
"agreeable to the Instructions of the corporate Acts of Assembly in
"this Case made and provided"

Signed by the above named Auditors & Viewers
"Sworn before me this 3.d aug.t 1802"
(Copy) Signed - "Cav.d Fairtlough, Mayor"

allowed and confirmed

Which Report being read the same was allowed & confirmed and it is ordered by this Assembly that it be entered accordingly

Battlements of the Bridge to be repaired

Ordered that Mr George Coulter, be instructed to repair the Battlements of the Bridge of this Town under the direction of Edward Hardman Esq.r and that he be paid the Expences thereof by this Corporation

Law Agent to take Counsel Opinion about Meat Market now Cavalry Barracks

Resolved that the Law agent do lay a Case before Council relative to the obtaining possession of the Shambles a Meat market now occupied as a Cavalry Barrack and as to the propriety of suing for a reasonable annual Rent for the period same have been occupied

Bill of Costs of the late Beav.r Van Homrigh Esq.r £49-11-11 Ord.d to be paid

A Bill of Costs of the late Law agent Beaver Van Homrigh Esq.re amounting to £49-11-11 was laid before this Assembly and ordered to be paid

Henry Smith's Acct for lighting Lamps for 5 years Ob.d to be paid £85-5-3

Mr Henry Smith's Account for lighting 19 Coy.s Lamps for 5 years ending 1.st May 1802 amounting to £85-5-3 was laid before this Assembly and ordered to be paid

Ordered

Sheriffs and Ald.n Quits for Lodgings of Judges

Ordered that the present Sheriffs Messrs.s Greene & Pentland be paid £4-11- which they incurred for Lodgings for the Judges of last Assizes

Acts compared

1802. September 29.th This Day the foregoing Acts of Assembly were compared & read before us and ordered to be entered in the Assembly Book as usual

Ad Test.t James Greene, Geo. Pentland, Sheriffs
Edw.d Fairtlough, Mayor
Will. Gibbons -
James Scholes -
James Metcalf

Mich.s past Assize 6.th Oct.r 1802 -

At a Quarterly Post Assembly held before James Metcalf Esq.re Mayor, Richard Siddall & William Knipe Esq.rs Sheriffs, the Aldermen being present the 6.th day of October 1802

Petit.s referred -

Several Petitions were read and referred to next General Assembly

Mich.s Gen.l Assize 8.th Oct.r 1802 -

At a General Quarterly Assembly held before the said James Metcalf Esq.re Mayor, Rich.d Siddall & William Knipe Esq.rs Sheriffs, the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 8.th day of October 1802 -

Mayor of the Staple

Edward Fairtlough Esq.re late Mayor was elected Mayor of the Staple and Justice of the Peace for the ensuing Year & sworn

Com.n Count.r -

James Greene & George Pentland Esq.rs late Sheriffs are elected Common Councilmen & Sworn

Coroners -

The said James Greene & George Pentland are elected Coroners for the ensuing Year & Sworn

Constables of Staple -

The said James Greene & George Pentland are elected Constables of the Staple & Sworn

Master of Guild

Burton Dandy Esq.re is elected Master of the Guild for the ensuing Year

Geo.y

Louth County Archives

Wardens of Guild

George Metcalf & John Cooper Esq.rs are elected Wardens of the Guild for the ensuing Year

Treasurer

Ald.n William Holmes is elected Treasurer for the ensuing Year

Officers

The Officers of the Sword & Mace and Marshal to continue during the pleasure of this Corporation

Scavengers

The Mayor is requested & impowered to contract with such persons as he shall think proper to cleanse & carry away the Dirt and Soil of the Streets and Lanes of this Town & avenues thereto for the ensuing year to commence from & after the 26.th day of October instant

Free Member admitted

Thomas Crooks of Drogheda, Gent. upon his petition is admitted a free Member by special favor on the usual terms

Ald.n Tho.s & Mr. Edward Fairtough's Pet.r for Renew.l of a Lease to be reconsidered & further reported by Aud.r & Vreivers

Order'd that the petition of The Rev.d Thomas Fairtough and Edward Fairtough Esq.re on behalf of themselves & Brothers for renewal of a Lease of certain premisses on which the Auditors & Vreivers have already partly reported be again referred to them to report what allowance is to be made to them in Consideration of their Surrender of their present Lease of which there are three years unexpired from Easter last

Shambles surrendered by Barrack Board

Resolved in as much as since the last Assembly the Barrack Board have surrendered the possession of the Shambles to this Corporation that the Law agent shall now prepare a new Case as to the propriety of sueing for the Rent or for the use & occupation of said premisses while in possession of said Board and also that all the Racks, Mangers & Shelves in or on said premisses by the Barrack Master shall tomorrow at three o'Clock be set up & sold by publick auction to the highest Bidder and an exact account be kept by the Treasurer Alr. Holmes of the Sum or Sums arising from the Sale thereof

Racks & Mangers to be sold by Auction

Case relative to New Meat Markt. to be prepared & considered by Mr. Recorder

Resolved that the Law agent do state a Case & lay same before the Recorder for his Opinion as to the necessary Deeds and other Acts or Acts to be executed & performed by Mr. Ashworth or any other person or persons to confirm or render valid in Law the Title of this Corporation to the aforesaid premisses the Shambles and premisses at the new meat market at the foot of Stockhouse Lane in this Town

£10 for repair of Road to Twenties

Order'd that the Sum of £10 be granted to the Revd Henry Leland for repairing the Road from the Twenties to M.r Coey's Bleach. Mr. Leland engaging to lay out the like Sum of £10 in effectually repairing same, the Expenditure of said Money to be accounted for upon Oath

Rowland

Wm.m Smith to be paid £10 a year to keep the Fire Engines &c. in Order

Resolved that a Salary of £10 a year be paid unto Mr. Henry Smith, Brazier, to keep the Fire Engines and Pipes in constant repair, so as to be ready to give relief upon every Emergency of Fire he engaging to bring them out once a Month to the Pump opposite the Tholsel and playing them there to prevent their going out of Order

Gate Customs to be set for one Year

Resolved that the next Setting of the Gate Customs of this Corp.n be to the highest bidder for one Year to commence from & after the 18.th Oct.r inst.t & ending the 18.th October next (1803) inclusive. The first three Months Purchase Money to be paid in advance, and the remaining secured by Bonds of three solvent persons to be approved by the Mayor and Law agent and that three Months of the Rent or Purchase Money be always paid in advance

Watchmen to be increased to 21 and Boxes repaired &c.

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Great Coats, Lanthorns & Poles

Resolved that the Number of Watchmen of this Town be increased from 15 the present Number to No. 21 to do Duty for the Safety of the Inhabitants, also that the Watchmen's Boxes be repaired and new ones added to make up the Number twelve Boxes in the whole to be placed at their Stands to shelter them at Night & enable them to do their Duty, and also that each Watchman shall be provided with a Great coat to be wanby him at Night on his Duty and with a Lanthorn & Pole each, and that said Watchboxes be repaired & made & said Coats Lanthorns & Poles provided by the present Mayor & under his direction and that this Corporation will pay the Expence thereof

Ann Biggs admitted into St. John's Poorhouse

Ann Biggs, Widow, upon her petition is admitted into Saint John's Poorhouse

Priscilla Cleapem widow. allowed £7-7-6 a year to make up her Pens.n 10 Guis a year

Priscilla Cleapem, Widow, to be allowed £7-7-6 a year from Mich.s last out of the Corporat.n Funds untill it can be paid her out of the Common Rents; her Pension out of said Rents when will be £11-7-6 Yearly

Doct.r Jn.o Taylor Chat.ble Infirm.y

Doct.r John Taylor to be paid 10 Guis a year for attending the Charitable Infirmary in the room of William Cleapem dec.d

Marg.t Carson widow 2½ Guis & the like Sum at Easter next

Marg.t Carson, Widow, to be paid 2½ Guis out of the Corp.n Funds, & the like Sum at Easter next, untill her Pet.n can be considered and decided upon at next Easter General Assembly

Nich.s Kelly's Acco.t & Affid.t of Repairs of Road Bulleeks Gate ref. £39-16-6

Nich.s Kelly's Acco.t & Affid.t of the Expenditure of £39-16-6 on repairing 70 Perches of Road between the Bulleeks & Duleek gate Thomas Owens & Geo. Armstrong Overseers - returned to this Assembly and Ordered to be paid

Ra. Richardson's d.o inside Sunday's Gate ref.d £16-16-10

Ralph Richardson's Acco.t & Affid.t for repairing Road inside Sunday's Gate Amo.t £16-16-10 was ref.d to this Ass.y & Ord.d to be paid

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Xmas Post Aſs.bly 12th Jany 1803.

At a Quarterly Post Aſsembly held before the said James Metcalf Esqre Mayor, Richard Siddall & William Knipe Esqrs Sheriffs, the Aldermen being present the 12th January 1803.

Petitions read &c.

Several Petitions laid before this Aſsembly were read and disposed of

Xmas Genl Aſs.bly 14th Jany 1803

At a General Quarter Aſsembly held before the said James Metcalf Esqre Mayor, Rick.d Siddall & Wm. Knipe Esqrs Sheriffs, the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 14th Jany 1803.

Free men admitted by Spl Favr

William Armstrong, of Drogheda, Yeoman, upon his Petn was admitted a free member by special favor on the usual terms

like by Birth

Chas. Elliott, of Drogheda, Printer, upon his Petition is admitted a free Member by Birth on the usual terms

Upon the Petition of Alderman Wm Cheshire, setting forth that a Lease was made by this Corporation to his Father Aldn Edward Cheshire decd, of a Croft or Park of Land Contg 1.1.25 without James's Gate for 61 Years from Easter 1777 at the yearly rent of £1..5..0; That his said Father or he never were in Possn thereof, but that sd Croft or Park is possessed or withheld as he alledges by the Repres of Ambrose Sharp; that he stated that Circumstance to this Corpn at the Aſsembly the 11th Oct. 1782, when he was desired to proceed at Law for recovery of the Possn of said Ground, and that the Costs should be reimbursed to him; that he is informed the Law proceedings would be very expensive & tedious and therefore he prays the Corpn to accept a Surrender of said Lease, that the Corpn may proceed for recovery of the said Ground as their Estate, & reimburse him the Fine of 25£ and the rent he paid for said Premises up to Easter 1802 making together £18..5..0 — Whereupon it was ordd by this Aſsembly that the prayer of the said Petition be and same is hereby granted

Alderman Wm Cheshire's Petn to surrender Lease of a Croft or park of Land with Ct James's Gate & to reimburse him ſpecified

prayer of sd Petition granted

Premises to be sued for by the Law agent

Ordered that the Law Agent do forthwith take such legal steps as are requisite for recovery of the above mentioned Croft or Park of Land

Leases to Thos Winslow & to Chas A. Hamilton to be sealed

Ordered that Mr Mayor do seal the Lease of Premises in the Barrack Lane according to the Setting lately made to Mr Thos Winslow, and also the House at the Corner of Peter St & Fair St lately set to Mr Chas A. Hamilton, he first paying the Arrear of Rent due by him to this Corpn previous to the Commencement of the Lease

Auds & Veiws to investigate Mr Hamilton's Claim for an Abatemt of an Arrear of Rent

and the Auditors & Veiwers are to investigate his Acct & Claim for an abatement of the Rent he owes, & report if any & what Allowances should be made him towards the reduction of same

Apartments to be taken for a Char.ble Surgery

Ordered that the large first Floor front room & a Cellar in the House of John Lyons at the Corner of Bolton St & Fair Street be taken by the Year by Surgn Pattoun for a Char.ble Surgery at 8 Guis. pr year & the rent paid by this Corpn

Hannah

Hannah Elliott ord.d 10 Guis

Hannah Elliott a poor blind Woman is ordered to be paid ten Guineas by the Treasurer for account of this Corporation

Jas McCartney ord.d 4 Guis

James McCartney a poor Freeman is ordered to be paid four Guineas by the Treasurer for account of this Corporation

Law agent ord.d £50

Ordered that the Sum of Fifty Pounds be paid to Ald.n George M.Integart, Law agent of this Corporation on account of Costs and to enable him to proceed in the several Causes that he is conducting for this Corporation

Mr Geo Coulter's Acct for repairing the Bridge

Mr George Coulter's Acco. for repairing the Bridge of Drogheda amo. £29..16..5 referred to the Auditors & Veiwers to examine & report

Jno McDonnell ord.d £1..13..0

Ordered that John McDonnell be paid £1..13..0 for paper and Pens got from him in 1798 by the Court Martial then sitting in this Town

Aſs.bly for Elect.n of an Alderman 4th April 1803

At an Aſsembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs and the Aldermen, the 4th April 1803 for the Election of an Alderman in the room of James Forde Esqre decd pursuant to Notice duly posted

Hen.y M. Ogle Esqre elected an Alderman in the room of Jas Forde Esqre decd

Henry Meade Ogle Esqre is unanimously elected an Alderman of this Corporation in the room of James Forde Esqre late an Alderman of the same decd

East Post Aſs.bly the 20th April 1803

At a Quarterly Post Aſsembly held before the said James Metcalf Esqre Mayor, Richard Siddall & William Knipe Esqrs Sheriffs, the Aldermen being present the 20th day of April 1803.

Petitions read &c

Several Petitions were laid before this Aſsembly, were read, some referred to next General Aſsembly, and one from Esther Hanlon for Common Money and one from Edward Foster for Freedom were rejected

Motion relative to Hen.y M. Ogle Esqre and Resolutions thereon

The following Motion was moved & produced by Ald.n Ralph Smyth & being seconded, the Question thereon was put & passed in the Affirmative, unanimously & same ordered to be entered as an Act of this Aſsembly

Whereas it is deemed necessary to assign a Reason for electing Henry Meade Ogle Esqre an Alderman of this Corpn in the room of James Forde Esqre decd, in as much as Mr Ogle was an Ald.n for many years which he afterwards resigned, and also that he has not qualified for serving the Office of Sheriff — Resolved therefore that in the re-admission of Mr Ogle to the Board of Aldermen we have not infringed upon the rules of this Corpn tho' he did not serve the Office of Sheriff — Resolved also that we have chosen Mr Ogle not only from a grateful Sense of his own & his Father's long & faithful Services but likewise in the hope of his again residing in this native Town & once more becoming our faithful & unbiassed Representative in the Imperial Parliament

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Hen. Meade Ogle Esq.re elected to serve Mayor

A Motion was made and the Question put at this Post Assembly, that Henry Meade Ogle Esq.re be elected to serve Mayor of this Corporation for the ensuing Year from Michaelmas day next and same passed in the Affirmative unanimously

Easter Genl. Ass.bly 22d. April 1803.

At a General Quarter Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs, the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 22d day of April 1803. —

Sheriffs elect-

Leonard Crooks & James Mayne Esq.rs are elected to serve Sheriffs of this Corporation for the ensuing Year from Michs. day next

Election certified

Order'd that the Election of the Mayor and Sheriffs for the ensuing Year be forthwith certified to Government for their approbation

2 Free members admitted by special favor

John Butler Knipe & William Knipe Junr. both of Drogheda, Esq.rs Sons of Wm. Knipe of the same Esq.re upon their petitions are admitted Free Members by special favor on the usual terms

Cathrne & Thos. North to take Care of the Town Pumps

Catherine North, Widow of John North late of Drogheda, Smith, dec.d, and Thomas North of the same, Smith, upon their Memorial to this Assembly are appointed to take Care of and keep the Town Pumps in Repair

£99-16-5 ord.d to be p.d Geo. Coulter for Repairs at the Bridge

Mr. George Coulter's Account for repairing the Bridge amo.t £99-16-5 with the report of the Auditors & Viewers thereon being laid before this Assembly, Order'd that same be paid by the Collector of the Water Customs and taken in payment from him by the Treasurer

£100 to be paid every 1st. Jan.y & 1st. July to a Comm.ee of 5 Members to be applied to pay Debs. & reported to the Ass.bly 4th. 1st. paym.t to be made 1st. Jan.y 1804. —

Resolved that in future on every first day of January & first day of July respectively the Sum of Two hundred pounds be paid by the Treasurer into the hands of five Members of this Corporation, the Mayor for the time being to be always one which said Sums are to be applied to the payment of the Debentures if sued by this Corporation, which payments are to be reported to the General Assembly immediately following each first of January and first of July respectively: this Regulation to take place on the first of January 1804 - Comm.ee appointed for the above purpose - The Mayor for the time being our representative in Parliament, Doctor Fairclough, Alder.n Jandy and Mr. John Leland

Comm.ee appointed -

Mr Henry Stewart, Sword-bearer allowed an Assistant -

Mr Henry Stewart, Sword-bearer, having by Memorial stated that from ill Health & old age he cannot give that Satisfaction he wishes, - therefore prays that his Son in Law, Thomas Graham Fairclough, be appointed to assist him in said Office - a Question was thereupon put "That the Prayer of said Memorial be granted" which being balloted for was carried in the affirmative - 22 for 21 against

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Com.ee to enquire into & decide upon merits of Pension.rs &c. for Common.l Money & report same

The following Gent.n are appointed a Committee to enquire into & decide upon, the Merits of the several Pensioners upon the Petitions for Commons money - Ald.n Barlow, Ald.n Evans, Mr. Leland, Mr. North, Mr. Irwine, Mr. J. Regan, Mr. Coulter, Mr. Obadiah Wisdom & Mr. Fisher, five to be a Quorum, & to report same to the Adjournm.t of this Assembly

Painting Work at Tholsel to be done by Disney Drummond

Order'd that Disney Drummond be employed to do the Painting Work in the Tholsel, of which an Estimate of Dennis Matthews has been given in to this Ass.bly Amo.t £3-18-6

adjourned

The Ass.bly adjourned to forthwith on Tuesday the 31st. May next

Adjournm.t of Ass.bly 31st. May 1803.

At an adjournm.t of the above mentioned Easter General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs, the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 31st. day of May 1803

Treas.rs Acco.t laid before Assembly Bal.ce due him thereon £214-10-7 3/4

The Treasurer laid before this Assembly his Accounts of Receipts and Payments up to the 5th. April last, and it appears that there is a Balance due to him by this Corporation thereon of £214-10-7 3/4

Jn.o Wall's Acco.t for Ropes £2-18-6 p ord.d to be paid

John Wall's Account for Ropes delivered in the Year 1798 Amo. £2-18-6 p is ordered to be paid

Robt. Armstrong for lighting 20 Globes Amo.t £22-15-0 ord.d to be paid

Robt. Armstrong's Acco.t for lighting 20 Globes for 7 Months ending the 1st. May inst. at £1-2-9 each Amo.t £22-15-0 is Order'd to be paid

Case for Opinion of Mr. Record.r & Coun.l Saurin, relative to Election of Mayor &c to be taken

Resolved that the Law Agent do forthwith state a Case for the Opinion of the Recorder & Counsellor Saurin on the legality of electing the Mayor, Sheriffs, Recorder, Town Clerk & other Officers of this Corporation, other than is pointed out by the 17 & 18 of Chas. 2d.

Ald.n Jandy for repg a Road to be paid £5-4-9 p

Order'd that Ald.n Jandy's Acco.t for repairing a road out James's Gate in 1801, amo.t £5-4-9 p be paid him

Ann Dagan admitted into St. John's Poorhouse

Ann Dagan, Widow, upon her Petition, is admitted into St. John's Poorhouse, and her Pension on the Commons List discontinued

Priscilla Cleapem Widow to be p.d her Pension of £11-7-6 out of the Commons Rents

Priscilla Cleapem, Widow, to be paid her Pension of £11-7-6 out of the Commons Rents from Mich.s last, pursuant to an Order of the Genl. Assembly of the 8th. Oct.r last

Statem.t reported by Stand.g Com.ee to be due by Ald.n A. Hamilton for Rent of House Corner of Fair & Peter Sts. to Mich.s 1802 £48-7-4

A Statement of the Acco.t of Rent due to the Corp.n by Mr. Edw.d Ackland Hamilton for rent of the House Corner of Peter St. & Fair St., with his Memorial relating thereto, were laid before this Ass.bly, by which it is reported by the Stand.g Committee that there is a Bal.ce of £48-7-4 due by him to the Corp.n up to the 29th. Sept.r 1802 at which period the Lease to be made to him of s.d House commenced

Order'd

Reduct.n of 2/8 off L to be made from Pens.rs on Commons List to make good an arrt of L37-7-4½ on that Fund

Order'd that a reduction of 2/8 in the Pound Ster.g Ann.e be made from each Pension now on the Commons List, and that such reduct.n be applied to make good the Arrear or deficiency of L37-7-4½ reported to this Assembly by Laur.t Fisher Esq.re Receiv.r of the Commons rents on that Fund

Committee appointed relative to Butchers being made to expose Meat for Sale in the New Market only

The following Gent.n are appointed a Committee to consider & report what would be most proper to be done for the purpose to oblige the Butchers to expose Meat for Sale in the New Market only, Viz.t Mr Mayor, Doct.r Fairtlough, Tour.t P.r Hardman, Mr Leland, Ald.n Mr Entagart, Ald.r Tandy, Ald.r Holmes

A Well & Pump ord.d at New Meat Market

Order'd that a Well be sunk & a Pump erected in the New Meat Market at the Expence of this Corporation, & that Mr Mayor give directions speedily about the same

Bridge to be repaired

Mr Mayor is requested to cause the necessary Repairs wanted at the Bridge & its Pavement to be forthwith done

Pavem.t of Lenen Hall St. to be repaired

Mr Leland is requested to cause the Pavement of Lenen Hall Street to be repaired, to superintend the Work and subsist the Workmen while it is doing

Duke Street to be repaired

Ald.r Ralph Smyth & Ald.r Holmes are requested to cause the Pavement of Duke Street to be repaired, to superintend the Work & subsist the Workmen while it is doing

Sewer at New Com Mark.t in Fair Street

Mr Leland is authorized to have the Sewer from the New Corn Market house in Fair Street continued in such direction as he shall deem most eligible and to charge the Expence thereof to the Market house Acco.t

A Grate to the Sewer opposite Mr Rodger's to be removed

Order'd that the Grate to the Sewer opposite Mr Nevian Rodger's House be removed to such other part of the Street so as to remove from him the present Annoyance thereof

Pavem.t of St Lau.ce St. to be repaired

Order'd that the Pavement of St Laurence Street be repaired from the Tholsel to St Lau.ce Gate, and that Ald.n Edward Fairtlough, Mr Chas Evans, Geo. North & James Regan do inspect the same & give Subsistence to the Pavers while the Work is doing

Pavem.t of Bessa well Lane & Batchelor Lane to be repaired

Order'd that the Pavement of Bessa well Lane & also of Batchelor's Lane be repaired, Mr Nevian Rodger to superintend the Work & supply the Pavers with Subsistence while it is doing

Part of Fair Street to be paved

Order'd that so much of Fair Street as reaches from Cheshire Lane to Fair Gate be paved - Ald.n Mr Entagart to superintend the Work & pay the Workmen Subsistence while the Work is doing

Orders

Pavem.t of Bonner's Lane to be repaired

Order'd that Bonner's Lane be repaired, Ald.r Scholes to superintend the Pavers and pay them Subsistence while the Work is doing

Pavem.t of Graves's Lane to be repaired

Order'd that Graves's Lane Pavem.t be repaired, that Ald.n Tandy & Mr Coulter oversee the same and subsist the Workmen while it is doing

Comm.ee of Commons List, with drawn this Report to reconsider

The Committee appointed last Easter General Assembly (the 22d ult.o) to consider the Pensioners and State of the Commons List, having laid a Report before this Assembly the same was withdrawn by them to reconsider and report more fully on

Midsummer Post Assembly 13th July 1803

At a Post Quarter Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs, the Aldermen being present the 13th July 1803

Petitions read &c

Several Petitions were read and referred to the next General Assembly

At a General Quarter Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs, the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 15th July 1803.

The following Case and Opinions were laid before this Assembly pursuant to an Order of the last General Assembly and were ordered to be entered, Viz.t

Law Case

Case of the Corporation of Drogheda -

By the act of the 17th & 18th of Charles 2d Chap.r 2d Section 37 Authority is given to the Chief Governors and Council to establish Rules for regulating Cities &c under which Power certain Rules & Orders were made for the Corp.n of Drogheda, whereby amongst others, the Election of Mayor, Sheriffs, Recorder, Town Clerk & all other Officers of the Town of Drogheda is vested in the Mayor, Sheriffs, and Common Council of the said Town &c - see Copy of said Rules & Orders herewith sent

And by the Charter of William granted to the Corp.n of said Town is a Clause, whereby it is alledged That the Table of Aldermen have anciently had & now have & enjoy the Power of chusing one of said Aldermen to serve in the Office of Mayor by a perpetual Succession &c - see page 18 Copy Charter herewith sent

From this difference as to the Election of Mayor &c between the

the Rules granted under the Act of Charles above recited and the Charter of William above referred to, The Board of Aldermen and Common Council have had at different Periods Controversies respecting the right of electing the Mayor of said Town, on some Occasions it appears from the Records of the Corporation that the Board of Aldermen without the Common Council, have exercised the right of Election of Mayor, but the Election of Mayor appears by said Records to have been exercised in a great Number of Instances by the General Assembly consisting of the Mayor, Sheriffs, Aldermen and Common Council.

Law Case

Near Twenty Years ago the Common Council, on the Board of Aldermen then assuming or claiming the right of electing the Mayor, insisted that the sole right of such Election lay in their Body together with the Mayor and Sheriffs, that the Aldermen had no such Power or Right as they claimed and from thenceforth for the last eighteen Years, the Election of Mayor was uniformly exercised by the Corporate Body consisting of the Mayor, Sheriffs, Aldermen and Common Council in general Assembly.

Until at the last Post Assembly of the Board of Aldermen when the Members thereof proceeded to the Election of Mayor alledging that under the foregoing Charter of William they had a right so to do without any Interference of the Common Council, on the other Hand the Council at their late general Assembly alledged and insisted that the Aldermen had no right whatever to elect a Mayor, and that under the Act of Charles the right of Election of Mayor, is in the Mayor, Sheriffs and Commonalty and that all the Rights and Privileges granted by the Rules and Orders made and issued under said Act to and for the Corporation of Drogheda, are now according to Law in full Force if not altered or repealed by any subsequent Act of Parliament, and that the Charter of William allowing the Construction as it's fullest Extent put on it by the Aldermen could not repeal or supersede the Act of Charles or any Act of Parliament, And with the Question thus at Issue the Corporate Assembly consisting of the Aldermen and Common Council have determined for the Purpose of ascertaining the Right and settling the Practice for ever in future, to take the Opinion of Council on the foregoing Case.

Council will therefore please to advise whether all or any part of the Rules and Orders for the Corporation of Drogheda granted & issued under the Act of Charles herein referred to are now in Force, And whether same or any part thereof are or could be repealed or annulled by the Charter of William herein also referred to, and if said Charter had the Power of altering or annulling all or any part of said Act

Whether it has done so in the Election of the Mayor particularly

Law Case

or in any other and what Instance, and on the whole of the Case to advise in which Body of the Corporation of Drogheda the right of electing Mayor is at this day vested, and such other directions and Information as Council may think useful and proper under all the foregoing Circumstances.

Opinion of Counr Wm Saurin

I am of Opinion as the new Rules made by the Lord Lieut & "Council are made under the Sanction of the Act of Parliament, that "they have to all Intents and Purposes the Force and Effect of a Law, "and have always been so considered & therefore I am clearly of Opinion "that the right of Election of the Mayor, is in the Mayor, Sheriffs &c. "Council as therein provided, and that the subsequent Charter "of King William cannot vary the Case"

The two following Queries are also submitted to Council for his Opinion & Advice.

1st Quere — 1st Quere — As a Person who has been elected an Alderman of Drogheda but not sworn an Alderman or taken his Seat at the Board, eligible to be elected to serve the Office of Mayor before he has taken such Oath or Seat of Alderman. —

Answer — "I am of Opinion if such Alderman has not refused to take "the Oath, but only omitted to take them that he is eligible to "the Office of Mayor"

2d Quere — 2d Quere — If such Person should be deemed by Council ineligible to be elected to serve the Office of Mayor, or if eligible and that he shall not afterwards in due time qualify by taking the Oath of an Alderman in either Case, should the Corporation proceed to the Election of an Alderman in his place and then to the Election of a Mayor (all the other Aldermen of the Corporation having already served the Office of Mayor) in Order to enable the proper Officers to return the Name of a qualified Alderman to Government for it's Approbation as elected to serve the Office of Mayor for the ensuing Year from Michaelmas day next, or in what Manner ought the Corporation to act agreeable to Law therein.

Answer — "And I apprehend it would be only in the Case of his refusal "to take the Oaths that the Corporation could be warranted to proceed "to a new Election and so of the Person elected as Mayor "in which Case, the proper Course would be on his avoiding "his Office by refusing to take the Oaths, to apply to the Court of "King's Bench for a Mandamus to elect a new Mayor"

"Wm Saurin"
"7th July 1803"

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Copy of the Answer & Opinion of Peter Van Homrigh Esqre Recorder to the foregoing Case—

"A Charter cannot controul an Act of Parliament—The Rules "of the Lord Lieut.t & Privy Council alluded to are of as much Authority "as if they were made by Parliament as they are made perpetual "the Election of Officers in the Corp.n of Drogheda must be regulated "by them"

Peter Van Homrigh"

July 10— 1803.—

2d. Quere

Answer

Answer to 2d. Quere—

"If the Person elected Mayor or Alderman "refuses or neglects to qualify in reasonable time it is a Waver "of his Election and the Corporation may elect another in his "place, but if the Charter day is past they cannot proceed "to such Election unless required by a Mandamus the "principal intent of the Statute of 11.th Geo. 1. C. 4.th was to "enable Corporations to proceed to an entirely new Election as "the Inconvenience arising from one Election not completed "is as great as that arising from a total Omission" P.V.

1. Quere—

Answer—

Answer to 1.mo Quere—

"If an Alderman refuses to take the Oaths or "does not procure himself to be sworn into his Office within a "reasonable time after his Election it is a Waver of his Election, "and if the Corporation declare that he has waved his Election "for either of the above Causes, I don't think him eligible to the "Mayoralty, but till he has waved his Election I think he "is eligible"

Peter Van Homrigh"

Elect.n of Hon.ble M. Ogle Esqre to be Mayor waved

The Election of Henry Meade Ogle Esqre to be Mayor for the ensuing Year is declared by this Assembly waved

Geo. McEntagart Esqre elected Mayor—

George M.cEntagart. Esqre Alderman, is elected to serve Mayor of this Corporation for the ensuing Year from Michaelmas day next

Election of Mayor and Sheriffs to be certified to Governm.t

Order'd that the Election of Ald.r George McEntagart to be Mayor, and of Leonard Crooks and James Mayne to be Sheriffs of this Corporation for the ensuing Year be forthwith certified to Government for approbation

3 Free Members admitted by special Favor

George Moore of Drogheda Esqre & Wm. Holmes Boghby Esqre Lieut.t in the 32d Regim.t & George Ball Junr. Esqre Lieut.t in the 4th Regim.t upon their several Petitions are admitted Free Members of this Corporation by special Favor on the usual Terms

Report of Auditors and Viewers upon Petition of Rev.d Thomas & Ald.n Edward Fairtlough for Renewal of a Lease of

In pursuance of an order of Assembly the 8th October last by which the Auditors & Viewers are directed to

to report further upon the Petition of Rev.d Thomas & Ald.n Edw.d Fairtlough for renewal of a Lease they accordingly laid before this Assembly the following Report, viz.t

"In pursuance of the above Order of Assembly we the Auditors "and Viewers who have hereunto subscribed our names have further "considered the petition of the above named Messrs Fairtlough for "renewal of a Lease and also the former report made thereon "and we now further report that the Land at or near Landshanagh "therein mentioned contains a. r. p. 4.. 2.. 13 which at £2.. 10.. 0 ℔ Acre comes "to £11.. 9.. 0 yearly, That the Land or Field in Windmill Lane "called Shamrock Park contains a. r. p. 4.. 0.. 15 which at £8.. 0.. 0 ℔ Acre "comes to £32.. 15.. 0 yearly, and that the Tenements or Houses in "Great George's Street contains 1a. r. p. 1.. 23 at £9.. 0.. 0 ℔ Ann.m— such "Valuations being the same as those heretofore reported, and we "are of Opinion that the said Petrs on surrendering the present "Lease may be granted a new Lease of the said Lands & Houses or "Tenem.ts in Great George's Street, for 99 Years from Mich.s last at "the yearly rent of £13.. 6.. 0 being one fourth of the annual rent "of the said Premisses according to the said Valuations and "paying a Fine of £210.. 7.. 0 being 17 Years Purchase for another "fourth part of the said Rent of the Land & 10 Years Purchase for a "fourth part of the rent of said Houses agreeable to the resolution & "Instructions of the General Assembly held 20.th April 1801 And "we are of Opinion that the said Petrs are entitled to be allowed "out of the above Fine two Years Rent of the Premisses amounting "to £53.. 4.. 0 as a Consideration for the Surrender of their "present Lease and attorning Tenants to this Corporation for the "House and Premisses in West Street for 21 Years from Mich.s last "at the yearly rent of 1£— all which we submit to your Worships "this 7.th July 1803— Nivian Rodger, George McEntagart, Laun.e Fisher, "George Evans— Aud.rs & Viewers"

agreed to & confirmed

Upon reading of which it is ordered by this Assembly that the same be and is agreed to and confirmed

Report of a Balce of £16.. 17.. 4 due by Edwd A. Hamilton to the Corp.n agreed to & Order'd to be settled accordingly

The Statement of an account between this Corporation & Mr Edward A. Hamilton was laid before this Assembly by the Auditors & Viewers, setting forth that they investigated such Statement & heard Mr Hamilton state his Claims of abatement thereto and that they are of Opinion that the Balance of £48.. 7.. 4 mentioned to be a Balce due by him to this Corp.n ought to be reduced to £16.. 17.. 4 and that Mr Holmes the Treas.r be directed to settle with him on the part of the Corp.n accordingly which Report this Assembly agreed to and same is ordered accordingly

Sealing day

Monday the 25.th July inst.o is appointed a sealing day for Corporat.n Leases

Ordered

20 Guin.s ordered to Law Agent

Order'd that twenty Guineas be paid by the Treasurer to the Law Agent on account of his Bills of Costs due by this Corporation

10 Guin.s a piece ord.d to Mess.rs Alex.r Irwine & George Holmes for preparing Corp.n Accts to be printed

Order'd that ten Guineas a Piece be paid to Mess.rs Alex.r Irwine & George Holmes for their trouble in examing, comparing & preparing for Printing the Corporation Accts for 4 Years to Jan.y 1802

Law Case to be prepared for Opinion of Counsellor Saurin

Resolved that a case be forthwith prepared by the Law Agent for the Opinion of Counsellor Saurin, whether an Alderman of this Corporation can sit & vote as a Member of the General Assembly, and whether the Common Council have a right to vote or be consulted in any wise respecting the Election of an Alderman and Mr. Mayor, the Sheriffs, Ald.n Edw.d Fairtlough, Mr Leland Mr Irwine, Mr Chas Evans, Mr Down.y B. Hardman and Mr Harry Brabazon are appointed a Committee to assist the Law Agent in preparing the said Case

Eliz.th Regan & Mary Hughes admitted into St John's poor house

Elizabeth Regan & Mary Hughes are admitted into St. John's Poorhouse

Hannah Elliott ord.d £10 a year on Common's List

Hannah Elliott ordered a pension of £10 p.r Ann. out of the Commons Money from Easter last

Order'd that the following Members of this Assembly be & they are hereby elected and chosen Auditors & Viewers for one year from this July General Assembly viz.t

Auditors and Viewers elected

Aldermen — 6 —
William Gibbons
Edward Fairtlough
Burton Tandy
George Evans
Maurice Barlow
Barth.w P. Vanhomrigh

Com.n Councilmen — 9 —
and
John Leland
Chas. Evans
Down.y B. Hardman
George Coulter
Harry Brabazon
Laur.e Fisher
Alex.r Irwine
Nicholas Rodger
John Jones

Any five to be a Quorum, to chuse one as Chairman — Book. Fairtlough to act as such till varied by them

Henry Meade Ogle Esq.r sworn a Com.n Councilman & Alderman

1803 — Aug.t 22.d This day Henry Meade Ogle Esq.re (who paid a Fine of £100 on being excused from serving the Office of Mayor in the year 1785) was sworn a Common Councilman of this Corp.n & was also sworn an Alderman of this Corp.n in the room of James Forde Esq.re late an Alderman of the same dec.d pursuant to his Election on the 4.th day of April last

Assembly for Elect.n of an Alderman 9.th Sept.r 1803

At an Assembly held before the said James Metcalf Esq.re Mayor the Aldermen being present the 9.th day of September 1803 for the Election of an Alderman in the room of Anthony Sillery Esq.re late an alderman dec.d pursuant to notice duly posted

Down.y B. Hardman Esq.re elected an Alderman

Townley Blackwood Hardman Esq.re was unanimously elected an alderman of this Corporation in the room of Anthony Sillery Esq.re late an alderman of the same dec.d

Sworn

The same Day the above named Townley Blackwood Hardman was sworn an alderman of this Corporation pursuant to his Election

Assembly for Election of an Alderman 28.th Sept.r 1803

At an Assembly held before the said James Metcalf Esquire, Mayor, the Aldermen and Sheriffs being present the 28.th day of September 1803, for the Election of an Alderman in the room of John Jones Esq.re late an alderman dec.d pursuant to notice duly posted

Jno. Leland Esq.re elected an Alderman

John Leland Esq.re was unanimously elected an Alderman of this Corporation in the room of John Jones late of the same dec.d

sworn

The same Day the above named John Leland was sworn an alderman of this Corporation pursuant to his Election

Acts compared

1803 — Sept.r 29.th — This Day the foregoing Acts of Assembly were read and compared before us and ordered to be entered in the Assembly Book as usual

At test

Rich.d Siddall
Will.m Knipe
} Sheriffs —

James Metcalf, Mayor
Will. Gibbons —
H. M. Ogle
Geo. M. Bodagart
Wm Holmes

Louth County Archives

Mich.s Post Assbly 14th October 1803.—

At a Quarterly Post Assembly held before George McCutagart Esqre Mayor, Leonard Crookes & James Mayne Esqrs Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 14th day of October 1803.

Petitions referred

Several Petitions were read and referred to the next General Assembly.—

Mich.s Genl Assbly 14th Octob.r 1803.—

At a General Quarter Assembly held before the said George McCutagart Esqre Mayor, Leonard Crookes & James Mayne Esqrs Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the said 14th day of October 1803.

Mayor of the Staple

James Metcalf Esqre late Mayor was elected Mayor of the Staple and Justice of the Peace for the ensuing Year and sworn

Common Council—

Richard Siddall and William Knipe Esqrs late Sheriffs are elected Common Councilmen & sworn

Coroners—

The said Richard Siddall and William Knipe are elected Coroners for the ensuing Year and Sworn

Constables of the Staple

And the said Richard Siddall & William Knipe are elected Constables of the Staple for the ensuing Year and sworn

Master of the Guild

Edward Fairtough Esqre is elected Master of the Guild for the ensuing Year

Wardens of the Guild

James Greene and George Pentland Esqrs are elected Wardens of the Guild for the ensuing Year

Treasurer—

Aldr William Holmes is elected Treasurer for the ensuing Year

Officer of the Sword & Mace &c—

The Officers of the Sword and Mace, and Marshall to continue during the pleasure of this Corporation

Scavengery of the Streets &c—

Mr Mayor is requested and impowered to contract with such persons as he shall think proper to cleanse and carry away the Dirt and Soil of the Streets and Lanes of this Town and Avenues thereto for the ensuing Year to commence from and after the 26th October instant

Com. Councilmen for Smiths—

Upon a Returns of the Master and Wardens of the Fraternity of Smiths of this Corporation certifying that by the death of George North late one of the Common Councilmen for said Fraternity there is a Vacancy of such Office in his Room and nominating Benjamin Smith & Isaac Norman Esqrs and Robert Harrison for this Assembly to elect one of them in his Room— the said Benjamin Smith was accordingly elected a Common Councilman for said Fraternity in the Room of the said George North decd & sworn

Free member by Special favor

Mr George Holmes of Drogheda upon his Petition is admitted a free member by Special favor on the usual Terms

Law Case for Opinion of Couns.r Saurin relative to the Election of the Mayor &c

Mr Mayor laid before this Assembly the following Case drawn up pursuant to an Order of last July General Assembly and laid before Couns.r Saurin for his Opinion thereon which Case and Opinion being read at this Assembly same were ordered to be entered and are as follows:—

"Further Case of the Corporation of Drogheda

The General Assembly of the Corporation of Drogheda have always hitherto consisted of the Mayor Sheriffs Aldermen & Common Council but at the last General Assembly when (in pursuance of your former Opinion) that Assembly declared the Election of a Mayor by the Board of Aldermen void, and proceeded or were about to proceed to the Election of a Mayor, the Common Council alledged that the Aldermen had no right to vote in the General Assembly on the Election of the Mayor, Sheriffs, Recorder, Town Clerk or other Officers of the Corporation as mentioned in the Rules of the Privy Council under the act of Charles— see Case and your former Opinion herewith sent.—

On the other hand the Aldermen alledged that being chosen Aldermen from among the Common Council and having of Course taken the Oath of a Common Councilman and having uniformly on all Occasions hitherto time immemorial voted in the General Assembly along with the Common Council they have a legal Right to vote in the General Assembly on every Question as well as the Common Councilmen and that they are not deprived by being Aldermen of their Rights & Priviledges of Common Councilmen and have in the General Assembly a vote on the Election of the Mayor, Sheriffs, Recorder, Town Clerk & other Officers and on every other Question whatever that may arise in the General Assembly.—

The Common Council do also alledge that they have a Right to interfere in the Election of an Alderman which Election has hitherto been made by the Board of Aldermen alone, and the Common Council found their Claim to such Interference and Right on the Rules of Charles which say that no Matter or Thing in anywise relating to the Affairs of said Town shall be hereafter propounded or debated in the Tholsel until the same shall have first passed the Common Council of said Town.

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With the foregoing Differences existing and both Parties agreeing to have a further Case stated for the Opinion of Mr Saurin on the Subject Matters in Dispute, the General Assembly proceeded as heretofore usual to the Election of a Mayor from the

"the Necessity of having a Mayor ready to enter into Office on the 29th of September but without either Party waiving its respective Claims"

Law Case for Opinion of Comm. Counsel —

Council will therefore please to advise Whether the Aldermen have or have not a Right to vote in the General Assembly on the Election of the Mayor Sheriffs Recorder Town Clerk and other Officers of the Corporation and on all other Questions whatever that may arise in said General Assembly, and also Whether the Common Council have any and what Right to interfere in the Election of an Alderman which has heretofore been exclusively exercised by the Board of Aldermen and on the whole of this Case Council is requested to advise as far as he may think useful for the future Guidance of the corporate Body the joint and distinct Rights & Privileges of the Aldermen and Common Council of said Corporation"

Opinion and Answer

"In all Questions arising in Corporations, and especially in those which are by Prescription as well as by Charter, Custom and Usage, if constant and uniform, are of the most decisive Importance — With respect to the Question now made by the Common Council — I think they are conclusive, and from the uniform Usage it seems plain (and as I conceive, not at all inconsistent with Theory) that the Board of Aldermen form a part of the Common Council or in other Words, that the persons chosen Aldermen being Common Councilmen at the time, do not cease to be so, by being Aldermen, on the contrary they would seem therefore to be still more fit and proper Members of the Common Council — I therefore take it that the Usage which it seems has been uniform & immemorial of their voting in the Common Council cannot be questioned or impeached — and the new Rules in regulating the Elections of Officers, on the principle of avoiding the Disorders of popular Elections, can not be suffered or construed as meaning to exclude the Aldermen, who both before as well as since, did vote in all such Elections; I therefore am of Opinion that they must be considered as part of the Common Council, and entitled to vote in all such Elections"

"I am also of Opinion on much the same Grounds — that the C. Council have no Right to interfere in the Election of Aldermen, the Usage having been uniformly otherwise, which I think should be decisive, and the Clause in the New Rules referred to, which was meant to limit or restrain Matters, which belonged to the Corporation at large, cannot be construed to extend the large a Right of Election which was at the time, confined to a few and as no such Construction was ever put on that Clause, it

it must now be presumed, that it was not its Meaning — nor indeed without that Evidence should I think on the Reason of the thing that it could or ought to be so construed — I am therefore of Opinion that the C. Council have no Right to interfere in the Elections of Aldermen, and that where it has in every Respect, been constant and uniform, they ought to consider it as decisive of the Rights of the two Bodies — if in some Instances, it may not have been uniform, in such it may be necessary to consider what is most reasonable and agreeable to the Spirit of the new Rules and the Charter which is extant"

Opinion

Wm Saurin
25 Sept. 1803. —
S. Green —

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Hann. Folds, Widow granted a Pens.n of ten Guis a Year

Hannah Folds, Widow, Daughter of Jonathan Nicholls late an Alderman of this Corporation dec.d upon her Petition is granted a Pension of ten Guineas a year from Easter last to be paid out of the Funds of this Corporation"

Petn of Mr John Leland for Renewal of a Lease

Upon the Petition of Mr John Leland, setting forth that he is in Possession of several Cabbin's and Gardens cont.g 3 a. 2 r. 10 p. without West Gate in this County at the Corner of the road to Dundalk & the Windmille Lane, by Virtue of a Lease made by this Corporat.n to Messrs William Holmes & John Mathews for 61 Years from Mich.s 1763 at the yearly Rent of £7 — that the term unexpired thereof is within the time prescribed by the Corporat.n for granting Renewals and praying a new Lease for 99 Years and so forth — Which Petition being referred to the Auditors and Viewers they reported thereon upon Oath that the said Premises are worth £50 p Ann.m, that a Renewal be granted to him at £12. 10. — p Ann.m, that the Sum of £175 — being 14 Years Purchase of a fourth (being partly Land & partly Houses) of the rent be paid by Pet.r as a Renewal Fine & that £40 be allowed him in Consideration of his surrendering his present Lease Which Report was by this Assembly agreed to and confirmed —

Reported by Aud.rs & Viewers —

Agreed to & confirmed

Mem.l of Jn.o Wm Foster Esq.r re. for Renew.l of a Lease of the Moat Park —

Upon the Memorial of Jn.o Wm Foster Esq.r setting forth that he is in Possess.n of a Park of Land called the Moat Park, without Laurence Gate in this County cont.g 3 a. 2 r. 20 p as Assee of Cob.t Wm Graham Son & Heir of Jn.o Graham who was Tent. to the Corp.n for same under a Lease of which 15 Years are unexpired and praying a new Lease thereof & so forth Which being referred to the Auditors & Viewers they reported thereon upon Oath that said Park is worth £9. 2. — p Acre, contains by a recent late Survey 3 a. 2 r. 10 p — that the Mem.l in being granted a Lease in Reversion for a term of Years which with the term unexpired of the Lease now in being will make 99 Years from Easter last, should pay from s.d Easter last £8. 2. — as Rent p Ann.m, that he should pay as a Fine for the s.d Lease in Reversion £137. 14. — being 17 Years Purchase of £8. 2. — & that he be allowed for the term unexpired of the old Lease £20 Which Mem.l & Report being read were allowed agreed to & confirmed by this Assembly

Report of Aud.rs & Viewers thereon

Agreed to & confirmed

Upon

Ald.n Wm. Holmes's Pet.n for renewal of a Lease

Upon the petition of Alderman William Holmes setting forth that he is in possession in his own right of one House and premises on the Northside of Laurence Street in Drogheda by virtue of a Lease made to him by this Corporation for the term of 61 years from Easter 1767 at the yearly rent of £1..10..— the said House in a ruinous state & will require a considerable sum to improve it & that the term to come is too short to encourage such Improvement & praying a new Lease and so forth —

Report of Aud.rs & Viewrs thereon

Which petition being referred to the Auditors & Viewers they reported thereon upon Oath that said premises are worth £24 yearly rent, that a new Lease be granted to petition.r at £16 yearly rent, that £60 being ten years purchase of a fourth of the rent be paid as a fine, and £20 be allowed him in Consideration of his surrendering his present Lease and taking a new Lease from Easter last for 99 years —

Agreed to & confirmed

Which petition & report being read were allowed agreed to & confirmed by this Assembly

Pet.r of Wm. Smyth Esq.re for renewal of a Lease

Upon the petition of William Smyth of Barbavilla in the County of Westmeath Esq.re setting forth that he is in possession in his own right as assee of William Cheshire Esq.re an alderman of this Corporation of a Lease made by this Corporation to Edw.d Cheshire Esq.re formerly an Ald.n of the same dec.d of several Tenements and Gardens without West Gate of Drogheda called part of the Mill Fields for 61 years from Easter 1764 at the yearly rent of £2..7..6, that there are 39 years of said Lease expired at Easter last & praying a new Lease thereof agreeable to the rules & regulations lately made by the Corporation for renewals of Leases & so forth —

Report of Aud.rs & Viewrs thereon

Which petition being referred to the Auditors & Viewers they have reported thereon upon Oath that they viewed the premises and that the Pet.r ought to be granted a renewal for 99 years from Easter last at the yearly rent of £10..6..11 and a Fine of £100 Which petition & report being read were allowed agreed to & confirmed by this Assembly

Pet.r of Wm. Meade Ogle Esq.re Rals.h Smyth Esq.re & Wife, Rich.d Cooper & Jeremiah Smith Esq.rs for Renewal of a Lease

Upon the petition of Will.m Meade Ogle Esq.re Ralph Smyth Esq.re & Wife, Rich.d Cooper & Jeremiah Smith Esq.rs setting forth that they are in possess.n of a Dwelling house Back Ground & Offices on the Northside of James's Street in Drogheda by Virtue of a Lease made by this Corporat.n to Tha.s Leigh Esq.re Ald.n dec.d for 61 Years from Easter 1767 at the yearly rent of 5£ and proposing to surrender said Lease & taking a new Lease of the premises on reasonable Terms —

Report of Aud.rs & Viewrs thereon

Which petition being referred to the Auditors & Viewers they reported thereon upon Oath that the premises are worth £10 p Ann.m that the Pet.rs be granted a new Lease at the yearly rent of £10 that £100 be paid by the Pet.rs as a fine, and that £50 be allowed them out of said Fine in Consideration of their surrendering the present Lease and taking the new Lease at the said yearly rent of £10 from Easter last for 99 years —

Agreed to & confirmed

Which petition & report being read were allowed agreed to & confirmed by this Assembly

Upon

Pet.r of Rich.d Jebb Esq.re for Renewal of a Lease

Upon the petition of Richard Jebb Esq.re setting forth that he is in possession of a Lease made by this Corporat.n to his Grand father Richard Jebb dec.d late an Alderman of said town of a parcel of Ground in Sunday Street in Drogheda formerly called one House and Garden and now divided into several Houses and Gardens cont.g on the Northside in front to said Street 214 feet, viz. the whole 1 Rood & twenty seven Perches superficial Measure, and also of another lot or parcel of Ground without Laurence Gate of Drogheda now divided into several Houses and Gardens cont.g 1 Rood and six Perches, more or less, for the term of 61 Years from the Easter then last at the yearly rent of £1..5..— that upwards of 31 years of said Lease are expired and the premises in a ruinous state and praying a new Lease for 99 Years on reasonable Terms and so forth — Which petition was referred to the Aud.rs & Viewers and they reported thereon upon Oath, that Pet.r may have a new Lease of the said Premises for 99 years from Easter last at the yearly rent of £10 and on paying a Fine of 100 Guineas and surrendering the present Lease Which petition and report being read were allowed of agreed to and confirmed by this Assembly

Report of the Aud.rs & Viewers thereon

Agreed to & confirmed

Treas.r to pay Aud.rs & Viewrs for reports for renewals of Leases & collect same from the several Persons obtaining new Leases

Ordered that the Treasurer be directed to pay the Aud.rs and Viewers who have reported or shall report on applications for the renewals of Leases the Sums that shall appear due by the respective Pet.rs on the report being confirmed and that he collect the same from such Pet.rs before the signing of the Leases

Gate Customs to be set for one Year

Ordered that the Gate Customs of this Corporation be set by Cant to the highest Bidder at the Tholsel on Monday, the 17.th inst.t for one Year to commence from and after the 18.th inst.t and ending the 18.th day of October next (1804) inclusive three Months Purchase Money to be paid in advance and the remaining secured by Bonds of three solvent Persons to be approved by Mr. Mayor, and that three Months of the rent or purchase money be always paid in advance

Sealing Day

Tuesday the first day of November next is appointed a Sealing day for Corporation Leases

2 Aud.rs & Viewrs elected —

Messrs. James Davis & John Holland are elected Auditors and Viewers in the room of Town.d B. Hardman & John Leland Esq.rs now Aldermen

Accots referred to standing Committee —

The following Accots laid before this Assembly were referred to the standing Committee, viz.t

Wm. Shelly's	Accot.	for Candles from Mich.s 1802 to Mich.s 1803	£33..8..10
Pat. Fenton's	do.	for repair of a Road	5..0..2
do.	do.	for Bricks for Mayoralty house	—..17..4
Obadiah Wisdom's	do.	for Gunpowder &c.	1..10..11
George North's	do.	for Ironwork in 1803	16..1..0½

Chas.

Charles Evans's Acco.t for printing Work in 1803 ..... £76..11..½
Geo. M.c Cann's do.r for Slating Work at Goal in do.r ..... 9..16..

Adjourned to Friday the 21.st October inst.t 1803

Gate Customs set for one Year at £44..10..⅌ Month

1803.— Octob.r 17.th — The Gate Customs were set at the Tholsel this Day for one Year to commence from and after the 18.th instant and ending 18.th October next (1804) inclusive, to Mess.rs Jno. Leland, Wm. Rodger & Georg.e Evans for £44..10..⅌ Month pursuant to an Order of last Assembly held the 14.th inst.t

Adjournm.t of last Ass.bly 21.st Oct.r 1803.—

At an adjournment of the foregoing General Ass.bly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 21.st October 1803.

Costs of taking out Commiss.n of the Peace for the Counties of Louth Meath & Dublin for Chief Magistrate to be paid by the Corporation.—

Resolved that the Costs and Expences to be incurred by the Chief Magistrate of this Corporation in taking out Commissions of the Peace for the Counties of Louth Meath and Dublin to be paid by this Corporation.

£10 for Repair of a Road

Order'd that a Sum not exceeding £10 be granted to Mess.rs Coultes and Tandy for repairing the Road leading to Mornington between Dublin Gate and Duke's Wall to be accounted for on Oath.

a Debenture for £100 for providing Watch Coats &.c for Yomen &.c —

Order'd that a Debenture for £100 principal money payable with Interest at 6.⅌ Cent. & annum be perfected by Mr. Mayor from this Corporation to Capt.n Wm. Jones of the Infantry Corps of Yomen of this Town to provide Watch Coats and Flannel Waistcoats for said Corps, for which Debenture Mr. Geo. Penttland proposes to advance the Cash; and the Assembly on this Occasion dispenses with any former Order that may be construed to restrain this Grant.

£600 to be borrowed on Debentures —

Order'd that an Advertisement be published in the Drogheda Newspapers that the Corporation want the Sum of £600 for which Debentures will be issued bearing Interest at 6.⅌ Cent.— Proposals to be received by Mr. Mayor or the Town Clerk, a premium to be allowed and the Proposals opened on the 1.st day of Nov.r next, at a Special Genl Assembly to be then convened for the purpose of considering same.

Acco.t referred to the Stand.g Committee.

Ald.n Tandy's Acco.t for a Fee given to Coun.l Ridgeway in the Year 1801 £3..8..3 — Referred to the Standing Committee.

Spec.l Genl Ass.bly 1.st Nov.r 1803.—

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 1.st day of November 1803, pursuant to Notice and an Order of last Assembly.

Resolution for £600 to be borrowed

Resolved unanimously that an Advertisement be published stating that there are to be disposed off, six Drogheda Corporation Debentures of £100 each, the terms on which one or all of the Debentures will be issued may be known by applying any Day before the 10.th November inst.t to the Mayor or Wm. Holmes Esq.re

Terms —

The above mentioned six Debentures are to issue for £100 each for every £90 paid down and to bear Interest at 6.⅌ Cent. to be made payable in 5 Years from the date, with liberty for the holder to call in the principal if not regularly paid the Interest within three months after it falls due every half Year.

Stand.g Committee of Accounts elected —

Resolved that the Standing Committee of Acco.ts in future be three Aldermen & four Common Councilmen, and the following were elected —

Henry Meade Ogle Esq.r
Doct.r Edward Fairtlough } Aldermen —
John Leland Esq.r —

Mess.rs Alex.r Irwin
Lan.s Fisher
James Regan & } Com.n Councilmen —
Chas. Evans —

any three of them to be a Quorum to meet at the Tholsel only on being duly summoned.

Spec.l Genl Ass.bly 29.th Nov.r 1803.—

Relative to making a Military Post at St. Laurence Gate

At a Special General Assembly called and held by Requisition the 29.th Nov.r 1803, before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present for the purpose of taking into Consideration the measure of making a Military Post of Laurence Gate.

Resolved that the Corporation is ready to grant same to Government free of Rent and chearfully to aid therein if an Engineer authorized by Government report same to be necessary.

Thomas Bond Ass.bly 13.th Jan.y 1804.—

At a Post Quarter Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 13.th January 1804.

Several Petitions laid before this Assembly were read and disposed off.

Xmas Genl Assbly 13th Jan.y 1804.

At a General Quarter Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the said 13th January 1804.

Wallop Brabazon of Rath Esq.re Vote of Thanks.

Resolved that the Thanks of this Assembly be given to Wallop Brabazon of Rath Esq.re for his humane & generous Conduct to the Crew of the Ship William of Saltcoats who were wrecked in the Neighbourhood of his House in the late tempestuous Weather and also for his Conduct on former Occasions of the like nature.

10 Guin.s o/d. to Boatmen for preserving the Lives of the Crew of the William of Saltcoats.

Resolved that ten Guineas be given to Barth.w Van Homrigh Esq.re to be distributed to the Boatmen by whose Exertions the Crew of the William were preserved from Destruction.

Free Man admitted

Robert Warwick of Drogheda Grocer is admitted a free Member by Special Favor on the usual Terms.

Jane Sillery Widow of Ald.r Sillery granted 30 Guin.s Pens.n

Jane Sillery Widow of Anth.y Sillery Esq.re late Alder.n of this Corporation upon her petition, is granted a pension of thirty Guineas a year for her Life from Michs last.

Pet.n of Rev.d Thomas Fairtlough & Ald.r Edw.d Fairtlough for renewal of a Lease of House &c. in West Street.

Upon the petition of the Rev.d Tho.s Fairtlough and Ald.r Edward Fairtlough setting forth that they lately petitioned for the renewal of a Lease of different Denom.ns of Lands and a House &c. in West Street demised by a Lease to the R.t Honble Henry Singleton for 61 Years from Easter 1744 at the yearly rent of £1..18..4 that a Lease of the Lands were accordingly granted but the House &c. in West Street was not by reason of a Covenant for renewal given by their late Brother Ald.r Oliver Fairtlough William deceased to his Undertenant Laurence Kelly, and praying their Case respecting said House to be referred back to the Aud.rs and Viewers to reconsider and to report thereon, that the Pet.rs and the other personal Representatives of their said dec.d Brother may not be precluded from a renewal thereof by an Event in which they had no Concern and by which they not this Corporation must ultimately suffer.

Report of Aud.rs & Viewers thereon

Which petition was accordingly referred back to & reconsidered by the Auditors and Viewers who reported to this Assembly thereon, that the said House and Concerns &c. in West Street are worth between Man and Man £50 Ster.g that a Renewal thereof be granted to the Pet.rs at £12..10.. Yearly Rent and £125 — Fine, for 99 Years from Easter last & that they be allowed £12..9.. out of said Fine & that they shall covenant to rebuild the said House within the first six Years of the new Lease under the penalty of paying treble the said yearly rent of £12..10.. for default or neglect of rebuilding same. Which Report being read was allowed and confirmed by this Assembly.

Confirmed

Upon

Pet.n of And.w Boyd for a Lease of a piece of waste Ground

Upon the petition of Andrew Boyd of Drogheda Carpenter, setting forth that he is Tenant to this Corporation for a lot of Ground on the West side of Magdalen Street by Lease for 99 Yrs from Easter 1796 at the yearly Rent of £2..11.. — on part of which he has built a House, that about 18 feet front to Magdalen Street is still to be built on, that between his said Lot and Irish Street (which is on the South) there are about 25 feet of waste Ground unset belonging to this Corporation and that Mr Godley's Estate lies West of the said waste piece of Ground fronting Irish Street, and praying to be let the said piece of waste Ground lying between his present Holding and Irish Street — Which petition being referred to the Auditors & Viewers they reported that a Lease may be given to the petitioner of the said waste piece of Ground for 99 Years from Easter last at 10/ Pens.n — Which Report is agreed to and confirmed by this Assembly.

Report thereon

Allowed and Confirmed

Mary Hughes and Hannah Sheils are admitted into St. John's Poorhouse.

Admitted into the Poorhouse

Ald.r Edward Fairtlough and Mr William Kniperare elected Commissioners of the Boyne Navigation.

Commiss.rs of Boyne Navigat.n

Resolved that every Tenant or person applying for a Lease of Premises belonging to this Corporation, shall when the Rent, Fine and Terms thereof be reported and agreed to by the General Assembly get notice thereof from the Town Clerk, and if such Tenant shall not within three Months after such notice pay the Fine and execute a Lease conformable to the Terms stipulated, then the Report agreed to by the Assembly shall be void.

Terms for renew.g of Leases to be notified & complied with in 3 Months & the paid

£5 for repairing Crooked Street

Ordered that the Sum of £5 be granted for repairing Crooked Street under the direction of Ald.r Metcalf.

Boarded Box for Corn Market

Ordered that Thos Winslow's Estimate for making a boarded Box for the Clerk attending the Corn Crane at the Corn Market be made under the direction of Ald.r Leland & Amos being £7 — and that it be made on Rollers, so that it may after every Market day be moved under the Piazza of the Market house.

Report relative to setting Stalls in the Meat Market

Pursuant to an Order of Assembly held the 31st May last We the undersigned are of Opinion that it would be advisable to set the Stalls in the Premises or Market place on the new Quay at foot of Stockwell Lane, according to the former Size and Dimensions leaving the Stall (No 6) next the gate for a person to reside in to take Care of the Market, the said Stalls to be set by Lease for a term of 21 Years — Sealed Proposals to be received for each by the Town Clerk — the Tenants to be allowed the first Year's Rent to enable them to repair the same — And We are also of Opinion that John Mullin is entitled to a Stall in St. Market without being obliged

Obliged to resort to the above mode, at the yearly rent of four Guineas for 21 Years, he having continued a Tenant to the Corporation for a Stall in said Market 'till compelled to quit same for the use of Government

Geo. M.Cartagart
Wm Holmes
Jn.o Leland
} Com.ee

Confirmed— Which Report is agreed to and confirmed by this Assembly and ordered to be carried into Effect as speedily as possible

Ordered that the Town Clerk make out five Debentures for £100 each payable to Robt Ashworth Esq.re with Interest at 5 ₰ cent ₰ Ann.m and give notice thereof to him that the Corporation are ready to pay same to him and all Interest due on said Sum of £500 upon his making a Title and executing to them a proper Lease or Deed of Houses and Ground at the foot of Stockwell Lane pursuant to his Agreement

5 Debentures of £100 each at 5 ₰ C.t ₰ Ann.m to be made payable to Robt Ashworth Esq.re on Mr Ashworth's executing a Lease of Houses &c. at foot of Stockwell Lane pursuant to Agreem.t

The following Case and Opinion was laid before the above Assembly, viz.t

"Case on behalf of the Corporation of Drogheda in a Transaction between Robert Ashworth of the City of Dublin Esq.re and the said Corporation relative to a lot or Parcel of Ground and three Houses thereon formerly Alder.n Townley Patten's Garden"

Case between the Corporation and Robert Ashworth Esq.re relative to the Ground & Premises at foot of Stockwell Lane called the Meat Market &c.a

In the Year 1778 the Corporation agreed to purchase from said Mr Ashworth all his right Title and Interest in the above mentioned Premises which was represented to be a Lease for Ever or an Interest for a term of 999 Years and that he was possessed thereof as Assignee of Edward Caldwell who was Lessee to James Patten Esq.re by Lease at the yearly rent of £6 5s. — part of the Premises is the Estate of the Corporation and subject to a yearly rent of five Shillings payable to them under a Lease made by the Corporation to Alder.n Townly Patten for 999 Years from Mich.s 1728 and James Patten devises all his Interest in the Premises under the Will of Alderman Patten

The Corporation at their General Assembly held the 25.th of August 1778 came to the following resolutions— Resolv.d that a Contract be made and executed by Mr Mayor under the Seal of this Corporation on their behalf with Robert Ashworth Esq.re for a Lease to be made or caused to be made by him or his Trustee to this Corporation for 999 Years from the first day of November last of All that Ground and Concerns formerly called Patten's Garden with the Dwelling houses Stalls

Stalls and Buildings thereon situate on the West side of Stockwell Lane and the New Quay in Dyer Street in this Town at the yearly rent of six pence and also the annual rent payable for said Premises to James Patten Esq.re and that a Fine or Consideration of £500 be paid by this Corporation for such Lease to Mr Robert Ashworth on executing the same, he first producing the Opinion of Joshua Davis Esq.re or some other eminent Councel that he has a clear good Title to make such Lease and that in the mean time he be paid 5 ₰ Cent ₰ Ann.m for the said £500 from the said first day of November last and it is further resolved by this Assembly that the Auditor and Viewers of this Corporation do immediately take into their Care and Management the said Concerns Houses Stalls and Premises and make Agreements with such Butchers as they shall think proper for said Stalls on behalf of this Corporation and employ a proper person to superintend as a Clerk in the Collection of the Rents and other Business relative to the Premises at such yearly Salary as they shall think reasonable, and also that the said Auditor and Viewers do examine the several Leases of the Inhabitants of West Street who may be affected by the removal of the present Meat Market from said Street to the said Concern or new Meat Market in Stockwell Lane and enquire what Rents they are respectively paid for the Stalls opposite their Houses in West Street and report to next January General Assembly the Progress they shall make in the premises

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On the 15.th of January 1779 the following Orders of Assembly were made by the Corporation— Ordered that the Interest and Rent due to Mr Robert Ashworth under the Contract made by him to this Corporation of the New Market in Stockwell Lane be paid by the Treasurer and allowed him in his Accounts— Ordered that Mr Mayor be and he is hereby impowered to perfect to Mr Robert Ashworth five Debentures of £100 each with Interest at five ₰ cent ₰ Annum so soon as he shall execute to this Corporation a proper Deed of Conveyance of the New Market and its Appurtenances and on his giving a Bond of Indemnity of the Penalty of £1000 to make good his Title thereto

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The Corporation have paid Mr Ashworth Interest of the £500 for upwards of twenty five Years and they have also paid the Head Landlord Mr Patten for a like Period

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"period an annual rent of £65. — but Mr Ashworth has never laid before the Corporation a Statement of his Title to the Premises nor any Opinion of Council thereon, nor has he ever executed to the Corporation any Deed of Conveyance of his Interest in the Premises or Bond of Indemnity of the penalty of £500 to render valid his Title thereto nor has the Corporation perfected to him the five Debentures of £100 each, so that the aforesaid Payment of Mr Ashworth and rent to Mr Patten and Mr Ashworth's receipts for the Interest and his acquiescence in the Improvements made thereon by the Corporation and other Acts relative thereto and his Non-interference in or about the Premises for such a Number of Years is the only Title which the Corporation have at present to sume

The Object of the Corporation is now to obtain a good sufficient legal Title to the aforesaid Premises from Mr Ashworth, who was fully apprized of the Conditions on which the Corporation has for so many Years paid and he has received the Interest on the Sum of £500 and Council will please to advise and direct all necessary Proceedings to be taken and Acts to be done on the part of the Corporation and also on the part of Mr Ashworth for the Attainment of the foregoing Purposes"

Recorder's Opinion thereon —

"I think the Corporation should in the first Instance comply with their part of the Agreement and make a Tender to Mr Ashworth of the five Debentures specified, and then if he refuses to fulfill his part of the Agreement they should file a Bill to compel him to a specific Execution thereof"

Peter Van Homrigh

Spec. Genl. Assbly 9th Feby 1804 — Relative to the Freedom of Sir Marcus Somerville —

At a Special General Assembly held before the said George Mc Entagart Esqre Mayor, the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 9th day of Feby 1804, pursuant to a Requisition & Notice or Summons issued for the purpose of presenting the Freedom of this Corporation to Sir Marcus Somerville, Bart. Representative in Parliament for the County of Meath

Sheriff Mayne absents himself

Resolved that this Assembly do proceed on the business of the Day in the absence of the Sheriff Mayne has appeared, by Evidence on Oath that Mr Sheriff Mayne has been regularly summoned & refused to attend

Opinions to be taken on the Sheriffs

Resolved that the Opinion of Counsel be taken respecting the Sheriffs wilfully absenting himself this day and to point out in what manner he can be punished for the same and

Sheriff absenting himself

and if under the Circumstances of the Sheriffs absenting himself the Mayor is authorized (all other necessary requisites being performed) to hold said Assembly

Sir Marcus Somerville Bart. voted his Freedom in a Gilt Silver Box

Resolved unanimously that the Freedom of this Corporation be presented to Sir Marcus Somerville Bart. in Consideration of our high Estimation of his Character

Resolved that same be presented in a Silver Box Gilt by Mr Mayor and Doct. Faillbough

Assembly for the Elect. of an Alderman 11th April 1804 —

At an Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 11th day of April 1804 for the Election of an Alderman in the Room of Maurice Barlow late an Alderman dec.

Chas Evans Esq. elected an Alderman in the Room of Maurice Barlow dec. —

Charles Evans Esqre is elected an Alderman of this Corporation in the Room of the said Maurice Barlow and was sworn an Alderman accordingly pursuant to Notice duly posted

Quarterly Post Assbly 11th April 1804 —

At a Quarterly Post Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 11th day of April 1804

Petns referred

Several Petitions laid before this Assembly were read and referred to next General Assembly

Quarterly Genl Assbly 13th April 1804 —

At a Quarterly General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 13th April 1804

Mayor elect

Henry Meade Ogle Esqre is elected to serve Mayor of this Corporation for the ensuing Year from this day next

Sheriffs elect

Henry Metcalf & George Moore Esqrs are elected to serve Sheriffs of this Corporation for the said Year —

Certified

Order'd that the Election of the said Mayor and Sheriffs for the ensuing Year be certified to Government for Approbation

Free Member

William Smith of Broghedes, Cordwainer, is admitted a free Member by Special Favor on the usual terms

Ald. Wm Meade Ogle's Petition

Upon the Petition of Ald. Wm Meade Ogle setting forth that he is in Possession in his own right of a Lease made by this Corporation to his Uncle Edw. Meade, Ald. of

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Petition for renewal of a Lease –

One Dwelling house in West Street commonly called the Friary containing in front to said Street 32 feet & in Depth 220 feet, a parcel of Land without Sundays Gate called 5 Acres a small Park thereto adjoining containing together 8 a. 1. 20 also a Park outside St. Laurence Gate whereon the White House formerly stood & called the White house Park cont.ª 1 a. 2. 0 and one other Park near the same called the Friars Park cont.ª 3 a. 0. 10 for 61 Years from Easter 1758 at the yearly rent of £15 – ; that the unexpired term of said Lease is within the time prescribed by this Corporation for granting Renewals and praying a new Lease and so forth – Which Petition being referred to the Auditors & Viewers they report thereon to this Assembly that the House in West Street with the Back Ground are worth £60 sterling, the Tenant to be bound under a penalty of treble rent not to permit Meat to be exposed Sale therein, such penalty to be in force from the Expiration of the present under Tenants Leases – that the Park called the White house Park cont.ª by a late Survey 1 a. 1. 26 and the New found well Park cont.ª by same 3 a. 0. 31 are worth £7. 10. 0 ₰ Acre, that the Parcel of Land with Cabins in front to Scarlet Lane is worth £11. 7. 6 ₰ Acre, these Lands cont.ª by same Survey 8 a. 1. 4 – That a new Lease of the House & Back Ground in West Street be granted for 99 Years from Easter last at the yearly rent of £15 – and £100 Fine –; that a new Lease for same Term be granted of the White house Park at the yearly rent of £1. 17. 6 ₰ Acre and a Fine of £40 That a new Lease of New found well Park be granted for like Term at the yearly rent of £1. 17. 6 ₰ Acre and a Fine of £40 – And that a new Lease of the Lands North of Scarlet Lane be granted for like Term at the yearly rent of £2. 16. 10 ₰ Acre and a Fine of £320 Signed Edward Fairtough – Lan.ª Fisher – Geo. Coulter – Nivian Rodger – Alex.ª Irwin –

Report of Aud.rs & Viewers thereon

Referred to next Gen.l Assembly

Which Report being read same was referred to next Gen.l Assembly –

Upon the Petition of Hamp.d Nicholson Esq.re setting forth that he is in Possession in his own right of one lot or parcel of Land commonly called the Ashpark without West Gate in the County of the Town of Drogheda whereon Several Houses are built cont.ª 2 a. 0. 28 by Virtue of a Lease from this Corporation made to Ald.n George Ashland for 61 Years from Mich.s 1763 at the yearly rent of £19. 0. 7½, that 40 Years of said Lease are expired at Mich.s last and praying a new Lease &c. Which Petition was referred to the Aud.rs and Viewers who have reported to this Assembly thereon, that the premises came into Mr. Nicholson's Possession in the Year 1778 by Deed of Assignment from the late Ald.n Geo. Ashland, which was two Years previous to Mr. Nicholson's obtaining the Freedom of this Corp.n, they therefore submit to

Mr. Hamp.d Nicholson's Pet.n for renewing a Lease –

Report thereon that his Claim is not grounded – or within the Rules for renewals of Leases –

to this Assembly whether his Claim comes within the Rules established for the Renewals of Leases –

Report confirmed –

This Assembly thereupon declared that the said Petitioner's Claim is not within the meaning of the Rules for renewing of Leases, and the Report is agreed to and confirmed –

Treasurer's Acco.ts

Ball.e due him £235. 3. 11½

The Treasurer's Acco.ts were laid before this Assembly for the Years Rents due Easter and May 1803 and for Gate and Water Customs and Fines and Seals of Leases &c. received by him and also for Disbursements by him from the 7.th of April 1803 to the 11.th of April instant, and it appears that a Balance of £235. 3. 11½ is due to him by this Corporat.n thereon –

Part of the North Commons recovered from Pat.k Conly to be set

Ordered that a lot of Ground part of the North Commons cont.ª 3 a. 2. 2 lately recovered by Greatment from Pat.k Conly be set to the highest Bidder on Monday the 30.th inst.t for 61 Years from Easter last – two Years Rent to be paid as a Fine –

Sealing day

Monday the 14.th of May next is appointed a Sealing day for Corporation Leases –

Debent.s for £100 each ord.d to John Glover for new Stone work got for the new Corn Market

Ordered that Mr. Mayor perfect to Mr. John Glover three Debentures for £100 each, with Interest for same from 16.th June last, the said Sum of £300 being due to him for new Stone Work got for the new Corn Market, which is certified to this Assembly by Ald.n John Leland, Treasurer to the Committee appointed to conduct said Building –

Two new Auditors & Viewers

Ald.n Ralph Smyth is elected an Auditor and Viewer in the room of Ald.n Maurice Barlow dec.d and George Metcalf Esq.re is elected an Auditor and Viewer in the room of Chas. Evans Esq.re now an Alderman –

Proceed.gs of Assembly held 9. Feb.y last Rescinded

Ordered that the Proceedings of the Assembly held on the 9.th February last at which the Sheriffs or one of them was not present, be and the same are hereby rescinded –

Sir Marcus Somerville voted his Freedom in a Silver Gilt Box –

Resolved unanimously that the Freedom of this Corporat.n be presented to Sir Marcus Somerville Bart. Representative in Parliament for the County of Meath in a Silver Box Gilt in Consideration of the high Estimation in which he holds his Character –

Resolved that Mr. Mayor, Mr. Recorder, the Sheriffs and such other Gentlemen of the Corporation as can attend, wait on Sir Marcus Somerville to communicate the above Resolution –

Notice in future to be given for holding special Assemblies –

Ordered that four clear Days Notice shall be given in future for convening any special Assembly, besides the day of Service of the Notice and the Day of holding the Assembly –

Ralph.k Richardson Jun.r ord.d 10 Guin.s –

Ordered that 10 Guin.s be paid to Ralph.k Richardson Jun.r as a Reward for his resolute Exertions in protecting Capt.n Wm. Jones's House at Listoke from being plundered by a set of Villains that attacked same on the night of the 14.th Feb.y last –

Anthy Miles ord.d 3 Guin.s –

Ordered that Anthony Miles be paid 3 Guin.s as a Recompense for his Expence &c. going to Trim last Assizes to prosecute – Clinton & his Wife for Felonies –

Ordered

Surgeon Rattoun ord.ᵈ 20 Guin.ˢ & his Years Allow.ᶜᵉ of 10 Guin.ˢ in advance

Order'd that £22..15..- be paid to Surgeon Rattoun to aid him in his present State, and that his years Allowance of £11..7..6 for attending the Charitable Infirmary which will become due at Xmas next be also paid him in advance

Shop Street to be paved

Order'd that Shop Street be paved under the direction of the Mayor and Payment thereof be made by the Treasurer on Certificate from the Mayor in such Proportions as he directs

Adjourned to Monday the 23ᵈ Aprile inst.

Adjournm.ᵗ of Court of Assembly 23ᵈ Aprile 1804.

At an Adjournment of the said last mentioned General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 23ᵈ Aprile 1804

Pensioners on Commons List for the Year end.ᵍ Michs 1804

Order'd that the following Persons be paid the Sums to their Names respectively annexed out of the Rents of the Commons for the present Year commencing at Michs last & ending at Michs next viz.ᵗ

Rector of St. John's Poorhouse for Purge of the Commons	£8..-	Brought forward do.	£208..7..6
Jane Blythe at Elliott's widow	5..-	Rose & Cath.ʳᵉ Evans, 5 Guin.ˢ each	11..7..6
Widow of Michael Brooks	4..-	Mary.ᵗ McClean	5..13..9
Gertrude Brunton, Widow	6..16..6	Two Child.ʳᵉ of Arthur Jones	11..7..6
Widow of Charles Elliott	4..-	Edward Bridges	5..13..9
Mary Holland	4..-	5 Children of late Ald.ᵐ Jn.º	34..2..6
Mary Ackland	6..16..6	Ackland, 6 Guin.ˢ each	
Ann Ackland	6..15..-	Widow of Jn.º North late of	4..-
Priscilla Chapman, Widow	11..7..6	Queen Borough	3..-
Ann Dowdall, Widow	5..-	William Bagnale	16..-
Mary M.ᶜ Cartney & 2 Sisters Daughters of W.ᵐ M.ᶜ Cartney	6..16..6	Widow Caldwell	22..15..-
Alice Jones, Widow of Con. Jones	6..-	Children of late Ald.ᵐ Josh. Holmes dec.ᵈ	5..-
Judy Burke als Robinson	5..-	Robert Harrison	6..16..6
Leonard Shortell	3..-	George Richardson	6..-
Susan. Wid.ʳ of Rob.ᵗ Chambers	4..11..-	Child.ʳᵉ of James Beggs	10..-
Sarah Brennan als Bagnale	2..-	Hannah Elliott	4..11..-
Cath.ʳᵉ Goodwin, Widow	4..11..-	Susanna Lyster	4..11..-
Mary Widow of Edw.ᵈ Chambers	5..-	Henry Rodgers	4..11..-
Judith Turvey	6..16..6	Mary Tonge	4..11..-
Thos. Winslow	6..-	Catherine North, Widow of John North late of Drogheda	2..5..6
Mary, Widow of Geo. Thornton	5..-	William Smith	4..11..-
Ann Blythe, Widow	5..-	Mary Daly	5..13..9
Marg.ᵗ Watson	10..-	Cath.ʳᵉ Reams, Widow of James Reams dec.ᵈ	4..11..-
Ann Ross als Brunton	5..-	Thos. Wynne	4..11..-
Will.ᵐ Cooke, Dublin	5..-	Marg.ᵗ Hughes	6..16..6
Joseph Roe	5..-	Samuel Jephson	4..11..-
Widow of Jas. Crawford	5..-	Jane Donagh als Mannin, Widow	4..11..-
Richard Quash	6..16..6	Jane Holland, a Lunatick	6..16..6
James M.ᶜ Cartney	5..-		
John Eccleston	5..-	Total	£408..4..3
Ann Sawhell	5..-		
Mary, Widow of Jas. Martin	10..-		
Will.ᵐ Armstrong	4..11..-		
Mary Kane, als Brooks Widow	4..11..-		
Children of John Elliott	4..11..-		
Marg.ᵗ Collin, Widow	4..11..-		
John Bolton	6..16..6		
Can.ᵈ forw.ᵈ	£208..7..6		

Catherine

Cath.ʳᵉ Fisher admitted into the Poorhouse

Catherine Fisher upon her Petition is admitted into St. John's Poorhouse

Indorsements Accᵗˢ ordered to be paid

The following Accounts were laid before this Assembly and ordered to be paid, viz.ᵗ

John Potter's Accᵗ for cleaning Lustres &c.ᵃ in Mayoralty house & Repairs at the Tholsel Clock	£0..4..9
do. do. for a Silver Freedom Box for Sir Marcus Somerville Bart.	7..19..3
do. do. for Judge Johnston's Lodging & Breakfast at Spring Assizes 1803 — Rich.ᵈ Tidd & Wᵐ Knipe Esqʳˢ Sheriffs	2..5..6
Laurence Reilly's do. for lodging Judge Daly — Summer Assizes 1803 — same Sheriffs	2..5..6
George Jones's do. for lodging one Judge at Lent Assizes & one Judge Summer Assizes 1803 — same Sheriffs	4..11..-
Thomas North, Smith's Accᵗ for Iron work &c.ᵃ at the Tholsel new Market-house &c.ᵃ	8..5..8½

Spec.ˡ Gen.ˡ Assembly 30. Aprile 1804

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 30th Aprile 1804

2 Comm.ʳˢ of Boyne Navigat.ⁿ elected

Ald.ʳ John Leland and Wallop Brabazon Esq.ʳᵉ are elected Commissioners of the Boyne Navigation in the Room of Ald.ʳ Isaac Barlow dec.ᵈ & of Chas. Evans Esq.ʳᵉ now an Alderman

Wm. Dardis's Memor.ˡ referred to Audrs & Viewers

Resolved that the Memorial of Mr. William Dardis be again referred back to the Auditor and Viewers to report on the actual areable Value of the Premises between Main & Main and that a special Assembly be summoned to receive the Report on Tuesday the 15th May next, and that Mr. Patrick Ewing get notice thereof

Hamp.ᵈ Nicholson's Proposals for Renewal of a Lease rejected

The Report of the Auditor and Viewers upon the Proposal of Hampden Nicholson Esq.ʳᵉ for the Renewal of the Lease of Premises called the Ash park without West Gate is agreed to and his Proposal rejected

Part of the North Commons set to Jas. Green Esq.ʳ

1804. April 30th The Parcel of Land part of the North Commons belonging to this Corporation cont.ᵍ 3a. 2r. 2p. (lately recovered by Ejectment from Patrick Cody) was set up to Cant at the Tholsel pursuant to Advertisement and was set to James Green Esq.ʳᵉ for four Guineas a Acre and two Yeds Rent as a Fine

Midsummer Post & Hall 11th July 1804

At a post Quarter Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 11th July 1804

Petitions referred

Several Petitions were read and referred to next General Assembly

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Midsummer Gen.l Assembly 13th July 1804

At a Gen.l Quarter Assembly held before the said Mayor and others the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 13th July 1804

Ald.r W.m Holmes's Petition for renew.l of two Leases

Upon the petition of Ald.r William Holmes setting forth that he is in possession in his own right of a parcel of Land called Moroodes Land alias Bealingstown containing a. r. p. 16 - 0 - 21, a parcel of Meadow Ground called Four Acres and a furry park thereto adjoining Contain.g together a. r. p. 7 - 0 - 10 and also another small meadow cont.g a. r. p. 1 - 0 - 6 all lying without Sunday's Gate at and adjoining the Lands of the Twenties in the County by Virtue of a Lease from this Corporation to Ald.r Edward Norman dec.d for 61 years from Easter 1762 at the yearly rent of £9 - 10 - - And that he is also in possess.n of one other small park at the Yellow Batter without Sunday's Gate cont.g a. r. p. 1 - 3 - 33, a parcel of Meadow without said Gate near the Town Commons cont.g a. r. p. 2 - 1 - 14, a Messuage without St. John's Gate cont.g 28 pers.s, a Tenement & Garden without St. Laurence Gate cont.g 20 pers.s and two parks without Dulleek Gate one cont.g a. r. p. 3 - 3 - 8 the other a. r. p. 1 - 3 - 2 by Virtue of another Lease made by this Corporation to the said Edward Norman for 61 years from Easter 1758 at the yearly rent of £14 - that 18 Years of one and 15 Years of the other of s.d Leases are unexpired from Easter last and praying new Leases of said premises for 99 years and so forth - Which petition being referred to the Auditors and Viewers they reported thereon to this Assembly

Report of the Auditors and Viewers thereon

First Lease N.o 487 - lot 1.st the Park called Duicks park at the Yellow Batter cont.g a. r. p. 1 - 3 - 25 is worth £6 - 16 - 6 ¼ Acre that same be granted to him for 99 years from Easter last at the yearly Rent of £3 - 5 - - & a Fine of £45 - 5 - - an Allowance to be made him thereout of £15 - 8 - 4 for his Term unexpired 2.d lot a meadow on the West side the road or Yellow Batter Bridge near Listoke cont.g a. r. p. 2 - 1 - 14 is worth £4 - 11 - ¼ Acre and that same be granted him at £2 - 13 - 4 rent ¼ Ann.m & a Fine of £45 - 5 - 3 and that he be allowed £16 - 12 - 11 for surrendering his present Term - 3.d lot - Two Tenements and Gardens in Morgan's Lane without Laurence Gate cont.g 20 pers.s is worth £5 - - ¼ Ann.m and that he be granted same at £1 - 5 - - ¼ Ann.m and a Fine of £12 - 10 - - he allowed £4 - 5 - 4 for his present Term unexpired - 4.th lot Two parcels of Land without Dulleek Gate near each other one cont.g a. r. p. 3 - 3 - 30 the other a. r. p. 1 - 3 - 10 in all a. r. p. 5 - 3 - 0 computed to be worth £3 - 13 - 9 ¼ Acre and a renewal be granted to him at £8 - 3 - 6 ¼ Ann.m for a Fine of £138 - 19 - 6 an allowance made him thereout of £50 - for his Term unexpired - The above Denoms to be demised by one new Lease for 99 years from Easter last at the yearly rent of £15 - 6 - 9 & £165 - 18 - 2 Fine exclusive of the allowances for his present Terms, second Lease N.o 521 - lot 1.st a parcel of Land called Moroodes Land alias Bealingstown cont.g a. r. p. 18 - 0 - 10 at £3 - 10 - ¼ Acre and that a renewal be granted him at £16 - 1 - ¼ Ann.m and a Fine of £268 - 13 - 5 an Allowance to be made thereout of £150 for his Term unexpired - 2.d lot Two parcels

of Land at the Twenties one containing a. r. p. 7 - 0 - 10 the other a. r. p. 1 - 0 - 6 making together a. r. p. 8 - 0 - 16 valued at £4 - ¼ Acre and that same be granted him at £8 - 2 - ¼ Ann.m and a Fine of £137 - 14 - - an Allowance to be made to him thereout of £85 - for his term unexpired - The last Premises to be demised by one other new Lease for the said Term of 99 Years from Easter last at the yearly Rent of £23 10 - 1 and £201 - 7 - 5 Fine, exclusive of Allowance for his present Term - Which Report the Auditors & Viewers verify upon Oath - 12th July 1804 - Signed - B. Van Homrigh - Alexander Irwin - John Jones - Vivian Rodger - John Holland Auditors & Viewers

Agreed to and Confirmed

Which petition & report being read the same were allowed agreed to and confirmed by this Assembly

Petn.r of Rev.d Henry Ashe for renew.l of a Lease

Upon the petition of the Rev.d Henry Ashe setting forth that he is in possess.n in his own right as Agee of his Aunt Gertrude Brunton otherwise Smith, Widow & Admx.x of Edward Brunton late of Drogheda, Carrier dec.d of One House and Background on the Southside of John Street by Virtue of a Lease from the Corporation to the said E. Brunton for 61 Years from Easter 1773 at the yearly Rent of £5 - 15 - 0 that 31 Years of said Lease are expired last Easter & praying a renewal thereof & so forth - Which petition was referred to the Auditors and Viewers who reported their Opinion that the Premises are worth £40 ¼ Ann.m and that if a Lease be granted the Rent to be £10 ¼ Ann.m for 99 years from Easter last and £100 Fine but they submit that as Mr.s Ashe derives under Mr Brunton he is not entitled to a Renewal - The prayer of the petition can't therefore be granted seeing contrary to Rule the Pet.r to be informed that the Corporation will receive his proposals for renewing the Lease if he thinks proper to offer such - July 12th 1804 - Signed B. Van Homrigh - Alex.r Irwin John Jones - Vivian Rodger - John Holland - Auditors & Viewers

Report of the Auditors & Viewers therein

Not granted

Richardson Williams of Drogheda Esq.re & Jasper Tilley of Drogheda Gent.n upon their petitions are admitted free members by special favor on the usual Terms

2 Free Members admitted

The Auditors and Viewers represented to this Assembly that on their lately viewing the two Fields without Dulleek Gate demised to Edw.d Norman by Lease N.o 487 mentioned in Ald.r Holmes's Application for renewal they find by the old Map of said two Fields that the Strip of Land lying between said Fields is by the said Map marked and set down to be Corporation Land and upon Enquiry they find the s.d Strip of Land is in the poss.n of the Miss Conlys & is claimed by them as their Estate The

A Strip of Land with Dulleek Gate called Corp.n Ground in Poss.n of Miss Conlys & claimed as their Estate

Roads to be repaired the Dikes on each side to be filled up

The Auditors and Viewers also submit to this Assembly the propriety of refusing to grant any money for the repair of Roads unless there is an Estimate for filling up the Dikes at each Side, and that the same be recommended to the Grand Jury to adopt the Idea Signed - B Van Homrigh - Abm. Irwin - John Jones - Nivian Rodger - John Holland - Auditors & Viewers

Mr. Ashworth's Letr. to Mr. Mayor for Paymt. of £500 with Interest for the New Market

Mr. Mayor laid before this Assembly a Letter from Mr. Ashworth requiring payment of £500 and the Interest for the new market - Ordered that the Treas. write him for answer, that Interest at 6 p Cent. shall be forthwith paid and the principal secured by Debentures payable in six Months

5 Guis ordered George Webb

Ordered that 5 Guineas be paid to Aldn. Van Homrigh for the Relief of George Webb

2 Guis a peice to 3 Daurs of M. Richards

Ordered that Mary, Grace and Ann Richardson Daurs of Mich.l Richardson be paid two Guineas a peice for their Relief

Committee for Repair of Mayoralty house

Doctor Faitlough, Aldn. J. Hardman, Mr. Knipe, Mr. Coulter and Mr. Benj.n Smith are appointed a Committee for the purpose of having the Mayoralty house repaired & new slated

Committee to enquire who burned the Stocks &c.

The Mayor, Doctor Faitlough, Aldn. Van Homrigh, Mr. Knipe and Mr. George Pentland are appointed a Committee forthwith to enquire and report who the persons were that were concerned in burning the Stocks & in rioting in this Town last night - And that our Law agent be instructed to commence a prosecution ag.st them

Accots. referred to Stand.g Committee

The following Accounts were laid before this Assembly and referred to the Standing Committee

Robert Armstrong's Accot. for lighting 20 Lamps from 29th Sept.r 1803 to 15th May 1804 at £1. 3 - 0 - £23 - - -

Mr. John Jandy's Accot. for 2 Barrls of Porter, 4th June last - - - - - - - - - - 3 - 0 -

Denis. Powers &c. - - - for Cakes &c. - - - - - - - 2 - 15 - 11 -

- adjourned to Wednesday next the 18th. July inst.

Assembly for the Elect.n of an Alderman 16th July 1804 -

At an Assembly of the said Mayor and Sheriffs and Table of Aldermen held the 16th July 1804 pursuant to Notice for the Election of an Alderman in the room of Oliver Faitlough dec.d

Peter Van Homrigh Esqre. elected

Peter Van Homrigh Esqre. was elected an Alderman of this Corporation in the room of the said Oliver Faitlough dec.d

Spec.l Genl. Assbly. 27th Augt. 1804 -

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 27th August 1804

Rev.d Hugh Hen.y Shields voted his Freedom

Resolved unanimously that the Freedom of this Corporation be and the same is hereby granted to the Rev.d Hugh Henry Shields of Carrickfergus in Testimony of the high Estimation in which we hold his Character and for his very loyal and proper Conduct on a late Occasion in this Town

Spec.l Genl. Assbly. 31st Augt. 1804 -

At a special general Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 31st Day of August 1804

Earl Hardwicke Ld Lieut.t of Ireland Voted his Freedom in a Gold Box

Resolved unanimously that the Freedom of this Corporation be presented in a Gold Box to His Excellency Philip Earl of Hardwicke Ld Lieutenant of Ireland &c &c &c with a suitable Address expressive of the high Sense we entertain of his eminent Virtues and a tribute of our Approbation of his Excellency's Administration

Acts compared

1804. Sept.r 29th. The foregoing Acts of Assembly were compared before us, and ordered to be entered in the Last Assembly Book as usual

Ad. test.

George M.c Entagart, Mayor
James Metcalf, M. S.
Henry Meade Ogle
Ralph Smyth
Chas. Evans
Wm. Holmes
Leonard Crookes } Sheriffs
Jas. Mayne

Michs Post Assy 3d October 1804.

At a quarterly post Assembly held before Henry Meade Ogle Esquire, Mayor, Henry Metcalf and George Moore Esqrs Sheriffs, the Aldermen being present the 3d day of Octr 1804

Petitions referred

The several petitions laid before this Assembly were read and referred to next General Assembly

Michs Genl Assy 5th Octr 1804.

A general quarterly Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 5th October 1804

Mayor of the Staple

George M. Entagart Esqre late Mayor is elected Mayor of the Staple and Justice of the peace for the ensuing Year and sworn

Common Council

Leonard Crookes and James Mayne Esqrs late Sheriffs are elected Common Councilmen and sworn

Coroners

The said Leonard Crookes & James Mayne are elected Coroners for the ensuing Year, and Mr Mayne was sworn

Constables of the Staple

And the same Leonard Crookes and James Mayne are elected Constables of the Staple for the ensuing Year, and Mr Mayne was sworn

Master of the Guild

James Metcalf Esqre is elected Master of the Guild for the ensuing Year

Wardens of do

William Knipe Esqr is elected Warden of the Guild for the ensuing Year

Treasurer

Ald.r William Holmes is elected Treasurer for the ensuing Year

Officers of Sword & Mace

The Officers of the Sword and Mace and Marshal to continue during the pleasure of this Corporation

Scavengery

Mr Mayor is requested and impowered to contract with such persons as he shall think proper to cleanse and carry away the Dirt and Soil of the Streets and Lanes of this Town and the Roads and Avenues thereto for the ensuing Year to commence from after the 26th day of October instant

Ald.r Wm Meade Ogles Petition for renewal of a Lease referred to the Ald.n & Viewers to be further reported on

The Petition of Ald.r Wm Meade Ogle for renewal of a Lease and the Report made thereon by the Auditors and Viewers to last Easter Genl Assembly, is by this Assembly referred back to them to reconsider and whatever further they shall report is to be concluded and new Leases are to be sealed to him accordingly

Free Member

Theobald Coulter of Drogheda Linen manufacturer upon his petition is admitted a free Member by Service on the usual Terms

Harry

Harry Brabazon Esqre ord.d £30 for Removal of Nuisances for one Year

Harry Brabazon Esqre upon his Memorial as Conservator of the Roads & for Removal of Nuisances from the Streets &c. of this Town and County, is ordered £30 for one Year commencing the 25th day of March last

£5 ord.d for repair of Crooked Street

Ordered that £5 be granted to Ald.r Metcalf in addition to £5 before granted for repairing Crooked Street without Dublek Gate, under his Inspection

£10 ord.d for repair of Dublek Street

Ordered that £10 be granted for repairing Dublek Street near the House of John Mullan, Butcher, under the inspection of Ald.r Metcalf

Vicar Chorals Money £54 yearly to be paid partly £45 to the Vicar of Saint Peter's, parish Clk £6, Sexton £3, £54

Resolved that the Sum of £45 Stg annum being the Sum unappropriated of £54 a year Vicars Choral Money which with £6 paid the parish Clerk and £3 paid to the Sexton, makes together the said Sum of £54 be granted to the Vicar of St Peter's parish, Drogheda, to enable him to keep an Assistant Clergyman in the said Parish for which his Receipt is to be given in discharge of all Demands whatever, and also a written Authority from his Grace the Lord primate for such Application of the said Money

Rev.d Jerome Alley to be paid £40 a year for the time he officiates as Curate

Resolved that a Sum of £40 yearly be paid to the Rev.d Jerome Alley the Assistant Curate of said Parish who officiated heretofore therein, for such number of years as he so officiated and has not been paid for same

20 Guin.s a year ord.d to the Charity School of St Peter's parish

Resolved that a Sum of twenty Guineas a year be paid half yearly to the Stewards of the Charity School of St Peters Parish in aid of that Institution to commence from the 25th day of March last

10 Guin.s ord.d to Robert Sharpe

Resolved that the Sum of ten Guineas be granted to Robert Sharpe as a Compensation for his past good Conduct in taking Care of the new Market house

Wm Foskey appointed to take Care of New Corn Market house with Salary of £5 a year

Resolved that William Foskey be appointed to take Care of the New Market house with a Salary of £5 a year to commence from Michaelmas last, and that he be put into possession thereof the 1st Novem.r next

Ald.n M. Entagart added to Standing Committee

Ald.n M. Entagart appointed one of the Standing Committee in the Room of the present Mayor

Gate Customs ord.d to be set

Ordered that the Gate Customs of this Corpn be set by Cant to the highest Bidder at the Tholsel on Monday the 15th day of October inst for one Year to commence from & after the 18th inst & ending the 18th day of October next 1805 inclusive, three Months Purchase Money to be paid in advance, & the remaining 9 Months to be secured by Bonds of three solvent Persons to be approved by Mr Mayor, and that three Months of the Rent or Purchase Money be always paid in Advance

Monday

Sealing Day

Monday the 29th October instant is appointed a Sealing Day for Corporation Leases /

£200 ord. to be borrowd. to pay off Mrs Oxford Demand -

Ordered that the Sum of £200 be borrowed on Debentures at Interest on the best Terms that Mr Mayor the Law Agent and Town Clerk can procure same, to discharge Mrs Oxford's Demand of the principal due by this Corporation

10 Tons Coals yearly allowed to Watch-house -

Ordered that ten Tons of Coals yearly and no more be allowed Robert Armstrong for the Watchhouse and the private Consumption of the Constable to commence from Michs last /1804/

Accounts to be laid before the Standing Comtee

Ordered that all Accounts for demands for Money for the year ended Michs last be referred to the standing Committee /

The following Accounts for Demands on this Corporation were laid before this Assembly and ordered to be laid before the standing Committee, viz.t

Messrs Boyd & Reilly's Account for Repairs at the Mayoralty house	£219. - 6½
of which they were paid in part	32. 5. 2
Balce due	£186. 15. 4½
Mr Charles Evans's Account for printing Work from Michs 1803 to Michs 1804	85. 12. 5½
Do. - - - for payments he made for publications in the Dublin Newspapers	18. 10. 10
Mr Henry Pentland's Account for different articles from 26th October 1799 to the 4th June last /1804/	15. 9. 0
Miss Ann Smith's Account for Articles furnished the 4th Septemr 1804	23. 0. 6
Messrs Sherrard & Brassington's Account for surveying and making Maps	9. 4. 0
Mr William Kelly's Account for Candles to the Watch House from 1st October 1803 to 29th Augt 1804	32. 5. 9
Messrs Crookes & Mayne late Sheriffs Acct for Judge's Lodgings	4. 11. 0
Do.	4. 11. 0
Mr Henry Smith's for Judge's Lodgings	1. 15. 9
John Wall for Tar Barrels &c	

Messrs Boyd & Reilly's proposal for finishing the Repairs of the Mayoralty house /

Two Debentures per Coss to Messrs Rodger &c for £100 each

1804 Octr 8th Two Debentures for £100 each were this Day prepared by Mr Mayor under the Seal of this Corporation to Mr Nevan Rodger payable in 5 Years with Interest half yearly at 6 p Cent p Ann. — £10 on each was allowed as a Premium, pursuant to Order of last Assembly /

Gate Customs Set for 1 Year -

1804 Octr 15th The Gate Customs were this Day set at the Toll-del for one Year to commence from & after the 18th Octr inst. and 18th Octr next 1805 inclusive, to Messrs Messrs Rodger, Ford & Geo Evans for £41 - £ month from 18th to Order of last Assembly

1804

Octobr 22 - The following is the further Report of the Auditors and Viewers on the petition of Hld Wm Meade Esq for renewal of a Lease, pursuant to an Order of last Assembly, viz.t

The further Report of the Audrs and Viewers on the Petn of Hld Wm Meade Esq for renewal of a Lease

"We the undersigned Auditors and Viewers have reconsidered the former within Report and have come to the Resolution of "allowing the petitioner seven years purchase for the present Interest - "We therefore recommend a new Lease of the House &c in Westn "at the yearly Rent of £15 and a fine of £80, the Clause to "prevent its being made a meat market to be observed as "mentioned by former Report. We recommend a new Lease of the "Denominations of Lands on the following Terms - for the Newfound- "well Field and White house park containing together a. r. p. "4 - 2 - 17 valued at £8 - - per acre, the yearly Rent of £9 - 4 - 3 "and a fine of £120 - 3 - 0, for the parcel of Land with Cabins "thereon in Scarlet Lane containing a. r. p. 8 - 1 - 4 valued at "£11 - 7 - 6 per acre, the yearly Rent of £23 - 10 - 6 and a fine "of £277 - 5 - 0 "/Signed/ Edward Fairtough - Lan.t Fisher "Nivian Rodger - Alex.r Irwin - Geo. Coulter - Auds & Viewrs "22d Octr 1804" -

Chas Do. Assly 16th Jan.y 1805

At a quarterly Post Assembly held before the said Henry Meade Esq.re Mayor, Henry Metcalf and George Moore Esq.rs Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 16th January 1805 -

Petns referred

Several Petitions laid before this Assembly were read and referred to next General Assembly /

Christmas Genl Assly 18th Jan.y 1805.

At a General Quarterly Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 18th January 1805 -

three free members by Special Favor

James M.Cready, Gent.n Attorney, George M.Cstagart Junr Esq.re and John M.Caul, Merchant, all of Drogheda upon their several petitions are admitted free members by special favor on the usual Terms /

three free Members by Birth

Henry Jeremiah Smith Esq.re, Charles Collins, Gent.n and Joseph Allen, Cabinetmaker, all of Drogheda, upon their several petitions are admitted free members by Birth on the usual Terms /

Jno Nicholls elected & Two on a Common Council for Bakers

Upon the return of the Master & Wardens of the Fraternity of Bakers, setting forth that by the deaths of John Siddall one of their Common Council there is a Vacancy in his room, and they having nominated John Nicholls, John Caldwell & George Williams three free Brothers of their Fraternity for the purpose that one of them be elected in the place of the said John Siddall this

this Assembly thereupon elected the said John Nicholls a Common Councilman for the said Fraternity in the room of the said John Siddall and the said John Nicholls being called in was sworn a Common Councilman for the said Fraternity accordingly.

Rev.d Wm Henry Woods Curate of St. Peters ord.d £75 - for 1 Year 8 Months Duty - to be paid out of Vicar. Choral Money

The Rev.d William Henry Woods, Curate of St. Peters Parish upon his Memorial is ordered to be paid the Sum of £75 for performing the Duties as Curate of said Parish from the 1st June 1803 to this Time (nearly 1 year & 8 months) said Sum being the £45 — Yearly appropriated last General Assembly to be paid out of the Vicar Choral Money.

Petition of Henry Ackland for Renewal of a Lease

Upon the petition of Henry Ackland of Drogheda Esq.re setting forth that he is in possession in his own right of one Dwellinghouse and Back Ground on the West side of Shop Street adjoining the Bridge of Drogheda, by Virtue of a Lease made by this Corporation to his Grandfather Henry Ackland late an Alderman of the same dec.d for the term of 99 Years from Easter 1727 at the yearly rent of £5 - 4 - 0 — that there are 17 Years of said Lease expired at Easter last (1804) and that the said House and Premises are in a very ruinous State and praying a new Lease and so forth — Which Petition being referred to the Auditors and Viewers and their report thereon being now read It is thereupon ordered by this Assembly that the petition.r be granted a new Lease of the said House and Premises for 99 years from Easter last at the yearly rent of £6 - 5 - 0 being the fourth part of £25 — which they consider the yearly Value between Man and Man on his paying a Fine of £56 — on his surrendering the old Lease and covenanting to rebuild the said Dwellinghouse within the two first Years of the new Lease on paying afterwards the yearly rent of £25 during the Term then to come of the said new Lease

Report of the Auditors and Viewers thereon

Granted -

Report - signed by Edward Fairtlough - B. Van Homrigh John Jones - John Holland - Alex.r Irwin. Ninian Rodger - Auditors and Viewers.

2 Women admitted into St. John's Poorhouse

Hannah Irwin and Susannah Hous[illegible] upon their petitions are admitted into St. John's Poorhouse.

Widow & Dau.r of Wm Dowdall ord.d £5 —

Mary Dowdall the Widow and Mary Dowdall the Daughter of William Dowdall, Brazier dec.d upon their joint petitions are ordered £5 — to be paid by the Treasurer and their petition is referred to next Easter General Assembly —

Ordered

20 Guin.s ord.d to be paid the Law Agt. on Account of Costs

Ordered that twenty Guineas be paid by the Treasurer to the Law Agent on account of his Bills of Costs, and that his Account of Costs up to the present Time be brought in at next General Assembly.

Annuity of 4 Guin.s ord.d to Jas Summerson an old Watchman -

James Summerson a old Watchman upon his petition is ordered an Annuity of 4 Guineas a year from 25.th Ult.o and that he be paid the first Year in advance.

Committee to inspect the Charitable Infirmary Surgery -

The following Gentlemen are appointed a Committee to inspect into the State of the Charitable Infirmary and to report same, viz.t Alder.n Mayor and Sheriffs, Capt.n Smyth, Ald.n Town.y Blackwood Hardman, Alder.n George Coulter & Mr. Ninian Rodger any three to be a Quorum.

Thanks given to Majors Alcock & MacDonnell -

Ordered that the thanks of this Assembly be and the same are hereby given to Major Alcock & Major MacDonnell for their Zealous Exertions in raising and enlisting Soldiers for the Quota of this Town and County in the Army of Reserve, which is now Completed.

Committee to consider report upon the petition of the Master portes

A petition from the Master portes of this Town laid before this Assembly is referred to Ald.n M.Cutcheon Ald.n Leland, Ald.n B. Van Homrigh, Mr. Coulter and Mr. Holland, who are appointed a Committee to consider and report upon the same.

Easter Post Ass.bly 24.th April 1805 -

At a quarterly Post Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs, the Aldermen being present the 24.th April 1805.

Petitions referred -

Several petitions laid before this Assembly were read and referred to next General Assembly.

Easter Genl Ass.bly 26.th April 1805 -

At a General Quarter Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs, the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 26.th April 1805 -

Mayor elected -

Townley Blackwood Hardman Esq.re is elected to serve Mayor of this Corporation for the ensuing Year from this day next according to the rule of Succession.

Sheriffs elected -

John Taylor and Edward Hale Gibbons Esq.rs two of the Freemen of this Corporation are elected to serve Sheriffs of this Corporation for the ensuing Year.

Election to be certified -

Ordered that the Election of the Mayor and Sheriffs for the ensuing Year be forthwith certified to Government for their Approbation.

Mr. Jas Greene elected Swordbearer -

Mr. James Greene is elected Swordbearer of this Corpn in the room of Wm Henry Stewart dec.d on his resigning his place of Common Council.

Order

30 Guin. a year ord. to be paid to Ald.r Edw.d Cheshire

Ordered that the Sum of £34. 2. 6 be paid to Ald.r Edw.d Cheshire yearly from Easter last in addition to the like Sum allowed to his Wife.

Franchises to be suppressed –

Resolved that it is the Opinion of this Assembly that it behoves the Mayor and the other Magistrates of this Town to suppress the Franchises, for the prevention of Riot, Drunkenness and certain Distress to the lower Orders of the People.

£50 to be run for at Bellewstown Races as Corporat.n Plate

Ordered that the Sum of £50 be paid by the Cash.r to the Stewards of the Bellewstown Races the 29th May next ensuing, to be run for according to the Orders of Racing and under the head of the Corporation Plate of Drogheda.

adjourned –

adjourned to Monday next 29th inst.o at 12 O'Clock.

Adjournm.t to Gen.l Assembly 29th April 1805. –

At an Adjournment of the said last mentioned General Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council, being present the 29th April 1805 –

2 free Members by Birth –

William Seaton of the City of Dublin Gent.n Son of John Seaton late of same dec.d and Edward Cheshire Esq.re Capt.n in the 49th regim.t of Foot, eldest Son of Ald.n Edward Cheshire, upon their several petitions are admitted free Members by Birth on the usual Terms, and

one free member by Spec.l Favor –

John Reilly of Drogheda, Carpenter, on his petition is admitted a free Member by special Favor on the usual Terms.

Rev.d Jos.h Fairtlough's Salary as Chaplain augmented to £40

Upon the Memorial of the Rev.d Joseph Fairtlough, Clerk it is ordered by this Assembly that his Salary as Chaplain to this Corp.n be augmented to £40 a year from Easter last.

Jos.h Reames appointed Land Surveyor

Joseph Reames of Drogheda, Land Surveyor is appointed Surveyor to this Corporation from henceforth.

30 Guin.s ord.d to Ald.n Edw.d Cheshire

Ordered that the Sum of Thirty Guineas be forthwith paid to Ald.n Edward Cheshire for present Aid, over & above the Grant to him of the like annual Sum the 24th inst.o

50 Guin.s ord.d to Boyd & Reilly on Acco.t of repairs May.r House –

Ordered that the further Sum of Fifty Guineas be paid & advanced to Mess.rs Boyd & Reilly, Carpenters, for account of the Repairs now carrying on of the Mayoralty House.

Proctors of St. John's Poorhouse –

Mess.rs Henry Bentland and James Davis are appointed Proctors of St. John's poorhouse for three Years from this Easter General Assembly.

Resolved

Jn.o Elliott appointed Engine Keeper –

Resolved that Mr. John Elliott of Peter Street, Cabinet maker be appointed Engine Keeper to this Corporation at a Salary of £20 yearly to commence so soon as the Engines are repaired at the expence of this Corporation, in the first Instance to keep the said Engines in Repair at his own Expence, and to exhibit publickly and play them for one Hour in every month under pain of the loss of all Salary. And that the said Engines be kept in the Watchhouse in Peter Street.

Treasurer's Acco.ts Bal.ce due him thereon £245. 12. 1 –

The Treasurer's Acco.t for one Year's Rents ended at Easter last May 1804, for one Year's Gate and Water Customs ended Oct.r 1804, and for the Fines and Seals of Leases, Freemen &c. &c. and also for Disbursements from the 21.st April 1804 to the 23.d April in.st 1805 were laid before this Assembly, and it appears that a Balance of £245. 12. 1 is due to him thereon by this Corporation.

Sam.l Fisher allowed 5 p.r Cent for receiving the Rents of the Commons & paying the Pensioners –

Upon the Memorial of Sam.l Fisher Esq.re Agent for receiving the Rents of the Commons of this Corp.n and paying the Pensioners thereon, stating that his present allowance of 5. in the Pound is too little for the trouble he has in transacting said Business and desiring an Increase thereof, it is therefore ordered by this Assembly that he be allowed 5 p.r Cent for transacting the said Business and keeping the Accounts thereof from the 25.th March last.

Necessary to be built near Mark.t Place at the foot of Stockwell Lane –

Ordered that a Publick Necessary be built on the New Quay at or near the Market Place at the foot of Stockwell Lane.

£5 – ord.d for repairing a Bridge –

Ordered that a Sum not exceeding £5 – be granted to Tho.s Owens Esq.re for repairing Levins's Bridge without Duleek Gate on the Road leading to Platten, to be accounted for upon Oath.

Accounts laid before Assembly ord.d to be paid when signed by Stand.g Comm.tee

The following Acco.ts laid before this Assembly were ordered to be paid when signed by the Standing Committee, viz.t

Ald.n John Leland for gravelling that part of the Mall at the Custom house Quay which he Mr. Hardiman & Mr. Char.s Evans were some Years ago directed to get done £31. 1. 9

on Onslow Williamson's Appr.d of the expenditure of the Money and that the Work was done.

Ald.n William Jones for a Sewer to be made at Sunday's Gate, to be accounted for when Work is done upd Oath £2. 0. 7

Ald.n Metcalf for repairing a Road to Duleek Street, Affid.s Sworn by Nicholas Kelly, to be signed by Standing Committee £10

Mess.rs Sherrard & Brassington for Surveying & making Maps, to be paid by their direct.s to Doct.r James Greene, when signed by standing Committee £29. 4. 0

Harry

Harry Brabazon Esq.re for repairing part of a Road from St. Laurence's Gate to Greenhills, & a Petit.n of William Walsh the Overseer £2-4-4 —

ditem

Will.m Walsh's Estimate for widening, gravelling and making a paved Channel on the West side, with Steps of Stones on the East side of Catherine's Well Lane, which is 7½ Perches long and to be made 21 Feet wide £9-14-7½ to be accounted for by Affidavit when the Work is done and paid for when signed by Standing Committee —

Pensioners on Commons List for the Year com.d at Mich.s 1804 & end.g at Mich.s 1805. —

Order'd that the following persons be paid the Sums to their names respectively annexed out of the Rents of the Commons for the present Year commencing at Mich.s last and ending at Mich.s next, viz.t

	£	s.	d.
Proctors of St. John's poorhouse for Suzy of the Commons	8	—	—
Jane Blythe als Elliott, Widow	5	—	—
Widow of Mich.l Brooks	4	—	—
Widow of Cha.s Elliott	4	—	—
Mary Holland	4	—	—
Mary Ashland	6	16	6
Ann Ashland	6	15	—
Priscilla Cleaseby, Widow	11	7	6
Ann Dowdall, Widow	5	—	—
Mary M.c Cartney & Eliz.th Slator, Dau.rs of Wm M.c Cartney	6	16	6
Alice Jones, Widow of Sam.l Jones	6	—	—
Mary Burke als Robinson	5	—	—
Leonard Shortell	3	—	—
Susan Widow of Rob.t Chambers	4	11	—
Sarah Brewer als Bagnall	2	—	—
Catherine Goodwin, Widow	4	11	—
Mary, Widow of Edw.d Chambers	5	—	—
Judith Survey	6	16	6
Thomas Winslow	6	—	—
Mary, Widow of George Thornton	5	—	—
Ann Blythe, Widow	5	—	—
Marg.t Watson	10	—	—
Ann Ross als Brunton	5	—	—
William Cooke, of Dublin	5	—	—
Joseph Roe	5	—	—
Widow of James Crawford	8	—	—
Richard Quash	6	16	6
James M.c Cartney	5	—	—
John Eccleston	5	—	—
Ann Sawkall	5	—	—
Mary, Widow of Sam.l Martin	10	—	—
William Armstrong	4	11	—
Mary Kane als Brooks Widow	4	11	—
Children of John Elliott	4	11	—
Mary Elliott for herself & Sister Elizabeth Elliott	4	11	—
Marg.t Collier, Widow	4	11	—
John Bolton	6	16	6
Rose & Cath.ne Evans, 5s.s each	11	7	6
Carr.d Hous.s £	220	9	6

	£	s.	d.
Brought forw.d	220	9	6
Mary M.c Clean	5	13	9
Edward Bridges	5	13	9
Child.n of late Ald.n Jn.o Ashland 6 Guin.s each	34	2	6
Widow of Jn.o Northlate of Queensborough	4	—	—
William Bagnall	3	—	—
Widow Caldwell	16	—	—
Child.n of late Ald.n Jos.h Holmes	22	15	—
Robert Harrison	5	—	—
George Richardson	6	16	6
Child.n of James Beggs	6	—	—
Hannah Elliott	10	—	—
Susanna Lyster	4	11	—
Henry Rodgers	6	16	6
Cath.e North, Widow of John North late of Drogheda	4	11	—
William Smyth	4	11	—
Mary Daly	5	13	9
Cath.e Hearnes, Wid.w of James Hearnes dec.d	4	11	—
Thomas Wynne	4	11	—
Marg.t Hughes	6	16	6
Sam.l Jephson	4	11	—
Jane Donagh als Manning, Wid.w	4	11	—
Jane Holland a Lunatick	6	16	6
Mary Dowdall the Widow & Mary the Daughter of Will.m Dowdall dec.d	5	—	—
Mary, Grace & Ann Richardson Child.n of Mich.l Richardson	6	16	6
Matthew Ruxton	9	2	0
Robert Gammell	4	11	—
Children of the late Edw.d Richardson	6	16	6
Mary Tonge	4	11	—
	£ 434	8	3

Thes

The following is a Statement of M.r Jam.s Fisher's Receipts of the Rents of the Commons, his Acco.t relative to an Arrear of Rent due by M.r James Lynch viz.t

A Statement of Acco.t of M.r Fishers Receipts of the Commons Rents relative to an Arrear of Rent lately rec.d by him from James Lynch —

	£	s.	d.
he rec.d lately from M.r James Lynch, one of the Lessees for part of the Commons (by Lease N.o 783.) 8 Year's Rent due at Easter last 1805 at £27-16-10½ p.r Ann.	222	15	—
the last Year's Rent of which due Easter last 1805 to be deducted, as that Year's Rent he is to account for in the annual State of his Receipts & Paym.ts	27	16	10½
Bal.ce rem.g in his hands being 7 Year's Rent	£ 194	18	1½

Payments ord.d to be made by him out of the Balance in his Hands —

And M.r Fisher was ordered by this Assembly to pay the following Sums out of the above Balance, viz.t

	£	s.	d.
to Ald.n John Leland for Edward Richardson's Children an Arrear omitted upon the former Lists for three Years at 12 Guin.s p.r Ann.m	40	19	—
to the Widow and Daughter of the late William Dowdall, Brazier	5	—	—
to the Widow of John Elliott	5	—	—
to Mary Elliott	5	13	9
to Matthew Ruxton	4	11	—
to Mary, Grace & Ann Richardson	6	16	6
to the Widow Crawford	4	—	—
to the Treasurer's Clerk for his trouble & time making Searches & Extracts in Corporat.n Books & examining Rentals &c.a by whom the said Arrear of Rent due by James Lynch (being 8 Years at £27-16-10½ p.r Ann. Amo.t £222-15-0) was lately discovered the s.d Rent of Lease N.o 783 having been omitted on the Rental by Receivers of Commons Rents	11	7	6
	£ 83	7	2

Midsummer Gen.l Assem.y 19.th July 1805. —

At a general Quarter Assembly held before the said Henry Meade Ogle Esq.re Mayor, Henry Weldal and George Moore Esq.rs Sheriffs, the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 19.th July 1805 —

Upon the petition of Ald.n John Leland setting forth that he is in possession in his own right of a Dwelling-house on the West side of Peter Street, a House and Back Ground thereto adjoining in Fair Street, also a Strip of Ground called the Meandering Lane and a small Garden called Yelling's Garden all which Premises lie together

Ald.n John Leland's

and

and contain 19 Feet in front to Peter Street, 107½ Feet in Depth from East to West, 22 Ft. 9 In. in front to Fair Street and 80 Feet in Depth from North to South; and also the Old Abbey Walls and Gardens of St. Mary de Ursa lying next without West Gate with the several Tenements thereon containing together about 3 Roods, by virtue of a Lease made by this Corporation to Edw.d Norman late an Alderman of same dec.d for 61 Years from Easter 1765 at the yearly rent of £3 — That the said premises are for the most part in an unimproved State and will require a considerable Sum of Money to improve them but that the term unexpired of said Lease is too short to induce him to lay out same, and that if he gets a renewal of said Lease he will lay open a Road 30 Feet wide on the Premises out West Gate from the Great Road to Trinity Well which will be a publick Advantage to the Inhabitants of this Town, and praying a new Lease and so forth — Which Petition being referred to the Auditors and Viewers and their Report thereon being read It is thereupon ordered by this Assembly that the Petitioner be and he is hereby granted a new Lease of the Dwelling house and premises on the West side of Peter Street and South side of Fair Street for 99 Years from Easter last at the yearly Rent of £5 — and £50 Fine, on his covenanting to rebuild the said House in Peter Street within five Years after the expiration of the present Lease, or be subject to an additional yearly Rent of Fifty five Pounds afterwards, for the Remainder of the Term then to come of the new Lease; and that the Petitioner be and he is hereby granted another new Lease of the said Premises called the Old Abbey Walls and Gardens of St. Mary de Ursa adjoining West Gate at the yearly Rent of £9 — and £90 Fine for the like term of 99 Years from Easter last, and that he be allowed the Sum of £40 in Consideration of his surrendering the old Lease and that he covenants by the new Lease of the Premises outside West Gate to widen the Lane called Trinity Well Lane to 30 Feet or pay a Fine of £50 Sterling Maps of the respective Premises to be annexed to the new Leases

Leland's petition for Renewal of a Lease —

A Memorial of Henry Meade Ogle Esq.re for renewal of a Lease No. 473 made of Premises to Ald.n Jn.o Graham dec.d being referred to the Auditors and Viewers, and they having reported thereon that same is not renewable under the Rules of the Corporation — said Memor.l was withdrawn

Ald.n Rev.d Mr. Ogle's Memor.l for renew.l of a Lease — withdrawn —

Resolved that the Town Clerk be impowered to receive proposals for a Lease for 99 Years in Reversion of the present Lease No. 473 made to Ald.n John Graham dec.d of several Tenements of Houses and Lands now vested in Henry Meade Ogle Esq.re which will expire at Mich.s 1817, the said Proposals to be laid before the next General Assembly for Consideration

Proposals to be rec.d for a reversion any Lease of Premises demised by Lease No. 473 made to John Graham dec.d —

The

Rev.d Wm. Sandiford's Petit.n for renewal of a Lease not reported by the Aud.rs & Viewers by not having the Lessee or a Map of Premises —

The petition of the Rev.d Henry Sandiford, Clk, which was referred to the Auditors and Viewers was returned by them — stating that they could not consider said not having the Counterpart of the Lease or a Map of the Premises

Ald.n Ralph Smyth's petition referred

Ald.n Ralph Smyth's petition relative to a small Strip of Ground adjoining the new Common Market house in Fair Street is referred back to the Auditors & Viewers to be considered & reported on

Law Agent's Bill of Costs to be investigated

Ordered that the Bills of Costs of the Law Agent be referred for Investigation and Payment to the Committee of Accounts and that said Committee be at liberty to call on the Law Agent and the Town Clerk for any Explanation and Information they may think necessary relative thereto, and that the Bills of Costs remain for a Fortnight at least for the inspection of the Members of the Corporation before the Committee meets thereon

adjourned —

adjourned to Monday next the 22.d July inst.o at 12 O'Clock —

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further adjourned to Thursday the 25.th July inst.o —

Adjournm.t of Ass.bly 25.th July 1805 —

A Common Adjournment of the said last mentioned General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 25.th July 1805

Eliz.th Ell.t Widow & Leg.e Com.ns Money & her pet.n referred

Eliz.th Elliott, Widow of John Thomas Elliott, Cabinetmak.r is ordered five Guineas, to be paid by the Receiver of the Commons Rents, and her petition is referred to next Easter General Assembly

Debentures ord.d to be given to Mr. Alley & Mr. Woods for the Money voted them at former Assemblies

Resolved that Debentures be granted to the Rev.d Wm. Alley and the Rev.d Mr. Woods for the respective Sums voted them by former Assemblies, the latter to pay £25 — to make his Debenture £100 — and Mr. Alley's principal Money to be ascertained and certified by Mr. Mayor and Sheriffs and Mr. Alex.r Irvine, the principal Sums to bear Interest at 6 p.r Cent from the Day of the Date of the Debentures respectively and the principal Sums to be payable in five Years from the Date thereof

Sealing Day

Monday the second day of September next is appointed a Sealing Day for Corporation Leases

Ord.d

Arthur Jones's Child.n replaced on Commons List

Ordered that the Children of Arthur Jones be replaced on the Commons List for the Pension they lately had thereon

Debenture to be prepared to Mr. Fisher receiving of Com.rs Rents £100 in trust for said Charity on his paying that Sum to them

Ordered that Mr. Lan.t Fisher, Receiver of the Commons Rents pay over to the Treasurer of this Corporation the Sum of £100 out of the Balance now in his hands, and that a Debenture be passed to him for said Sum payable with Interest at 6 p.Cent p.Annum in trust for the benefit of the said Charitable Fund

Committee to examine Robert Armstrong's Acc.ts as Billetmaster and Regulat.r pro tempore

Resolved that the following Gentlemen be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to enquire into the Conduct of Robert Armstrong as Billetmaster and Regulater of the Lamps and also to inspect his Accounts and report thereon to next General Assembly - The Mayor elect, the Sheriffs, Ald.n Tandy, Ald.n Chas Evans, Mr. Alex.r Irwin and Mr. Fisher, any three to be a Quorum

£300 and.d for an Spire to St. Mary's Church

Resolved that a Sum not exceeding £300 be paid by this Corporation towards erecting a Spire to the parish Church of St. Mary in this Town, now building; said Sum not to be payable until the Steeple is completed and a plan and Estimate of the Spire has been laid before the Assembly of the Corporation & approved of

Guin.a a year and.d to John Newcomb

John Newcomb a poor old Watchman is ordered to be paid 6 Guineas a Year from the 24.th June last by this Corporation quarterly

Committee to examine the Accounts of the River Boyne Commissioners

Resolved that the following Committee be appointed to examine the Books and accounts of the Commissioners of the River Boyne and to report thereon to next General Assembly - The Mayor elect, Ald.n C. Evans Ald.n U. Pentagart, Mr. L. Fisher, Mr. A. Irwin & Ald.n B. Tandy - any three to be a Quorum

50 Guin.s and.d to be paid to Mess.rs Boyd & Reilly on Acc.t of Repairs Mayoralty House

Ordered that 50 Guineas be paid Mess.rs Boyd & Reilly on account of Repairs of the Mayoralty house

Report of Committee relative to Master Porters

The Committee appointed last January Gen.l Assembly to consider and report upon the petition of the Master Porters having laid same before this Assembly with their Report thereon which is as follows - "We the "undersigned having examined into the Facts contained in "the annexed Petition, do recommend thereduceing the "number of Master porters to Twenty, for which Purpose "we recommend the dismissal of the last twelve "that

"that were made, and in future, recommend that the "Candidates for the Station shall petition the General "Assembly and that a preference shall be given to Freemen" Signed "George M.Cartagart, B. Van Homrigh, John Leland, "John Holland, George Coulter" - Which Report was agreed to and confirmed by this Assembly

Master Porters Continued -

The following are the twenty Master porters continued viz.t Tho.s Frazier, Robert Gammell, William Smith, Richard Quash, Rob.t Keating, Hen.y Keating, James Eccleston, James Martin, George Read, James Lacey, Michael Reilly, Robert Dodson, John Davis, Benj.n Sinclair, Matthew Carson Tho.s Ogle, Robert M.Dowell, John Collins, Edw.d Bridges and William Armstrong

Master Porters dismissed

The following are the Master porters dismissed viz.t Bern.d Bridges, James Martin, James M.Grane, Nicho.s Berford, Edw.d Dowling, Nich.s Bryan, John M.Cann, Sam.l Jephson, John Tierney, Thomas Cooke & James M.Cartney

Accounts &c referred to the Standing Committee

The following Accounts were laid before this Assembly viz.t William Walsh's Estimate for widening levelling and gravelling Catherine's Well Lane £16 - 6 - 1 p.r ordered to be paid, when signed by standing Committee

Henry Smith's Acco.t for Brazier's Work from M.chs 1801 to M.chs 1802 £11 - 2 - 6 p.r — the like from M.chs 1803 to M.chs 1804 £9 - 10 - 1 1/2

Onslow Williamson and Disney Drummond's Acco.t & Affidavit for lighting 20 Globes for 7 Months £19 - 10 - 0 Affidavit not sufficiently full

Boyd & Reilly's Acco.t for Carpentry &c to be certified by Mr. Johnston as to the Prices

Andrew Boyd and John Reilly's Account for Carpentry and Plastering Work at Mayoralty House £192 - 15 - 5 Ordered to be laid before Mr. Johnston to certify as to the prices

Comm.rs on Charitable Infirmary

Ald.n Tandy is added to the Committee appointed last April Assembly to examine and report the State of the Charitable Infirmary & he is to be their Chairman

Spec.l Gen.l Ass.bly 12.th Aug.t 1805 -

At a special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present pursuant to a requisition and Notice for the purpose of returning thanks to the Officers, Non-commissioned Officers and Privates of the Wexford Regiment of Militia while in this Town

Thanks voted to the Officers and Men of

Resolved unanimously that the thanks of this Assembly be returned to the Officers, Non commissioned Officers & Privates of the Wexford Regiment of Militia for their truly exemplary and soldierlike Conduct during their Stay in this Town

Resolved that the Mayor be requested to

of the Wexford Militia

to communicate the above to Col. and Viscount Loftus to be by him made known to the Officers & Privates of the Wexford Regiment

to be published

Resolved that these Resolutions be published three Times in the Drogheda and Dublin Journals

1805.

Acts compared

September 29th. This Day the foregoing Acts of Assembly were compared before us and ordered to be entered in the Assembly Book as usual

Ad. Fest.

Henry Meade Ogle, Mayor
Henry Metcalf } Sheriffs
George Moore }
Town. Wm. Hardman } Ald.n
Wm. Johnes }

Mich.s Spo. Assbly 9th. Oct.r 1805.

At a quarterly post Assembly held before Townley Blackwood Hardman Esq.re Mayor, John Taylor and Edward Hale Gibbons Esq.rs Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 9th. October 1805.

Petitions read & disposed of

Several Petitions laid before this Assembly were read and disposed of - some referred to the next General Ass.bly and one rejected

Mich.s Gen.l Assbly 11th. Oct.r 1805

At a general Quarterly Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs, the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 11th. October 1805.

Mayor of the Staple &c.

Henry Meade Ogle Esq.re late Mayor elected Mayor of the Staple & Justice of the Peace for the ensuing Year and Jubow

Money

Com. Counc.l

Henry Metcalf and George Moore Esq.rs late Sheriffs elected Common Councilmen and Mr. Metcalf Sworn

Coroners

The said Henry Metcalf and George Moore elected Coroners for the ensuing Year, and Mr. Metcalf Sworn

Constables of Staple

And the said Henry Metcalf and George Moore elected Constables of the Staple for said Year & Mr. Metcalf Sworn

Master of Guild

George M. Cartagart Esq.re elected Master of the Guild for the ensuing Year

Wardens do.

Leonard Crookes and James Mayne elected Wardens of the Guild for the ensuing Year

Treasurer

Ald.n Williams Johnes elected Treasurer for the ensuing Year

Officers

The Officers of the Sword and Mace &c. Marshall to continue during the Pleasure of this Corporation

Scavengery

Mr. Mayor is requested & impowered to contract with such Persons as he shall think proper to cleanse & carry away the Dirt and Soil of the Streets and Lanes of this Town and the Roads and Avenues thereto for the ensuing Year to commence from and after the 26th. October inst.

5 Guin.s ord.d to Widow Elliott

Ordered that £5. 13. 9 be paid to Eliz.th Elliott Widow of John Thomas Elliott out of the Balance of the Rents of the Commons in the Receiver's hands

10 Guin.s ord.d to Widow Martin

Ordered that £11. 7. 6 be paid to Mary the Widow of Sam.l Martin by the Rec.r of the Commons rents out of the Balce now in his Hands

5 Freemembers admitted

Ralph Smyth of Barbaraville in the County of West Meath Esq.re eldest Son of Wm. Smyth Esq.re, Wm. Henry Gibbons of Drogheda Esq.re second Son of Ald.n William Gibbons, William Fairtlough Esq.re Lieut.t in His Majesty's 27th. Regim.t of Foot eldest Son of Ald.n Wm. Fairtlough and Richard Coulter Son of John Coulter are admitted free Members by Birth, and Samuel Crawford of Drogheda Brazier, is admitted a free Member by Service, on their several Petitions, on the usual Terms

Debenture for £168 -- ord.d to Rev.d Wm. Alley out of Vicars Choral Money

Ordered that a Debenture for £168 --- be issued to the Rev.d Jerome Alley late Curate of St. Peter's, being the Balance remaining due to him out of the Vicars Choral Money agreeable to Orders of Assembly of the 5th. Oct.r and 25th. July last

Ord.s

Pensioners on Commons List to be repaid

Ordered that Mr. Fisher, the Rect. of the Commons rents do repay the pensioners on the Commons List the stoppages he made from them some little Time back Amot. £22-4-2½

20 Gs. ord. A. Bentlais for road to Twenties

Ordered that the Sum of Twenty Guineas be paid to Mr. Henry Bentland in Aid of the Repairs of the Road leading from Drogheda to the Twenties

£10 granted for Road out Dublin Gate

Ordered that £10 be granted for lowering the Hill on the Strand road at the bottom of the Old Dublin Hill Road, gravelling same and changing the Course of the Water

£10 granted to Aldn. Metcalf for finishing Repairs of Crooked St.

Ordered that £10 be granted to Aldn. Metcalf to finish the Levelling and Gravelling of Crooked Street, the £10 before granted not being sufficient

10 Gs. for Barrack Hill Wall

Ordered that six Guineas be granted for repairing the Barrack Hill Wall

Mr. Mayor to advertize for £1000 on Debs. of £100 each

Mr. Mayor is requested and Hereby impowered to advertize to receive Proposals for borrowing the Sum of £1000 on Debentures of £100 each, for the purpose of paying Mr. Ashworth and Mr. Darling the respective Sums of £500 and £200 with the Interest due thereon

Stand.g Rules to be selected by Commee

Resolved that a Committee be appointed to examine & select from the Books of this Corporation the Standing Rules and that same shall be copied into a Book and kept separate from all other Transactions of the Assembly, and that a Copy of the Standing Rules be furnished to every Mayor for the Time being on his coming into Office

Jas. McCartney admitt. Master Port. in Room of J. Eccleston dismissed

James M.Cartney is admitted a Master porter in the Room of James Eccleston, who is ordered by this Assembly to be dismissed

Gate Customs to be set

Gate Customs to be set for one year as usual the 16th Oct. inst.

Asbly adjourned

Adjourned to Monday, the 28th October Inst.

Gate Customs Set for one year at £42-4 Month to Mr. N. Rodger

1805. Oct. 16. This Day the Gate Customs were set up to Auct., and set to Mr. Nin. Rodger the Highest Bidder for one year to commence from and after the 18th Inst. ending the 18th Oct. next 1806 inclusive for £42-4 Month, three Months purchase Money to be paid in advance, the remaining 9 Months to be Secured by Bonds of him & two other sol.t securities to be approved by the Mayor, 3 Months to be always paid in advance

Adjournt. Asbly 28th Oct. 1805.

At an Adjournment of the last General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs, the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 28th October 1805

Report of Aud.rs & Viewers on Aldn. R. Smyth's Mem.l to lie over to next Asbly

A Report made by the Auditors and Viewers on the Memorial of Aldn. Ralph Smyth, relative to a Tenement & Garden without St. Laurence's Gate, ordered to lie over for the Consideration of next General Assembly

Comm.ee for Charble Surg.y Enlarged

Aldermen Jandy, Barth.w V. Hamrigh and Jn.o Delandare added to the Committee for inspecting & reporting relative to the Charitable Surgery

Commee to select Standing Rules

Aldermen Jandy, Edward Gairbrough and Barth.w V. Hamrigh, and Messrs. Lan.r Fisher, A. Irwin, and Ninian Rodger or any three of them are appointed the Committee to examine and select the Standing Rules and Orders ordered to be made out pursuant to a Resolution of last Assembly

Report of Comm.ee relative to the Watch Accots & Robt. Armstrong to be deposited in the Town Clerk's Office

Resolved that the Report of the Committee on the Watch Accounts be deposited in the Town Clerk's Office and referred to the next General Assembly together with all the Documents and Accounts on which the Committee proceeded to make that Report and that every Member of the Assembly shall have Access thereto, and that Robt. Armstrong be allowed a Copy of the said Report in Order to make his Defence (if any he can) at the next General Assembly, and that Robert Armstrong shall not in the interval collect or receive any of the Watch money, and that a Rect. thereof shall be appointed till next January Sessions by the Mayor

Treas.r to repay Jas. Greene one Gui.a for Scavengy &c.

Order'd that the Treasurer do repay James Greene Esq.o one Guinea which said Greene paid as a Deposit to last Oct.r on his taking the Scavengery of the Road out West Gate which he alledges he was prevented from carrying away by the Overseer of the Turnpike Road

Spl. Gen.l Asbly 13th Dec.r 1805.

At a special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs, the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 13th day of December 1805.

Resolution vot.d unan.s

Resolved unanimously that the following Address to our most Gracious Sovereign be sent by Mr. Mayor to our Recorder to be presented to His Excellency the Lord

Lord Lieutenant (with a suitable Address) to be transmitted to His Majesty

"To The Kings Most Excellent Majesty.

"Most Gracious Sovereign,

"We, Your Majesty's loyal and dutiful Subjects, the Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses and Commons of the County of the Town of Drogheda in Council assembled, impressed with fervent Gratitude to Almighty God for the Blessings bestowed on Your Majesty's Arms in the late decisive Victory obtained over the Combined Fleets of France and Spain off Cape Trafalgar by Your Majesty's Fleet under the Command of the late Vice Admiral Lord Viscount Nelson, humbly present to Your Majesty our most cordial Congratulations on that most glorious and important Event. At the same time We cannot forbear condoling with Your Majesty and our Fellow Subjects on the loss of a Commander under whom this signal Victory has been atchieved, a man who possessed the most exalted Courage with the purest Piety, a man whose great Name & transcendent Services to His King and Country will ever remain in the Memory of Your People and will be handed down to the latest Posterity in the luminous page of History.

"Whilst We lament most sensibly the Loss of the gallant Admiral and his brave Companions in arms who fell in the Action, We derive great Consolation from bearing in our Minds the important Services of the many great Naval Commanders still surviving in particular those of Vice Admiral Lord Collingwood who seems to have inherited the Skill & Intrepidity of his noble Chief, and who has executed so completely the Plan which he had designed.

"Trusting therefore under Providence in the Wisdom of Your Majesty's Councils and in the Energies which such a Victory and such Conduct must call forth from Your Navy and Army and which we should hope from all Classes of Your Majesty's Subjects, We think that we have Nothing to fear from our Enemies, and that the Peace & Tranquility which We enjoy under our most excellent Constitution will be permanently secured to us - And that the example of Firmness and Magnanimity so eminently displayed by Your Majesty's Government will eventually contribute

Address to the King on the naval Victory obtained over the Combined Fleets of France & Spain off Cape Trafalgar by the Fleet under the Command of the late Vice Admiral Lord Viscount Nelson

"to the preservation and maintenance of the Rights, Liberties and Happiness of Europe.

"In Testimony whereof We have hereunto affixed our Common Seal this thirteenth day of December in the year of our Lord One thousand Eight hundred and five."

Ad. Test.

Christmas Past Assbly 15. Jan.y 1806.

At a quarterly Post Assembly held before the said Townley Blackwood Hardman Esq.re Mayor, John Taylor and Edward Hale Gibbons Esq.rs Sheriffs, the Aldermen being present the 15.th day of January 1806.

Petitions read &c.

Several Petitions laid before this Assembly were read, two of them were rejected, & the rest referred to next General Assembly.

Christmas Genl Assbly 17. Jan.y 1806.

At a general Quarter Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs, the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 17.th January 1806.

Charles Hardman Esq.re Son of Ald.r Edw.d Hardman, Capt.n Wm M.Cutagart Son of Ald.r George M.Cutagart, Wm Rogers Esq.re Son of Thos Rogers deced, and John Thomas Fergusson Esq.re Son of Geo. Fergusson, M.D. were admitted Free Members by Birth on the usual Terms, and Thos Martin of Drogheda Esq.re admitted Free by special favor without Fine, but paying Fees, on their respective Petns each taking the usual Oath.

5 Free Members admitted

John Galloway's Petn for Freedom referred to a Jury

John Galloway of Dublin, Carpenter, his Petition for Freedom by Service is referred to a Jury.

Ald.r Ralph Smyth's Petition for a Lease of a Tenem.t & Garden without St Laurence's Gate

The Petition of Ralph Smyth, Ald.re stating that he lately purchased a Tenement and Garden without Saint Laurence's Gate adjoining Catherine's Well Lane which was demised by this Corp.n with other Premises to the late Ald.r John Graham of Platten, for 61 years from Michs 1756 at the yearly rent of £11 - - - ; that he has the full term unexpired of said Lease and has expended a considerable Sum by improving said Tenement and Garden, that tho' he is not entitled to a renewal of his present Term he hopes in Consideration of the great Expence he has incurred this Corporation will

will grant him a Lease of said Tenement and Garden for 99 years from the expiration of the Lease made to Ald.r Graham, for such rent as they think meet.—

Auditors & Viewers Report thereon—

Which Petition being referred to the Auditors & Viewers they reported that they viewed the said Tenement & Garden containing Two Roods, and that same is worth £5. 13. 9 p.ann.; the said Report is agreed to by this Assembly.

Grant of Lease to said Ald.r Ralph Smyth for 99 years from Mich.s 1817—

Ordered that Ald.r Ralph Smyth be and he is hereby granted a Lease in Reversion of the above mentioned Tenement and Garden containing Two Roods situate without St. Laurence's Gate (formerly called Dowding's Orchard) adjoining Catherine's Well Lane for 99 years from Mich.s 1817, at the yearly rent of £5. 13. 9.

A Widow admitted into St. John's poor ho.

Jane Holmes otherwise Thomas admitted into Saint John's poor house.

Mast.r Port.r admitted—

George Richardson admitted a Master porter.

No money to be paid to medical Gent.n for attend.g Char.le Infirmary

Ordered that no Money be now or hereafter paid by this Corporation to the medical Gentlemen that were heretofore paid for their Attendance at the late Charitable Infirmary.

20 Gui.s a year to be paid to the intended Char.le Infirmary

Ordered that Twenty Guineas a year be paid by the Treas.r as the Subscription of this Corporation to the Charitable Infirmary about to be established in this Town.

£50 Reward to be p.d for discovery of Murder of a woman

Ordered that the Sum of £50 be paid as a Reward for Discovery of the person or persons guilty of the Murder of the Woman lately found dead at or near the Lime Kiln on the Great Road leading to Donnybrook.

Fair Gate to be sold & Bessex Well stopt up, it being dry &c.

Ordered that Mr. Mayor cause the materials of Fair Gate to be sold by Auction, and have Bessex Well stopt up, it being for some Time past quite dry.

Notice given relative to Gate Customs—

Mr. George Coulter gave Notice to this Assembly that he would apply next General quarterly Assembly, that an Order be then made that the Gate Customs of this Corporat.n for the remainder of the present Year, be paid to the Treas.r of this Corporation to aid in discharging the Demands of the Corporation.

Commons Money ord.d to three persons

Ordered that Mr. Lau.t Fisher, Receiv.r of the Commons Rents pay out of the Money in his Hands to the Widow of Connolly Jones, to Edw.d McCartney & to Geo.e Webb, 3 Guin.s each for Relief.

Committee for new Cow Mark.t House enlarged—

Mr. Mayor and Sheriffs, Ald.r Henry M. Aylor & Edward Fairtough are added to the Committee for conducting the building of the New Cow Market House, and to examine & settle the Accounts thereof.

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The following Accounts &.c were laid before this Assembly and referred to the Standing Committees, viz.t

Accounts of different persons referred to Standing Committee

Rich.d Delahoyde's Acco.t for Serjeants Coats &.c in 1804		£20. 9. —
d.o	for Watchmens Great Coats in d.o	24. 1. 6
John Reilly, Carpenter, for jobbing work		18. 5. 7½
John Connolly, d.o	p.d by Mr. Metcalf	18. 4
Nich.s Kelly	repairing Crooked Stair d.o	20. 4.
Onslow, William son	d.o out James's Gate	12. 9. 1½
John Conly & Bat.e Kirwan, d.o		6. 12 1½
John Mc.Cann, Slat.r repairs at Goal Bridewell &.c		13. 17. 1½
d.o d.o d.o		8. 14. —
d.o d.o d.o	at Holsel	3. 17. 3½
Hugh Glover, Curbing Stone		2. 11
Bar. Brabazon's Rec.t for a Y.r Sal.y as Conservat.r to March 1805		30

Wm. Kelly's Acco.t for Cand.s to the Watchhouse from Oct.r 1804 to 21.st Sept.r 1805, to lie over 'til Rob.t Armstrong's Acco.t relative to Watchhouse are adjusted and settled.

George Jones's Memor.l for an arrear of Rent for the Char.ble Infirmary

Disney Drummond's Memor.l for lighting Globes in 1804.

Resolutions moved and agreed to

The following Resolutions were moved & unanimously agreed to by this Assembly

That feeling ourselves most materially interested in every Thing that may affect the Peace Happiness & Prosperity of this Town and County we cannot allow the present Opportunity to escape us without expressing the deep Concern we feel at the very great increased Consumption of Spirituous Liquors, of late amongst the lower Orders of Society in this Town; and considering it a Duty incumbent on us, as far as in our Power lies, to do away this growing Evil, have come to the following Resolutions.

relative to Publicans &.c

Resolved that the Thanks of this Corporation be and it is hereby given to H.y Hardman Esq.r Mayor, for his Exertions towards enforcing a due Obedience to the Sabbath, by preventing Shopkeepers from exposing their Goods to Sale, and by restraining Publicans from opening their Houses before the Hour allowed by Law, and also from selling Spirituous Liquors on a Sunday.

Resolved that this inordinate Use of Spirits does not appear to us to proceed from an increased Number of licensed Publicans, but rather from the immense Number of unlicensed Retailers that infest every part of the Town and Suburbs, some inhabiting Houses in the principal Streets, and carrying on their Business without any apparent Dread or Fear of Apprehension—while others are to be found pursuing their clandestine Traffick in more obscure Situations in Cellars and in Cabbins.

Resolved that we will use our best Endeavours to discover and bring to Justice every Person selling

Spiritious

Spirituous Liquors &c.

Spirituous Liquors at any Time without License, & also all licensed Retailers who shall sell on Sunday contrary to Law; and further that we will (as far as in us lies) prevent any Person guilty in either of the above Cases from being licensed at any future Period.

Resolved that a Power similar to that granted in the City of Dublin, of appointing Inspectors of Licenses, would be conducive of great Benefit to this Town and County, and that our Representative in Parliament be requested to obtain an Extention of it to this Corporation.

Order'd that the foregoing Resolutions be signed by the Town Clerk and published in the Drogheda Newsletter

Assbly adjourned — adjourned to Wednesday the 19th March next

East. Po. Assbly 16th April 1806. — At a quarterly post Assembly held before Tourley Blackwood Hardman Esq.re Mayor, John Taylor & Edward Hale Gibbons Esq.rs Sheriffs, the Aldermen being present the 16th April 1806.

Pet.ns &c. read &c. — Several Petitions and a Memorial laid before this Assembly were disposed of — some referred to the next General Assembly, and said Memorial rejected.

East.r Genl. Assbly 18th April 1806. — At a General Quarter Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs, the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 18th April 1806.

Mayor elect — Alderman John Leland is elected to serve Mayor of this Corporation for the ensuing Year from Michs Day next according to the Rule of Succession.

Sheriffs elect — George Ball of Balls Grove and David Jebb of Island Esq.rs two of the Freemen of this Corporation are unanimously elected to serve Sheriffs of this Corporation for the said ensuing Year.

To be certified — Order'd that the Election of the Mayor and Sheriffs for the ensuing Year be forthwith certified to Government for Approbation.

Two Freemen admitted by Birth — Gustavus Lambart Esq.re Son of the Rev.d Geo. Lambart and John Jones Son of Mr. Geo. Jones are admitted Freemen Members by Birth on their several Petitions on the usual Terms.

Annuity of £45. 10. - to Mrs. Ann McEntagart Widow — Mrs. Ann Mc. Entagart Widow, upon her Memorial is ordered to be paid an Annuity of £45. 10. 0 yearly from Easter last out of the Corporat.n Funds, until the Common Roads are adequate for Payment of said Annuity

£5 - ord.d Ald.n Ra. Smyth for Footpath — Ald.n Ralph Smyth ordered £5 . . . to complete a Footpath from Laurence's Gate to the Chord.

15 Guin.s ord.d to Surg.n Patton up to the 1st Dec.r 1805, & 20 Guin.s from that Period for attending Poor — Resolved that the Sum of ten Guineas the Arrear due to Mr. Patton up to the 1st Decem.r last be forthwith paid to him, and that the Sum of Twenty Guineas p.r Year be granted to him as a Salary for his Attendance in future on the sick and indigent of this Town.

Medical Gent.n to be paid for their Attend.ces at the Surgery up to 31st Dec.r last, & to cease from that Time — Resolved that it is the Sense of this Corporation that the Salaries due to the medical Gentlemen for their Attendance at the Charitable Surgery should be paid up to the 31st December last, and that the Treasurer be ordered to pay the same, and to cease from that Time.

50 Guin.s for a Plate at Bellewstown Races — Resolved that the Sum of Fifty Guineas be paid from the Funds of this Corporation to the Treasurer or Stewards of the Bellewstown Races as a Corporation Plate.

Water Cust.ms to be applied to pay Int.t due by this Corp.n & to no other Purpose — Resolved that the Money paid to this Corporation for Water Customs be applied as a Fund for payment of Interest Money due by this Corporation, and that on no account it be applied to any other Purpose.

25 Guin.s ord.d to be paid Law Agent — Order'd that 25 Guineas be paid to the Law Agent on account of his current Bill of Costs.

£37. 14. 2 for Repair of Barrack Hill & Duleek St.t — Order'd that the Sum of £37. 14. 2 be paid by the Keep.r of the Gate Customs to Henry Smith, Burton Jandy, George Armstrong and John Cooper Esq.rs for repairing the Barrack Hill and Duleek Street according to the Estimate.

Jn.o Holland appointed one of Standing Comm.tee — Mr. John Holland is appointed one of the standing Committee in the Place of Ald.n Chas Evans.

New Gate in Fair Street to be sold & taken down — Order'd that all the Materials, Wood and Stones of the New Gate in Fair Street be sold by Auction, and taken down and carried away by the Purchaser & that the Produce of such Sale be applied to repair & make spacious the Entrance on which the Gate stands.

Accots &c. referred to the Standing Committee — The following Accots &c. laid before this Assembly were referred to the Standing Committee, viz.t

Memor.l of Rob.t Delahoyde & other Inhab.ts of Fair Street for Aid towards repairing said Street.

James Hoey's Affid.t for taking down an old House on the North side of West Street & enclosing same in Jan.y 1803, Same being presented as a Nuisance and ord.d to be abated . . . £6. 1. 4

George Coulter Jun.r his Accot. for Cloth for Serjeants Coats . . . 21. 2. 9½

Wm. Collins, Taylor for making same . . . 4. 0. 2

Disney Drummond, Glazier, for Glass &c. . . . 5. 4. 0

do. . . . do Memor.l relative to lighting Globes

Henry Smith for Judges Lodgings, last Assizes . . . 2. 5. 6

Lau.ce Reilly like . . . do . . . 2. 5. 6

The

Report of Comm.ee relative to Robt. Armstrong Billetmast.r & Regul.r of Watch, confirmed & order'd to be dismissed.

Thanks voted to said Committee.

Lease N.o 457. made to Charles Caldwell (dec.d) of the House & Concerns on the Bullring (near expiring) to be surveyed and to be new Set.

Pensioners on Comm.s List for the Year com.g at Mich.s 1805 and e.g at Mich.s 1806.

The Report of the Committee appointed to enquire into the Conduct of Robert Armstrong, Billetmaster & Regulator of the Watch, and to inspect his Accounts, and Report thereon, was laid before & agreed to and confirmed at this Assembly; and it was thereupon resolved and ordered that the said Robt. Armstrong be dismissed from all his Employments held under this Corporation.

Ordered that the thanks of this Assembly be and same is hereby given to the said Committee for their ample, just and correct Report.

The Lease N.o 457 made to Chas. Caldwell (dec.d) of a House & Concerns on the Bullring for 61 years from Easter 1746, at £2. 5. - Yearly and which will expire at Easter next 1807 is directed to be surveyed and a Map made, & same to be Set by Auction to the highest Bidder being a Freemember for 99 years from Easter next - the yearly rent to be reserved by new Lease to be £5 Yearly & the highest Fine to be paid that can be got on the Sale as above mentioned.

Ordered that the following Persons be paid the Sums to their Names respectively annexed out of the rents of the Commons for the present Year commencing at Michs last, and ending at Michs next, viz.:-

	Comm.s	£.	s.	d.
Proctors of St. John's Poorhouse for Quire of the	3	8	-	-
Jane Ely the late Ellis's Widow		5	-	-
Widow of Mich.l Brooks dec.d		4	-	-
Widow of Chas. Ellis dec.d		4	-	-
Mary Holland		4	-	-
Ann Ashland		13	11	6
Priscilla Cleapens, Widow		11	7	6
Ann Dowdall, Widow		5	-	-
Mary M.c Cartney & 2 Sisters Daur.s of Wm. M.c Cartney		6	16	6
Alice Jones, Widow of Cow. Jones		6	-	-
Mary Burke als Robinson		5	-	-
Leonard Shortell		3	-	-
Susan, Widow of Robt. Chambers		4	11	-
Sarah Bremer als Bagnald		2	-	-
Cath.e Goodwin, Widow		4	11	-
Mary, Widow of Edw.d Chambers		5	-	-
Judith Turvey		6	16	6
Thos. Winslow		6	-	-
Ann Blythe, Widow		5	-	-
Marg.t Watson		10	-	-
Ann Ross als Brunton		5	-	-
Wm. Cooke of Dublin		5	-	-
Joseph Roel		5	-	-
Widow of James Crawford		8	-	-
Richard Nash		6	16	6
James M.c Cartney		5	-	-
Ann Sawkall		5	-	-
Wm. Armstrong		4	11	-
Mary Kane als Brooks, Widow		4	11	-
Children of John Elliott		4	11	-
Mary Elliott & her sister & Sister Eliz.th Elliott		4	11	-
Marg.t Adler, Widow		4	11	-
John Bolton		6	16	6
Rose & Cath.e Evans, 5 Guin.s each		11	7	6
Marg.t M.c Cleany		5	13	9
Carr.d Forw.d		£206	3	3

	£.	s.	d.
Brought Forw.d	206	3	5
Edward Bridges	5	13	9
Five Children of late Ald.n Johns	34	2	6
Ashland, & Guin.s each	4	-	-
Widow of John Northlake of Queensboro	3	-	-
Wm. Bagnale	16	-	-
Widow Caldwell	22	15	-
Children of late Ald.n Jas. Holmes dec.d	5	-	-
Robert Harrison	6	16	6
George Richardson	6	-	-
Child.n of James Beggs	10	-	-
Hannah Elliott	4	11	-
Susanna Gyster	6	16	6
Henry Rodgers	4	11	-
Cath.e North, Widow of Jn.o North late of Drogheda	4	11	-
Wm. Smythe	5	13	9
Mary Daly	4	11	-
Cath.e Hoarnes, Widow of Ja.s Hoarnes	4	11	-
Thos. Wynne	6	16	6
Marg.t Hughes	4	11	-
Jane Jephson	4	11	-
Jane Donaghs als Manning dec.d	6	16	6
Jane Holland, a Lunatick	5	-	-
Mary Dowdall, Widow & Mary Richardson, Child.n of Mich.l Richardson	6	16	6
Mary, Grace & Ann Richardson, Child.n of Mich.l Richardson	9	2	-
Matthew Ruxton	4	11	-
Rob.t Gammell	6	16	6
Child.n of the late Edw.d Richardson	4	11	-
Mary Jones	11	7	6
Child.n of Arthur Jones	3	-	-
Eliz.th Elliott, Widow of John Elliott dec.d	28	15	9

Eliz.th Elliott granted £2 out of Priors Rate

The Widow of Jn.o Neweomb granted £1 out of Bal.ce of Comm.s Money in Mr. Smythe's hands

Materials of Mew Gate in Fair St. sold to Ald.n Leland & Mess.rs Jon.s on the Bullring set to Mr. Nin.n Rodger for 99 Years from Easter 1807.

1806. May 5.th - The Materials of the New Gate on the West End of Fair Street, were this Day sold to John Leland, Ald.n the Highest Bidder for £14 - pursuant to Order of last Assembly.

Same Day One Dwelling House and Back Ground, on the East side of the Bullring leased to Charles Caldwell Esq.r Lease N.o 457 which will expire at Easter next 1807 was set up and a new Term thereof Set to Mr. Ninian Rodger the highest Bidder for 99 Years from Easter aforesaid 1807 at the yearly rent of £5 and a Fine of £180.

Spec.l Gen.l Ass.bly 6.th June 1806. for Setting Stalls in New Fine at Market

At a Special General Assembly held pursuant to Notice before the said Mayor and Sheriffs, the Aldermen & Commons Council being present the 6.th day of June 1806 for the purpose to consider the best Mode to be adopted for Setting the Stalls of the Meat Market belonging to this Corporation.

Resolved that the Stalls of Fat the Meat Market belonging to this Corporation be set by Auction to the Highest Bidder, at the Tholsel on Wednesday next, the 11.th inst. for the term of 21 Years from the first May last.

Resolut.n

Stalls set by Auction.

Midsummer Do. Ass.bly 16.th July 1806.

At a quarter past Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs, the Aldermen being present the 16.th July 1806.

Petitions read &c.

Several petitions and accounts laid before this Assembly were referred to the next General Assembly, and one petition rejected.

Midsummer Gen.l Ass.bly 18.th July 1806.

At a General Quarter Assembly held before the said Rt. Hon.ble Wm. Cardinal Esq.re Mayor, John Taylor & Edw.d H. Gibbons Esq.rs Sheriffs, the Aldermen and Commons Council being present the 18.th July 1806.

George Ball Esq.re excused from serving the

The Town Clerk having laid before this Assembly a Letter from George Ball Esq.re stating his Thanks to this Corporation for the Honor of electing him to serve Sheriff for the ensuing Year and his Wish to decline same, & he having paid the usual Fine to the Treasurer for being excused, such Fine being £100; It is therefore ordered by

the Office of Sheriff having paid a fine of £100 — & elect.d a Com.n Coun.r

by this Assembly that he be excused from serving said Office, and he is elected a common Councilman of this Corporation, & his said Letter is orderd to be entered amongst the acts of this Assembly, and it is as follows

"Wm Holmes Esq.re

"My Dear Sir

Mr Balls Letter to Town Clerk —

"I beg you'll present in the handsomest Terms my most respectful Compliments to the Mayor & Gentlemen of the Corporation, informing them how truly sensible I feel by the honor they have conferred in selecting me to an Office of so much Trust as Sheriff of Drogheda, the same Time acquainting them 'tis my Intention to fine, and with what Reluctance I am necessitated so to do —

"I can't willingly conclude, without assuring you that both now and at all Times it shall be my highest Ambition to merit the favor of so highly respectable a Body — and believe me Dr Sr with great respect

"Yr most obt Servt Geo.t Ball"

"Balls Grove 18th June 1806."

Mr Jebbs Letter to Mr Mayor laid before Assembly

Mr Mayor having laid before this Assembly a Letter from David Jebb Esq.re one of the Sheriffs elected last Gen.l Assembly to serve for the ensuing Year intimating his Intention to decline serving said Office, It is therefore

Town Clk to notify to Mr Jebb that he will not be excused serving Sheriff, unless he pays the Fine within a fortnight

ordered that the Town Clerk do forthwith notify to him Mr Jebb, that he will not be excused from serving said Office notwithstanding the Objections offered in his Letter to Mr Mayor, unless he pays within a fortnight the usual Fine of £100.

Jer.h Smith Esq.re elected to serve Sheriff in room of Geo.t Ball Esq.r —

Jeremiah Smith Esq.re a free member is elected to serve Sheriff of this Corporation for the ensuing Year from Michs Day next, in the room of George Ball Esq.re who has fined.

Three free members admitted by special favor —

James Crawford of Drogheda Shoemaker, The Revd Theo.s Coddington of the same Clerk, and John Beresford Lovett of the same Esq.re upon their several petitions are admitted free members by special favor on the usual Terms.

Two free members admitted by Birth

St George Smith second Son of Ald.n Henry Smith & Hugh Pollock Esq.re Lieut.t in the Commissariat Departm.t upon their petitions are admitted free members by Birth on the usual Terms.

Dav.d Kearney's Pet.n for Freed.m by Service referred to a Jury

David Kearney of Drogheda, Cabinetmaker, his petition for Freedom by Service is referred to a Jury.

Thos Winslow admitted a Mast.r Porter —

Thomas Winslow of Drogheda, Carpenter, upon his petition is admitted a Master Porter, on taking the usual Oath & giving the proper Security.

Ald.n

£5. grant.d to Ald.n R. Smyth to compleat Footway

Ald.n Ralph Smyth, upon his Memorial is granted £5 — to complete the Footway without St Laurences Gate.

£5. to Ald.n Ireland to repair & widen a Lane

Ald.n John Ireland is granted £5 — to repair & widen the Lane leading to Trinity Well without West Gate.

£27. 7. 1 Ord.d to be paid to Gov.r & Dep. Gov.rs —

Ordered that £27. 7. 1 a Deficiency for raising 19 Men for this County be granted & paid to the Governor & Deputy Governors to make good same.

Ant.y Glover's Mem.l for Payment of £187. 5. 11 referred to the Aud.rs Viewers

The Memorial of John Glover, Stone Cutter, for payment of £187. 5. 11 due him for New Stone Work done for the Com.n Market is referred to the Auditors and Viewers to examine and settle his Acco.t

Aud.rs & Viewers appoint.d a Com.tee to enquire & report what Part of Corp.n Estates held by Ten.ts at Will &c.

Ordered that the Auditors and Viewers for the Time being are appointed a Committee to enquire and report to the next Assembly and from Time to Time hereafter of any and what part of the Estates of this Corporation is held by Tenants at Will, or by Tenants whose Leases have expired or by any Person or Persons having no legal Title thereto, And that this Resolution be laid before the Auditors and Viewers at their next and every future Meeting by the Town Clerk.

Com.tee appointed to repair West Street —

The following Gentlemen are appointed a Committee to repair Pavements, viz.t — Harry Bralazon & Jas Mes.rs Henry Smith, John Nicholls, John Potter & Obad.h Weisdom for the wide part of West Street; Ald.n Ireland & Scholes for the narrow part thereof, and to them are added Mr Mayor and Ald.n Henry Meade Ogle.

Isaac Norman's Pet.n for renew.l of a Lease referred to Aud.rs & Viewers

The Petition of Isaac Norman Esq.re for renewal of Lease No. is referred to the Auditors and Viewers to report their Opinion thereon.

Accounts &c. referred to the Standg Committee

The following Accounts were referred to the Standing Committee, viz.t

Mich.l Chester	for Repairs of Magdalen St.	£5. 16. 10
Rich.d Delahoyde	for Serj.ts Cloaths Sept.r 1804	20. 19. —
do.	for Watchmen Dec.r 1804	24. 1. 6
Pat.k Delahoyde & others	Inhabitants of Fair St. Rem.l	
Mes.rs Drew & Elliott	for lighting 21 Globes from the 29th Septem.r to 1st May last	23. 12. 6
John Elliott	for Repair of Engines	2. 5. 6
do.	Salary for do. watching do.	20. — —

Assbly adjourned

adjourned to Monday fortnight the 4th August next.

Adjournment of Assbly 4th Aug.t 1806.

At an adjournment of the last General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs, the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 4th day of August 1806.

The

David Jebb Esq.re paid Fine on liberty excused serving Sheriff

The Town Clerk acquainted this Assembly that David Jebb Esq.re one of the Sheriffs elect for the ensuing year declines serving said Office and has paid the Fine of £100. to be excused.

Jer.h Smith Esq.re will serve the Office Sheriff.

The Town Clerk also laid before this Assembly a Letter received by him from Jeremiah Smith Esq.re intimating that he will not decline the honor of serving the Office of Sheriff pursuant to his Election.

Sam.l Forster Esq.re elected to serve Sheriff.

Samuel Forster of Forster Lodge Esq.re a free member of this Corporation is elected to serve Sheriff there of for the ensuing Year along with Jeremiah Smith Esq.re

Election of Mayor and Sheriffs to be certified

Ordered that the Elections of John Leland Esq.re to serve Mayor, and of Jerem.h Smith and Samuel Forster Esq.rs to be Sheriffs of this Corporation for the ensuing Year be forthwith certified to Government for Approbation.

Dav.d Jebb elected a Comm. Counc.l

David Jebb Esq.re having paid the Fine for being excused serving Sheriff, is elected a Common Councilman of this Corporation.

Committee to propose a plan for Water Establ.t

Resolved that the following Members be a Committee to propose a plan for the Establishment of the Water in this Town agreeable to Act of Parliament viz.t Mr. Mayor, Aldermen Jandy, Chas. Evans, Edw.d Fairtlough, & George M.c Catagart

Aud.rs & Viewers to enquire about a Field at Yellow Batter.s

Resolved that it be referred to the Auditors & Viewers to make Enquiry and report to the next October Genl. Assembly, whether a Field lately advertised to be sold by the Rev.d M.r Dornick situate at or near the Green Batter, is or is not the Estate of this Corpor.n

20 Coal Measures to be made at expence of Corp.n

Resolved that Twenty Coal measures or half Barrel Tubs be forthwith made out at the expence of this Corp.n under the directions of the present Mayor, and the like of them to be under the Controul of the present and future Chief Magistrates.

1806.

Acts compared

Sept.r 29.th This Day the foregoing Acts of Assembly were read and compared before us, and ordered to be entered in the Assembly Book as usual

Ad.t test.

John Taylor — Sheriffs —
Edw.d Hale Gibbons

Townley B.d Hardman, Mayor M.C.
Henry Meade Egle —
Jn.o Leland —
W.m Holmes —
Cha.s Evans —

Mich.s Post Assembly 8.th Oct.r 1806

At a quarter post Assembly held before John Leland Esq.re Mayor, Jeremiah Smith and Samuel Forster Esq.rs Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 8.th October 1806. —

Petitions read &c.a

Several Petitions laid before this Assembly were read & disposed of one of them was rejected the rest were referred to next General Assembly

Mich.s Gen.l Assembly 10.th Oct.r 1806

At a General Quarter Assembly held before the above named Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 10.th October 1806. —

Mayor of Staple

Townley Blackwood Hardman Esq.re late Mayor was elected Mayor of the Staple and Justice of the Race for the ensuing Year and sworn —

Common Counc.l

John Taylor and Edward Hale Gibbons Esq.rs late Sheriffs were elected Common Councilmen and sworn —

Coroners

The said John Taylor and Edward Hale Gibbons were elected Coroners for the ensuing Year and sworn

Constables of Staple

And the said John Taylor and Edward Hale Gibbons were elected Constables of the Staple for the ensuing Year & sworn —

Master of Guild

Henry Meade Egle Esquire, is elected Master of the Guild for the ensuing Year and Sworn —

Wardens

Henry Metcalf and George Moore Esq.rs elected Wardens of the Guild for the ensuing Year

Treasurer

William Holmes Esq.re is elected Treasurer for the ensuing Year —

Officers —

The Officers of the Sword and Mace, and Marshal to continue during the pleasure of this Corporation —

Scavengery

Mr. Mayor is requested and impowered to contract with such persons as he shall think proper to cleanse & carry away the Dirt and Soil of the Streets and Lanes of this Town and of the Roads and Avenues thereto for the ensuing Year to commence from & after the 26.th Oct.r inst.

Gate Customs

Ordered that the Gate Customs be set by Cant at the Tholsel to the highest Bidder for one Year to commence from and after the 18.th October instant — the Purchase Money to be paid and secured in the usual Manner

Common Councilman Sworn

George Ball Esq.re of Balls Grove was sworn a Common Councilman pursuant to his Election last July Genl. Assembly

Eight free members admitted —

William Blaney Wade Esq.re Son of Rob.t Wade Esq.re, William Meade Smyth Esq.re Son of Rev.d Wm. Smyth Esq.re, Mr. Rev.d Wm. Tighe Son of Hugh Tighe dec.d, Henry Fairtlough Gent. Son of W.m Jn.o Fairtlough of George Bridges Cordwainer, and Thomas Bridges Taylor both Sons of Edward Bridges, and Rev.d Wm. Chambers Son of Edw.d Chambers dec.d were upon their several petitions admitted free members by Birth on the usual Terms, and Walter Synnot of Bun Retiro in the Co.y Armagh was admitted a free member by Special Favor on his petition on the Ord.r usual Terms —

£100 in addition granted to the Mayor

Ordered that a Sum of £100 be granted in addition to the Sum of £50 allotted by the Rules of this Corporation to reimburse the Mayor the Expences of his Entertainment

Footway and Townwall Eastside of Palace St. to be paved & repaired &c.

Ordered that a Sum not exceeding 10 Guineas be paid by this Corporation to pave the Footway on the Eastside of Palace St. and the Lane leading towards the Taylors Hall and to repair and cope the Town Wall adjoining said Street

Cloaks for Serjeants &c.

Mr. Mayor is requested to provide five Cloaks for the Town Serjeants and six Great Coats for the Use of the Watchmen

Two Debentures for £100 each ordered to John Glover

Ordered upon the Memorial of Mr. John Glover, Stone Cutter that upon his paying £12. 14. 1 and giving a receipt for £87. 5. 11 being a Balance remaining due to him for hewn Stone & Work furnished for the new Corn Market, there be two Debentures perfected to him from this Corporation for £100 each, payable with Interest at 6 p. Cent p. Ann.

G. Webb & Wid.o Newcomen ordered 2 Guin.s each

George Webb and the Widow Newcomen ordered two Guineas each

Salary for keeping Pumps in Repair not to be paid until put in Order

Ordered that the Salary for keeping the Town pumps in repair be not paid untill they are put in Order to the Satisfaction of Mr. Mayor

Repairs to be done at Meat & Fish markets Gate

Ordered that Mr. Mayor be impowered to agree for the Repair of the Breach between the Meat and Fish markets Gate and to have them done in the most perfect Manner

Accounts &c. referred to Standing Comm.e

The following Bills were referred to the Standing Committee, viz.t

Wm. Shelly's Account & Affid.t for Candles		£6. 14. 7
Wm. Collins's do.	making Serj.t Coats in 1806	4. 0. 2
Geo. Cutler, Jun.r do.	for Cloth &c. got for do.	do. 21. 2. 9½
James Davis's do.	for Hats for do. same year	3. 8. 3
Tho.s North's Accot. for ½ y.r Sal.y due 25.th June last for taking Care of and repairing Town pumps		5. —
Hen. Smiths 3 Rec.ts for Judges Lodgings 2 Guin.s each		6. 16. 6
John Potter's do.	for the like	2. 5. 6
Jam.s Reilly's do.	for the like	2. 5. 6
John Elliot's Account for 1 year's Sal.y for keeping Engines due and ending 1.st May 1806		20. —
Tho.s Smullen's Estimate for Repairs wanted for Fire Engines		22. 15. 10

Christmas Ds. adj.d 14.th Jan.y 1807.

At a quarterly Post Assembly held before the said John Leland Esq.re Mayor, Jeremiah Smith and Samuel Forster Esq.rs Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 14.th January 1807.

Petitions read &c.

Several Petitions laid before this Assembly were read & referred to next General Quarter Assembly

Common Councilmen Sworn

1807. January 16.th David Jebb Esq.re was sworn a Common Councilman pursuant to his Election the 4.th August last

Spec.l Gen.l Assbly 16.th Jan.y 1807.

At a special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 16.th January 1807, pursuant to a Requisition and Summons for the purpose of granting the Freedom of this Corporation in a Silver Box to The Right Rev.d and Right Honble. the Lord Bishop of Meath

Freedom to be presented to the Bishop of Meath in Silver Box

Resolved that the Freedom of this Corporation be presented in a Silver Box to the Right Rev.d and Right Honble. the Lord Bishop of Meath in Consideration of the high Esteem we entertain of His Lordship's publick & private Virtues.

Committee to present same

Resolved that same be presented to His Lordship by Mr. Mayor and Sheriffs, Mr. Recorder and such other Members of this Assembly as chuse to attend

Christmas Gen.l Ass.y 16.th Jan.y 1807.

At a quarterly General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 16.th day of January 1807

Alex.r Irwin elected Macebearer in room of Wm. Acton dec.d

Mr. Alexander Irwin is elected Macebearer to this Corp.n in the room of Mr. William Acton deceased

Three free members admitted by Birth

Ralph Smyth Junr. Esq.re Son of Ald.n Ralph Smyth, Latham Fairtlough Son of the Rev.d Joseph Fairtlough and Robert Richardson Son of Michael Richardson Dec.d are admitted free members by Birth, on their several Petitions on the usual Terms

Resolutions that the Renewal of the Police

Resolved that it is expedient to apply in the next Session of Parliament for a further Renewal & Amendment of the Act entitled an Act for the Improvement of the Port and Harbour of Drogheda and the better Regulation of the Police of said Town

Resolved that a Committee of this Corporation be now appointed

Police Act of Parliament for the Port and Town of Drogheda to be applied for the next Session of the Imperl. Parliam.

appointed to consider and report to the Assembly at large such Alterations and Amendments in the foregoing Act and all such other matters for the Improvement of this Town and County and the better Regulation of the Police thereof as may be deemed adviseable to be adopted and added to or incorporated with the intended further Renewal of the foregoing Act, And that the said Committee do consist of the following Members, whose Report shall be taken into Consideration at the next Easter General Assembly The Mayor, Sheriffs, Recorder, Aldermen - Henry M. Ogle, Edward Fairtlough, Edwd. Hardman, Journey B. Hardman, Burton Jandy, Messrs. Hen. Metcalf, Lawt. Fisher, Harry Brabazon Senr. & Geo. Ball - the Mayor to be Chairman, and five to make a Quorum

Law Agent to procure proper Information -

Resolved that the Law agent be and he is hereby authorized and directed under the Controul of the Committee to procure proper Information respecting the Steps to be taken for the introduction and passing of Bills of this nature in the Imperial Parliament and likewise to take all necessary proceedings to enable him to procure correctly and effectually the Objects of the foregoing Resolution

Expences to be paid out of Funds arising from present Act -

Resolved that all Expences attendant upon the New act be as heretofore paid out of the Funds arising from the Tonnage Duties levied under the present Act of the 37th of the King

Difference of the Expence of a new act, or the Continuance of the act to be ascertained -

Resolved that the foregoing Committee, shall ascertain as near as may be the gross Expence of having said Private Act of Parliament passed, distinguishing between the Expence of having the present existing Act of Parliament extended in its Duration, and of having a new Act of Parliament embracing other Objects apart

Heads of Sir Jno. Newports Bill to be procured -

Resolved that our Worthy Representative Henry M. Ogle Esqr. be requested to procure for this Corporation the Heads of Sir John Newports Bill

Rent due to Geo. Jones for Charle. Infirmary to be paid on Proof made of his Demand to Standg. Committee -

Resolved that all Rent and Arrears of Rent due to Mr. George Jones for the House occupied as the Charitable Infirmary, be paid by the Corporation on his satisfying the Standing Committee of the Justice of his Demand and the possession given up to him

Mrs. Coddington's Demand of £1000 to be borrowed & paid to her

Mr. Mayor laid before this Assembly a letter to him intimating that Mrs. Coddington to whom the Corporation owes £1000 wants immediate Payment, It is therefore ordered that he be & is hereby impowered to borrow said Sum on the easiest Terms he can for this Corporation to discharge Mrs. Coddingtons Demand &c The

Mrs. Metcalfs Memt. for Renewl. of 2 Leases referred -

The Memorial of Aldr. James Metcalf for renewal of two Corporat. Leases was referred to the Auditors and Viewers to report their Opinion to next General Assembly

Watchmen's Petn. referred -

The petition of several Watchmen for an Arrear of Wages is referred to the Committee appointed to examine the Watch Accots. and the account lately paid Mr. William Skelly for Candles, & to report to next General Assembly

Petition of Eccles Cuthbert Esqre. for Freedom by Special Favor is referred to next Genl. Assembly

Petitions and Accounts referred

The following petitions, Accounts &c. were referred to the Standing Committee, viz.

Francis Skelly's Proposal to repair and keep the Town Pumps in order

do. - - - - Bill for repairing said Pumps finding Timber £28-8-9

Henry Pentland's Affidt. of the Expenditure of 20 Guis. for repairing the Road to Tenters - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - £22-15-

Disney Drummond's Accot. and Affr. for glazing & painting £11-0-1½

Paving Trinity Well Lane £9-3-11 and Cut Stone Steps for do. £1-2-1 Total £10-6-0

Thos. Latimer's Accot. and Affidt. for repairing Town Wall near St. Laurence's Gate - £17-1-3

James Coleman's Accot. for a dozen of Chairs £13-7-1

Wm. Elliott's Accot. for a dozen of do. - - - - - - £11-14-0

Thomas North's Memorial for payment of 1/4 Salary for Town pump due 25th June 1806 - £5-

Spec. Gen. Assbly. 26th Febry. 1807.

At a special General Assembly held before the said Mayor Sheriffs, the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 26th. February 1807, pursuant to special Summons -

£1000 borrowed from Jerem. Smith Esq. to pay off like sum due to Mrs. Coddington

Mr. Mayor acquainted this Assembly that he has been offered by Jeremiah Smith Esqre. the Sum of £1000 at Interest wanted at present by this Corporation to pay off that Sum due by them to Mrs. Sarah Coddington - Ordered that Same be accordingly borrowed from him, and Mr. Mayor is hereby authorized to perfect to Mr. Smith Eleven Debentures for £100 each, payable in Eight Years at six per Cent per annum, being a premium of 10 per Cent

Resolut. to encourage Sale of Meat in Meat Market at foot of Stockwell Lane

Resolved unanimously that from and after the first day of May next we bind and pledge ourselves individually to purchase Butchers Meat in the Meat market at the foot of Stockwell Lane and no other in this Town, and that we will use our best

best Exertions to prevail on the different Inhabitants and Country Gentlemen purchasing Butchers Meat in this Town to adopt the same line of Conduct

Leases to be made out & tendered for Execution to persons that took Stalls in meat market

Resolved unanimously that Leases be prepared and tendered for Execution forthwith to Charles Campbell James Clinton & James Henry three of the persons to whom the Stalls in the above mentioned Market were lately set by Auction

Spec.l B. of 8th Ult. 19th March 1807.- for Election of Ald.n when Hen. Metcalf Esq.re was elected in the room of Sam.l Metcalf Esq.re dec.d

At a special post Assembly held before the said John Leland Esq.re Mayor, Jeremiah Smith and Samuel Forster Esq.rs Sheriffs, the Aldermen being present the 19th day of March 1807. for the purpose of electing an Alderman pursuant to Notice duly posted

Henry Metcalf Esq.re was unanimously elected an Alderman of this Corporation in the room of James Metcalf Esq.re late an Alderman of the same deceased

Easter Post Ass.d 8th April 1807-

At a post quarterly Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 8th day of April 1807

Petitions -

Several Petitions laid before this Assembly were read and referred to the next General Assembly, and one from Roger McGuire for Freedom was rejected

Alderman sworn

1807.- April 9th This Day Henry Metcalf Esq.re was sworn an alderman of this Corporation pursuant to his Election

Easter Gen.l Ass.y 10th April 1807-

At a General Quarter Assembly held before the said John Leland, Mayor, Jeremiah Smith and Samuel Forster, Sheriffs, the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 10th day of April 1807.

Upon

Thos Collins elected & sworn Common Councilman for the Shoemakers -

Upon a Memorial from the Fraternity of Shoemakers setting forth that by the death of Thomas Collins late deceased one of their Common Councilmen there is a Vacancy in his Office, and returning his Son Thomas Collins, George Richardson & James M.Carthy three free members and praying that one of them may be elected in his room, this Assembly thereupon elected the said Thomas Collins a Common Councilman for said Fraternity, and he being called in was sworn accordingly

George Holmes elected & sworn Common Councilman for the Butchers

Upon a Memorial of the Fraternity of Butchers setting forth that by the Appointment of Alexander Irwin to the Office of Macebearer, there is a Vacancy of the Office of Common Councilman for said Fraternity, and returning George Holmes, Arthur Jones & Henry Rogers, three free Members, and praying that one of them may be elected in his room, It is thereupon by this Assembly Ordered and the said George Holmes is elected a Common Councilman for said Fraternity in the room of the said Alex.r Irwin, and he being called in was sworn accordingly

Mayor Elect

Alderman Charles Evans is elected to serve Mayor of this Corporation for the ensuing Year according to the rule of Succession

Sheriffs Elect

Samuel Batt and Thomas Martin Esq.rs two free Members are elected to serve Sheriffs of this Corporation for the said ensuing Year

Election to be certified

Ordered that the Election of the Mayor and Sheriffs for the ensuing Year be forthwith certified to Government for Approbation

Thos Collins appointed Rec.r of the Water Cust.ms

Resolved that Mr. Thos. Collins be and he is hereby appointed Receiver of the Water Customs in the place of the deceased Mr. Thos. Collins; he receiving for the Collection thereof two Shillings in the Pound, and giving Security by Bond for £200 for the due performance of the Trust, and the said Thomas Collins shall in the first instance apply the Monies so received from Time to Time to the payment of Interest Money due by this Corporation and then pay in the Balance or Surplus in his Hands (if any) once at least every Quarter to the Treasurer, and shall keep regular Books or Entries of all Monies received and the Names of the Masters Cargoes and Vessels from whom and for which same have been received, which said Accounts shall at all reasonable Times be open and liable to the inspection of this Assembly or any three members thereof, the Accounts so kept to be laid before this Assembly quarterly and to be verified on Oath by the said Thomas Collins at all Times or his Assistant if required

Resolved -

Louth County Archives

N. M. Ogle Esq.re requested to oppose Sr. Jno. Newports Bill relative to Corporations –

Resolved that our worthy Representative in Parliament Henry Meade Ogle Esq.re be requested to oppose the Bill introduced by Sir John Newport relative to the admission of Freemen into Corporations, and that the Town Clerk forward to him a Copy of this Resolution

£50 (Sporting) for 4 Years grant.d to Bellewstown Races –

Resolved that the Sum of £50 (Sporting Pounds) be given by the Corporation annually for four years to the Stewards of Bellewstown Races

Three Freemen admitted –

Eccles Cuthbert of the City of Dublin Esq.re upon his Petition is admitted a freemember by special Favor on the usual Terms

Robert Gilmer of Drogheda Linen Factor, and John Emerson of the same, Calenderer, upon their petitions are admitted freemembers by Service on the usual Terms

Master Porter admitted –

Andrew Burke, Shoemaker, upon his petition is admitted to be a Master porter

Two persons admitted into St. John's poor House –

Cecilia Mitchell and Mary M.c Donnell, Widows are upon their petitions admitted into St. John's poorhouse

Two Debent.s for £100 each ord.d and gran.d building of St. Mary's Church –

Resolved that two Debentures of £100 each payable in seven Years from the Date thereof be forthwith granted to the Minister and Churchwardens of St. Mary's parish in aid of the Funds for building the new Church of same

Boyne Commiss.rs to be applied to for Removal of Timber &c. from Ground adjoin.g the Mall –

Resolved that it is the Opinion of this Corporation that the Boyne Commissioners are imperiously called on to remove all Timber or other Nuisances now lying on the Ground at the East end of the Mall and to have said Ground surveyed and laid out in Lots for building and to appoint a Time for the Setting or Selling said Lots, and that the said Commissioners should give Notice to the Owners of the said Timber and Nuisances to remove same forthwith, and in Case same are not removed in three Days after such Notice that the Conservator should be authorized and required by the Mayor to remove same, and to sell a Portion thereof to defray the Expence attending such removal from the said Ground to the Waste Ground near Queenhills Bridge

Committee of Accounts –

Resolved that the following Gentlemen be and they are appointed a Committee of Accounts, viz.t Mr. Mayor for the Time being, Tow.s B. Hardman, James Scholes, Charles Evans, Burton Tandy, Henry Pentland, John Jones, Doctor Taylor, M.r Fisher, M.r Davis and John Nicholls, that said Committee do meet on the first Monday in every Month at 12 o'Clock, that three make a Quorum – Mr. Mayor to be their Chairman

Resolved

Return of the Furniture of Mayoralty house to be given up by the Housekeeper –

Resolved that the Housekeeper of the Mayoralty house do at the next General Assembly make a return in Writing of the Furniture and Pictures remaining in the said House and to account for any Deficiency that has occurred.

Repair of St. John's Poorhouse

Resolved that the Mayor be impowered by this Corp.n to receive Proposals with an Estimate of the Expence of taking down the Gable end of St. John's poorhouse and rebuilding same farther back in the line of the Houses inhabited by M.r Pattoun and the Rev.d Joseph Fairtlough, the Expence to be incurred to be defrayed by this Corporation – & the Plan & Estimate to be laid before next July General Assembly

Plate of 50 Guin.s for next Bellewstown Meeting –

Resolved that the next Corporation Plate of Fifty Guineas be granted to the Stewards of the next Bellewstown Meeting

3 Guin.s ord.d to Widow Newcomb –

Resolved that the Sum of Three Guineas be paid by the Treasurer out of the Funds of this Corporation to the Widow Newcomb

5 Guin.s to Surg.n Pattoun –

Ordered that five Guineas be paid to Surgeon Pattoun being his Quarters Salary due 1.st April 1806. for attending poor people

3 Guin.s ord.d to Jn.o Wilson

Ordered that three Guineas be paid to John Wilson forthwith for his immediate Relief

One Freemember by Birth

George Rt.t Wm.d Evans Esq.re Son of Alderman Charles Evans, upon his petition is admitted a freemember by Birth on the usual Terms

Midsum.r Sess.s aff.d 15.th July 1807.

At a quarter past Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 15.th July 1807.

Petitions read &c.

Several Petitions laid before this Assembly were referred to the next General Assembly and several Petitions were rejected

Special Gen.l Assy 17.th July 1807.

At a special General Assembly held pursuant to Summons before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 17.th day of

of July 1807. for the purpose of granting the Freedom of this Corporation to His Grace Charles Duke of Richmond Lord Lieu.t of Ireland, and to The Right Honble Sir Arthur Wellesley principal Secretary of State

Charles Duke of Richmond Lord Lieut. of Ireland voted his Freedom in a Gold Box

Resolved unanimously that the Freedom of this Corporation be and same is hereby granted to His Grace Charles Duke of Richmond Lord Lieut. of Ireland as a mark of our high respect and that it be presented to His Grace with a suitable address with a Gold Box

Rt. Hon. Sir Arthur Wellesley Principal Secy of State voted his Freedom in a Silver Box

Resolved unanimously that the Freedom of this Corporation be and same is hereby granted to The Right Honble Sir Arthur Wellesley, K.B. Principal Secretary of State as a mark of our respect and Esteem, and that same be presented to him with a suitable address in a Silver Gilt Freedom Box

Committee to prepare Address & present same

Ordered - that Mr. Mayor, Mr. Recorder, the Sheriffs and Aldn. Edward Hardman be and they are appointed a Committee to prepare the above mentioned Addresses, that they and such other members of this Assembly as chuse to attend do present same

Mid Summr. Gen. Aslly 17th July 1807.

At a General Quarter Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the said 17th day of July 1807

The following Persons upon their several Petitions for the Freedom of this Corporation by Birth were admitted thereto upon the usual Terms, that is to say

Freemen admitted —

Edward Robert Fairtlough Esqre. Lieut. in the Louth Regimt. of Militia youngest Son of Aldn. William Fairtlough, John Richardson, Carpenter, a private in the said Louth Militia, Son of Edward Richardson late of Drogheda Carpenter deceased, William Jephson, Taylor, a private in same Regiment, Son of Samuel Jephson of Drogheda, Hatter, John Jebb of Slane Esqre. eldest Son of David Jebb, Esqre. and Richard Jebb Esqre. Cornet in the 7th Regimt. of Dragoon Guards second Son of the said David Jebb, Maurice Ruxton a Soldier in the 17th Regt. Light Dragoons 7th Son of Matthew Ruxton of Drogheda, Carpenter, and Matthew Ruxton Junr. 6th Son of the said Matthew now a Soldier in the said Louth Militia - Richd. Fewtrell of the City of Dublin, Gentn. third Son of Wm. Fewtrell of the

said City Gentn. upon the said Richard verifying on Oath that he is of the full Age of 21 Years - William Reaney of the 88th Regiment of Foot Son of Robert Reaney late of Drogheda Merchant deceased - Edward Richardson now a private in the Louth Militia, Son of Edward Richardson late of Drogheda, Carpenter deceased - Kenneth M.Clean Corporal in the Louth Militia, Son of John M.Clean of Drogheda, Gardener, William Fergusson of Leixlip in the Co.y of Kildare Esqre. second Son of George Fergusson of the same Esqre. - William Elliott of the City of Dublin, Bookbinder son of Robert Elliott formerly of Drogheda Ironmonger, John Ackland Ensign in the 9th Regiment of Foot, Son of Aldermand John Ackland deceased, on his verifying on Oath that he is of the full Age of 21 Years, Samuel Moore Son of Isaiah Moore late of Killaneer deceased, on his Mother verifying upon Oath that he is now aged 21 Years - John Irwin of Rathoo eldest Son of the Revd. James Irwin, John Leland Junr. of Drogheda, Esqre. eldest Son of Alderman John Leland, Latham Blacker and William Henry Blacker Esqrs. both Sons of William Latham Blacker otherwise William Latham Blacker Hamlin Esqre. of Rathestar in the County of Louth

Petitions for Freedom referred to a Jury

The Petitions of the following Persons for Freedom are referred to a Jury before whom the Petitioners are to prove their respective Allegations of Claim by Birth or Service to wit Robert Elliott of the City of Dublin, Mariner, Son of Charles Elliott late of Drogheda, Publican, deceased - Robert Elliott Junr. and Alexander Elliott both of the said City Mariners, and Sons of Robert Elliott formerly of Drogheda Ironmonger and now of the said City - Thomas Tonge of Drogheda, Weaver, Son of Thomas Tonge late of same Weaver deceased - by Birth - John Perry of the City of Dublin, Hairdresser, by Service of an Apprenticeship of 7 Years to John M.Cartney of the same City, Hairdresser and John Coyle of the City of Cork, Whitesmith, by serving an Apprenticeship of 7 Years to his Father Edward Coyle of Cork aforesaid Whitesmith

Petns. for Freedom by Spl. Favor postponed to next Gent. Assly.

The following Petitions for Freedom by special Favor were postponed for the Consideration of next General Quarter Assembly, to wit, Robert Portland of Plymouth, Surgeon, Matthew Wilder, of Castle Wilder in the Co.y of Longford Esqre. The Revd. Mark Wainright of Trim in the Co.y of Meath, Clk. and John Tandy of Brighton Lodge in the County of Louth, Esquire

Resolved

Act for regulating the Port of Drogheda — Clause will be expedient to establish the Markets for Meat and Fish

Resolved that in the renewal of the Act of Parliament for the Port and Harbour of Drogheda it will be expedient to apply to Parliament for the exclusive Sale of Butcher's Meat and Fish in the Market place adjoining the New Quay and River Boyne at the foot of Stockwell Lane in the Town of Drogheda, grounded on the Facts contained in a Statement this day submitted to this Corporation by the Law agent, and that same be presented to Parliament on behalf of this Corporation should said Clause be opposed

Chief Magistrate's Power in Court of Conscience to be enlarged

Resolved that it is expedient to enlarge the powers of the Chief Magistrate in the Court of Conscience in this Town to whatever is at present or hereafter may be the powers & privileges at present or hereafter to be given to the same Court in Dublin with Liberty for the Chief Magistrate in Case of Sickness or unavoidable Absence to appoint any one of the Aldermen who has Served the Office of Mayor to act for him in said Court

Blice Commee to report to Adjournt of this Assembly such Matters as they may deem expedient

Resolved that the Police Committee be requested to make their report at the Adjournment of this Assembly of such further and other matters as they may deem expedient

Two Commissrs for the Port & Harbour of Drogheda

Aldermen Edward Hardman and Burton Tandy are appointed Commissioners for improving the Port and Harbour of Drogheda in the room of John Leland Esqre the present Mayor and of Aldn William Gibbons

£10 grant. to Aldn E. Hardman for a Road

Ordered that a Sum not exceeding £10 be granted to Aldn Edward Hardman in aid of a presentment for repairing the Road from Sunday's Gate to Listoke

£3-0 grant. to Aldn H. Smith for Duleek St.

Ordered that £3-0 be granted to Aldn Henry Smith for repairing 11 Perches of Duleek Street

Goal to be repaired

Ordered that the Sheriffs be and they are hereby requested to cause the Goal to be forthwith repaired

Aftly adjourned

Adjourned to Tuesday the 11th of August next

Adjournm. of Gen. Aftly held 11th Augt 1807

At a General Assembly held pursuant to Adjournment of last July General Quarter Assembly the 11th day of August 1807, before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present

Resolved

Blice Committee

Resolved unanimously that the Blice Committee shall henceforth consist of all Members of this Corporation belonging to the General Assembly

Pipe Water Act

Resolved that it is expedient to introduce into the intended Renewal of the Drogheda Act or Police Bill, a Clause leaving it optional in an Assizes Grand Jury of said Town at any Time hereafter to adopt a Pipe Water Act in and for said Town and County vesting all necessary Powers relative thereto in the Commissioners of the Boyne Navigation

Tonnage Duty

Resolved that said Renewal shall be enacted so far as respects the Tonnage Duty for a term of twenty one Years & that all Matters relative to Police in said Act shall be perpetual

Watch Cess

Resolved that the Watch Cess for Drogheda now confined by Act of Parliament to fourpence in the Pound, be extended to a Sum not exceeding Eight pence, and all Houses of £3 Value and upwards in the Parish of St. Mary's shall be made subject as well as St. Peter's to the Provisions of said Act

Town Wall to be lowered & repaired

Ordered that Mr. Mayor, Mr. Mayor Elect, Aldn Ralph Smyth and Doctor Fairtlough be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to cause the Town Wall on the East side of Palace Street to be lowered and repaired as they shall think most eligible

Lower Road from James's Street

Mr. Mayor and Sheriffs Doctor Fairtlough and Mr. John Tandy are appointed a Committee to examine and cause the lower Road from St. James's Street towards Mornington to be properly moulded and levelled

Pavements to be repaired

Mr. Mayor is hereby impowered to cause the Pavements of Stockwell Lane and Shop Street to be repaired

John Allen appointed Engine keeper

John Allen upon his Memorial is appointed Engine Keeper in the room of John Elliott

Widow Newcomen ord. 2 Gns

Ordered that two Guineas be paid to the Widow of John Newcomb

Accots referred to Standing Committee

The following Accounts laid before this Assembly were referred to the Standing Committee, viz.

John Reilly's Plan and Estimate for Alterations at St. John's Poorhouse

Said John Reilly's Accot for Carpentry Work ---------- £31-9-10½

Town Clerk's Accot for Writings, Stamps &c. ---------- 36-12-—

John Ruxton's Memorial for Payment for two Mowers listed by him 4-11-—

Matthew Smith's Accot for paving ---------- 34-5-—

Ordered

2 Watchmen ord.d 1 Guinea each

Ordered that Arthur Matthews and Laurence Curragher Watchmen be paid by the Treasurer the Sum of One Guinea each as a Reward for their detecting and prosecuting two Persons for Felonies

Acts compared

1807.- September 29th This Day the foregoing Acts of Assembly were read and compared before us and ordered to be entered in the Assembly Book as usual

Attest

John Leland, Mayor-
J. Smith
Samuel Forster } Sheriffs-
Chas. Evans
Wm. Holmes } Aldermen

Mich.s post Assbly 7th Oct.r 1807-

At a quarterly post Assembly held before Charles Evans Esq.re Mayor, Samuel Batt and Thomas Martin Esq.rs Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 7th October 1807.

Petitions-

Several Petitions were laid before and read at this Assembly and disposed of.

Spec.l Gen.l Assbly 9th Oct.r 1807

At a Special General Assembly held before the above named Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 9th October 1807. pursuant to Notice.-

Chas. Ball Esq.re voted his Freedom in a Hilt.

Resolved that the Freedom of this Corporation be presented to Charles Ball Esq.re Counsellor at Law in a Hilt.

Mich.s Gen.l Assbly 9th Oct.r 1807-

At a General Quarterly Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the said 9th October 1807

John

Mayor of Staple

John Leland Esq.re late Mayor was elected Mayor of the Staple and Justice of the Peace for the ensuing Year and sworn.-

Com.n Councilmen

Jeremiah Smith and Samuel Forster Esq.rs late Sheriffs elected Common Councilmen and Sworn

Coroners

The said Jeremiah Smith and Samuel Forster elected Coroners for the ensuing Year and Sworn

Constables of Staple

And the said Jeremiah Smith and Samuel Forster were elected Constables of the Staple for the ensuing Year and Sworn

Master of Guild

Ald.n Townley Blackwood Hardman was elected Master of the Guild for the ensuing Year

Wardens of Guild

John Taylor and Edward Hale Gibbons Esq.rs elected Wardens of the Guild for the ensuing Year

Treasurer

Alderman William Holmes is elected Treasurer for the ensuing Year

Officers of Sword and Mace &c.

The Officers of the Sword and Mace and Marshal to continue during the pleasure of this Corporation

Scavengery

Mr. Mayor is requested and impowered to contract with such Persons as he shall think proper to cleanse and carry away the Dirt and Soil of the Streets and Lanes of this Town and of the Roads and Avenues thereto for the ensuing Year to commence from and after the 26th October inst.-

Gate Customs

Ordered that the Gate Customs be set by Cant at the Tholsel to the highest Bidder for one Year to commence from and after the 18th day of October instant. the Purchase Money to be paid & secured in the usual Manner

Four Freemen admitted by Spec.l Favor

John Jandy of Brighton Lodge in the County of Louth Esq.re The Rev.d Mark Wainright of Trim in the County of Meath. Clerk Matthew Wilder of Castle Wilder in the County of Longford Esq.re and Robert Rutland of Plymouth in Great Britain Surgeon, upon their several Petitions were admitted Freemembers by Special Favor on the usual Terms

Two Freemen admitted by Birth

John Dowdall of the City of Dublin Esq.re Son of Lanc.r Dowdall late of Drogheda dec.d and George Theils Eccleston of Dromshallen in the County of Louth Esq.re Son of the late William Theils of Darver deceased upon their Petitions were admitted Freemembers by Birth on the usual Terms

Chas. Eastwood's Pet.n for Freedom by Birth referred to a Jury

The Petition of Charles Eastwood of Castletown in the Co.ty of Louth Esq.re for his Freedom by Birth is referred to a Jury for proof of his Claim

Three poor Women admitt.d into Saint John's Poor house

Mary Kane otherwise Brooks Widow, Susanna Johnston Widow, and Mary Richardson Spinster upon their several Petitions were admitted into Saint John's Poorhouse

£4-11-1½ ordered to Ald.n Hardman for a Road

Ordered that £4-11-1½ be paid to Ald.n Edward Hardman for finishing the Repair of the Road without Sunday's Gate-

Resolved

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£1000 to be borrowed for renewal of the local Act of Parliam.t

Resolved that it is expedient to borrow forthwith £1000 on Corporation Debentures for the purpose of defraying the Expences of procuring a Renewal and Amendment of our local Act of Parliament, to be deposited with the Treasurer and to be drawn out of his Hands by this Assembly as the foregoing Occasion may require, said Sum or so much thereof as may be expended therein, to be thereafter repaid to this Corporation out of the Tonnage Duties pursuant to a Clause to be introduced into said Bill for that purpose

£100 granted M.r Mayor

Ordered that the Sum of £100 be granted to the present Mayor in like manner as such Sum was granted to the late Mayor in addition to the Sum of £50 to reimburse him the Expences of his Entertainment

Collector to be requested to furnish Accot. of Tonnage Duties

Ordered that the Mayor be requested to apply to M.r Foster the Collector to furnish the Account of the Tonnage Duties agreeable to the Order of the Commissioners of Imprest

Notice to rescind a Rule made 16.th Oct.r 1797 relative to the Admission of Freemen

Notice was given at this Assembly by M.r Harry Brabazon that a Resolution will be moved at the next January General Assembly to rescind the Rule of the 16.th October 1797 that the Freedom of the Corporation shall not be granted to any Lord Lieutenant's Suitor or to any Person holding Place or Pension under the Crown during Pleasure

Thanks voted to late Mayor

Resolved that the thanks of this Corporation be given to our late worthy Magistrate John Leland Esq.re as a token of our Approbation of his upright and impartial Conduct during his Mayoralty

Like to the late Sheriffs

Resolved that the thanks of this Corporation be given to our late worthy Sheriffs Jeremiah Smith and Samuel Forster Esq.rs for their Honorable active and impartial Conduct during their Sheriffalty

Adjourned to Wednesday next the 14.th Oct.r inst.
Adjourned to Monday the 19.th do.

Adjournment 19.th Octob.r 1807

At an Adjournment of the last Michaelmas General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 19.th October 1807

£1000 to be borrow.d for renewal of Police Act of Parliament

Resolved that the Sum of £1000 to be borrowed for the purpose of defraying the expences of the renewal of a local Act of Parliament be taken on Interest on the following viz.t Seven Debentures for £100 each to be perfected for same bearing an Interest at 6 p.r Cent the principal Sum of £1100 to be repayable in not less than 7 years, and the Interest to be paid half yearly.

Resolved

Wm Skelly to be sued for £8-1-6 paid him for Cand.s for Watchhouse

Resolved that the Law Agent be instructed to sue M.r William Skelly by Civil Bill for the recovery of the Sum of £8-1-6 which was wrongfully paid him for Candles sent to the Watchhouse of this Town between the 2.d and 23.d of November 1800

Committee of Police

Resolved that the following Members of this Corporation be and they are hereby appointed a Committee of Police, viz.t M.r Mayor and Sheriffs, Ald.n John Leland, Burton Sandy, E. Hardman, H.B. Hardman, J. Fairtlough, Mess.rs Fisher, W. H. Brabazon, Wisdom, Coulter, Davis and Holland and such other Members of this Assembly as may think proper to attend and to meet from time to time

Spec.l Gen.l Ass.y 22.d Oct.r 1807

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 22.d of October 1807

Earl of Harrington Commander of the Forces present Freedom & address.d

Resolved unanimously that the Freedom of this Corporation be presented in a silver Gilt Box unto the Earl of Harrington Comman.r of His Majesty's Forces in Ireland

The following Gentlemen are appointed to prepare an Address to His Lordship, viz.t M.r Mayor and Sheriffs, Alderman Ralph Smyth and M.r Forster and to present same

Spec.l Gen.l Ass.y 2.d Nov.r 1807

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 2.d November 1807.

J.n L. Foster & M. P. vote a Freedom

Resolved that the Freedom of this Corporation be granted to John Leslie Foster Esq.re Member of Parliament

Ass.bly 16 Nov.r 1807 for election of an Alderman in room of Will.m Gibbons Esq.re dec.d

At a past Assembly held before the said Charles Dans Esq.re Mayor, Samuel Batt and Thomas Martin Esq.rs Sheriffs, the Aldermen being present the 16.th day of November 1807, pursuant to Notice posted for the electing of an Alderman in the room of William Gibbons Esq.re deceased.

Henry Pentland Esq.re elected an Alderman

Henry Pentland Esq.re was elected an Alderman of this Corporation in the room of the late William Gibbons Esq.re late an Alderman of this Corporation pursuant to Notice

Christmas Po. Assbly 13th Jan.y 1808.–

At a Quarterly Post Assembly held the 13th January 1808, before Charles Evans Esq.re Mayor, Samuel Batt and Thomas Martin Esq.rs Sheriffs the Aldermen being present

H. Pentland Esq.r sworn an Ald.n–

Henry Pentland Esq.re was sworn an Alderman of this Corporat.n pursuant to his Election in the room of William Gibbons late an Alderman of the same Deceased

Ald.n B. Van Homrigh elected Justice of the Peace & sworn–

Alderman Barth.w P. Van Homrigh was elected a Justice of the Peace for this Town and County in the room of the said William Gibbons dec.d and was sworn

Petitions read &c.–

Several Petitions &c. laid before this Assembly were read and disposed of

Genl. Assbly 15th Jan.y 1808.–

At a general Quarterly Assembly held before the said Mayor & Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 15th January 1808

Two Freemen admitted–

Peter M.Conchy of Drogheda a Mariner was admitted a free Member by special favor and Hugh Lyons Montgomery of Dublin Esq.re Son of the late Alderman Hugh Montgomery Lyons was admitted a free Member by Birth on their respective Petitions on the usual Terms

Memorial of George and Henry Metcalf Esq.rs for renewals of two Leases–

A Memorial of George Metcalf and Henry Metcalf Esq.rs was laid before this Assembly stating that their Father the late Alderman James Metcalf deceased by Memorial in January 1807, prayed for the Renewal of two Leases of Premises therein mentioned and that same was by the General Assembly 16th Jan.y that Year, referred to the Auditors and Viewers to report their Opinion thereon which they have not yet done; That both said Leases and the Premises thereby demised on the death of their Father came to and are now legally vested in them, & praying to be granted the benefit to arise from the Report of the Auditors & Viewers to renew both said Leases to and in the Names of the said Memor.ists and to order the Auditors and Viewers to report accordingly; It is thereupon ordered that the prayer of the said Memor.ists be and same is hereby ord.d accordingly–

A resolution of 16th October 1797 relative to Freemen's Admiss.ns rescinded–

Ordered that the Resolution of the 16th October 1797 purporting "that the Freedom of this Corporation should not be granted to any Lord Lieutenant's Suit, or to any person holding Splacion Pension during Pleasure, under the Crown" be and the said Resolution is hereby rescinded pursuant to Notice given last General Assembly by Harry Brabazon Esq.re for that purpose

Alderman

Notice of Ald.n Jandy to alter Resolution of 9th April 1807

Alderman Burton Jandy presented the following Notice viz.t "Take notice that I intend moving at next General Assembly to alter the Resolution of the 9th April 1807 regarding the payment of Interest Money due by this Corporation, namely that in place of Mr. Collins paying the Surplus if any Quarterly to the Treasurer he shall be required to pay his Balance once every Year only, also that the Quarterly accounts shall always be verified on Oath, and that Notice be inserted in the Drogheda Journal to all the Creditors of the Corporation to apply to Mr. Collins for payment of their Interest Money, and that Mr. Collins shall give any additional Security the Corporation may require"–

Ald.n J. B. Hardman's Notice for ballotting

Alderman Townley Hardman presented the following Notice, viz.t "I give Notice that at the next General Assembly I will move that in future all Ballots shall be taken in writing and not by Beans or in any other manner whatever– 15th Jan.y 1808 Townley B. Hardman"

£750 to be paid to Credit of Col.o Foster to defray Expences of Police act

Resolved on the motion of Alderman M.Cutagart the Law Agent that the sum of £750 be forthwith lodged by the Treasurer of this Corporation in one of the Dublin Banks to the Credit of Col.o Foster, to be drawn by him therefrom when he may consider it requisite for defraying the parliamentary Fees and Expences for Renewal of the Police Bill for this Town & the Imperial Parliament, and that this Resolution be transmitted to him in the most respectful manner

£262 to be paid to Law Agent on Amount of same–

Resolved that the remainder of the sum lately borrowed from Alderman Donagh being £262– be forthwith paid by the Treasurer to the Law Agent on Account of the foregoing Bill and to pay Fees of Counsel and other incidental Expences, said sum to be brought to the Credit of this Corporation by him in his taxed Bill immediately after the passing of the said Bill through Parliament

adjourned

Adjourned to monday next at 12 O'Clock–

1808.– January 18th further adjourned to Monday next the 25th Ins.t

Adjournm.t 25th Jan.y 1808

At an adjournment of last General Quarter Assembly held before the said Charles Evans Esq.re Mayor, Samuel Batt and Thomas Martin Esq.rs Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Commen being present the 25th January 1808

Heads of intended Act of

The heads of the intended Bill for renewal of the Act for regulating the Port and Harbour of this Town was read and

of Parliamt. for Drogheda

and several new Clauses for regulating the Police thereof were agreed to by this Assembly

Hon.ble Col.o Foster requested to support same

Resolved that the Mayor be and he is hereby authorised officially to communicate to our worthy Representative The Hon.ble Colonel Foster the Request of this Corporation, that he may be pleased to give the Bill about to be introduced into parliament for this Town his utmost Support

Notice by Henry Metcalf Esq.r relative to Sheriffs

The following Notice was delivered by Henry Metcalf Esq.r viz.t "Notice - That a motion will be made at the next General "Assembly that no freemen shall be eligible to serve the Office of "Sheriff hereafter who has not a permanent Residence within "the Franchises of this Corporation"

Notice by Mr Knipe that in future Pension.rs not to vote at Assly

"Notice - That in future no Person having or receiving "any Pension or Salary from this Corporation shall have any "Seat or Vote at the Board of Aldermen or this Assembly save "and except the Mayor and Town Clerk for the Time being"

Notice by Mr. Forster relative to members speaking &c

"Notice - That no member of the Assembly shall be at "Liberty to speak more than once on the same Subject except in "Explanation, and that only by the special Permission of the "Assembly which Permission is to be determined by the Majority "Votes of the Assembly"

Accounts referred to Standing Comm.tee

The following Accounts were laid before this Assembly and referred to the Standing Committee

account for printing Address to Lord Lieu.t		£12-9-6
like	to Sir Arthur Wellesley	12-9-6
like	to Lord Harrington	14-6-8
like	to Lord Bishop of Meath	8-2-2
Expence of a Dinner at miss Smiths		3-8-6½
Coach hire to Slane and Navan		4-1-2
Postillions &c		2-2-0½
		£56-19-7

William Shelly's Account for Candles from Mich.s 1806 to Mich.s 1807 £9-14-9

Spec.l Gen.l Assbly 15.th Feb.y 1808

At a Special General Assembly called & Summoned pursuant to a Requisition before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 15.th February 1808.

relative to new Act of Parliam.t for Drogheda

Alderman Barth.w Van Homrigh moved that the Clause relative to the Regulation of the Meat Market of this Town, intended to be introduced into the new act of Parliam.t for regulating the Police thereof be now read, the same being accordingly read -

Memorial of

A Memorial signed James Finegan, Patrick Barron and

of Finegan & others - rejected -

and Charles Campbell relative to said intended Clause, was laid before the Assembly and read - Ald.n Van Homrigh then moved that the said Clause be expunged from the said intended Bill which Motion was balloted for and negatived by a majority of 21, there being 27 against and six for the motion

Further Statem.t relative to Markets -

Resolved that the Law Agent in addition to the Statement made in the heads of the said intended new Bill, respecting the Markets of this Town further states that the Mayor thereof for the time being has for Time immemorial by and with the Authority of the General Assembly of the Corporation and in Pursuance of their Charters exercised the Authority and Power of appointing the most proper places in which the different Markets of the Town have from time to time been held and that the Power now seeked by the intended Clause is to remove all Doubt

House of Industry

Resolved that the Suggestion of Colonel Foster respecting the House of Industry be inserted in the said intended Bill for regulating the Police of this Town - 20 for the Motion, 10 against - majority 10

Town Clerk to supply Law Agent with Copies of Charters &c

Ordered that the Town Clerk be and he is hereby authorised to make out and furnish the Law Agent with such Charters Copies of Charters and other Documents attested by him as may be thought necessary to be produced to Parliament on the Application for renewal of the Police Act for this Town and to affix and fix the Corporation Seal to the Petitions to Parliament

Spec.l Gen.l Ass.y 18.th March 1808 to petition Lord Lieut.t for £100 to be raced for at Bellewstown Hill

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 18.th day of March 1808, pursuant to a Requisition and Summons, for the purpose of petitioning His Grace The Duke of Richmond Lord Lieutenant of Ireland to grant to the Corp.n £100 to be raced for the next and succeeding Meetings at Bellewstown Hill -

Committee to prepare same -

Ordered that George Tandy, Henry Metcalf, John Cooper Edward Fairtough and Ralph Smyth Esq.rs be and they are appointed a Committee to prepare said Petition or Address -

Spec.l Gen.l Ass.y 11.th April 1808.

At a Special General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 11.th day of April 1808, pursuant to Requisition and Summons -

Order'd

Hon.ble Rob.t Molesworth voted Freedom —

Order'd that the Freedom of this Corporation be presented in a Fiat to The Honorable Robert Molesworth in testimony of the Esteem we have for his publick and private Worth —

For 24
agt. 7
17 majority

Committee to examine & report on Police Bill —

Mr. Mayor, Alderman Edward Hardman, Alderman John Leland, Ald.r Jandy, Ald.r Tourn.y B. Hardman, Mr. Ninian Rodger and Mr. John Nichols are appointed a committee to meet on Wednesday next, to consider the heads of the Police Bill for this Town now in progress to be passed by Parliament and to report their Opinion thereon on Monday next

Caster Sess.s p.o. Assbly 27.th April 1808 —

At a general Quarterly Post Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 27.th April 1808

Petitions read &.c

Several Petitions laid before this Assembly were read and disposed of

Caster Gen.l Assbly 29.th April 1808 —

At a general Quarterly Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 29.th April 1808

Common Councilman sworn —

Leonard Crookes Esq.re was sworn a Common Councilman pursuant to his Election October Assembly 1804.

Mayor elect

Henry Metcalf Esq.re is elected to serve Mayor of this Corporation for the ensuing year from michs day next

Sheriffs elect

Charles Ball and Ralph Smyth Junr. Esq.rs are elected to serve Sheriffs of this Corporation for the ensuing year

Election to be certified —

Ordered that the Election of the Mayor and Sheriffs for the ensuing Year be forthwith certified to Government for Approbation —

Committee relative to Police Bill —

Resolved that the following Gentlemen be appointed a Committee to see that the Alterations and Amendments resolved upon in this Corporation to be introduced into the present Bill, shall be communicated to our Representative with Accuracy and Correctness, as also the desire of this Corp.n that our Representative shall lend his aid and utmost Exertions to have said Bill passed as altered & amended, The Mayor, Mr. Hardman, Doctor Fairtlough, Jun.r Smyth, Mr. Tourn.y B. Hardman, Mr. Jandy, Mr. Van Homrigh & Mr. Holmes and further that such of our Fellow Freemen as are Members of Parliament may be requested to lend their support to said Bill so amended and may be furnished with Copies thereof —

adjourned —

Adjourned to the 30.th April instant
Adjourned to Monday the 2.d May next

Adjournment 2.d May 1808.

At an Adjournment of last General Assembly held the 2.nd day of May 1808, before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Councile being present

Petition to Lord Lieutenant to prohibit distillg of Spirits from Corn on account of high price of Corn —

Alderman James Scholes moved that a committee be appointed to petition or memorial His Grace the Lord Lieutenant to prohibit the distillation of Spirits from Corn on account of the high price of Grain, and the following Gentlemen were appointed a Committee accordingly, viz.t Alder.n B. Van Homrigh, Ald.r Jandy, Ald.r D. Fairtlough, Ald.r H. Metcalf, Ald.r Ralph Smyth and Ald.r James Scholes. —

Ald.r Wm. M. Ogle's Petition for Renewal of 2 Leases refer.d to Aud.rs &.c

The petition of Alderman William Meade Ogle for Renewals of two Leases referred to the Auditors & Viewers to report

Ald.r Wm. Chesshire's Petn. for permiss.n to take down Town Wall refer.d

The Petition of Alderman William Chesshire for permission to take down the Town wall on the East side of Palace Street referred to the Auditors and Viewers to report

Rev.d Lanc.t Dowdall Mast.r of Drogheda School allowed £10 yearly —

Ordered that £10 a year being the allowance hitherto paid by the Corporation to the Master of the School in this Town founded by Erasmus Smith, be paid to the Rev.d Lancelot Dowdall the present Master thereof, from the time of the last payment to the late Master

Sarah Lucas adm.d into Poorhouse —

Sarah Lucas admitted on her petition into Saint Johns Poorhouse. —

Jno Fairtlough Waterbailiff allowed £50 Salary a year —

Mr. John Fairtlough, waterbailiff upon his Memorial is ordered £50 a year Salary from Michaelmas last, and his Memorial with respect to an Increase of Fees is referred to the River Boyne Commissioners to report to next Genl Assembly

Eliz.th Sheils ord.d £10 a year —

Elizabeth Sheils, Widow ordered £10 a year Pension from Michaelmas last

Widow Newcomb ord.d £4.11.— —

Ordered that four Guineas a year, to commence from Michaelmas last, be paid by the Treasurer to the Widow of John Newcomb

Ballots in future to be in Writing —

Resolved that the Order or Rule for balloting by Beans be and same is hereby rescinded, and that in future all Ballots shall be taken in writing and not by Beans or in any other manner whatever

Resolved —

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Freemen elected Sheriffs in future to reside within five miles of Drogheda

Resolved that in future no Freeman shall be eligible to serve the Office of Sheriff who has not a permanent Residence within the Franchises of this Corporation or within five miles from the Hotsel of the said Town of Drogheda

Mr. Collins to settle for Water Customs & pay Balce to Treasurer once every year

On the motion of Alderman Tandy (pursuant to his Notice given last Assembly) relative to a Resolution of the 9th April 1807 respecting the Water Customs It is now ordered that in place of Mr Collins paying the Surplus of the Water Customs (if any) Quarterly to the Treasurer he shall be required to pay the Balance once every Year only, also that the Quarterly Accounts shall always be verified upon Oath, and Notice be inserted in the Drogheda Newsletter to all the Creditors of the Corporation to apply to Mr Collins for payment of their Interest Money and that Mr Collins shall give any additional Security the Corporation may require

Thos Warren ord. 10 Guineas

Order that ten Guineas be paid to Thomas Warren, Town Serjeant, as a Reward for his diligent proper Conduct

Wm Day appointed Town Drummer

William Day is appointed Town Drummer at the yearly Salary formerly paid to Thomas Dotson deceased

£20 ord. towards a wall enclosing Burial Ground at Chordwith St Lawrences Gate

Order that the Sum of £20 be paid by this Corporation towards enclosing with a wall of Lime and Stone the piece of Ground adjoining the Burial Ground or Old Church Yard within Saint Laurences Gate called the Chord

Ald. Tandy's notice to discontinue Committee of Accts

The following Notice was given by Alderman Tandy

"May 2d 1808. Take notice that I shall move at the next Gen. "Assembly that the Committee of Accounts be no longer continued"

Signed L. B. Tandy

Ald. F.B. Hardman's notice for qualification of Persons to be elected Sheriffs

The following Notice was given by Ald. Townley B. Hardman

"Take Notice that at the next General Assembly "I shall move that in future any Person elected to serve the "Office of Sheriff for the County of the Town of Drogheda shall within a certain number of Days to be appointed by the "Assembly after his Election give such Proof as the Assembly shall direct, that he is possessed of such Property as the Assembly shall deem a sufficient Qualification for said Office and that in case such Proof shall not be given the Election of such Person to be void" 2d May 1808.

Signed Townley B Hardman

Midsummer post Assembly 13th July 1808.

At a quarter post Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen ~~Commoners~~ Council being present the 13th July 1808.

Petitions read & referred

Several Petitions laid before this Assembly were read and referred to the next General Assembly

Mid Summer Gen. Assembly held 15th July 1808

At a General Quarter Assembly held before the said Mayor Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 15th July 1808.

Rev. Lancelot Dowdall D.D. voted Freedom in Vellum

The Rev. Lancelot Dowdall Doctor of Divinity Master of the Diocesan School of this Town is unanimously admitted a free Member of this Corporation and this ord. that same be presented to him in Vellum as a mark of our respect for his eminent abilities

Mr Matthew Codd's Petition relative to Gate Customs refer. to Committee

The Petition of Mr. Matthew Codd of Navan Merchant relative to Gate Customs is referred to Mr. Mayor, The Recorder, Alderman Metcalf, Ald. Tandy, Ald. Leland, Ald. F.B. Hardman, Ald. Holmes, Ald. Edw. Fairtough, Ald. J. Scholes, Ald. M. Entagart and John Cooper Esq. or any five of them to consider same and report their Opinion thereon to next General Assembly

Master Porter admitted

John M. Clean upon his Petition is admitted one of the Master Porters for measuring Coals

Bal. due Ald. Jno Leland relative to Comm. Mkt. ord.

Ordered that the Balance due to Alderman Leland on his Account relative to the Corn market house be paid him

Petn. of Pensioners on Common List refer.

The Petition of several Pensioners on Commons List and Mr Fishers Letter relative thereto are referred to the Law Agent

Thanks voted to His Grace Duke of Richmond Lord Lieut. of Ireland

Resolved unanimously that the sincere thanks of this Corporation are due and same are hereby given to His Grace Charles Duke of Richmond and Lenox Lord Lieutenant General and General Governor of Ireland for His Grace's Condescension in complying with the Memorial of this Corporation for a grant of a Kings Plate of One Hundred Guineas for the Ballenstown Meeting, and for His Grace's prompt attention upon all Occasions to the Interests & Prosperity of the Town of Drogheda

Comrs. of Accts abolished

Resolved that the Committee of Accounts be forthwith abolished

Mayor Sheriffs and Auditors & Viewers to examine & report on all Demands agt. Corpn.

Resolved that in future all Demands or Accounts against this Corporation shall be referred to the Mayor Sheriffs and Auditors and Viewers upon every Quarterly post Assembly Day and no other with Power of Adjournment who are to report their Opinion thereon to the ensuing General Assembly by Endorsement upon the same and signed by the Members present (7) to constitute a Quorum and that a Book be kept for the purpose of registering all their Proceedings, and they are hereby impowered to make any bye Laws for the more effectually carrying their Resolutions into Effect not contrary to the Rules & Orders of this Corporation which they are enjoined in all cases strictly to adhere to

Accts & demands for two Mayoralties not to be blended

Resolved that no Account or demand against this Corporation should be of more than of one Years Standing and that the bleeding of the Expenditure of two Mayoralties in one Account should be avoided

Resolved

Town Walls and Gates of the Town belong to Corporation

Resolved that the Town Wall and Gates of the Town do belong to this Corporation and that the Chief Magistrate shall not part with the Right or Possession of same to any Person whatever without a Special Order of the Corporate Assembly.

Doct.r Greene, Swordbearer's Salary augmented 50£. yearly

Resolved that an additional Salary of Fifty Guineas yearly be henceforth granted to Doctor Greene Swordbearer to cease should his present Emoluments be increased by the Sale of Corn compelled to be made by Sack & not by Sample.

£300 Debentures granted for the intended Hospital

Resolved that three Debentures of £100 each be made out for the Hospital about to be built in this Town and be paid to the Governors thereof provided said Hospital or a Ward thereof shall be open for the Reception of Patients labouring under Feverish or other contagious Complaints.

£3.16.6 grant. to Rose McVeigh out of Rent of Prior's Park

Rose McVeigh ord.d to be paid £3.16.6 out of the Rent of Prior's Park by Mr. Fisher Receiver of the Commons Rents, same being due to her by the late Widow Blackburne.

Ann Keary als Sawkile grant. rem.r of Rent

Ann Keary otherwise Sawkile ord.d to be paid the Remain.r of the Rent of Prior's Park which Mr. Fisher is to give to Thomas Andrews for her Use.

Adjourned

Adjourned to the 1.st of September next.

Adjournment 1.st Sept.r 1808.

At an adjournment of last General Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen Common Council being present the 1.st September 1808.

Bill of Cost to be taxed which is to be paid by the Commiss.rs of the Port to this Corp.n

Ordered that the Law Agent do forthwith make out and get the Bill taxed which is chargeable against the Commissioners for improving the Port & Harbour of Drogheda and which is to be paid by said Commiss.rs to this Corporation.

Notice to be given of another intended Applicat.n to renew the Act of Parliament for improving the Port &c.

Ordered that the Law Agent do give Notice of an intended Application to Parliament for the renewal of the Bill for Improvement of the Port & Harbour of Drogheda and for the regulation of the Police of the Town of Drogheda.

Pat.k of St. John's Poorhouse appointed

Messrs. Obadiah Wisdom and Thomas Allen sure appointed Proctors of St. John's Poorhouse for 3 Years from last Easter General Assembly.

Acts compared

1808.
Sept.r 29.th This Day the foregoing Acts of Assembly were compared & is and ordered to be entered in the Assembly Book as usual.

Charles Evans, Mayor
Sam.l Batt
Thos. Martin } Sheriffs
Burton Sands
Ralph Smyth
Henry Metcalfe
Wm. Holmes

Ad test

Mich.s Post Assbly 5.th Oct.r 1808.

At a quarterly post Assembly held before Henry Metcalfe Esq.re Mayor, Charles Ball and Ralph Smyth Junr. Esq.rs Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 5.th day of October 1808.

Petitions &c.

Several Petitions laid before this Assembly were read and disposed of.

Mr. Edw.d Hardman Justice of Peace resigned

Edward Hardman Esq.re Alderman and one of the Justices of the Peace for the County of the Town of Drogheda laid before this Assembly his Resignation of the said Office of Justice of the Peace under his Hand and Seal bearing date the 5.th day of October inst. and requested same to be received and accepted, This Assembly thereupon received and accepted his Resignation of the said Office accordingly.

Mr. G. Evans elected Justice of Peace in his room & sworn

George Evans Esq.re an Alderman of this Corporation was elected a Justice of the Peace for the County of the Town of Drogheda in the room of Edward Hardman Esq.re resigned and was sworn accordingly.

Mich.s Gen.l Assbly 7.th Oct.r 1808.

At a General Quarter Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 7.th October 1808.

Mayor of Staple

Charles Evans Esq.re late Mayor was elected Mayor of the Staple and Justice of the Peace for the ensuing Year and sworn.

Late Sheriffs elected Com.n Council.men

Samuel Batt and Thomas Martin Esq.rs late Sheriffs were elected Common Councilmen and sworn.

Coroners and Constables of Staple

The said Samuel Batt and Thomas Martin were elected Coroners and sworn.

And the said Samuel Batt and Thomas Martin were elected Constables of the Staple and sworn.

Master of Guild

Ald.r John Leland is elected Master of the Guild for the ensuing Year.

Wardens

Jeremiah Smith and Samuel Forster Esq.rs are elected Wardens of the Guild for the ensuing Year.

Treasurer

Ald.r William Holmes is elected Treasurer for the ensuing Year.

Officers of Sword and Mace

The Officers of the Sword and Mace & Marshal to continue during the Pleasure of this Corporation.

Scavengery

The Mayor is requested and empowered to contract with such Persons as he shall think proper to cleanse and carry away the Dirt and Soil of the Streets and Lanes of this Town and of the Roads and Avenues thereto for the ensuing Year to commence from and after the 26.th October inst.

Gate Customs

Ordered that the Gate Customs be set by Cant at the Tholset to the highest Bidder for one year to commence from and after the 18.th day of October inst.o the Purchase Money to be paid and secured in the usual Manner.

Three Freemen admitted by Birth

Henry Blacker Fairtough Esq.re Son of the Rev.d Joseph Fairtough, James Latimer of Drogheda Bricklayer Son of William Latimer late of same Bricklayer dec.d and James Irwine of Raphoe in the Co.y of Tyrone Esq.re 2.d Son of the Rev.d James Irwine are admitted Freemen by Birth on the usual Terms.

Order

Balance of £565 due Law Agent on Business in Parliament

Ordered that the Balance due the Law Agent on the Post of his taxed Bills of Costs on the late Business in Parliament being £365.19.3 be paid him out of the Money remitted to the Right Hon.ble Col.o Foster for the purpose of defraying the Expences of same, by an Order signed by the Treasurer of this Corporation on Col.o Foster—

£100 granted to the Mayor—

Ordered that the Sum of £100 be granted to the present Mayor in Addition to his Salary in aid of the Expences of his Entertaining given on Michaelmas day last—

Jane Atkinson ord.d an Ann.y of £30 Gui.s & 20 Gui.s to be paid her besides in hand—

Ordered that an Annuity of Thirty Guineas be granted by this Corporation to Mrs. Jane Atkinson widow of Wm. Atkinson to be payable half yearly from Easter last out of the Corporation Funds until same can be paid out of the Commons Rents; and it is also ordered that in Addition to said Annuity the Sum of 20 Guineas be forthwith paid to her distinct from said Annuity

Eliz.th Rogers admitted into St. John's Porthouse

Elizabeth Rogers Daughter of Thos. Rogers dec.d is admitted into St. John's Porthouse—

No Goods or Works to be paid for unless ord.d in writing by the Mayor—

Resolved that in future no Tradesman or other Person furnishing Goods or performing Work for the Corporation shall furnish any Goods or execute any Work on their Account without a previous Order in Writing from the Mayor for the Time being or his Deputy authorizing same, and that no Acco.ts will be hereafter attended to or paid without the production of such Order—

Case to be prepared by a Committee & Opinion relative to the present Act for Baking Bread in Drogheda—

Ordered that the Law Agent do prepare a Case under the Inspection of a Committee of seven Members on the present Baking Act for Drogheda to direct the Mayor how he shall act under same, and to ascertain if any deficiency exists in same, and if so how and in what manner same ought to be altered or amended and that said Committee consist of the Mayor and Sheriffs, Doctor Fairtlough, Ald.rs Dandy and Alr. F. Hardman—

Rents of Laurence's Gate to be enquired into & fixed for Bill by Repr.s of Nicholson dec.d

It is referred by this Assembly to the Auditors & Viewers to enquire into and instruct the Law Agent to bring an Ejectment on the Title against the Repres.s of the late Hamp.n Nicholson dec.d and his Undertenants for premises on the West and South sides of Laurence's Gate belonging to this Corporation—

Ground on East side of Palace St. on which the Tower vale stands to be leased to Ald.n Wm. Cheshire for 99 Years on reasonable terms, subject to certain Restrictions &c.

Resolved that it be notified to the Auditors & Viewers that it is the intention of the Corp.n to grant unto Ald.n Will.m Cheshire a Lease of the Ground on which the Tower wall stands on the East side of Palace Street from Laurence's Gate to Shooting Tower for a term of 99 Years on such Terms as shall appear to them reasonable on his the said William Cheshire's undertaking to build or cause to be built at the rear or East side of the present Surface or Foundation of said Wall, Dwelling houses of Brick or Stone & Mortar fronts of at least two Stories high & covered with Slates fronting said Street or where no Houses shall be built then the said Will.m Cheshire shall build a Stone wall 6 Feet at least and same to be Coped & dashed, & that any Pallisadoes to be erected to said Houses shall not encroach on the present breadth of the Street or project beyond the Foundation of the present Wall—

Auditors & Viewers appointed for one Year

Auditors & Viewers appointed at this Assembly, viz.t Ald.r Edward Fairtlough, Burton Dandy, George Evans, Barth.w Van Homright, Ralph Smyth and John Leland—Common Councilmen Mess.rs George Coulter, Lanc.t Fisher, Nivian Rodger, James Davis, John Holland, George Whitecastle, John Nichols, Wm. Oliver Fairtlough and Walloph F. Brabazon, Junr. to be a Quorum for one Year—

Thanks voted to the late Mayor

Ordered that the thanks of this Assembly be and same are hereby presented to Charles Evans Esq.r late Mayor for his upright and impartial Conduct—

and to late Sheriffs

Ordered that the thanks of this Assembly be and same are hereby given to Samuel Ball and Thomas Martin Esq.rs late Sheriffs for their proper Conduct—

Thanks voted to 5 Market Jurors

Ordered that the thanks of this Assembly be and same are hereby given to Mess.rs James Comerford, George Boardsoot, George Coulter Junr. Thomas Worth and Chris.r Bellew for their proper and active Conduct as Market Jurors—

Jos.h Stinson ord.d £6. 12. 9

Joseph Stinson is ordered £6. 12. 9 to be paid him by Mr. Fisher, Receiver out of the Commons Rents—

Rose M.cVeigh ord.d £3. 8. 3

Rose M.cVeigh is ordered £3. 8. 3 to be paid her by the Treasurer—

Geo. Webb ord.d 3/4 p.r Week

George Webb ordered 3/4 p.r Week—

At a Quarterly post Assembly held before the said Henry Meredyth Esq.re Mayor, Chas.r Ball and Ralph Smyth Junr. Esq.rs Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 11th January 1809.

Auditors & Viewers 11th Jan.y 1809

Petitions &c

Several Petitions laid before this Assembly were read and disposed of—some referred to the next General Assembly and others rejected—

At a General Quarter Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Councill being present the 13th January 1809.

Auditors Gen.l 13th Jan.y 1809

Three Freemembers by spec.l Favor

Thomas Osborne of Ballymagarvey and Francis Osborne of Rushmarevin the County of Meath Esq.rs and Peter Crawford Taylor of Drogheda, upon their Petitions were admitted Freemembers by special Favor on the usual Terms—

Three Freemembers by Birth & Service

Richardson Blackwell Allen of Drogheda Printer, Son of Peter Allen dec.d, Millar Armstrong Junr. Son of Wm. Armstrong are admitted Freemembers by Birth, and Jacob Verso of Drogheda Cabinetmaker is admitted a Freemember by Service on the usual Terms on their several Petitions—

Henry Ackland's Pet.n

Upon the Petition of Henry Ackland Esq.re setting forth, that he is in possession in his own right of one Brick Dwelling house with Background and Offices thereunto belonging situate on the North side of West Street in Drogheda Count.y Louth new Survey 23 Feet 4 Inch.s in front, and in Depth One hundred Feet, by virtue of a Lease made by

Henry Ackland's Petition for Renewal of his Lease

by this Corporation to his Uncle George Ackland late an Alderman of the same deceased for 31 years from Easter 1760 at the yearly rent of £8. 0. 0 that said House & Premises are now in a ruinous state and the term unexpired of said Lease too short to induce him to improve same and praying a new Lease and so forth which Petition being referred to the Auditors and Viewers and their Report thereon being read, It is thereupon ordered by this Assembly that the said Petitioner be and he is hereby to have a new Lease of the said House and Premises made to him for 99 years from the 25th March next at the yearly Rent of £8-10-7½ and on paying a fine of £85-6-3 on his surrendering the old Lease and Covenanting to rebuild said House in the usual manner, a Map of the Premises to be annexed to the new Lease

Granted

Ann M.Connick admitt. into Poorhouse

Ann M.Connick Widow is admitted into Saint Johns Poorhouse

Jane Potter granted 20 Guineas a year

Jane Potter Widow of George Potter dec.d upon her Petn. is granted a Pension of 20 Guineas a year from which last to be paid out of the Rents of this Corp.n until the Common Rents shall be enabled to discharge same

Rich.d Conly ord.d £10 for discovering part of North Common

Richard Conly Weaver ordered £10 as a Reward for having discovered and given Information of a parcel of Land part of the North Common being illegally held by Pat.k Conly as undertenant to the late Miss Conly dec.d in Consequence of which Information said Land was recovered and was lately let & is now leased by this Corp.n to said Richard Conly

Corp.n Accts. to be laid before the Aud.rs & Viewers & Reported on by them

Resolved that the annual Accts. of this Corporation not furnished and remaining unsettled shall be laid before the Auditors & Viewers who are required to report thereupon at a future General Assembly in the manner formerly practised

Gate Customs to be paid by Treas.r to the Mayor to make a Fund for widening Bridge

Resolved that the Treasurer do pay over to the Mayor the Produce of the Gate Customs that shall accrue and become due from and after the 18th of April next for the purpose of creating a Fund to widen the Bridge of this Town for the utility of the Publick

Adjourned to Tuesday 17th inst.
Adjourned to Friday 20th d.o

Adjournm.t of Gen.l Assbly the 20th Jan.y 1809

At an adjournment of the last General Quarter Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen & Common Council being present the 20th January 1809

Repairs of Mayty House

The Auditors & Viewers are requested to report to next General Assembly the necessary Repairs wanting to be done to the Chimnies of the Mayoralty house & the Repairs thereof

Baking Trade

The Mayor is requested to Communicate with the Committee of the Corporation of the City of Dublin now sitting Heads of a Bill for regulating the Baking Trade in Dublin

John

John Wall granted a Doorway in the Townwall

John Wall upon his Petition is granted Leave to open a Doorway in the Townwall on the East side of Tooting Tower Lane for the purpose of a Passage to his Ropewalk during pleasure of this Corporation on his securing it by a proper Door Case

The following Accts. were laid before this Assembly by the Auditors and Viewers and were ordered to be paid viz.t

Accounts ord.d to be paid

Charles Evans's Accts. for printing &c.a		£107-11-8½
John Hollands do.	for Stationary	32-12-8½
Wm. Holmes's do.	for Receipt & Stamps	37-16-3½
Mat.w Smiths do.	for paving	42-8-4
do.	do.	4-2-5
Thos. Latimers do.	for Mason work	10-8--
Denny Drummonds do.	painting and Glazing	5-16-5½
do.	do.	11-10-4
Thos. Morgans do.	for repairing Dulek Street	7-3-3
do.	do.	36-10-9
James Drews &c.	for lighting Lamps	18----
Chris.r O'Brien's do.	for repairing a Road	4-8-2
Rich.d Delahoyde's do.	for woollen Goods	14-6-11
Lat.k Gernons do.	for Porter to Army	5-2-4½
James Davis for Judges Lodgings		3-8-3
John Potter the like		2-5-6
Henry Smith the like		4-11--
Isaac Verso in making Rotten Cloaks		4-11--
Harry Brabazon, Conservat.r Roads		30----

Easter Post Assbly 12th April 1809

At a Post Quarterly Assembly held before the said Henry Metcalfe Esq.re Mayor, Chas. Ball and Ralph Smyth Junr. Esq.rs Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 12th April 1809

Ald.n R.Smyth elected Justice of Peace in room of Ald.n Barth. Van Homrigh Esq.re dec.d

Ald.n Ralph Smyth was elected Justice of the Peace for this Town and County in the room of Ald.n Barth. Van Homrigh dec.d

Petitions &c

Several Petitions were read at this Assembly and disposed of, some reserved to next General Assembly and some rejected

Gen.l Assbly 14th April 1809

At a General Quarter Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 14th April 1809

Mayor elect

Ald.n Henry Pentland is elected to serve Mayor of this Corporation for the ensuing Year from Michaelmas Day next

Sheriffs elect

Henry Ackland and Latham Barrington Esq.rs are elected to serve Sheriffs of this Corporation for the ensuing Year from Michaelmas day next

Ord.d

Election to be Certified —

Ordered that the Election of the Mayor and Sheriffs for the next ensuing Year be certified to Government for Approbation —

Geo. Pentland elected Law Ag.t

George Pentland Gent.r Attorney is elected Law Agent for the Corporation in the room of Hd.r George ll Cottagard resigned —

Two Petns for Freedom by Birth referred to a Jury

Edward Bagnall's and Thomas Harpur's Petitions for Freedom by Birth referred to a Jury —

Two Freemembers admitted by Birth —

Andrew Armstrong Esq.re eldest Son of Alderman George Armstrong upon his Petition is admitted a Freemember by Birth on the usual Terms —

Copy of a Petition to Parliament for Improvement of the Harbour of Drogheda

The following Petition from this Corporation to Parliament relative to the Improvement of the Harbour of this Town was laid before this Assembly by the late Law Agent, approved of, ordered to be sealed & forwarded —

"To the Hon.ble The Commons of the United Kingdom "in Parliament assembled

"The humble Petition of the Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses "and Common Council of the Town and County of the Town "of Drogheda

"Sheweth

"That Application has been made to this Hon.ble "House for a Bill to amend and Continue several Acts "for the Improvement of the Harbour of Drogheda —

"That by one of the said Acts passed in the Parliam.t "of Ireland in the Thirty seventh Year of his present "Majesty Power was given to the Commissioners "for putting the said Act in Execution to purchase all "the waste Strand and Ground lying on the North side "of the River Boyne between the Town of Drogheda "and Greenhills in the County of the said Town on the "North by the Strand Road leading from Drogheda "to the Sea and extending South to the low water mark "of the River Boyne and to erect Quays thereon and the said "Commissioners were impowered to sell or let in perpetuity "part thereof for erecting Houses or Stores to front the "River Boyne —

"That the said Commissioners are now legally in possession "of a part of the said waste Strand or Ground and have "erected a Quay on part of the same, and have let in perpetuity "other parts thereof to the annual amount of £372 or "thereabouts —

Idem

"That the publick Goal of the said Town and County of "the Town of Drogheda is very old and inadequate to the "purposes thereof, and there is no publick Hospital within "the said Town and County for the reception of diseased "and indigent Persons —

"That

Idem

"That it would be very beneficial to the Inhabitants of "the said Town and County if Power was given to apply the "Money arising from the Setting or letting of the said waste "Strand or Ground in rebuilding the said Goal and "providing and maintaining an Hospital for the purposes "aforesaid —

"Your Petitioners therefore humbly pray this Hon.ble "House that provisions may be made in the said Bill "for the purposes aforesaid in such Manner as this Hon.ble "House shall think proper — In Testimony whereof "we have hereunto affixed our Common Seal the 14.th day "of April 1809" "Which I Attest. Wm. Holmes Town Clk

Resolution on the preceding Petition —

Resolved that the Clauses recommended by Colonel Foster and Contained in the Petition this day produced by the late Law Agent be adopted and introduced into said Bill and that said Petition be immediately transcribed with the Corporation Seal affixed thereto to Colonel Foster, and that it would be advisable to increase the Tonnage Duties by the new Bill from 6.d to 9.d provided nevertheless and it is the special wish and desire of this Assembly that said additional Clauses sought for by the aforesaid Petition or either of them shall hereafter be abandoned if the passing of said Bill shall appear likely to be defeated or endangered by retaining same or either of them, nor shall the said Clauses be made part of the depending Bill unless the aforesaid increase of Tonnage Duties from 6.d to 9.d be permitted also to form part of said Bill —

Idem —

Resolved that the present Bill shall contain a Clause increasing the Commissioners to the Number mentioned in the Bill of last Session —

Idem —

Resolved that the Bill now depending shall Contain a Clause fixing the yearly Salary of the Treas.r of the Boyne Commissioners not exceeding £50 —

£300 to be borrowed on Debentures to defray the Expences of the Bill —

Resolved that the Sum of £300 be raised by Debentures for the purpose of defraying the Expences of the Bill depending and that same be handed to the Law Agent — the terms on which same can be procured to be approved of by Hd.r Mayor and the Town Clerk —

Memorial of

The Memorial of the Rev.d Charles Crawford Vicar of the Parish of St. Mary in this Town and County was laid before this Assembly stating that he under the direction

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Memorial of Rev.d Charles Crawford for a Lease of Premises Southside of the Road called Dublin Hill held under a Lease from this Corp.n dat.d 10.th Feb.y 1777 at 10.l p.r Ann.m

of the Bishop of Meath, negociated for the purchase of the present Interest of the Representatives of the late Thos Collins dec.d in certain Ground & premises belonging to this Corporation situate on the Southside of the Road called Dublin Hill and on which his House is now built and was lately occupied by Major Cameron; that said Ground is held under a 99 years Lease made by this Corporat.n 32 years of which only are expired; that it is requisite any premises intended for a Glebe should be held by Perpetuity, and requesting this Corporation would grant the Memorialist a Lease for ever of the Ground on which his said House and Offices now stand in place of the determinable Lease now in being which Memorial was referred to the Auditors and Viewers and their Report thereon is as follows —

Referred to the Auditors and Viewers —

viz.t Dr Tholsel Office Feb. 1.st 1809

"We the undersigned have viewed the Premises "mentioned in the above Memorial and are of Opinion "that a Lease in reversion for 999 years or for ever "if the Corporation can grant it should be made of "them for a Glebe House or Residence for the Vicars "of Saint Mary's Parish in the County of the Town of "Drogheda and for that Purpose only at 10.l Ann.m"

Report thereon agreed to —

"Signed Edward Fairtlough — Bart Vanhomrigh — "Ralph Smyth — John Holland — James Davis Law.s "Fisher. George Coulter — Aud.rs & Viewers" —

Which Report is agreed to by this Assembly — adjourned to the 18.th inst.t — to dispose of Dep.ties —

Ald.n Ralph Smyth sworn a Justice of Peace

21.st April 1809. This Day Ralph Smyth Esq.re was sworn a Justice of the Peace for this Town and County in the room of Bart. Vanhomrigh Esq.re dec.d pursuant to his Election the 12.th April inst.t

Assbly 29.th April 1809

At an Assembly of the Mayor Sheriffs and Aldermen of the said Corporation of Drogheda at the House of the said Town the 29.th April 1809

Edw.d Hale Gibbons Esq.re elected an Alderman in room of Bart.n Vanhomrigh Esq.re dec.d

Edward Hale Gibbons Esq.re was elected and Alderman of the said Corporation in the room of Bart.n Vanhomrigh Esq.re late an Alderman of same dec.d pursuant to Notice duly posted

Sworn —

Same Day the said Edward Hale Gibbons was Sworn an Alderman accordingly —

Gen.l Assembly 30.th May 1809

At a General Assembly held before the said Mayor Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 30.th day May 1809, to dispose of the Business left undone last Easter General Assembly

Pelletmasters Accounts to be inspected by Auditors and Viewers

Ordered that the Pelletmaster produce his Accounts relative to that Office to the Auditors and Viewers who are requested by this Assembly to inspect same and to report their Opinion thereon to next General Assembly

Petitions for Commons Money postponed —

The several Petitions for Commons Money are postponed to next Easter General Assembly

George Holmes ord.d 20 Guin.s for his past Services & Attendances at Meetings of Com.ee Accounts &c.t

George Holmes upon his Memorial is ordered by this Assembly Twenty Guineas for his past Services and attendances at the Meetings of the Committees of Accounts of this Corporation, and his further remuneration to be taken into Consideration next General Assembly

Roger Pattoun Surg.n ord.d 5 Guin.s additional Salary for attending Poor —

Roger Pattoun Surgeon upon his Petition is ordered five Guineas a year as an Addition to his Salary from Easter last for his Attendance on poor people —

Case ord.d relative to the Petition of Matthew Codd about Gate Customs, for Recorder's Opinion

Ordered that a Case be prepared by the Law agent on the Petition of Mr Matthew Codd of Navan relative to the Gate Customs or Tolls payable to this Corporation for Goods &c carried by Water to and from Navan to this Town and that same be laid before Mr Recorder for his Opinion and laid before next General Assembly

Committee to report relative to the Fishery of the River Boyne

The Mayor and Sheriffs, Henry Coddington and George Ball Esq.rs together with Aldermen Ralph Smyth, John Leland, Edward Fairtlough, and Burton Sandy, and Messrs Lan.s Fisher and John Nichols are appointed a Committee to enquire whether this Corporation or the said George Ball and which of them have the Right or Royalty of the Fishery of the River Boyne from the Bridge of this Town to the Western Precincts of this Corporation and to report their Opinion to next General Assembly —

Aud.rs & Viewers ord.d to inspect the Pavements &c.t

Ordered that the Auditors and Viewers inspect the present State of the Pavements of this Town and report their Opinion and also on the Wall North side of Barrack Lane to next General Assembly

Mid.s Sess.s p.o Assbly 12.th July 1809

At a quarterly Court Assembly held before the said Henry Coddington Esq.re Mayor Charles Ball and Ralph Smyth Esq.rs Sheriffs the Aldermen being present the 12.th July 1809

Petitions &c

Several Petitions laid before this Assembly were read, some were rejected and others were referred to the General Assembly

Mich.mas Gen.l Assy. 14.th July 1809

At a General Quarterly Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present the 14.th July 1809

Three Freemen by Birth

Thomas Francis Wade Esq.re second son of Robert Wade Esq.re now a Lieut.t in His Majesty's 20.th Regiment Gere. Richard Gibbons Esq.re Lieut.t in the Royal Marines third Son of William Gibbons dec.d and Sam.l Jones second Son of Mr. George Jones upon their several Petitions are admitted Freemembers by Birth on the usual Terms

Two Freemembers by Special Favor

Anthony Tisdale and John Booth both of Drogheda Esq.rs are admitted Freemembers by special Favor on the usual Terms

Committee to inspect & report Characters of Women in Saint Johns Porthouse

Ordered that Messrs.rs Obadiah Wisdom Thomas Collins Lancelot Fisher John Nichols James Davis James Regan and George Coulter be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to inspect into the Characters and Conduct of the Women at present occupying the Porthouse of St. Johns and to report same to next General Assembly

Eleanor Vaughan admitted into Poor House

Eleanor Vaughan admitted into Saint Johns Porthouse

Notice given by Geo. Coulter for a publick Necessary to be built

Mr. George Coulter noticed this Assembly that he intends to move next General Assembly to have a publick necessary built in Graves's Lane

£5 granted to repair a Road

Resolved that a Sum not exceeding £5 — be granted to Aldermen George Evans and Emanuel Bayly Esq.rs to repair a Piece of a Road from the upper part of the Lane leading from Lalor Street to Sunday's Gate

Passage ord.d to be opened from the Fish Market to Linen Hall

Resolved that the Mayor and Sheriffs aided by the Auditors and Viewers do forthwith open or cause to be opened a passage or way from the Fish market through the Ground belonging to this Corporation along the River Boyne at the foot of the late Mr. Drumgoole's Garden and from thence thro' Mr. Gerrion's Ground to the Linen Hall Square by such means and upon such Terms as to them shall seem eligible

5 Guineas ord.d to three old Freemen each and 2 Guineas to Andw. Hardy a poor old man

Resolved that the Sum of Five Guineas a piece be paid to James M.c Cartney Joseph Stinson & Anthy. Parks out of the Funds of this Corporation being distressed unfree Freemen, and 2 Guineas to Andrew Hardy a poor old Cabinet maker all passed their Labour and as Fisher is requested to give them the Money by Small Portions weekly as he shall think proper

Fishery of the River Boyne granted by Charter to

Resolved that it appears from the inspection of the several Charters granted to this Corporation 17.th of James 1.st and 10.th of William 3.rd that the Royalty and Right of Fishing in and to the River Boyne on both Sides thereof from the Western Boundaries of the Franchises of the County of the Town of Drogheda to the High Sea below mud Flower has been granted to and confirmed and is now exclusively vested

to this Corp.n to be protected as such

vested in this Corporation, and that we the Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses and Commons thereof at this Assembly do unanimously resolve and declare that we are determined to protect our Right and Property therein and punish by Law all Persons who shall be found injuring or invading same — This Resolution to be three times published in the Drogheda Newspaper

Petition of Matw.w Codd of Navan relative to Gate Customs

The Petition of Mr. Matthew Codd of Navan lately presented to this Corporation upon which a Case was ordered to be stated for Mr. Recorder's Opinion were laid before this Assembly same ordered to be entered and are as follows

"To the Right Worshipful the Mayor Aldermen and Commons of the Town of Drogheda

The Petition of Mathew Codd of Navan merch.t humbly sheweth

That your Petitioner resides in the Town of Navan and has for years traded extensively in Corn which he exports in large Quantities from your Town

That your Pet.r uniformly conveys all Grain purchased on his Account at the Navan Market solely by Water Carriage to the Town of Drogheda whence it is exported in trading Vessels without ever having been landed on the Quays or having touched the Shores of said Town

That notwithstanding your Pet.r pays the Navigation as well as Portage Duties upon the Transport of all such Grain yet the Collectors of Customs for the Town of Drogheda unjustly levy one halfpenny p.r Barrel on Oats and one penny on Wheat in Addition to said Duties as and for the Gate Customs Tolls payable thereout

That your Pet.r has been advised that such Gate Customs Toll is not of right demandable or payable upon Corn so conveyed to the Harbour of Drogheda and that your Pet.r would be justified not only in refusing Compliance with such Demands in future but is entitled by Law to have such payments made on Accot of same refunded

That your Pet.r anxious to deserve the favorable Sentiments of your Worthy Body prefers submitting his Rights and Grievances to your Consideration before an angry Appeal to Litigation how ever ensured of Success, in the humble Hope that your Worships wise reflect that a Duty which operates as a Drawback on the Trade and a Check on the Inland Navigation of your Town, so essential to its Interests, ought not to be without Right enforced and will put your Petitioners Complaints in a Course of amicable Investigation and prays instantaneous Your Pet.r hereby agreeing to refer same to the determination of any two or three Lawyers indifferently Chosen and

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to

to abandon all Claim to Compensation for the passing the Event of a favorable Decision upon his Rights—

And your Petr will ever pray
Signed "Mat. Codd"

Case
for Opinion
of
Mr Recorder
relative
to Gate Customs

By Letters Patent bearing Date the 18th Decr in the 7th year of the Reign of King James the First, the said King did among other Things give and grant to the Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses and Commonalty of the said Town and their Successors that they should have perceive and receive in addition to the reparation of the Bridge of the said Town and of the walls Towers Quays and Pavements thereof and from all Merchandizes imported to the said Town or Harbour of Drogheda and of and from all Merchandize exported from the said Town or Harbour as well by Land as by Water the Customs and Impositions therein mentioned and amongst others for every Barrel of Beer Oats and other Grain to be sold one penny

See Extract from said Charter
I read the Charter D.V.

King William the third by his Letters Patent of 2d March 10th Year of his Reign ratified and confirmed to the said Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses and Commons and their Successors for ever that they should and might have hold and enjoy as well all & singular the Liberties Privileges and Jurisdictions therein mentioned as also every other Liberty Privilege and Franchises Immunity Jurisdiction Right of Admiralty Jurisdiction and Profits thereof Free Customs Tolls Concessions and Donations whatsoever and all their former ancient Rights Tolls Customs and Usages whatsoever granted them by any of his Predecessors Kings or Queens of England by reason of any Use Custom or lawful Prescription whatsoever in as full large and ample and beneficial Manner as said Grants donations and Concessions were at first made given & granted or intended to be given and granted or have been at any Time or Times theretofore lawfully held used and enjoyed by the said Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses and Commons or any of their Predecessors and that they should for ever enjoy the said Liberties Privileges Franchises Quittances Immunities Jurisdictions Concessions Donations and free Customs whatsoever in as full large ample and beneficial manner as the said Grants Donations and Concessions were at first made given and granted or intended to be given and granted or ever were at any Time or Times theretofore held used and enjoyed by the said Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses and Commons or any of their Predecessors—

Item

See Copy said Charter &c—
I read it D.V.—

There has been uniformly hitherto demanded and paid for every Barrel of Oats imported into or passing thro' the Town of Drogheda by the inland Navigation connecting the Towns of Drogheda and Navan one half penny as

as and for Gate Custom Tolls—

This Navigation has been established upwards of twenty Years and except in the instance hereafter mentioned the Right of the Corporation to this Toll never has been disputed or called in Question—

Item

1808 July 3rd About this Time Mr Matthew Codd a Corn Merchant living in Navan and who had constantly paid the Toll presented a Petition to the Corporation against the Exaction of this Toll as an Imposition not demandable as of Right and which the Corporation ought not nor could not by Law enforce—

See Copy Petition
I have read it—

July 15th This Petition was by a General Assembly referred to a Committee to consider same and report their Opinion thereon and at a Special General Assembly held 30th May 1809 It was ordered that a Case should be prepared relative to the Gate Customs or Tolls payable to the Corporation for Goods carried by Water to and from Navan to Drogheda and that same should be laid before Mr Recorder for his Opinion to be laid before the next General Assembly

You will please to consider this Case and advise on behalf of the Corporation whether or not the Gate Custom or Toll hitherto demanded and paid can of Right and by Law be demanded and payment thereof be enforced and by what Means and whether the Prayer of Mr Codds Petition should be complied with and generally please to advise the Corporation as to the Line of Conduct to be observed by them and their Officers on the present Occasion and in all similar Instances in future—

Mr Recorder's Opinion thereon

I am of Opinion that the Corporation of Drogheda have a Right to the Toll in Question—viz. one penny for every Barrel of Oats exported from, imported to, or sold in the Town of Drogheda by any Person not a Freeman thereof and that it is immaterial whether the Corn is carried into the Town by Land or by Water, and I would recommend that the Toll should be levied in the usual Way, and that if Mr Codd or any other Person should take any legal Proceeding against the Corporation that it should not deter them from asserting their Rights, but that they should take Defence to the same—

Signed Peter Van Homrigh
12 Upper Gardiner Street
July 3rd 1809—

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A full transcript of this present Volume II was made by me, occupying many hours during many months, and then revised and now finished by me this day, Ashwednesday, in the year of our Lord 1912.

Rev Thomas Gogarty.
Catholic Curate
Parochial House
Ardee.

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