Accounts passed.

The following Accounts having passed the Committee of Accounts the same were duly examined and ordered to be paid.

Austin Nicholls' Account for Sundry Works from April to September 1833	£20.16.4	
Do for Sinking Wells	20.15.10	41.12.2
Mr Leland's Account for Coals to this date		12.9.4
The late Town Clerk's Account for Sundry Writings		16.9.3
Joseph Holmes Town Clerk for Writings and Stamps to this date		27.18.4½
James M'Carmey's Account for Sundry postages		.18.7
Charles F. Colliers' Account for Paper, Books &c to this date		17.16.4
James Trotter for Painting Work		13.16.11
Thomas Beddy's Account for Harness &c		4.17.~
Peter Tegart's Account for clothing Town Serjeants &c		51.19.6
Samuel Thompson's Account for Sweeping Chimneys in Theatre		.7.~
Total amount passed this day		£187.19.5½

The Account of Austin Nicholls for altering repairing, and fitting up the Town Clerk's Office, and which had been executed without any order from the Mayor was directed now to be paid, having been referred from the Committee of Accounts to the General Assembly, Amount £13.17.7½

Account of Christopher Jordan to be Sworn to.

Also the Account of Christopher Jordan Chandler referred by the Committee was directed to be paid upon the usual Affidavit being made that the Goods were furnished, Amount

Secretary to Committee of Accounts

Alderman W. B. Fairtlough who held the situation of Secretary to the Committee of Accounts for the past year this day resigned said office, and Alderman Graves Ackland who had formerly held the situation declined the future acceptance of same.

Mr John Crawford appointed.

Whereupon Alderman Graves Ackland moved, and it was thereordered that Mr John Crawford be appointed to the office of Secretary to the Committee of Accounts at the Salary hitherto paid.

Qua. Post Assembly 15 January 1834

At a Quarterly Post Assembly held before John Chesshire Esqre, Mayor, George Murphy, and John Fairtlough Esqrs Sheriffs, the Aldermen being present on Wednesday the 15th day of January 1834

There was not any business preferred for the consideration of this Assembly.

Gen: Qua: Assembly 17 January 1834.

At a General Quarterly Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs, the Aldermen and Common Council being present on Friday the 17th day of January 1834

Proceedings of former Assembly read

Vacancy in the Office of Mace Bearer &c

A Vacancy having occurred by the death of Mr Benjamin Smith in the Offices of Mace Bearer and Collector of the Rents of the Tour of Saint John's, and also of the Commons Funds.

Peter Tegart elected Mace Bearer in room of B: Smith

It was moved by Alderman Latham Fairtlough, seconded by Mr Robert Thompson that Mr Peter Tegart be elected to the office of Mace Bearer, upon which he was unanimously elected, and agreeably to usage in this respect he vacated his seat in the Common Council

Mr Geo: G: Ackland elected Agent to the Commons Fund and Tour of St John's in room of B: Smith.

It was then moved by Alderman Hardman, seconded by Alderman William Fairtlough, that Alderman Graves Ackland be elected to the Office of Collector of the Tour of Saint John's, and the Commons Fund; and Mr Edward Atkinson having moved that Alderman H. Fairtlough be elected to the said office, which was seconded by Mr Obadiah Wisdom, and the question having been put from the Chair, a Ballot was demanded, after which the Assembly divided instead of Balloting, when there appeared

For Alderman Ackland 22

For Alderman H&B Fairtlough 13

And thereupon Mr Ackland was elected by a majority of 9

Committee to inspect receipts of late Receiver of Commons Funds — Treasurer's Account examined —

The following Committee was then appointed to inspect the Accounts of the late Mr Smith as Treasurer of the before mentioned Funds, and to report thereon previously to Mr Ackland entering upon the Office.

Aldermen Sir George Smith, Ralph Smyth, and William Fairtlough, with Messrs John Crawford, and Obadiah Wisdom, to be assisted by Mr Ackland.

The Treasurer's Account of his Receipts and Expenditure from the 18th of April 1833 to the 10th of January instant by which a Balance of £127.3.7¼ appeared due to the Treasurer was examined and approved of.

Said Account also contained particular Debts and Items to be then paid amounting to £791.6.7½ with Arrears of Rent due at Michaelmas 1832 by the Tenants of the Corporation as therein returned, amounting to £816.9.9½. The Treasurer's Balance is not included in the foregoing sum due by the Corporation.

Petitions for relief referred to Easter Assembly

The Petition of Mercy Chambers Widow for relief occasioned by the death of her husband, who was a Freeman, from Cholera, and also from the death of her Son from the same cause, by which the Petitioner and her three Children were left unprovided for.

Also the Petition of Thomas Apperson the Son of a Freeman who had lost the use of one of his hands and was thereby disabled from following his Trade praying for relief and assistance to carry on some Shop Business in which he is engaged

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The foregoing Petitions being read, were, on the motion of Alderman H.B. Fairclough referred to the next Easter Assembly when the Corporation will be informed of the State of the Funds from the Foot of Saint John's and the Commons rents.

Salary of Chief Constable increased to 80 Guineas

The Memorial of James M'Cartney Chief Constable praying that his Salary which had been reduced from 80 guineas to £60 might be restored to the original sum.

The prayer of this Memorial was moved by Sheriff Fairclough — seconded by Alderman Anderson, and being opposed an amendment was moved by Alderman St George Smith, seconded by Alderman William Fairclough, that Memorialist be ordered a sum of £25 as a present Grant upon which the motion on the Amendment was put from the Chair, and a Ballot having been demanded, there appeared

For the Amendment	13 White Beans
And against same	22 Black

A Ballot was then demanded by Alderman Donagh upon the original motion when there appeared

For restoring the Salary to 80 Gs	25 White Beans
And against the motion	10 Black

The prayer of the Memorial was therefore granted by a majority of 15

Memorials referred to Auditors Viewers

The following Memorials were referred to the Auditors and Viewers to report thereon to the next Assembly.

That of Judith Regan Widow, on the motion of Mr Obadiah Wisdom seconded by Mr T. North for an abatement in the rent of the Premises stated in the Memorial.

That of Alderman H: B: Fairclough on the motion of Alderman L: Fairclough by Alderman T: B: Hardman to the same effect, by reason of the decrease in the price of Agricultural produce since Memorialist became tenant, and the increased taxation to which the Land had been subjected, and only requiring a reasonable reduction while the markets remained in a depressed state.

Also that of Francis Forde of Carnalley in the County Armagh Gentleman a Freeman, Son of James Forde late an Alderman, for renewal of four several Leases as stated in the Memorial, upon the usual terms, the Interests whereof respectively were vested in Memorialist.

John Crawford elected a Boyne Commissioner

Notice having been given by the Secretary of the Boyne Commissioners of the necessity of electing a Commissioner in the room of James J Greene Jr was moved by Alderman William Fairclough, seconded by Alderman Hardman that Mr John Crawford be elected, and he was elected accordingly.

The Treasurer having laid before the Assembly a Letter from Mr John Skeoge Attorney dated 12th December last, requiring on the part of

Miss Acton the payment of Five Debentures of £100 each of the late Currency on the 20th instant.

£500 to be borrowed to pay off Miss Acton's Debentures.

The Town Clerk was then instructed to advertise for the loan of £500 wherewith to pay this demand, and that he be at liberty without further order to prepare Debentures and have same signed and sealed to such persons as should be disposed to advance the sum required.

Motion Mr Clarke relative to holding open Meetings negatived

Mr Clark being called upon to move upon the Notice given by him at the last Assembly "~~That the future meetings of this Corporation be open to the public the same now accordingly moved by Mr Clark, and seconded by Alderman Latham Fairclough~~" an Amendment was moved by Mr Wisdom, seconded by Alderman William Fairclough, that the Question be taken into consideration this day six months. The motion on the Amendment having been put from the Chair, the same was carried on a division without Ballot and with only two dissentients.

Said Motion to be rescinded from the Assembly Book

It was then moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Mr Wisdom that the motion made by Mr Clark be rescinded from the Minuts of this Assembly, which was accordingly agreed to with but two dissentients.

Market House Committee

Mr Clark moved and was seconded by Alderman Graves Ackland that the following Committee be appointed to put the Market House in a permanent state of repair

Alderman St George Smith, Messrs Jear. W. Leland, Thomas Beddy and John Crawford, to whom were added Messrs Clock and Ackland, the Mover and Seconder.

Accounts Paving Committee

The Accounts of the Paving Committee were laid by Alderman Graves Ackland before the Assembly, which had been previously vouched and examined by the Committee of Accounts and same were now approved of.

Notice Motion Alderman Wm Fairclough

Alderman William Fairclough gives notice that he will at the next Assembly move that all the reductions of Salaries and Pensions, which were made under the Report of the last Committee of Economy, be annulled, and that same be restored to their former amount, and that the Interest on Debentures be increased from their present rate to six per cent.

do do Mr Atkinson

Mr Atkinson gives notice that he will at the next Assembly move that the Salary of James M'Cartney Chief Constable be reduced from its present amount as ordered by this Assembly to the sum of £60, which he has been in the habit of receiving.

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Mr Atkinson also gives notice that he will at the next Assembly move that all decisions of this Body be taken by a Division of the Members present, and not by Ballot as hitherto.

Letter from Mr Nicholls relative to

Mr Mayor laid before the Assembly a letter to him dated the 15th instant from Austin Nicholls, Architect, giving his opinion upon the

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a fowl Market

practicability of converting Premises on the South side of William Street which had been heretofore used as a Theatre, into a Market for the sale of Fowl, Butter and Eggs, the persons engaged in selling such description of provisions being at present exposed on the Old Corn Market without Shelter

Not entertained there not being a sufficient number form an Assembly.

Mr Nicholls stated he had examined the premises by direction of His Worship, and although he had not made an exact calculation of the expense to be incurred yet he thought £150 with the old materials would carry the object into effect.

Upon this Report being about to be considered the House was required to be counted, and there not being a sufficient number of Common Council present, the subject was not entertained.

Spc: Gen: Assembly 10th March 1834 to Address Baron Smith Congratulatory of the result of the late proceedings in House of Commons

At a Special General Assembly of the Corporation of Drogheda convened by requisition held before John Chesshire Esq Mayor the Sheriffs, Aldermen, and Common Council being present at the Tholsel on Monday the 10th day of March 1834

The Requisition for calling the Meeting being read by the Mayor It was Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman F. B. Hardman that an Address be voted by this Corporation to The Honble Baron Sir William Cusack Smith Baronet congratulatory on the result of the late proceedings in the House of Commons, which were with a view to enquiry into his conduct as a Judge presiding at Commission and on Circuit by the introduction into his charges to the Grand Juries of political matter irrelevant to the crimes on the Calendars, and also for late Sittings at the commencement and close of business

The question that such Address be voted having been put from the Chair It was unanimously agreed to that the learned Judge should be so addressed.

Committee to prepare the Address

Whereupon Alderman F. B. Fairclough moved, in which he was seconded by Mr James Greene that the following Committee be named to prepare the Address. Aldermen F. B. Hardman, Francis Anderson, W. Fairclough, Messrs Thomas North, and Andrew Armstrong, to whom were added the Mover and Seconder.

The Committee having retired to prepare the Address returned with the following.

Address to Baron Smith

"We the Mayor, Sheriffs, Aldermen, and Common Council of the "County of the Town of Drogheda having witnessed with feelings of Indignation "the attempts which have lately been made to reflect on your judicial character, "beg leave to offer you our warmest congratulations on the signal defeat by

"which the designs of your Enemies have been so happily frustrated, and the purity "of your character fully and triumphantly vindicated.

"We have long in common with a large portion of our fellow "Countrymen, admired the zeal, ability, and unimpeachability, with which you have "discharged the duties of your important station, and of which, whilst you have "adorned it with your eloquence and profound learning, you have lost no opportunity "of asserting the independence, by an open and manly avowal of the soundest constitutional "principles; neither have you been deterred from denouncing the promoters of sedition "and outrage, nor from raising your warning voice to guard a deluded peasantry "from the machinations of the crafty and unprincipled demagogue.

"That such a character should become obnoxious to the turbulent and "disaffected whose aim is to uproot the established Institutions of the Country, to "overthrow the Constitution and to dissever the Empire itself, cannot be a "matter of surprize to any one, nor is it extraordinary that they should seek "through your person to stifle the voice of the Judgment Seat, and to deter "the upright and talented Magistrates presiding thereon from exposing "their wicked and revolutionary designs.

"We trust however that regardless of their impotent attacks, you will "continue fearlessly to display the same watchful care of the public peace "which has hitherto marked your conduct, and has justly entitled you to "the gratitude of every true friend of his Country."

Agreed to

The Address being read by Alderman Hardman It was then moved by Alderman St George Smith in which he was seconded by Alderman F. Anderson, that the same be adopted which was unanimously agreed to.

To be forwarded and Address to be advertised in 4 News Papers

And it was Resolved that a Copy of said Address be forwarded by his Worship to Baron Smith in the most respectful manner, to be directed to him at Maryboro', being on Circuit, and that his Worship do apprize Baron Smith that the Address under the Common Seal of the Corporation will be transmitted to his Residence near Dublin, and that when the answer of Baron Smith should be received, the Address and Answer be inserted in the Dublin Journal, Evening Mail, Evening Packet, and Warder, and that the Treasurer of this Corporation be authorised to pay the expense of advertising without further order.

Qua: Post Assembly 9 April 1834

At a Quarterly Post Assembly held before John Chesshire Esqr Mayor, George Murphy, and John Fairclough Esqres, Sheriffs, the Aldermen being present on Wednesday the 9th day of April 1834

There was not any business preferred for the consideration of this Assembly.

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Gen: Qua: Assembly
11 April 1834

At a General Quarterly Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs, the Aldermen and Common Council being present on Friday the 11th day of April 1834.

Proceedings of former Assembly read.

The following Memorial being presented was read.

Memorial from Guild of Tailors

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

"The Memorial of the Master, Wardens, and Brethren of the "Corporation of Tailors or Guild of Saint John the Baptist.

"Sheweth

"That a vacancy has occurred in the representation of this Hall in "consequence of the resignation of Mr Peter Fegan lately appointed to fill the "situation of Mace Bearer in the room of the late Mr Benjamin Smith deceased.

"That having assembled for the purpose of leaving fit and proper "persons to be returned, one of whom to be chosen to fill the vacancy so created. "We beg leave to submit to your consideration the following persons, being "free Members of this Hall, one of whom to be elected to fill up said vacancy

"And We will pray

"Mr Peter Fegan	"Austin Nicholls	Master"
"Mr Anthy Bowling	"Thomas Grendon	} Wardens"
"Mr John Elliott	"John Crawford	

Peter Fegan proposed to represent same but objected to from his holding the Office of Mace Bearer.

Moved by Alderman Latham Fairclough, Seconded by Alderman John Ackland that Mr Peter Fegan be elected to represent the Guild of Tailors which had become vacant by his having accepted the office of Mace Bearer

This Motion was objected to as being contrary to usage hitherto that the Mace Bearer should have a seat in the Assembly, and upon discussion of the subject It was Resolved that the consideration of the Memorial be for the present postponed - and upon the motion of Alderman L. Fairclough, seconded by Mr Thompson, a Committee to consist of Alderman Graves Ackland, Messrs Atkinson and Thomas North be empowered to examine the Committee appointed to inspect Corporation Books and report at next Meeting if there be any rule disqualifying Mace bearer from sitting in the Assembly

Books previous to the next meeting and report whether there is any rule existing causing the Mace Bearer to be ineligible to sit as a Member of this Assembly.

Notice Motion Mr G. Ackland

Alderman Graves Ackland gives notice that he will at the next Quarterly Assembly move that the usage or Bye Law hitherto acted upon that the Officers of Sword and Mace do not have seats in the Assembly be rescinded.

The following Memorial being presented was read.

Memorial from Guild of Smiths

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

"The Memorial of the Masters, Wardens, and Brethren of the "Corporation of Smiths or Guild of St Loy.

"Sheweth - That a vacancy has occurred in the representation of this Hall

"occasioned by the death of Mr Peter M'Conchy one of our late Representatives.

"That having assembled for the purpose of selecting fit and proper "persons to be returned, one of whom to be chosen to fill the vacancy so created, "We beg leave to submit to your consideration the three following persons, being "Free Members of this Hall, one of whom to be elected to fill up said vacancy

"Mr Thomas Grendon	Peter Fegan	Master
"Mr Edward Dowling	Thos North	} Wardens"
"Mr John Jones.		

Thomas Grendon elected to represent same.

Mr Thompson moved that Mr Thomas Grendon be elected to fill the vacancy in this Guild which being seconded by Mr Thomas North, he was accordingly elected, whereupon he was introduced and sworn as a Common Council man, and took his seat at the Board accordingly.

Alderman Anderson proposed that Alderman Cooper be elected Mayor for the ensuing year, and his motion was seconded by the Recorder.

Alderman Henzell proposed that Alderman W.B. Fairclough be elected as next in rotation to fill the office, in which he was seconded by Alderman Donagh.

Alderman Cooper addressed the Chair, and requested that under the circumstances he might not be put in nomination, which being acceded to, Alderman Anderson then proposed that Alderman George Henry Ferdland be elected to the office of Mayor for the ensuing year, and which motion being seconded by Mr Thompson a Ballot was thereupon demanded when there appeared for the election of Alderman W.B. Fairclough 34

and for the election of Alderman G.H. Ferdland 9

Alderman Fairclough was accordingly elected by a majority of 25

Alderman Cooper proposed to be elected Mayor for ensuing year.

Alderman W.B. Fairclough proposed to be Mayor Elect.

Mr Cooper requests he may not be put in Nomination.

Alderman G.H. Ferdland proposed as Mayor Elect

Alderman Fairclough Mayor Elect

Patrick Darbey was proposed by Alderman Anderson as one of the Sheriffs for the ensuing year in which he was seconded by Alderman John Ackland.

Thomas Grendon was proposed by Alderman William Fairclough to be one of the Sheriffs for the ensuing year, in which he was seconded by Alderman Cooper

George Harpur was proposed by Alderman Henry Fairclough, seconded by Thomas North

William Rodger was proposed by Alderman Donagh and seconded by Alderman St George Smith.

A Ballot being demanded for the election of two persons from the foregoing.

There appeared for Patrick Darbey ____ 20

for Thomas Grendon ____ 35

for George Harpur ____ 27

for William Rodger ____ 8

Whereupon Messrs Thomas Grendon and George Harpur were declared to be duly elected Sheriffs for the ensuing year.

Thomas Grendon and George Harpur Sheriffs Elect, to be

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certified to Government

Ordered

That the election of the Mayor and Sheriffs thus made be certified to Government for approval.

The Petition of Ann Smith was read, seeking by reason of her advanced age and infirmity to be allowed to retire from her situation of Housekeeper of the Mayoralty House which she had filled for 30 years, and praying upon such retirement for some yearly allowance for the few remaining years that she could expect to live, being without means of support, and having lately by the death of her Brother, been deprived of the assistance he had rendered her.

Ann Smith allowed to resign Situation of Housekeeper and granted a Pension of £20.

It was moved by Alderman Huey, seconded by Alderman William Fairclough that the said Anne Smith be allowed to retire, and that in consideration of her length of Services she be granted an annuity of £20 from the Corporation Funds, which being put from the Chair the same was agreed to.

Elizabeth Smith appointed House Keeper to the Mayoralty House

The Memorial of Elizabeth Smith was then read praying to be appointed to the situation of Housekeeper to the Mayoralty House, vacant by the retirement of Anne Smith, being acquainted with the duties of the situation from the assistance she had from time to time afforded to Ann Smith, and the prayer of the Petition being moved by Alderman Huey, seconded by Alderman William Fairclough, the question was put from the Chair, and she was appointed to the situation of Housekeeper of the Mayoralty House, at the Salary paid to her Predecessor.

Memorial of James Greene

The Memorial of James Greene, Sword Bearer, being read, praying that the compensation which had been made for certain perquisites attendant upon the situation of Clerk of the Market might be restored to the sum of £30 yearly, having been reduced by the Committee of Economy to £20, and regretting the necessity of the application to which he was driven by great distress, occasioned by lengthened sickness, and consequent infirmity, and rendered unable to pursue his profession.

£20 granted to James Greene A:D:

It was moved by Alderman Cooper, seconded by Alderman Hardman that the prayer of the Memorial be granted, which being objected to, the matter underwent discussion, and it was Resolved that instead of granting the prayer of the Memorial, the Treasurer be at Liberty from the Corporate funds to hand him the Sum of £20. as an assistance for his distressed situation.

Petitions for relief referred

The several Petitions of Nicholas Berford, Thomas Cyld, Jane Bollard, Mary Kuclon, Ann Watson, and Eliza Callaghan, severally praying for relief, were referred to the next Meeting to enable an examination to be made of the Accounts of Benjamin Smith the late Treasurer to the Commons Fund so that the Assembly may be informed what money was applicable.

And the several previous petitions for relief on the same Fund were referred for the same purpose.

Treasurer's Account

The Treasurer's Account for the past year ending at Easter and May 1833 was laid before the Assembly for examination, which comprised the Receipts for that period, and the disbursements classified under their various heads, from which Account, it appeared that the amount of the arrears at Easter and May 1833, was ——— £891. 15. 11¼

And on foot of the Account generally of Receipts and Expenditures there was a Balance due to the Treasurer of ——— 87. 5. 4

Memorial of Mrs Kegan referred to Auditors & Viewers.

The Memorial of Judith Kegan, Widow, as Representative of the late James Kegan praying to be allowed to surrender a Lease of the 4th Lot of the South Commons, and also a Lease of a House and Fare Yard in Jobn Street as therein particularly mentioned, by reason of the loss on agricultural produce, and depression on House property, having been read, the same was referred to the consideration of the Auditors and Viewers.

Memorial of William Rodger referred to Auditors & Viewers

It was also the Memorial of William Rodger, Merchant, praying that he might be at Liberty to give down to Thomas per annum two Houses in Fair Street to which he had become Tenant in 1825 at £48.15.0 Yearly Rent Irish Currency, and paid a Fine of £162.10.0. of the same Currency, as the said Premises had considerably fallen in value.

Memorial of William Cairnes referred to Auditors & Viewers

The Memorial of William Cairnes, Malster and Brewer, being read, stating that he had become possessed of two Houses with Gardens at the rere in St James's Street adjoining his own Concerns, which had been granted in Lease to the late Alderman Donagh for 99 years from Michaelmas 1777, and being desirous of making lasting and valuable improvements, Memorialist prayed to be allowed to surrender said Lease, and requested a new Grant for 141 years from Michaelmas last, upon such terms as might be considered reasonable, undertaking at any future period to surrender such portion of the premises as might be considered necessary for the formation of a Quay.

It was moved by Alderman Hardman, seconded by Alderman William Fairclough that the Memorial be referred to the Auditors and Viewers, which being objected to by reason of the length of the Term in being, a Ballot was demanded when there appeared

For referring the Memorial — 32 White Beans
And against referring it — 5 Black Beans

The same was thereupon referred by a majority of 27.

Memorial of Alderman H: F: Fairclough referred back

The Report of the Auditors and Viewers on the Memorial which was referred to them at the last Assembly, of Alderman H: F: Fairclough for granting to him a reasonable reduction on the several Lanes mentioned in the Memorial,

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to Auditors Viewers with instructions

by reason of the depressed State of agricultural produce, to be continued only, until Grain arrived at a remunerating price, having been moved upon by Mr Thompson after it was read, to the effect that the rate of reduction should be settled by the Assembly, as the Auditors and Viewers had declined the responsibility of coming to a decision on the actual reduction to be made. It was moved as an amendment that the Report of the Auditors and Viewers be referred back for further consideration with instructions to state the particulars of each Holding and when leased - the average prices of Corn and Grain at those several periods, and also to state as far as they are enabled what might be considered a reasonable reduction to be made. A Ballot was then demanded on such amendment, when there appeared

For referring back the Report 25 White Beans
And against 12 13: Beans

Upon which the amendment was carried by a majority of 13.

Return of Pensioners on Common Fund to be furnished to the Agent

Resolved

That the Town Clerk do furnish to the Agent of the Common Fund a Return of the several Pensioners with the amount of Pension, when admitted on the Books, and the cause or reason for admission as well as same can be ascertained.

Notice Motion Mr Clarke

Mr Clarke gives notice that at the next Assembly he will move that the several Lands which were leased by the Corporation at the rate of 5 pounds and upwards by the acre be reduced at the rate of 20 per cent

Auditors and Viewers for ensuing year

It being necessary at this Assembly to elect Auditors and Viewers for the ensuing year, a general Ballot for the purpose took place when the following Aldermen and Common Council men were chosen

1 Townley B. Hardman	4 Ralph Smyth	Aldermen
2 St George Smith	5 Graves Ackland	
3 William Fawcett Gough	6 H. B. Fawcett Esq	
7 Robert Thompson	12 Justice Nicholls	Common Council
8 Thomas North	13 Thomas Baddy	
9 Edward Atkinson	14 Thomas Gordon	
10 Obadiah Wisdom	15 George R. Clarke	
11 John Crawford		

Plate and Address to be presented to the Town Clerk for his services in making the late Returns to Parliament

It was moved by Mr Atkinson, seconded by Mr John Crawford and Resolved That a sum not exceeding £50 be granted for the purpose of purchasing Plate to be presented with an Address and suitable Inscription to Alderman Joseph Holmes Town Clerk, in testimony of our Esteem for his services in rendering the Returns required by Parliament in reference to the funds of this Corporation and application

and also for his attendance before the Commissioners of Corporation Enquiry.

thereof, and for his attendance before the Commissioners at the late Corporate Inquiry. And that the following Committee with the Mayor and Sheriffs be requested to convey the foregoing into effect

Alderman Hardman, R. Smyth, William Fawcett Gough

With the Mover, and Seconder.

Notice Motion Mr Shegog

Mr Shegog gives notice that he will at the next Assembly move that instead of the present mode of election for Auditors and Viewers, they be selected by Ballot from the names of the Aldermen resident within the County or within three miles thereof, so as to select six; and from the names of the Common Council within the same precincts so as to select 9 - the different names to be put into balloting Boxes on Slips of paper by the Town Clerk and to be drawn until the numbers are complete.

Assembly adjourned

Adjourned to the 14 of May next.

Adjt Gen. Qua: Assembly 14 May 1834.

At an adjournment of the General Quarterly Assembly held before the Mayor and Sheriffs, the Aldermen and Common Council being present on ___ the 14 day of May 1834 ___

Proceedings of former Assembly read.

Report of Committee appointed to inspect Corporation Books to ascertain if Mace Bearer incapacitated from sitting in Assembly.

The following Report from the Committee appointed at the last Assembly to inspect the Corporation Books to ascertain whether there were any and what rules existing to incapacitate the Mace Bearer from sitting in the Assembly being read viz: "We the undersigned do certify that we "have this day carefully examined the Corporation Books, and have not "found anything contained therein to prevent the Mace Bearer from "holding his place in the Assembly of this Corporation. Dated the 14 May "1834. John Chesshire, Mayor, George Murphy Sheriff. Robert Thompson"

Report received. Mr Peter Fegan elected Representative of Guild of Tailors.

It was moved and seconded that the Report be received, and that Mr Peter Fegan be elected to represent the Guild of Tailors, which motion being opposed, and such opposition being subsequently withdrawn, Mr Fegan was thereupon duly elected a Representative of the Guild of Tailors, and was then called in and sworn and took his place at the Board

Death of Jas Greene M.D. Sword Bearer notified

Alderman St George Smith having notified to the Assembly that by the death this day of Mr James Greene M.D. a vacancy had occurred in the situations of Sword Bearer and Clerk of the Markets which were held by him.

James Greene Son of Deceased elected Sword Bearer

It was moved by Mr Smith, in which he was seconded by Robert Fenland Esqr that James Greene the son of the deceased be elected to fill said Vacancies; and the motion having been put from the Chair, the said James Greene was unanimously elected Sword Bearer

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Salary £25.

and Clerk of the Markets.

It was then moved and seconded that the Salary in future should be £25 per annum, upon which an amendment was made by Mr George Clarke, seconded by Mr Thomas North that same should not exceed £20, upon which a Ballot was demanded when there appeared

For the amendment 8 Black Beans
For the original motion 21 White Beans
Majority for the original motion 13

Salary therefore £25 per annum.

Alderman G: Ackland who had recently been elected Agent to the Commons Fund and for the Poor of St Johns, having produced to the Assembly for the purpose of affording information respecting the State of those Funds as required at the Assembly held in January last in reference to the Petitions then presented for relief, Abstracts of the Accounts of the late Agent Benjamin Smith, as taken from his Books, when there appeared on foot of his Account as Manager for the Freeholders of Saint Johns Poor, a balance to be due by him amounting to £13. 13. 4

Abstract of Accounts of Benj.n Smith dec.d late Receiver of Commons Funds and Poor of St. John's produced.

And upon the foot of his Account as Agent for the Commons Fund as per his Books a Balance of £3. 17. 6½ to which was added different other sums not entered in his Books, and unaccounted for, amounting to £75. 13. 6½, amounting after giving Credit as in said Abstract for £1 paid to Thomas Latimer, and 15/3½ to Catherine Sloane, to 77. 15. 1

Making a deficiency in the Effects of £91. 8. 6

Gyfs deficiency by late Receiver £91. 8. 6

The foregoing Accounts being examined it was moved by Edward Atkinson, seconded by Alderman G: Ackland, that the Law Agent be directed to write to Miss Ann and Elizabeth Smith, Sisters of the deceased with whom he lived, and in whose house he died, for information respecting this arrear, the greater portion of the monies having been paid previous to his decease, and that he do report to the next Assembly the answer he shall receive, in reference to such ulterior measures as may become necessary to have recourse to in case satisfactory information should not be afforded, with a view to the Corporation being imbursed from Funds received by the Miss Smith from the Corporation over which they might be called upon to exercise control.

Law Agent to write to the Sisters of the deceased for information as to Money received by deceased previous to his death and to report answer to next Assembly.

It was moved by F.W. Leland Esqre that inasmuch as since the Report of the Committee of Economy in 1829 which recommended that the Salary of Mace Bearer should cease upon the death of the then Office, the Emoluments arising from the Office, the amount of which it was stated was the cause of the then recommendation, have much decreased, that Mr Fegan the person now appointed do receive a Salary of £16 per annum, and which being seconded by Boothdoomer

Mace Bearer to have a Salary of £16 p.r Ann.

Van Homrigh Esqre, the motion was put from the Chair, and for the reasons stated the same was granted.

Memorial of Alds. Fairbrough not proceeded upon for want of further Report from Committee.

Mr Edward Atkinson having referred to the motion made at the last Assembly for referring back the Memorial of Alderman H. B. Fairbrough to the Auditors and Viewers for further consideration, and there being no report upon the subject lodged with the Town Clerk, the matter could not be further proceeded upon.

Motion by Mr Edward Atkinson that Chief Constable's Salary be reduced to £60 Not seconded

Mr Edward Atkinson moves upon the notice given by him at the Assembly held in January last, that the Salary of the Chief Constable be reduced to the sum of £60 which had thereto fore been received by him, which motion not being seconded, the matter was not further proceeded upon.

Notice by Alderman St George Smith and Ald.n Dowagh that they will require to be paid the sums due to them respectively by this Corporation, for which they hold Debentures.

Alderman St George Smith, and Alderman Dowagh give notice that they will require to be paid the sums due to them respectively by this Corporation, for which they hold Debentures.

Salary of P. McKenna Marshall increased to £20.

The Petition of Patrick McKenna, Marshall, having been read, praying that for the reasons therein, and particularly for the decrease of Fees that he had formerly received as Marshall, and also from losses of Emoluments which had been abolished by Law, his Salary should be restored to the sum of £20 formerly received by him, instead of £10, to which it had been reduced under the Report of the Committee of Economy in 1829. The Prayer of the Petition was moved by Mr Clark seconded by Mr Fegan, which being opposed, a Ballot was demanded when there appeared

For the Motion 13
Against granting the Motion 12
Majority 1

Notice of Motion by Alds.n G: Ackland that Grant of Additional Salary to Marshall be rescinded.

Alderman G: Ackland gives notice that he will at the next Assembly move that the Grant of additional Salary to the Marshall be rescinded.

Treasurer to furnish Law Agent with List of Tenants in arrear.

Resolved

That the Treasurer do furnish to the Law Agent a List of the arrears due by the several Tenants, and that he take the necessary Steps for the recovery of said arrears.

Notice of Motion by Mr Atkinson that Chief Constable's Salary be reduced to £60.

Mr Edward Atkinson gives notice that he will at the next Assembly move that the Salary of the Chief Constable be reduced from its present amount to the sum recommended by the Finance Committee viz: £60 per annum.

Petitions for relief not moved upon.

Several Petitions for relief which had been laid before previous Assemblies were brought before the consideration of the Meeting by the Town Clerk, but from the State of the Commons Funds, and Poor of Saint Johns, same were not moved upon by any Member, and therefore not proceeded upon.

Petition of Eliza Callaghan

The Petition of Elizabeth Callaghan for relief was withdrawn

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withdrawn

Petition of John Cowley Tenant to part of South Commons for remission of rent not moved upon.

by Mr Wisdom, which had been presented at last Easter Assembly.

The Petition of John Cowly Tenant to part of the South Commons for reduction of Rent from the increase of Local Taxation, Cess, and Tythe, being read, the same not being moved was not further proceeded upon.

Petition of Eliza Blogg for relief not considered.

The Petition of Eliza Blogg daughter of the late John Blogg Sergeant at Mace, being read, praying for relief by reason of ill health and want of employment, and having to support a Sister, who from weakness of intellect was unable to support herself, It was moved by Mr Van Norwigh, seconded by R. Fenlland Esqre that she be granted a sum of £5, which being opposed and at the same time it was moved that the House be counted, when there not being a sufficient number of the Common Council present, the Meeting was dissolved.

Meeting dissolved House counted out.

Qua: Post Assembly 11 July 1834

At a Quarterly Post Assembly held before John Chesshire Esquire Mayor, George Murphy and John Tarbrough Esqrs, Sheriffs, the Aldermen being present on Wednesday the 16th day of July 1834.

There was not any Business preferred for the consideration of this Assembly.

Gen: Qua: Assembly 18th July 1834

At a General Quarterly Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs, the Aldermen and Common Council being present on Friday the 18th day of July 1834.

Proceedings of former Assembly read.

The following Memorial or Return from the Master, Wardens, and Brethren of the Guild of Butchers being presented, was read.

Memorial from Guild of Butchers.

"To the Worshipful the Mayor, Sheriffs Burgesses, and Commons of "the County of the Town of Drogheda.

"The Memorial of the Master, Wardens, and Brethren of the Guild of Butchers

"Sheweth

"That by the death of Francis North late Representative of the Guild "aforesaid a vacancy has been made in the representation of said Guild.

"That in order to supply the vacancy so occurring as aforesaid We the "said Master, Wardens, and Brethren in Common Hall assembled have elected "and do hereby return John Van Norwigh, John Dowdall, and William "Dawson Junr, three Brethren of said Guild in order that your Worships "may select one of said persons to supply the vacancy so occasioned by "the death aforesaid.

"And they will pray.

" 5th July 1834.

" John Shegog } Master
" G.W. Crawford } Wardens "

William Dawson the younger proposed to represent Guild of Butchers Elected.

It was then moved by Alderman L. Tarbrough, and seconded by Mr North that William Dawson the younger be elected to represent the Guild of Butchers in the room of Francis North deceased, and the question having been put from the Chair, he was unanimously elected.

Sworn.

Whereupon William Dawson the younger was introduced and sworn as a Common Council man, and took his seat at the Board accordingly.

Letter from Alderman WB Tarbrough Mayor Elect, notifying inability to serve being under Orders for India

Resignation of Mayor Elect Received.

The Town Clerk having read a letter from Alderman William B. Tarbrough Mayor elect, dated Chatham 13th July 1834 apprising the Corporation that being under orders to join his Regiment (the 63rd) in India, he was unable to do himself the honor of serving the office of Mayor for the ensuing year, and requesting the election of another person in his room It was moved by Alderman WB. Tarbrough, seconded by Sheriff Tarbrough and unanimously agreed that the resignation of Alderman W.B. Tarbrough as Mayor elect be accepted.

Alderman Cooper elected Mayor for ensuing year.

And upon the motion of Alderman William Tarbrough, seconded by Alderman Alexander it was unanimously agreed that Alderman Cooper be elected to serve the office of Mayor for the ensuing year to commence the 29th of September next, and that the election under the circumstances mentioned should be notified to Government for approval.

Mr Cooper notified to Government.

Inasmuch as by the election of Alderman Cooper to the office of Mayor for the ensuing year the situation of Treasurer would be vacant It was moved by Alderman William Tarbrough, seconded by Alderman WB. Tarbrough, and on the motion being put from the Chair.

Mr R. Smyth elected Treasurer in room of Mr Cooper for one Year from Michaelmas next.

It was unanimously agreed to that Alderman Ralph Smyth be elected Treasurer in the room of Alderman Cooper for one year to commence from the 29th of September next.

Adjourned Assembly to this day month.

Resolved

That this Assembly at its rising do adjourn to this day month.

Reply of the Miss Smiths to Law Agents Letters.

The Reply of Misses Anne Smith and Elizabeth Smith to the letter of the Law Agent written to them in pursuance of a Resolution at the adjournment of the last Quarterly Assembly held on the 14th of May relative to the Balances due by their late Brother as Agent to the Commons Fund and Poor of St Peters being read.

Consideration postponed to the adjournment

It was ordered that the consideration of the subject generally be postponed to the adjournment of this Assembly, and that in the interim Alderman G. Ackland the present Agent to the Funds do with the Assistance of the Mayor, Aldermen WB. Tarbrough and Alexander, and of Messrs Atkinson, Thompson, and Newey Smith obtain every possible information from the Miss Smiths, and otherwise, respecting the said Balances due to the Charities, and also respecting the receipt of the monies from the Tenants which was not credited by the late Mr Smith in his Accounts, and that they do report to the said adjournment the result of their enquiry.

Committee to enquire and report respecting the Balances due by the late Benjamin Smith.

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Petitions for relief to be postponed in the interim.

The Petitions of Rose Evans, Bolland, Widow; and Jane Bagnall, Widow; and Catherine Hoan, for relief, also the Petition of Rosanna and Mary Tighe Spinsters for increase of pension are referred to the adjournment of this Assembly pending the Enquiry into the State of the Commons Fund, and that of the Foot of Saint Johns.

Memorial of J. D. Dowd respecting the balance of Rent, required to be paid by the Law Agent. Stating that Memorialist has not been put into possession of all Premises

The Memorial of James Daniel Dowd one of the Tenants of the Corporation Estate, being read, and which appeared to be preferred in consequence of the application of the Law Agent for an arrear of rent returned as due by him in the Treasurers Account, in which memorial it was stated that Memorialist had never been put into possession of a back Yard and Store held by Patrick Long, and which formed part of the premises for which the Rent was claimed, and that until he was put into possession of said premises he should not be called upon to pay the Rent.

Upon the consideration of this Memorial it appeared that the former Law Agent Alderman George Fentland had under the directions of the Corporation taken certain proceedings for recovery of the possession of that portion of the premises held by Long as the Undertenant of Mr Taylor, and the Corporation not being satisfactorily informed of the result of said proceedings, or for what reason same were not continued It was Resolved that the present Law Agent do examine the papers and documents connected with this business, which were returned to him by Mr Fentland, and that he do report to the adjournment of this Assembly the result of his search and examination, and whether or not Mr Taylor the alleged Claimant of the premises held by Long has attained his full age.

Law Agent to report the result of the proceedings taken by Alderman G. Fentland for recovery of the Premises held by Taylor's Tenant

Age of Mr. Taylor to be of age.

The Treasurer's Account for the Quarter commencing in April last and ending July instant was laid before the Assembly for examination from which it appeared there was a Balance in the Treasurer's hands amounting to £12. 8. 5½

And the Arrears returned by the several Tenants annexed to said Account up to Easter 1833. amounted to £635. 12. 11½

Quarterly Account of Treasurer examined.

Memorial of Saml W. Crawford to be allowed to resign his Seat as Representative of Guild of Butchers

Memorial of Samuel Woodhouse Crawford one of the Representatives of the Guild of Butchers being read praying that his resignation as the Representative of said Guild might be accepted to enable the Memorialist to seek the representation of the Guild of Smiths, to which trade he belonged, and which representation would become vacant at Michaelmas next, upon Mr Grendon the present Representative thereof then becoming one of the Sheriffs.

It was moved by Mr John Crawford, seconded by John Skegog Esqre that for the reasons stated the prayer of the Memorial be granted, and which motion being put from the Chair It was unanimously agreed that the resignation of Samuel Woodhouse Crawford as one of the Representatives of the Guild of Butchers be received to take effect and be acted upon from Michaelmas day next.

Resignation received to take effect from Michaelmas Day next

Further Memorial of John Cowley Tenant to part of the Lot Commons for reduction of Rent.

Referred to the Auditors Viewers, and to report if held under Lease and what Fine was paid.

Four Reports from Auditors and Viewers.

The Memorial of John Cowley Tenant to part of the Cowleys or South Commons being read referring to his memorial preferred at a former Assembly, and praying from the increase of County Cess. Tithe, and other Charges, a reduction in his Rent, the Increable amount of which including said Charges was £5. 8. 11½.

Resolved - That the matter of the foregoing memorial be referred to the Auditors and Viewers, and who will also report whether or not the Memorialist holds under Lease, and the amount of Fine if any which was paid by Memorialist.

The following four Reports of the Auditors and Viewers upon the respective Memorials of William Cavines, Judith Kegan Widow, Mr William Rodger, and Alderman H. B. Fairtlough, which had been referred for their consideration from the General Quarterly Assembly held the 11th of April 1834, were read.

Drogheda 13 June 1834

At a Meeting of the Auditors and Viewers held in the Tholsel this Day.

Present

Townly B. Hardman, William Fairtlough, Henry Blacker Fairtlough Esqrs — Aldermen

Robert Thompson, Thomas North, Thomas Beddy, George R. Clarke, Edward Atkinson, Thomas Grendon, John Crawford — Esqrs. Common Council

Resolved

That Alderman T. B. Hardman be appointed Chairman for this year.

Report on Memorial of William Cavines

Resolved

That the Prayer of Mr Cavines petition to surrender Lease for remainder of term of 99 years from Michaelmas 1777 of two Houses and Garden at Fore Street adjoining his Brewery upon the Condition of a new Grand for 141 years be acceded to at an annual Rent of £6 Sterling per annum.

Lease Mrs Judith Kegan

Resolved

That the Prayer of Mrs Judith Kegan be acceded to requesting permission to surrender two Leases of a Lot of South Commons, and

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also Lease of House and Yard in John Street.

Like
Mr William Rodger

Resolved

That Mr Rodger be allowed to fine down the rent of his two Houses in Faro Street to £20 present Currency at a rate of ten years' purchase in consideration of the fall of the value of House property

Like
Alex. H.B. Fairtlough

Resolved

That Mr Henry B. Fairtlough be allowed to fine down one fourth of the original Rent of the Lands of Collogo containing 15.1.8 at a rate of Ten years' purchase, in consequence of the reduction in price of Agricultural produce.

Alderman H.B. Fairtlough retired previous petition being taken into consideration. J. B. Hardman

Chairman"

Report on Memorial of Alr H.B. Fairtlough confirmed.

It was moved by Mr Atkinson, seconded by Alderman Hardman that the Report on the memorial of Alderman H.B. Fairtlough, be confirmed and the question having been put from the Chair, the motion was unanimously agreed to.

declined by Memorialist.

Upon which Alderman H.B. Fairtlough rose and informed the Assembly that he declined the proposition contained in the said Report.

Report on Memorial of Mrs Judith Regan confirmed.

Alderman Hardman moved, in which he was seconded by Mr North that the Report on the memorial of Judith Regan be confirmed, upon which the question was put from the Chair and carried unanimously.

Like
William Cairnes

The like proceeding was adopted respecting the Report on the memorial of Mr William Cairnes, proposed and seconded by the same persons.

Like
William Rodger.

The like proceeding was adopted respecting the Report on the Memorial of Mr William Rodger, proposed by Alderman Hardman, seconded by Alderman William Fairtlough

Motion that Alex. H.B. Fairtlough be allowed to fine down the Rent of Cottage Lands to one Half at ten Years' purchase.

It was moved by John Rogers Esqre, in which he was seconded by Edward Atkinson Esqre that Alderman H.B. Fairtlough be allowed to fine down the yearly rent at present payable by him for the Lands at Cottage, which were the premises upon which the Auditors and Viewers had made their report, to one half the said yearly rent at Ten years' purchase, and the question having been put from the Chair, the same was objected to, and a Ballot being demanded and proceeded upon, there appeared — For the Motion 18 White Beans

And against the motion 7 Black

Majority for granting the petition 11

Motion for an Address to His Majesty for Declaration in favor of Established Church

It was moved by Alderman William Fairtlough that an Address do emanate from this Assembly to the King's Most Excellent Majesty and that same be forwarded to his Excellency the Lord Lieutenant to be by him

To be forwarded to the Lord Lieutenant to be by him forwarded to the Home Secretary

transmitted in the usual way to the Home Secretary for presentation, such address to be expressive of the warm gratitude of this Corporation to His Majesty for the gracious declaration recently made by him in favour of the Church Establishment in this Country, which motion was seconded by Alderman Anderson, and the question having been put from the Chair, the same was opposed by Alderman Latham Fairtlough, in which he was seconded by Mr Obadiah Wisdom, and a Ballot having been demanded and proceeded upon, there appeared upon the Scrutiny to be

Opposed

Motion Granted

For the Motion 21 White Beans

And against the Motion 5 Black Beans

Majority in favor of the Motion 16

Committee to prepare Address

A Committee of the following Members was then appointed to prepare the Address.

Address read and adopted

Aldermen William Fairtlough, Hardman, and Anderson, with Messrs North and Clarke, who having retired for the consideration and preparation of an Address, returned with the following, and which being read, the same was unanimously adopted.

Address &c

"To the King's Most Excellent Majesty.

"May it please your Majesty

"We your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, "the Mayor, Sheriffs, Aldermen, and Common Council of the County of the "Town of Drogheda beg leave to approach your Majesty with the assurance "of our deepest respect and devotion to your Majesty's Royal Person, and "of unalterable attachment to the principles which placed your august "Family on the Throne of these Realms.

"We are fully sensible of the various and important "advantages which we derive from the glorious Constitution under which "we live, and more especially from the connection so happily subsisting "between the Church and State - by which our civil and religious Rights "are equally protected and secured. We have therefore read with peculiar "satisfaction, the declaration lately made by your Majesty to uphold the "Rights and Venerable Institutions of the Established Church - a declaration "justly meriting our warmest gratitude - and in which we recognize "the same pure and steady attachment to our holy religion that so "eminently distinguished your August Father during his long and "glorious reign.

"We confidently trust that through the zealous and "watchful care of your Majesty the evil designs of the avowed "Enemies of the Church may be finally defeated, and that the pure "principles of the Gospel may be preserved to your Majesty's faithful "Subjects and transmitted unimpaired to future Generations"

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Motion by Mr Clarke that he be allowed to fine down his Rent for the Nursery Holding One half at two Years Purchase.

Mr G.K. Clarke moved, in which he was seconded by Mr Shegog that he be allowed to fine down the yearly rent at present payable by him to the Corporation for his holding on the West side of the North Road, on which his Garden and Nursery are situate to one half of the said Rent at Two years' purchase, and upon the motion being put from the Chair, an amendment was moved by Alderman Latham Fairclough, in which he was seconded by Mr Atkinson that the subject matter of the motion be referred to the Auditors and Viewers for their report, which amendment being opposed a Ballot was demanded when there appeared upon a second Scrutiny, the first which was had being erroneous

Amendment moved.

Ballot.

For the amendment 15 White Beans
And against the amendment 11 Black Beans

Majority for Amendment

Majority for the amendment and for referring to the Auditors and Viewers 4 —

Assembly adjourned as before stated to Friday 15th August 1834.

Adjourn'd Gen: Assembly 15th August 1834

At an adjournment of the General Quarterly Assembly held before the Mayor and Sheriffs, the Aldermen and Common Council being present on Friday the 15th day of August 1834.

Proceedings of former Assembly read.

Notification from the Lord Lieutenant that the Address from the Corporation had been laid before the King.

The Mayor laid before the Assembly the letter of Sir William Gosset dated "Dublin Castle" 13 August 1834" received by him, which being read

It appeared that His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant had transmitted to the Secretary of State for the Home Department the Address voted to His Majesty at the last Assembly, and which Address it appeared that Viscount Duncannon had laid before the King

Motion by Alderm G Ackland that Bye Laws preventing Officers of Sword and Mace sitting in Assembly be rescinded.

Alderman G Ackland moves the Notice given by him at the General Quarterly Assembly That the Usage or Bye Law hitherto acted upon that the Officers of Sword and Mace do not have seats in the Assembly be rescinded, and being seconded by Robert Pentland Esqre and put from the Chair, and objected to by Alderman Leland who demanded a Ballot and upon the Scrutiny there appeared

For the motion 11 White Beans
And against same 18 Black Beans
Majority against the motion 7 —

Negatived.

Officers of Sword & Mace incapacitated from sitting or voting in Assembly.

It was then Unanimously Resolved upon the motion of Alderman Hardman seconded by Alderman William Fairclough That in future the Officers of Sword and Mace are in future incapacitated from and are not to have seats in the Assembly or from thenceforward are they to be considered members of the Corporation in Council.

Notification of Vacancy in the Office of Mace Bearer and Clerk to the Mayor.

The vacancy in the Office of Mace Bearer and Clerk to the Mayor which had been recently occasioned by the sudden death of Mr Peter Fegan being notified to the Assembly Jnº Ivers moved by Mr Sheriff Fairclough, seconded by Alderman Latham Fairclough that Mr William Dawson the Elder be elected to fill those Offices.

William Dawson Senior proposed.

Philip Brabazon proposed and withdrawn —

Robert Ball Hackett then proposed that Mr Philip Brabazon be the person appointed, in which he was seconded by Alderman Huey, and upon a Ballot being about to be proceeded upon, Mr Hackett requested leave to withdraw his motion,

Whereupon Mr William Dawson was unanimously elected to the Office of Mace Bearer and Clerk or Secretary to the Mayor, and thereupon vacated his Seat at the Board accordingly.

Mr Wm Dawson Senior elected Mace Bearer and Clerk to the Mayor — Seat vacated.

Stephen Shanage proposed to be Auctioneer. Jan 1834

Alderman Graves Ackland moved, in which he was seconded by Alderman Huey that Mr Stephen Shanage do succeed to the Office of Auctioneer to the Corporation vacant by Mr Fegan's death.

D. McKenna proposed

Mr Grandon moved that Mr Patrick McKenna be elected to that Office in which he was seconded by Mr J.W. Crawford, and a Ballot being demanded and proceeded upon there appeared upon a Scrutiny

For Stephen Shanage 19 votes
For D. McKenna 11 Votes
Majority in favor of S. Shanage 8 —

S. Shanage elected —

Resolved

Upon the motion of Alderman G. Ackland, seconded by Alderman Latham Fairclough It is that by reason of Stephen Shanage being employed as Rent Warner and Collector for the Treasurer that his attendance upon the Mayor in the Holsel be in future dispensed with.

Stephen Shanage exempted from attendance on the Mayor at the Holsel.

A Letter from the Treasurer to the Mayor dated the 11th of August 1834 being read stating that inasmuch as Patrick Plunkett the Toll Collector had not entered into the necessary security, and the Quarter ending the 28th of July last not being paid he felt it his duty to apprize the Corporation of the circumstance in order that the necessary measures should be pursued to secure the current Quarter ending the 28th of October next.

Letter from Treasurer stating arrears of Tolls due by Pat Plunkett

Ordered

Upon consideration of the foregoing matter that the Law Agent do pursue such course as shall appear to him the most expedient and satisfactory for obtaining the arrears now due and for securing the Rent for the current Quarter.

Law Agent to take measures for arrears, and to secure the current Quarter

The Law Agent having presented a Report made in pursuance of a Resolution at the last Quarterly Assembly held the 18th of July in reference to the proceedings taken by his Predecessor for recovery of possession of Premises on the South Quay which had been demised by this Corporation to Messrs Stewart Smith and Ralph Smyth, and which was overheld by one Patrick Long deriving under Mrs Christopher Joyce.

Report of Law Agent respecting Premises on the South Quay held by James & Jones as Trustees of A Goldsmith and Ralph Smyth

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Report being read as follows.

"To the Corporation of Drogheda

"In pursuance of your resolution agreed to at the General "Quarterly Assembly held the 18th of July last "That the Law Agent "should examine the Papers and Documents which were returned to him "by Mr Fenlland the late Law Agent) connected with certain premises "on the South Quay for recovery of which an Ejectment on Title had "been brought by the Corporation of Drogheda, the possession thereof "being withheld by one Patrick Long claiming to hold under a Mr "Taylor, and that the Law Agent should report the result of his "Search and examination, and whether or not Mr Taylor the alleged "Claimant had attained his full age.

"I have examined the different Documents returned to me by my "Predecessor, and it appears the premises in question with several "other determinations of Property were demised by the Corporation of "John Graham formerly of Fludden Esqr deceased, for a term of years which "expired on the 25th of March 1821, and an Ejectment on Title appears to "have been brought for recovery of the possession of these Premises on two "Demises, one in the name of the Corporation, and the other in that of Messrs "St George Smith and Ralph Smyth to whom the whole premises as theretofore "held by Graham had been demised on the 13th of November 1820 preceding

"To this Ejectment defence was taken in the name of Patrick Long "on the 7th of July 1821, and the matter appears to have lain dormant till "the month of February 1824 when the proceedings were revived by a rule "for that purpose.

"The Parties appear to have taken the necessary proceedings in "the Trinity Term following (July 1824) with the apparent view of having "a trial at the then ensuing Summer Assizes.

"The Title under which Long appears to have claimed is a Lease "dated the 18th of August 1814 executed to him by Christopher Taylor Esqr "of a House and Tenement situate on the Bull Quay with particular "Boundaries mentioned, and as being 86 feet North and South and the same "number East and West; and out of this arises the alleged claim to that "part of the premises which is still held by Long, and formed a portion "of the Demise originally made to John Graham.

"Mr Fenlland appears to have made some examination of witnesses "to establish by Parole that the Corporation were seized of these particular "premises in fee; but there does not appear to have been any Case submitted "to Counsel as to whether the Ejectment then pending should or not be "proceeded upon; nor does there appear to have been any opinion taken upon "the subject, but from examination of the Documents already referred "to, Mr Fenlland appears to have been of opinion that from inspection

"of the Map of the premises it would plainly appear that Mr Taylor through "his Tenant had taken possession of part of the Corporation Property, and "also that Mr Fenlland had not deemed it advisable to proceed to trial "upon the Evidence he then obtained.

"Thus the matter appears to have rested, and Alderman James Daniel "Dowd who has presented his memorial to your Worships has not "certainly enjoyed the possession of that part of the premises which was "the subject of litigation between your Worships and Patrick Long, as "Mr Dowd represents Messrs Smith and Smyth in the premises, from "whom he purchased their Interest

"From the Enquiry I have made as to the age of Mr Taylor it "appears he has attained 21 years, and at the period of the proceedings "referred to, he was then a Minor, and Heir of Christopher Taylor, under "whom Patrick Long derives.

"Dated this 15th day of August 1834.

"Joseph Holmes

"Law Agent."

Law Agent to prepare a Case for the opinion of the Recorder.

Ordered

That the Law Agent do prepare a Case in reference to the foregoing matter, and that same be submitted by him to the Recorder for his opinion to direct the course to be pursued by the Corporation under the circumstances.

State of the Accounts of the Commons Fund and Poor of St Johns.

The Accounts connected with the Commons Fund and the Poor of St Johns were presented by Alderman G: Ackland for examination when it appeared that up to the 14 of August instant, there was a Balance in favor of the Agent on foot of the receipt and application of the Fund of ——— £7. 6. 1½

It also appeared that the Gross net amount applicable to the purposes of these Charities amounted to £412 . "

That the amount of yearly pensions now chargeable thereon amounts to ——— 379 . 17 . "

Fund disposable

Yearly Surplus now disposable amounts to ——— £32. 3. —

Arrears to Michaelmas 1833.

The arrears returned as due at Michaelmas 1833 amounted to £51 . 19 . 8½

Grant of £10 unto Mrs Fegan and £10 to her Daughter.

The Assembly having been informed by Alderman Lathum Tarrlough that the family of the late Mr Peter Fegan were from the embarrassed state of his affairs occasioned by his unexpected death from the disease of Cholera reduced to great want

It was Resolved

That the Treasurer be authorized to pay from the Corporate Funds to the Widow of deceased and to her Daughter a sum of £10 each to assist immediate purposes.

The Assembly was then dissolved.

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Sp: Post Assembly
2nd September 1834

At a Special Post Assembly held before the Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen being present pursuant to Notice on the 2nd day of September 1834 for the purpose of electing an Alderman in the room of George Fenlland Esqre deceased.

Robert Fenland Esqre elected Alderman

Moved by Alderman Saint George Smith, seconded by Alderman J. B. Hardman that Robert Fenland Esqre be elected an Alderman in the room of said George Fenland deceased, which being put from the Chair, he was thereupon unanimously elected.

Sworn

And being then introduced he took the oaths of an Alderman before the Mayor and his seat at the Board.

Drogheda 27th September 1854

This Day the foregoing Acts of Assembly were read and approved before us, and ordered to be entered in the Large Assembly Book as usual.

A Test

Joseph Holmes
Town Clerk

John Chesshire. Mayor
George Murphy, John Fairclough } Sheriffs
John Cooper, W. Fairclough, J. Anderson, G. Ackland } Aldermen
Robert Thompson, Thos Grendon, S.W. Crawford } Common Council

Monday 29th September 1854

29 September 1834

This being the Feast of St Michael the Archangel the Swearing in of the Mayor and Sheriffs took place at the Tholsel after having attended Divine Service at St Peters Church.

Swearing in of John Cooper Esqre Mayor in room of W. B. Fairclough Esquire Mayor Elect, resigned, and Thomas Grendon and Geo: Harpur Esqres Sheriffs.

The Town Clerk having produced to John Chesshire Esqre Mayor the Approbation of his Excellency the Marquis Wellesley Lord Lieutenant General and General Governor of Ireland dated at Dublin Castle 28th of April 1834 approving of William Barber Fairclough Esqre to be Mayor and Thomas Grendon and George Harpur to be Sheriffs for the following year from this day; and having also produced a further approbation of his said Excellency approving of John Cooper Esqre one of the Aldermen to serve as Mayor for the ensuing year by reason of the resignation of said William Barber Fairclough who had been previously elected to the said Office at a General Quarterly Assembly held on the 11th day of April last, and who had duly notified to the Corporation his inability to serve therein in consequence of his having received orders for embarcation to join the 63rd regiment in India, and which was dated the 19th of July 1834, and same having been respectively read aloud by the Town Clerk,

He said John Cooper was thereupon accordingly sworn and took the oath prescribed by the Act of the year of the reign of George the 1st and also took the oaths appertaining to the Offices of Mayor and Justice of the Peace.

And the said Thomas Grendon and George Harpur were also respectively sworn and took the oaths prescribed by the Statute of of Geo 4th and also severally took the oath appertaining to the Office of Sheriff.

Gen: Post Assy
8 October 1834

At a General Post Assembly held before John Cooper Esquire Mayor, the Sheriffs and Aldermen being present the 8th day of October 1834

Petition of J. Geo. Greene referred

The petition of Frederick George Greene for his freedom by Birth being presented and read - the same was referred to the next General Quarterly Assembly.

There was not any other business for the consideration of the Assembly -

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Gen: Mun: Assembly
18th October 1834

At a General Quarterly Assembly of the Corporation held before the Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present on Friday the 10th day of October 1834

Proceedings of former Assembly read.

John Chesshire Esqre Mayor Staple & Justice of Peace

Alderman John Chesshire late Mayor is elected Mayor of the Staple for the ensuing year and sworn.

The said Alderman John Chesshire was also sworn and took the oath of a Justice of the Peace.

Com: Councie Coroners. Constables Staple.

George Murphy and John Favillough Esqres are elected Common Council men and both sworn.

The said George Murphy and John Favillough Esqrs are elected Coroners for the ensuing year and both sworn.

The said George Murphy and John Favillough Esqrs are elected Constables of the Staple for the ensuing year and both sworn.

Master Guild

Graves Ackland Esqr is elected Master of the Guild of Merchants for the ensuing year.

Wardens — do

Francis Favillough and George R. Clark Esqrs are elected Wardens of the Guild of Merchants for the ensuing year.

Offices of Sword & Mace

The Offices of Sword Mace, and Marshal to continue during the pleasure of this Corporation.

Cranes.

Ordered - That the Cranes be set up to Auction from and after the 26th instant inclusive.

Gate Customs

Ordered - That the Pontage and Gate Customs be set from the 28th of October inst inclusive, and that Notice of such Sellings respectively be advertised in the Drogheda Journal for the 27th instant. The usual security to be entered into by the respective parties who are declared Farmers to the Cranes and Gate Customs.

Present System of Scavenging to be continued.

Ordered - That the present system of Cleansing the Streets be continued.

Memorial from Guild of Smiths

The following Memorial from the Master Wardens and Brethren of the Guild of Smiths being presented and read.

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

"The Memorial of the Master Wardens and Brethren of the Guild of Smiths

"Sheweth - That by the election of Thomas Grendon Esqr to the Office of Sheriff a vacancy has occurred in the representation of their Guild

"That in order to fill up said vacancy, your Memorialists submit to your "consideration the three following Members of their Guild, one of whom to "be selected to represent them in the Common Council: Sam[l] W. Crawford, "Edward Dowling, John Bagnall.

Thomas North Master"
G: R: Clark } Wardens"
Jn°: Crawford }

W. S. Crawford elected

Mr W. S. Crawford was proposed by Alderman William Favillough

Representative in room of Thos Grendon Esqre.

and seconded by Mr Clark to fill the foregoing vacancy and he was accordingly elected, whereupon he was introduced and sworn as a Common Council man and took his seat at the Board accordingly.

Memorial from Guild of Butchers.

The following Memorial being presented was read.

"To the Worshipful the Mayor Sheriffs Aldermen and Common Council
"of the Corporation of Drogheda

"The Memorial of the Master Wardens and Members of the Butchers Hall
"Sheweth - That in consequence of the resignation by Mr Samuel Woodhouse
"Crawford of the representation of their Hall in the Corporation a
"Vacancy has occurred for a Representative

"They therefore beg leave to send in the names of three of their members, viz:
"Messrs Michael Daly, Joseph Collins, John Davis, one of whom your
"Worships will please to elect in the room of Mr Crawford. And
"they will pray. Edward Atkinson"

Drogheda 7 October 1834 Sam[l] W. Crawford
John Davis

Michael Daly elected Representative in room of S.W. Crawford.

Mr Michael Daly was proposed by Alderman H.B. Favillough, and seconded by Alderman Hardman to fill the vacancy in this Guild.

Mr Joseph Collins was proposed by Alderman R. Kenkand, and seconded by Mr Robert Thompson for the like purpose, and a Ballot being demanded and proceeded upon there appeared upon the Scrutiny

For Michael Daly 18 Votes
For Joseph Collins 17 Votes
Majority in favor of Mr Daly 1

Sworn

Whereupon Mr Daly having a majority of one was declared and was accordingly sworn a Common Council man in room of Mr Samuel W. Crawford and took his seat at the Board.

Memorial from Guild of Shoemakers

The following Memorial being presented was read.

"To the Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses and Common Council of the County of the
"Town of Drogheda

"The Memorial of the Master Wardens and Brethren of the Corporation
"of Shoemakers

"Sheweth - That in consequence of the resignation of William Dawson our
"late Representative in your Worships Council a vacancy having occurred
"We have therefore at a Common Hall held on the 4th day of August
"reposed Charles Robinson, Samuel Grace Robinson, and James
"Appleyard three free members of our said Corporation and humbly
"beg your Worships to select one of said persons to represent us in the
"room and stead of the said William Dawson

" Thomas Beddy, Master
" Samuel Wisdom
" Thos Beddy Jun[r] } Wardens"

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Charles Robinson elected Representative in room of William Dawson

It was moved by Alderman D: Tavelough and seconded by Mr Wisdom that Charles Robinson be elected to represent the Guild of Shoemakers in the room of William Dawson resigned.

James Appleyard was proposed by Alderman Robert Portland, and seconded by Mr Atkinson for the like purpose, and a Ballot being demanded and proceeded upon, there appeared upon the Scrutiny

For Mr Robinson 23 Ballots
For Mr Appleyard 13 Ballots
Majority in favor of Mr Robinson 10

Whereupon Mr Robinson having a majority of Votes was introduced, and was accordingly Sworn a Common Council man in the room of William Dawson and took his seat at the Board.

Sworn

The following Memorial from the Corporation or Guild of Tailors being presented was read –

Memorial from Guild of Tailors

"To the Aldermen and Common Council of the Corporation of
" Drogheda
"The Memorial of the Master Wardens and Members of the Corporation
" of Tailors or Guild of St John the Baptist.
"Sheweth – That by the demise of the late Mr Peter Fegan a vacancy
" having occurred in the representation of their Hall in the Corporation
" they beg to advise the three following names viz: Henry Bagnall,
" John Elliott, and Anthony Bunbury, one of whom to be chosen their
" Representative in the Corporation. And they will pray
" Thomas Grendon Master
" John Crawford } Wardens"
" Geo R Clark }

Henry Bagnall elected Representative in room of Peter Fegan deceased.

It was then moved by Alderman William Tavelough, and seconded by Alderman H. B. Haverman that Mr Henry Bagnall be elected to represent the said Guild in the room of Mr Peter Fegan deceased, and the question having been put from the Chair he was unanimously elected,

Whereupon Mr Henry Bagnall was introduced and sworn a Common Council man and took his seat at the Board accordingly.

Sworn

Freedom – Birth
Fred.k Geo. Grend

The petition of Frederick George Grend of Drogheda for his Freedom by Birth, which was referred from the General Post Assembly being read he was thereupon admitted to the Freedom of the Corporation by Birth upon the usual terms.

House and Tan Yard in John Street, and Part of the Cowleys to be advertised for letting on same day as Gate Customs and Cranes

Ordered – That the House and Tan Yard in John Street, and also that part of the Cowleys or South Commons of which a Surrender has been agreed to be accepted from Mrs Judith Fegan be advertised for setting on the same day on which the Gate Customs and Cranes are to be Set, and that in the interim Maps thereof be made to be exhibited for examination in the Mayors Office.

Treasurer's Account for last Quarter laid before Assembly.

The Treasurer's Account of Receipts and Expenditure for the quarter commencing the 19th of July and ending the 10th of October instant was laid before the Assembly for examination, by which it appeared there was a Balance due to the Treasurer of £62. 5. 0½

That there was due for Interest to the several Debenture Holders up to the 10th instant a sum of 485. 3. 7

Making together a gross Debt of £547. 8. 7½

Arrears due by Tenants as returned at Easter 1833 £380. 7. 9½
Arrears due by Tenants as returned whose Leases have expired 141. 16. 4½
Also Debts outstanding and due to the Corporation as returned amt. to 220. 13. 6½
Making together the sum of £942. 17. 8½

Adjournment Assembly to 7 November next.

Resolved – That this Assembly at its rising do adjourn to this day month being the 7th day of November next.

No part of the Commons Turf and Poor of St Johns now disposable to be applied till Report of Agent.

Petitions for relief measures referred

Resolved – That until the Report of the Agent to the Commons Turf and Poor of St Johns be laid before the Corporation at the next Assembly no part of the Turf at present disposed be applied, and until said Report be enquired into and examined that the several Petitions of Mary Latimer Widow, Jane Reynall Widow, Rose Anna, and Mary Ryder, Louisa Richardson Widow, and Mrs E. Ford which have been presented be referred for consideration.

Law Agent to inquire and Report what Dilapidation committed on that part of the North Commons occupied by John Charter, and if any remedy pending existing Term and against whom.

Ordered – That the Law Agent do enquire and ascertain whether any and what dilapidation has been committed on the Lands and premises at the North Commons occupied by Mr John Chester, and if so that he be advised whether the Corporation have any and what remedy pending the existing Term in the Lands and against whom or whose property the proceedings if any should be adopted.

Memorial of George R Clarke for Leave to fine down Road of Land West side North Road

The Memorial of George Richard Clark being read stating that in the year 1825 he became Tenant for 1 Acre 3 Roods 32 Perches of Land on the West side of the North Road at £5 of the then Currency per Acre, on which he had made considerable expenditure in valuable Improvements and that from the decreased price of agricultural produce and high prices for Labour with increased Taxation and Tithe Memorialist had already sought relief by requesting Leave to fine down his Rent and praying that his case might receive consideration.

Referred to Auditors & Viewers

Ordered – On the motion of Mr Shiggy seconded by Alderman H. B. Tavelough that the subject of the foregoing Memorial be referred to the Auditors and Viewers for their Report.

Memorial of Town Serjeants for Great Coats

The Memorial of Stephen Flannagan, John Hawkins, George Lyons, William Pattison, James Watson, John Warren, Francis Magauly and Moses Starr Constables stating that Memorialists had heretofore been furnished yearly with Great Coats and that three years have now elapsed without getting any, and that being frequently directed in the Winter Season to assist the Special Constables in patroling the Streets, and being thus exposed to the inclemency of the Weather

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memorialists hoped they would be granted Great Coats for the ensuing season.

Mayor to receive proposals for furnishing same.

Ordered – That his Worship the Mayor be at liberty to receive proposals for the furnishing of Great Coats for the before named Constables, and that he do direct the supplying of same.

Memorial of Pat: Plunkett Toll Collector for compensation referred to the Auds & Vrs.

The Mayor having presented a letter which he had received from Patrick Plunket the Toll Collector from which on same being read it appeared that Memorialist sought compensation for extra expenses to which he alleged he had been subject by reason of opposition to the payment of Toll.

Ordered That the matter of the Memorial be referred to the Auditors and Viewers for their enquiry and report.

Law Agent to apprize Mr Hill that if Order to keep open the Lane leading from Lawrence's Gate be not adhered to the necessary proceeding to enforce same should be resorted to.

The Assembly having been informed that the Order for keeping open to the public the Lane leading from Lawrence's Gate to Batchelor's Lane was not attended to or complied with by Mr Hill, but that on the contrary the Gates were kept closed, and the public passage thus appropriated by him to his own use.

Ordered That the Law Agent do apprize Mr Hill that the Order for keeping open the passage be strictly adhered to, and that if further complaint be made against the intention of the Order that the necessary proceedings for remedy be resorted to.

Law Agent to prepare Case for the Recorder respecting the Rights of Pontage –

Resolved – That the Law Agent do prepare a Case to be submitted to the Recorder for his opinion in reference to the right of Pontage against the payment of which some opposition was manifested.

Committee appointed to make the necessary enquiry respecting the houses adjoining Lawrence's Gate in order to have same taken down.

Resolved – On the motion of Mr Nicholls, seconded by Alderman H.B. Fawcough that a Committee to consist of Alderman G. Norland, Robert Sentland and William Fawcough with the Mover and Seconder, be and are hereby authorised to make the necessary enquiry as to whom the Houses adjoining Lawrence's Gate to the North and South belong, and which Committee are requested to report by what means the possession of the premises are to be procured with the view of having same taken down and removed.

Alderman H.B. Fawcough declines any benefit from order of 18 July 1834 same being at variance with the Standing Order of 20 April 1801

The Order which was made at the last Quarterly Assembly held on the 18th of July 1834 which enabled Alderman H.B. Fawcough to fine down the rent payable by him for the Lands of Collage at Ten years purchase being stated as having been made at variance with the Standing Order of the 20th of April 1801 which directs that no rule, order, or regulation of the Assembly should be rescinded without three months previous notice, Alderman H.B. Fawcough accordingly declines any relief which could accrue to him by the adoption of said order, and accordingly he now presents a memorial which was read stating that Memorialist had become Tenant to about 27 acres of the Corporation Estate, the average acreable rent of which was £5.5.0 of the present currency; that at the period at which Memorialist became Tenant the prices for Wheat and other grain gave a fair remuneration, but that by the late depression in prices there was not more than compensation for Labour and Taxes, and that

Any Resolution at variance with existing Orders or Bye Laws null and void

Notice to dissolve any existing Order or Bye Law not to be given except at a Gen. Qua: Assembly.
Notice — Motion
The — Recorder

Memorialist from the Land being unable to pay the heavy rents to which he was subject he hoped for a reduction.

Upon the motion of Mr Ball, Recorder, seconded by Alderman J. B. Hardman it is resolved that any Resolution of this Assembly at variance with existing Orders or Bye Laws shall be and the same are hereby null and void. And it is further resolved that the foregoing Resolution is only declaratory of the existing Orders and Bye Laws of this Corporation.

Resolved That the Notice to dissolve any existing Order or Bye Law of the Corporation is not to be or cannot be given at any adjourned meeting of a Quarterly Assembly but the same must be given at one of the General Quarter Assemblies.

The Recorder also gives notice that he will at the next Quarter Assembly move that the Order of the 9th of October 1801 be rescinded.

Adjt Gen. Qua Asby 7 Novemr 1834.

At an Adjournment of the General Quarter Assembly held this 7th day of November 1834 before the Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present.

Proceedings of the General Assembly being read

Three Reports from Auditors & Viewers

The following reports from the Auditors and Viewers made at a meeting held by them on the 21st of October last and at an Adjournment thereof on the 7th instant on the Memorials of Patrick Plunkett late Toll Collector, George Richard Clerk as Tenant to part of the Corporation Estate, and of John Cowley Tenant to part of the Cowleys or South Commons being read viz:

21 October 1834 Meeting of Auds & Vrs

Drogheda 21st October 1834

A Meeting of the Auditors and Viewers was held this day pursuant to Summons. Present

Aldermen: Jowley B. Hardman, William Fawcough, Henry B. Fawcough

Common Council: Robert Thompson, Thomas Beddy, Edward Atkinson, Obadiah Wisdom, John Crawford

Report on Memorial of Patrick Plunkett

Resolved – That We are of opinion Mr Patrick Plunkett is not entitled to any remuneration inasmuch as the difficulty of collection does not appear to have been greater than that anticipated at the time of his taking the Tolls or that he had

But presents a further memt for a reduction of rent of part of the Corporation Estate in his possession.

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Lease
Mr G. K. Clarke

"applied to the Magistrates for assistance when the alleged difficulties arose.

"Resolved That We are of opinion that Mr Clark is not entitled to any reduction in his rent as we conceive that his holding if now to be let in the same state as that in which he took it, would readily produce the same rent as he then paid for it but that if he be anxious to fine down his rent We recommend that he be permitted to do so to the extent of One fourth of his original rent at a rate of fourteen years purchase.

Lease
John Cowley

"Resolved That this meeting be adjourned to Friday 7th November at 11 O'Clock, and that John Cowley be directed to attend with his map and lease

T. B. Hardman Chairman."

7 November 1834
Adjourned Meeting of Auds & Vors

"7th November 1834

At an adjourned meeting of the Committee held this day the petition of John Cowley was taken into consideration

Present: T. B. Hardman Chairman } Aldermen
Henry B. Fairclough Esqre
Thomas Beddy
Edward Atkinson
Obadiah Wisdom
Thomas Grandon } Common Council
Austin Nicholls
George K. Clark
John Crawford

Further Report on Memorial of John Cowley

"Resolved That We are of opinion that the prayer of the petition presented by John Cowley be rejected.

T. B. Hardman Chairman."

Report on Memorial of Patrick Plunkett Confirmed

Upon the Motion of Alderman Hardman seconded by Alderman H. B. Fairclough the Report on the Memorial of Patrick Plunkett was confirmed.

Lease on Memorial of G. K. Clark Confirmed.

It was then moved by Alderman Hardman in which he was seconded by Alderman H. B. Fairclough that the report on the petition of George Richard Clark be confirmed, and on the question being put from the Chair Mr Clark rose and declined availing himself of the terms proposed in the report and intimated his intention of requiring a Ballot upon the motion, which intention he subsequently abandoned and thereupon the Report which was said was confirmed.

Lease on Memorial of John Cowley Confirmed.

The Report on the Memorial of John Cowley was then confirmed on the motion of Alderman H. B. Fairclough seconded by Alderman Hardman

Notice of Motion
Alderman H. B. Fairclough

Alderman H. B. Fairclough gives notice that he will at the next Assembly move that a sum of Two Pounds be granted to assist in defraying the expense of procuring a Return of the Average prices of Grain under the Statute of 4th & 5th Geo 4 chap 99 sec 48 with the view to alter the Tithe Composition rent within this County.

Petition of Alderman H. B. Fairclough for reduction in his Rent. read

The petition of Alderman Henry B. Fairclough for a reduction of

the rents payable by him as Tenant being read which stated that Memorialist held from the Corporation about 27 acres of Land, the average acreable rent of which was £5.8.0 of the present Currency; that other said Lands were taken the prices of Wheat and other Grain gave a remunerating Return, and that as the present prices were only sufficient to pay Labour and Taxes, memorialist sought for the consideration of his case.

Moved and seconded for reference to Auds & Vors Carried

The prayer of the Memorial being moved by Memorialist for a reference to the Auditors and Viewers and being seconded by H. W. Leland Esqre was then put from the Chair on which Mr George K. Clark objected to the reference and required the sense of the Meeting thereon by Ballot, and having subsequently withdrawn his opposition the motion for the reference was accordingly carried.

Committee appointed to investigate the Accounts of late Agent Commons Fund to report Balance due by deceased.

Ordered That the Committee which was appointed for investigating the Accounts of the late Benjamin Smith as Agent to the Commons Fund do assemble on the 10th instant, and report on the circumstances connected with the Balance due to the Charity

It was moved by Alderman Saint George Smith seconded by Alderman H. B. Fairclough that the Setting of part of the Common Lands which took place on the 27th day of October when Fabrick Grimes became Tenant at public Auction be referred to the management of the Auditors and Viewers to treat with said Fabrick Grimes the terms on which same were set being those on which the Corporation property are set and which are different from the terms on which the Lands belonging to the Charitable Funds are set, and that the Auditors and Viewers do report thereon.

Re Setting of part of the Commons Lands to Fabrick Grimes referred to Auds & Vors

Ordered on the motion of Alderman H. B. Fairclough seconded by Mr Obadiah Wisdom that the Scavengery of the Streets be disposed of by public Auction to take place on the 17th instant at 12 O'Clock at noon.

Scavengery to be set up to Auction.

The following Memorial and petition were not taken into consideration by reason of not having been lodged in the Town Clerks Office at the time required by the Head General Rule.

One petition and memorial not considered same not having been lodged in Town Clerks Office pursuant to 3rd General Rule

The Memorial of George Hoyne Esqre one of the Sheriffs who had become Tenant to part of the Corporation property in John Street at the late Setting and that having since given his interest therein to Mr John Finegan who was a bidder at the Auction Memorialist requested the Lease thereof should be made to Mr Finegan.

The petition of Elizabeth Callaghan Widow that her present pension of Five pounds should be increased to Ten pounds per annum not having any other means of support for herself and two Children.

Corporate Property to be Let Terms

The following Lots of property were set up to Auction at the Rolsel & 2 ensuing on the 27th of October 1834 for a term of 99 years to commence from the 29th of September 1834 from which period the declared Tenant was to be subject to rent, one fourth part of the rent of the House property to be fined down at ten years purchase

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and one fourth part of the property consisting of Land to be paid down at Seventeen years purchase; the one fourth part of said Fines respectively to be paid down at the time of letting as and for a deposite and the remaining three fourths of said fines to be paid within three months from the day of letting.

Lot No 1. A Piece or parcell of Land containing 3 acres 2 roods and 32 perches Irish plantation measure being the first Lot of the Lands known by the name of the Cowleys or South Commons situate on the North side of the Town of Drogheda as late in the possession of James Regan deceased was Knock down to Patrick Grimes at £3.15.0 per acre upon the foregoing terms.

No 2. The House and Out Yard in the rere thereof lately in the possession of James Regan deceased situate on the South side of John Street containing in front to said Street 48 feet, in depth from front to rere on the East side 156 feet 9 inches, on the West side 156 feet 10 inches, and in breadth at the rere 49 feet 6 inches, was Knock down to George Harpur Esqre at £10.10.0 per Annum upon the foregoing terms.

Spc: Gen: Assy 17 Decr 1834.

At a Special General Assembly of the Corporation of Drogheda convened by public Requisition held before John Cooper Esqre Mayor the Sheriffs Aldermen and Common Council being present at the Tholsel on Wednesday the 17th day of December 1834

Motion for an Address to his Majesty expressive of approbation and support to his Majesty in the maintenance of his Royal Prerogatives.

The Mayor having mentioned the Object of the Meeting as stated in the Requisition Ivers moved by Lawrence Steele Esqre in which he was seconded by Alderman H B Fairclough that an Address be prepared for the adoption of this Corporation for presentation to the Kings most Excellent Majesty expressive of approbation of the exercise by his Majesty of his undoubted prerogatives, and of support in the maintenance thereof, which motion having been unanimously agreed to

Committee to prepare Address.

Alderman St George Smith moved in which he was seconded by Alderman Hardman that a Committee of the five following persons with the Mover and Seconder be appointed to prepare an Address.

J. B. Hardman
H. B. Fairclough
William Fawcett
} Aldermen

Lawrence Steele, and Sheriff Grendon,

who having retired for the preparation and consideration of an Address they returned with the following which was read to the Assembly

Address.

"To the Kings most Excellent Majesty

"May it please Your Majesty

"We your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Mayor Sheriffs

Aldermen and Common Council of the County of the Town of Drogheda in a Special General Assembly convened for the purpose - beg leave to approach your Majesty with Sentiments of the deepest respect and devotion to your Majesty's Royal person and family and of unalterable attachment to the Constitution of these Realms.

"Actuated by such feelings we consider it our bounden duty at this moment of serious crisis to tender to your Majesty the assurance of our Cordial and Zealous support of your Majesty's Government and of our determination to second to the utmost of our power your Majesty's gracious intentions to maintain the ancient Institutions of the Country - and above all to preserve to your Majesty the free and uncontrolled exercise of those prerogatives which the Constitution has so wisely placed in your hands - and which are in our opinion equally essential to the support of the Throne and to the preservation of the Liberties of the People

"We therefore beg leave to express to your Majesty our true confidence that your Majesty will call to your Councils such Constitutional Advisers as will uphold the Laws, reform such actual existing Abuses as may be found in either Church or State, and thereby secure the Stability and permanence of each"

Address read and adopted.

Alderman St George Smith then moved, in which he was seconded by Alderman Hardman that the Address just read be received as the Address from this Corporation, and the question having been put from the Chair the Motion that the Address be adopted was unanimously agreed to, And it was Ordered that same should be forwarded by his Worship to the Right Honorable Sir Robert Peele for presentation to his Majesty.

Ordered to be published in Dublin and Drogheda Papers.

Ordered - That the Address be published in the Drogheda Journal, Dublin Evening Mail, and Warder Newspapers, and that the Treasurer do pay the expense thereof when furnished without further Order.

2da: Post Assy 14 Jany 1835

At a Quarterly Post Assembly held before John Cooper Esqre Mayor, Thomas Grendon and George Harpur Esqrs Sheriffs the Aldermen being present on Wednesday the 14 day of January 1835

Adj to 16 inst

It was moved by Alderman John Ackland, Seconded by Mr Sheriff Grendon that this Assembly do adjourn to Friday the 16th instant at 11 O'Clock which motion being unanimously agreed to the said Assembly was adjourned accordingly.

Adj 2da Post Assy 16 Jany 1835.

At an adjournment of the Quarterly Post Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen being present on Friday

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the 16th day of January 1835

The following Petitions for Freedom were read and severally referred.

Freedom Birth
Wallop Brabazon

Petition of Wallop Brabazon of Termonfeckin in the County of Louth Esqre second son of Wallop Brabazon late of Kells in said County Esqre deceased for Freedom by Birth.

do — do
William Henry Collins

Like of William Henry Collins fifth son of the late Thomas Collins of Drogheda Attorney deceased for Freedom by birth

do — do
Jas Chas. Collins

Like of James Charles Collins of Drogheda Gentleman fourth son of the said late Thomas Collins for Freedom by birth.

do — do
Henry St.geo Smith

Like of Henry St.George Smith of Greenhills in the County of Louth Esqre eldest son of St.George Smith of the same place Esqre for Freedom by birth.

do — do
Boyle Simpson

Like of Boyle Simpson of Ardagh in the County of Louth Gent. second son of Boyle Simpson late of the same place Farmer and formerly of the Town of Drogheda Carpenter deceased, for Freedom by birth.

do — do
Chas Wm Evans

The Petition of Charles William Evans of Drogheda Gentleman eldest son of George William Evans of the same place Esqre for Freedom by Birth.

do — do
Wakefield Hamilton

Like of Wakefield Hamilton of Drogheda Painter second son of Wakefield Hamilton late of the same place Schoolmaster deceased for Freedom by Birth.

do — do
Peter Allen

Like of Peter Allen of Drogheda Gentleman eldest son of John Allen late of the same place Post master deceased for Freedom by Birth.

do — do
Jno Edwd Appleyard

Like of John Edward Appleyard only son of James Appleyard of Drogheda Gentleman for Freedom by birth.

do — do
William Rogers

Like of William Rogers of Killystown in the County of Meath Gentleman second son of William Rogers late of the same place Esqre deceased for Freedom by birth.

do — do
Wm Hy Shegog

Like of William Henry Shegog of Drogheda Gentleman third son of Richard Shegog of the same place Gentleman Attorney for Freedom by Birth.

do — do
Wm O. Faircloughs

Like of William Oliver Faircloughs of Drogheda Gentleman eldest son of John Faircloughs of Johnville part of the Lands of Rathmullen in the County of Meath Esqre for Freedom by birth.

do — do
Frederick Geo. Jas Leland

Like of Frederick George James Leland of Drogheda Gentleman third son of the late Revered Henry Leland of the same place Clerk dec.d for Freedom by Birth.

Freedom Marriage
George Clark

Like of George Clark of Drogheda Saddler for Freedom by reason of his intermarriage with Eliza Appleyard daughter of James Appleyard

a Freeman of the Corporation.

Freedom marriage
John — Shaw

Like of John Shaw of Drogheda Schoolmaster for Freedom by reason of his intermarriage with Mary McAuley daughter of the late Peter McAuley who was a Freeman of the Corporation.

do — do
Wm Roy

Like of William Roy of the yellow Water in the County of the Town of Drogheda Farmer for Freedom by reason of his intermarriage with Mary Anne Foskey daughter of William Foskey a Freeman of the Corporation.

Freedom Service
James Leech

Like of James Leech of Colton in the County of Louth Bleacher and Lapper by reason of having served an Apprenticeship of seven years to Andrew Armstrong of Kilskeroan at the Bleaching and Lapping Business by Indenture and which said Armstrong at the commencement of said Apprenticeship was and still is a Freeman of the Corporation.

Gen: Qud: Aby:
16 Jany 1835

At a General Quarterly Assembly held before John Cooper Esqre Mayor, Thomas Grandon and George Harpur Esqrs Sheriffs, the Aldermen and Common Council being present on Friday the 16th day of January 1835

The proceedings of the former Assembly were read.

Freedom Birth
Wallop Brabazon

The petition of Wallop Brabazon of Termonfeckin in the County of Louth Esqre second son of Wallop Brabazon late of Kells in said County Esqre deceased for Freedom by Birth being read It was moved by Alderman Hoey seconded by Henry B. Fairclough that the prayer of the petition be granted and the question having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to and he was thereupon admitted to his Freedom of this Corporation by Birth on the usual terms.

do do
Wm Henry Collins

The Petition of William Henry Collins of Drogheda Mariner fifth son of the late Thomas Collins of Drogheda Attorney deceased for Freedom by Birth being read It was moved by Alderman Graves seconded by Mr Thomas North that the prayer of the petition be granted and the question having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to, and he was thereupon admitted to his Freedom of this Corporation by Birth on the usual terms.

do do
James Chas Collins

The petition of James Charles Collins of Drogheda Gentn fourth son of the late Thomas Collins for Freedom by Birth being read It was moved by Alderman H.B. Fairclough seconded by Mr Sheriff Harpur that the prayer of the petition be granted, and the question having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to and he

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was thereupon admitted to his Freedom by Birth on the usual terms.

Freedom Birth
Henry St.Geo Smith

The petition of Henry St.George Smith of Green Hills in the County of Louth Esqre eldest Son of St.George Smith of the same place Esqre for Freedom by Birth being read It was moved by Alderman H. Bt Fawkenagh seconded by Mr North that the prayer of the petition be granted, and the question having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to. and he was thereupon admitted to his Freedom of this Corporation by Birth on the usual terms.

do do
Boyle Simpson

The petition of Boyle Simpson of Ardagh in the County of Louth Gentleman second Son of Boyle Simpson late of the same place Farmer and Carmeody of the Town of Drogheda Carpenter deceased for Freedom by Birth being read It was moved by Alderman H. B. Fawkenagh seconded by John Fawkenagh Esqre that the prayer of the petition be granted and the question having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to, and he was thereupon admitted to his Freedom of this Corpn. by Birth on the usual terms

do do
Chas Wm Evans

The petition of Charles William Evans of Drogheda Gentn eldest Son of George William Evans of the same place Esqre for Freedom by birth being read It was moved by Alderman John Ackland seconded by John Fawkenagh Esqre that the prayer of the petition be granted, and the question having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to and he was thereupon admitted to his Freedom of this Corporation by Birth on the usual terms.

do do
Wakefield Hamilton

The petition of Wakefield Hamilton of Drogheda Painter second Son of Wakefield Hamilton late of the same place School-master deceased, for Freedom by Birth being read It was moved by Mr North seconded by Mr Sheriff Harpur that the prayer of the petition be granted and the question having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to, and he was thereupon admitted to his Freedom of this Corporation by Birth on the usual terms.

do do
Peter Allen

The petition of Peter Allen of Drogheda Gentleman eldest Son of John Allen late of the same place Post Master deceased for Freedom by Birth being read It was moved by Mr Samuel Woodhouse Crawford seconded by Mr Thompson that the prayer of the petition be granted, and the question having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to and he was thereupon admitted to his Freedom of this Corporation by Birth on the usual terms.

do do
Jn.o Edw.d Applegard

The petition of John Edward Applegard of Drogheda Gentleman only Son of James Applegard of the same place Gentleman for Freedom by Birth being read It was moved by Mr Sheriff Harpur seconded by Mr Beddy Junior that the prayer of the petition be granted and the question having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to and

he was thereupon admitted to his Freedom by birth on the usual terms.

Freedom Birth
William Rogers

The petition of William Rogers of Kellystown in the County of Meath Gentleman second Son of William Rogers late of the same place Esqre deceased for Freedom by Birth being read It was moved by Alderman William Fawkenagh seconded by John Fawkenagh Esqre that the prayer of the petition be granted, and the question having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to, and he was thereupon admitted to his Freedom of this Corporation by birth on the usual terms.

do do
Wm Henry Shegog

The petition of William Henry Shegog of Drogheda Gentleman third son of Richard Shegog of the same place Attorney for Freedom by birth being read It was moved by Alderman William Fawkenagh seconded by Alderman John Ackland that the prayer of the petition be granted, and the question having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to and he was thereupon admitted to his Freedom of this Corporation by birth on the usual terms.

do do
Wm O. Fawkenagh

The petition of William Oliver Fawkenagh of Drogheda Gentleman eldest son of John Fawkenagh of Johnville part of the Lands of Rathmullen in the County of Meath Esqre for Freedom by birth being read It was moved by Mr Sheriff Harpur seconded by Mr Beddy Junr that the prayer of the petition be granted, and the question having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to and he was thereupon admitted to his Freedom of this Corporation by birth on the usual terms.

do do
Fredk Geo Jas Leland

The petition of Frederick George James Leland of Drogheda Gentleman third son of the late Reverend Henry Leland of the same place Clerk deceased for Freedom by Birth being read It was moved by Alderman William Fawkenagh seconded by Alderman Anderson that the prayer of the petition be granted, and the question having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to, and he was thereupon admitted to his Freedom of this Corporation by Birth on the usual terms.

Freedom Marriage
George Clark

The petition of George Clark of Drogheda Saddler for Freedom by reason of his intermarriage with Eliza Appleyard daughter of James Appleyard a Freeman of the Corporation being read It was moved by Alderman H. B. Fawkenagh seconded by Alderman George Tom Evans that the prayer of the petition be granted, and the question having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to, and he was thereupon admitted to his Freedom of this Corporation by marriage on the usual terms.

do do
John Shaw

The petition of John Shaw of Drogheda Schoolmaster for Freedom by reason of his intermarriage with Mary M.c Auley daughter of the late Peter M.c Auley who was a Freeman of the Corporation being read It was moved by

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Alderman William Fairclough seconded by Mr North that the prayer of the petition be granted, and the question having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to and he was thereupon admitted to his Freedom of this Corporation by marriage on the usual terms.

Freedom marriage
William Hoy

The petition of William Hoy of the Yellow Batter in the County of the Town of Drogheda Farmer for Freedom by reason of his intermarriage with Mary Anne Foskey daughter of William Foskey a Freeman of the Corporation being read Ivers moved by Alderman H.B. Fairclough seconded by Alderman Evans that the prayer of the petition be granted and the question having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to, and he was thereupon admitted to his Freedom of this Corporation by marriage on the usual terms.

Freedom Service
James Leech

The petition of James Leech of Collon in the County of South Bleacher and Lapper for Freedom by reason of having served an Apprenticeship of Seven years to Andrew Armstrong of Mill Shawan at the Bleaching and Lapping Business by Indentures, and which said Andrew Armstrong at the Commencement of said Apprenticeship was and still is a Freeman of the Corporation being read Ivers moved by Alderman William Fairclough seconded by Alderman Anderson that the prayer of the petition be granted and the question having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to and he was thereupon admitted to his Freedom of this Corporation by Service on the usual terms.

Receipt by Mayor of Answer to Address to the King

His Worship the Mayor laid before the Assembly the Answer received by him from the Rt Honorable Henry Goulburne Secretary of State for the Home Department to the Address presented by this Corporation to his Majesty on the Change of his Ministers which being read the same was ordered to be entered on the Journals and is as follows.

Answer

"Whitehall December 1834

"Sir — I have had the honour to lay before the King the Loyal and dutiful Address of the Mayor Sheriffs Aldermen and Common Council of the County of the Town of Drogheda on the occasion of the present Change of His Majesty's Ministry, which Address was transmitted to the Home Department for presentation by Sir Robert Peel

"And I have the satisfaction to inform you that his Majesty was pleased to receive the same in the most gracious manner

I have the Honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
Henry Goulburn"

The Mayor"

Assembly adjourned to 13 Feby 1835

Resolved — That this Assembly at its rising do adjourn to this day four Weeks which will be Friday the 13th day of February 1835.

The following Accounts having passed the Committee of Accounts the same were laid by their Secretary before the Assembly for examination, and being duly enquired into the same were ordered to be paid.

Accounts passed

	£. s. d.
Mr Thomas North — Office Rent and Cleaning Ditto	4. 9. 6
Mr Austin Nicholls Sundry Works and Superintendance of pumps	32. 10. 3
Mr Thomas Grierson Sundry Works	16. 5. 3
Miss I. Armstrong for Cards &c	1. 1. 7½
Mr Trotter for Glazing	4. 8. 2
Mr Leland for Coals	6. 10. 8
Joseph Reaves Surveying	1. 13 —
John Beardon Blue Cloth Coats now 1834 — for Constables	26. 4. 6
Mrs Fegan's Furnishing do — do — 1834	57. 19. 6
Mr Collier Stationary	10. 12. 6
Smith and Crawford's Accounts from 30 April 1831 to 26 Sept 1834	46. 17. 6
	£ 202. 12. 5½

Committee of Accounts as far as enabled to avoid keeping Accounts for more than one year.

Resolved That it be an Instruction to the Committee of Accounts that they avoid as far as they are enabled having any Accounts passed for Business done or Goods furnished for more than one Year, and that it be advisable that the several persons having Accounts with the Corporation be informed of this Resolution.

Treasurer's Quarterly Account before Assy.

The Treasurer's Account for the Quarter Commencing in October and ending in January was laid before the Assembly for examination and which Comprizes the Receipts and Disbursements within that period and by which Account there appeared to be in the hands of the Treasurer to the credit of the Corporation a Balance of £53.1.9.

The Arrears remaining due and outstanding at Easter 1833 were returned as amounting to	£. s. d. 468. 7. 10½
Arrears due and outstanding by Tenants whose Terms have long since expired amount	141. 16. 4½
Making a Total of	£610. 4. 2¾

Memorial of Jas. D. Dowd referred to Auditors & Viewers

Resolved — That the memorial of James Daniel Dowd respecting the arrear of Rent returned as due by him for premises on the South Quay, and which was laid before the Assembly in July last be referred for consideration to the Auditors and Viewers, and that they do report thereon.

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Law Agent to apply to Tenants in arrear

Resolved That the Law Agent do again apply to the Tenants who are still returned in arrear for payment of such arrears, and in case such applications are not properly attended to that he do proceed for recovery of same without further order.

The following Petitions being read

The following Petitions were read -

The petition of Eliza Callaghan Widow, which remained for consideration from the last Assembly praying for an increase of pension, being the daughter of a Freeman and having no support but hereof and two Children

The petition of Jane Moore Widow whose husband was a Freeman for assistance by way of Annuity being in great distress occasioned by long illness of her late husband

The petition of Florinda Ball Spinster Daughter of the late Thomas Ball Solicitor for some assistance towards her support, the only Income which She had having been reduced two thirds by the unexpected death of a life which petitioner had been given to understand had been insured.

The Memorial of Margaret Maria and Mary Anne Collins Spinsters daughters of the late Thomas Collins who was a Freeman stating that Memorialists and their late Sister Anne Eliza had Loan in receipt from the Commons Funds of Twenty Guineas per annum hoping that same would be continued to the Survivors and not be reduced by the proportion which had been payable to their late Sister

The Memorial of Joseph Reames Land Surveyor to the Corporation detailing public services by Memorialist in defence of his Country in the years 1798 and 1800; also a pecuniary Loss in the year 1809, and of domestic Loss in the year 1826 of the death of his Wife, and in the year 1832 of the death of his eldest Son by Cholera: that Memorialist was much enfeebled in health, and from a Complaint in his Limbs unable to walk much and that he was much reduced in his Circumstances, and that having served the Corporation as Land Surveyor, Memorialist now hoped for some small yearly subsistence.

and Referred to the following Committee appointed for that purpose.

Resolved That the following persons be appointed a Committee to whom the foregoing petitions and Memorials are referred for consideration and that the several other petitions and memorials which have been latterly brought before the Corporation and on which no orders for relief had been made be referred to the same Committee, and that they be requested to report on the said petitions and Memorials having regard to the particular Funds on which the relief is to attach, whether on the Commons Funds, Poor of St Johns, or the Corporate Funds, And that the said Committee are also empowered to examine and revise the pension Lists on said Funds respectively with a view of ascertaining whether any and which of said pensions should be decreased in amount, and whether any and which of the persons

named thereon respectively continue objects for relief.

Committee.

Names — of — Committee

Alderman G Ackland Mover	Robert Thompson Esqre Seconder
Alderman H B Fawlough	with Mr Thomas North
Alderman William Fawlough	F W Leland, and
Alderman Hardman	J. Crawford

Treasurer to pay Agent Commons Funds and Poor of St Johns sum which late Agent was found in default

Resolved That the Treasurer of this Corporation do pay to Alderman G Ackland the Agent of the Commons Fund and Poor of St Johns, the sum of money for which the late Benjamin Smith the late Agent was found in default in order to meet the claims of the pensioners on said Funds

Committee to report on account of late Agent forthwith.

And it is requested that the Committee which has been already appointed to investigate the Accounts of the late Mr Smith do report thereon without further delay.

Memorial of Sheriff Harpur respecting Lease of House and Premises in John Street referred from last Assembly withdrawn by Memorialist

The Memorial of Mr Sheriff Harpur which remained for consideration from the last Assembly being read, requesting that the Corporation would be pleased to direct that the Lease of the House and premises which Memorialist had taken in John Street should be made out to Mr John Finegan to whom Memorialist had transferred the premises.

The request of Memorialist being considered at variance with the principle which should direct Biddings at open Auction where all persons indiscriminately were now enabled to become Tenants Memorialist thereupon withdrew his Memorial.

Auditors & Viewers Report on Memorial of Alderman H B Fawlough allowing him to fence down one Rood of part of the Lands of Cottage.

The following Report on the Memorial of Alderman H B Fawlough for reduction in Cavan held by him as Tenant to the Corporation for the reasons stated in said Memorial, and which was referred for consideration at the Adjournment of the Quarterly Assembly held on the 7th of November last being read

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At a Meeting of the Auditors and Viewers held this day

Townley B. Hardman	Chairman
William Fawlough	Aldermen
Graves Ackland	
Thomas North	Common Council
Edward Atkinson	
Thomas Beddy	
O. Wisdom	
John Crawford	

Resolved That We are of opinion that in consequence of the reduction in the produce of Land generally Mr Henry B. Fawlough whose

petition has been this day before us be allowed to fine down one fourth of the Original Rent of the Lands of Collage at a Rate of Eight years purchase

J. B. Hardman "

Moved, and was confirmed accordingly

It was moved by Alderman William Faviel Cough seconded by Mr. John Faviel Cough that the foregoing Report be confirmed, and that the terms thereof should commence from and have reference to the period at which the application for reduction was originally made by Memorialist, the question on which having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to.

Petition of Alderman William Faviel Cough for Renewal of Lands of Landsharragh.

The Petition of Alderman William Faviel Cough Esqr was read stating that he was in possession as the Representative of his late Father Alderman William Faviel Cough deceased of part of the Lands of Landsharragh demised by the Corporation to the late Edward Chesthire Alderman deceased for 61 years from Easter 1780 per Lease No 684 from whom Petitioners late Father purchased same, and praying for a renewal thereof upon the usual terms.

referred to Auditors & Viewers

Upon the motion of Alderman Hardman seconded by Alderman John Ackland the prayer of the foregoing Petition was referred to the Auditors and Viewers for Consideration and report.

Petition of John Cowley not moved, having been already reported on.

The petition of Robert Cowley as the Representative of the late Richard Duff for reduction in his Rent for part of the Cowleys or South Commons being read — there was not any motion upon the foregoing petition inasmuch as the Auditors and Viewers had reported upon a petition of similar import, and which Report had been confirmed at an Adjournment of the last Quarterly Assembly held the 7th of November last

Motion by Francis Basil Esqr Recorder that Order of 9th October 1801 be rescinded

Francis Basil Esqre Recorder moves upon the Notice given by him at the last October Assembly that the Order of the 9th of October 1801 be rescinded, which Order being read viz:

"That Charitable Grants be exempted from any restraint of former Acts of Assembly" And which Order was in effect that Charitable Grants should not come within the General Resolution made the 20th day of April 1798, and which was also read viz:

seconded by Alderman Wm Faviel Cough

"That no Grant of money of any nature or kind whatsoever either by debenture or otherwise shall in future be made without being proposed at one Quarterly Assembly and agreed to at the next Quarterly Assembly" And Alderman William Faviel Cough having seconded the motion of the Recorder the Question was then put from the Chair, and It was

and Carried unanimously

Resolved — Unanimously — That the said Order of the 9th of October 1801 should be and the same was accordingly rescinded.

Alderman G Ackland as Agent of the Commons Fund proposes to enter into Security by Bond.

Alderman Graves Ackland as Agent of the Common Fund notifies his readiness to enter into Security by Bond, and accordingly proposes to execute such Security for the due application of the Rents of said Fund received by him, such Security to be himself in the annual amount of said Funds, and Alderman Joseph Holmes and Henry St George Smith of Greenhills in the County of Louth Esqrs severally in a moiety of the amount of said Rents conditioned for the faithful discharge by the said Alderman Graves Ackland of his duty as such Receiver of the Common Fund.

Town Clerk to prepare Bond

Resolved — That the Town Clerk do accordingly prepare a Security by Bond to the foregoing effect to be executed by the said Alderman Graves Ackland and his Sureties.

Committee appointed to prepare an Address to His Excellency the Earl of Haddington.

Upon the motion of Alderman Graves Ackland in which he was seconded by Alderman Hardman the following Committee were appointed to prepare an Address to be presented to his Excellency from the Earl of Haddington Lord Lieutenant of Ireland congratulatory of his arrival in this Country, and which said Committee were intrusted with the preparation of said Address with directions to have same presented to His Excellency in the most respectful manner, and that same and the Answer thereto when received should be handed to the Town Clerk for Entry upon the Records.

Committee

Names of the Committee

The Mayor, Sheriffs, and Recorder.

Aldermen — Hardman,
St George Smith
H B. Faviel Cough
and Graves Ackland

Messrs — Thompson, North, William Dawson and J. Crawford.

Conduct of John Chester Esqr a Magistrate to be brought before Governors

The conduct of John Chester Esqr one of the Magistrates of the County of the Town of Drogheda appointed under the recent Statute of having been brought to the notice of the Assembly by which it would appear that the Circumstances which gave rise to a Complaint which he preferred against Stephen Stanage at the Petit Sessions on the day of had their origin in rent due by Mr Chester to the Corporation as Tenant to part of the North Commons, and that having sent for Stephen Stanage with the apparent intention of discharging said rent, an altercation ensued out of which Mr Chester founded his Complaint for unbecoming Language used to him upon that occasion as a Magistrate, and it having appeared by the Report of the proceedings in the Drogheda Journal and otherwise that Mr Chester in preferring his complaint to the Bench

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against Stephen Stanage, had availed himself of the opportunity thus
afforded to use Language reflecting strongly upon the Character of this
Corporation and their Constables and by expressly charging that the Constables
were hired Miscreants, and used and employed for the purpose and with
the view of entrapping him said Chester and his brethren Magistrates
employed by Government, and which general Charge and accusation having
the effect of inculpating the Corporate Magistrates as Members of the
Corporation and thereby bringing the administration of Justice by
them into Contempt, and the said Charges thus publicly made by a
Magistrate being highly Condemnatory and intending prejudicially to
affect the Character of said Corporate Magistrates as well in their
individual as public Station, it was considered that the proceedings
of Mr Chester and the Language used by him could not nor ought
not to be suffered to pass without a full and deliberate examination
into all the particulars connected with the whole transaction as if
such observations and Charges thus made were permitted to remain
and pass without enquiry it might be supposed there were grounds
for the accusation, and if the Charges were founded in truth the
parties inculpated would be unfitting longer to remain as Magistrates
It was therefore

And a Statement to be prepared by Law Agent praying for an Inquiry

Resolved unanimously that the Law Agent do prepare a
clear and distinct Statement of all the facts and circumstances connected
with the whole proceedings had at petit Sessions to be accompanied by
Affidavits verifying same, and that such Statement and Affidavits
be forwarded to Government praying for an Inquiry into the particulars
thereof.

Mayor's Office to be supplied with two Dublin Papers — and Treasurer to pay same without further Order.

Ordered That the Mayor's Office be supplied with two
Dublin Papers — the expense of which is to be defrayed by the Treasurer
without further Order.

Address to His Excellency Earl of Haddington agreed to

The Committee appointed at the last Quarterly Assembly
to prepare an Address to his Excellency the Lord Lieutenant
Congratulating his Excellency upon his arrival in this Country
and upon his assuming the Vicregal government thereof, having
upon this day, Monday the 26th of January met at the Tholsel
for the above purpose the following Address was unanimously
agreed to.

Address

"To His Excellency Thomas Earl of Haddington Lord Lieutenant
General and General Governor of Ireland.

"May it please Your Excellency — We the Mayor Sheriffs Aldermen and

Common Council of the County of the Town of Drogheda beg leave to
assure Your Excellency of the sincere gratification which we feel at your
appointment as Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, and most respectfully to
offer to your Excellency our congratulations on your arrival in this
Country.

"Grateful to his Majesty for the mark of paternal regard which
he has shewn for the welfare of his faithful subjects in Ireland by placing
over them as his Representative a Nobleman eminently qualified to
discharge the important duties of that exalted Station we confidently
anticipate that the course of your Excellency's government will be such
as amply to justify the choice which he has so graciously made,
and that by a firm steady and impartial administration of Justice
to all his Majesty's Subjects, and a determined execution of the laws
your Excellency will be enabled to restore to this distracted Country
that peace and tranquility to which unhappily she has been so long
a Stranger.

"In testimony whereof We have hereunto caused Our Common
Seal to be affixed this 26th day of January in the Year of Our Lord
1835.

"Joseph Holmes Town Clerk — Seal"

To be forwarded by the Mayor to the Recorder for presentation

It was then moved by Alderman St George Smith, and
seconded by Alderman Hoveden — That his Worship the Mayor
should forward the Address to Francis Tyall Tyce Recorder, to be
by him presented to his Excellency in the most respectful manner —
and the Recorder having done himself the honor of presenting the
Address to his Excellency at the Levee on the 29th instant, the following
most gracious answer was returned.

His Excellency's Answer

"I beg to offer my best thanks to the Mayor Sheriffs Aldermen
and Common Council of Drogheda for the flattering expression of
their gratification at my appointment as Lord Lieutenant of Ireland,
and for their kind welcome to their hospitable Country.

"It will be my constant endeavour to justify the confidence
they are pleased to entertain that by a firm steady and impartial
administration of justice to all his Majesty's Subjects, and by a
determined execution of the Laws I shall do my best to restore to
Ireland the inestimable blessings of peace and tranquility.

"My unceasing attention shall be paid to this part of my
duty but no effort of mine will avail unless the Irish People themselves
weary of agitation and anxious for repose shall turn a deaf ear to
those who without absolutely breaking the Law are ever active in exciting
and misleading them — and shall turn their attention to the improvement

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of the many advantages which a bountiful Providence has lavished upon their favored island"

Spec: Gen: Assy 13 February 1835 for the purpose of presenting Freedom of the Corporation to the Hon: R. E. Plunkett with a suitable Address to be accompanied with a Box Silver Gilt.

At a Special General Assembly held before the Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present on Friday the 13th day of February 1835 pursuant to Requisition directed to his Worship the Mayor numerously signed by Members of the Corporation for the purpose of presenting the Freedom of the Corporation to the Honorable Randale E Plunkett in testimony of approbation of the principles which direct his public conduct and of his manly and generous exertions to restore the Independence of the County of Meath at the late General Election

It was moved by Alderman St George Smith, and seconded by Alderman Hardman that the Freedom of this Corporation be granted by Fiat to the Honorable Randal E Plunkett and that he also be presented with a suitable Address expressive of the opinions entertained of him as hereinbefore stated.

Committee to prepare Address

It was also moved by Alderman Hardman in which he was seconded by Alderman William Fairclough that the Fiat of Freedom and Address be accompanied with a Box Silver Gilt, and that a Committee consisting of Mover and Seconder with Alderman St George Smith and Henry Rucker Fairclough, Mr Sheriff Gordon, and Mr Obadiah Wisdom do prepare such Address, who having retired for that purpose returned with the following.

Address

"We the Mayor Sheriffs Aldermen and Common Council of the County of the Town of Drogheda beg leave to present you with the Freedom of this Corporation which with the accompanying Box has been unanimously voted at a Special General Assembly Convened for the purpose.

"We embrace with much pleasure this opportunity of expressing to you the high respect which we entertain for your private character as well as our warmest approbation of the principles by which your public conduct appears to us to be directed – your manly and generous exertions to establish the independence of the County of Meath at the late General Election had not been unobserved by us – and whilst we lament that they have not been crowned with the success which they so well merited – we confidently anticipate that at no very distant period – the cause of order and good government will triumph over the machinations of those whose object is to uproot our Institutions and to disever the Empire". And which

read and accepted. to be presented by His Worship the Mayor

Address being read the same was unanimously accepted. And it was

Ordered – That the said Address be presented to the honorable Mr Plunkett by His Worship the Mayor.

Adjt. Gen: Assy 13th February 1835

At an Adjournment of the last General Quarter Assembly held this day Friday the 13th of February 1835 before the Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present

The proceedings of the former Assembly were read.

Account of Agent of Commons Fund exam'd and approved upon which a Balance appeared to be due to him. Arrears due by Treasury.

The Account of Alderman Graves Adkland as Agent of the Commons Fund was laid before the Assembly and examined and approved of, upon which there appeared to be a balance due to the Agent up to this day the 13th of February amounting to £62. 10. 5½

And the Amount of arrears due by the Treasury up to the 25th of March last amounted to £169. 7. 11

Motion by Alderman William Fairclough that Petitions be presented to both Houses of Parliament relative to contemplated reform in the Corporate Institutions of this Country.

Moved by Alderman William Fairclough seconded by John Shegog Esqr that petitions do emanate from this Corporation to be presented to both houses of Parliament praying that in the Reform which it may be considered necessary to be made in the Corporate Institutions of this Country protection will be afforded to maintain the Protestant interests in this part of the Empire.

Committee appointed to prepare petitions.

The following Committee was named by Alderman Hardman to prepare the petitions as proposed, who moved that they be accordingly appointed which motion being seconded by Alderman H. B: Fairclough and being put from the Chair the same passed unanimously.

J. B. Hardman
St George Smith
H. B. Fairclough
Graves Adkland
Joseph Holmes
} Aldermen

Francis Ball, Recorder

Thomas Gordon Sheriff

John Crawford
William Dawson
Charles Robertson
} Common Council

Notice Motion Alderman G. W. Evans.

Alderman George William Evans gives notice that he will at the next General Assembly move that a sum of Ten pounds be granted for the purpose of laying a Pipe to convey Water from Mr M Cann's Yard

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on the Strand acrofs the Road to Mr Ridgeway's Stores where a Pump is to be placed, Mr M'Cann having promised to lay the Pipes outside his Gate.

do do
Alderman H.B. Fairclough

Alderman H.B. Fairclough gives notice that he will at the next General Assembly move that a Sum of Twenty Pounds be granted for the purpose of sinking a Pump for the use of the public on some convenient part of the Road leading to the Jail adjoining Mr Butterly's Concerns.

Assembly adjourned to 13 March next

Ordered that this Assembly be and the same is hereby adjourned to this day Four Weeks being Friday the 13th of March next at the hour of 12 O'Clock.

Drogheda 21 February 1835

Freedom Fiat Hon. R. E. Plunkett

On this day John Cooper Esqre accompanied by the Sheriffs and several Members of the Corporation received the Honble Randall E. Plunkett at the Mayoralty House and presented to him his Freedom by Fiat accompanied with the Address and Silver Gilt Box as voted at the Special General Assembly held on the 13th of February instant

Address read. Answer read, to be conveyed by the Mayor to the Corporation in Assembly.

The Address having been read by the Town Clerk, and the Honble Mr Plunkett having expressed his thanks in the most complimentary terms to the Corporation for the Honor thus conferred upon him, and having read to the Meeting his Answer to the Address he handed the same to the Mayor to be by him conveyed to the Corporation in Assembly.

Drogheda 4 March 1835

Frederick Geo. Green Sworn Freeman

This day Frederick George Green now the Fourth Son of the late James Green M.D. was sworn a Freeman of this Corporation before John Cooper Esqre Mayor pursuant to his admission by birth on the 10th of October last.

Boyle Simpson do do

Same Day - Boyle Simpson of Ardagh in the County of Louth Gentleman second Son of Boyle Simpson late of the same place Farmer deceased was sworn a Freeman of this Corporation before John Cooper Esqre Mayor pursuant to his admission by birth on the 16th of January last.

Drogheda 7th March 1835

James Chas Collins Sworn Freeman

This day James Charles Collins of Drogheda Gentleman Fourth Son of the late Thomas Collins of the same place Attorney deceased, was sworn a Freeman of this Corporation before Henry Blacker Fairclough Esqre Charter Justice pursuant to his admission by birth on the 16th of January last.

Wm Hy Collins do do

Same Day - William Henry Collins of Drogheda Mariner Fifth Son of the said late Thomas Collins of the same place Attorney deceased was sworn a Freeman of this Corporation before Henry Blacker Fairclough Esqre Charter Justice pursuant to his admission by birth on the 16th of January last.

Wm Roy do do

Same Day - William Roy of the yellow Ballow in the County of the Town of Drogheda Farmer was sworn a Freeman of this Corporation before Henry Blacker Fairclough Esqre Charter Justice pursuant to his admission by marriage on the 16th of January last.

Peter Allen do do

Same Day - Peter Allen of Drogheda Gentleman eldest Son of John Allen late of the same place Post Master deceased, was sworn a Freeman of this Corporation before Henry Blacker Fairclough Esqre Charter Justice pursuant to his admission by birth on the 16th of January last

John Shaw do do

Same Day - John Shaw of Drogheda Schoolmaster was sworn a Freeman of this Corporation before Henry Blacker Fairclough Esqre Charter Justice pursuant to his admission by Marriage on the 16th of January last.

Henry St Geo Smith do do

Same Day - Henry St George Smith of Greenhills in the County of Louth Esqre eldest Son of St George Smith of the same place Esqre was sworn a Freeman of this Corporation before Henry Blacker Fairclough Esqre Charter Justice pursuant to his admission by birth on the 16th of January last.

Fredk Geo. Jas Leland do do

Same Day - Frederick George James Leland of Drogheda Gentleman third Son of the late Revd Henry Leland of the same place Clerk deceased was sworn a Freeman of this Corporation before Henry Blacker Fairclough Esqre Charter Justice, pursuant to his admission by birth on the 16th of January last.

George Clark do do

Same Day - George Clark of Drogheda Saddler was sworn a Freeman of this Corporation before Henry Blacker Fairclough Esqre pursuant to his admission by marriage on the 16th of January last.

Chas Wm Evans do do

Drogheda 9 March 1835 - This day Charles William Evans of Drogheda Gentleman eldest Son of George William Evans of the same place Esqre was sworn a Freeman of this Corporation before Henry Blacker Fairclough Esqre Charter Justice pursuant to his admission by birth on the 16th of January last.

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Drogheda 9th March 1835

John Edwd Appleyard Sworn Freeman

This day John Edward Appleyard of Drogheda Gentleman only Son of James Appleyard of the same place Gentleman was sworn a Freeman of this Corporation before Henry Blacker David Pugh Esqre Charter Justice, pursuant to his admission by birth on the 16th of January last.

James Leech do do

Same Day James Leech of Collon in the County of Louth Bleacher and Lapper was sworn a Freeman of this Corporation before Henry Blacker David Pugh Esqre Charter Justice pursuant to his admission by Service on the 16 of January last.

Qua: Post Mpy 1st May 1835

At a Quarterly Post Assembly held before John Cooper Esqre Mayor, Thomas Grendon and George Harpur Esqrs Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present on Friday the 1st day of May 1835.

The following Petitions for Freedom were read and severally referred.

Petitions for the Freedom of this Corporation from the following persons and upon the Claims to their names respectively set forth were read and considered and were severally referred to the next General Quarterly Assembly.

Freedom Birth
John P. Robinson do Birth and Service Hugh Emerson

The Petition of John Foster Robinson of Drogheda Son of Walter Robinson for Freedom by birth.

do marriage John Watson

Like of Hugh Emerson of James's Street Basket maker eldest Son of John Emerson claiming his Freedom both by birth and by Service as the Apprentice of the late Joseph Harpur.

do do Joseph Wilcocks

Like of John Watson of Drogheda Weaver for Freedom by marriage with Mary the Daughter of John Sawkin deceased whose father was stated to have obtained his freedom in the year 1783

do do James Jeffers

Like of Joseph Wilcocks of Drogheda, Miller, for freedom by marriage with Hannah Second daughter of James Latimer a Freeman

Like of James Jeffers for freedom by marriage with the daughter of Francis Forde Esqre a Freeman

do Spl favr T. W. Steele

Like of T. W. Steele Esqre for freedom by special favour shewing his relationship to several members of the Corporation and being otherwise connected with the Town.

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Gen Qua Mpy 1st May 1835

At a General Quarterly Assembly held before John Cooper Esqr Mayor, Thomas Grendon and George Harpur Esqrs Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present on Friday the 1st day of May 1835

The proceedings of the former Assembly being read

Alderman George Henry Pearkard to be elected Mayor for ensuing year and his nomination seconded

Alderman William Pughs Esqre proposed that Alderman George Henry Pearkard be elected Mayor for the ensuing year, and this nomination being seconded by Alderman Anderson the question was put from the Chair and the same was unanimously agreed to.

Patrick Darbey proposed as Sheriff elect

Patrick Darbey was proposed by Alderman Henry Blacker Pughs as one of the Sheriffs for the ensuing year, in which he was seconded by Alderman Anderson.

John Crawford proposed as Sheriff elect

John Crawford was proposed by Alderman John Pearkard to be one of the Sheriffs for the ensuing year in which he was seconded by Alderman William Pughs.

William Rodger proposed to be Sheriff

William Rodger was proposed by Alderman Graves Pearkard to which nomination objections were raised by Alderman Hardman and Mr James Wisdom notwithstanding which the nomination was seconded by Mr Robert Ball Hackett

William Cavines proposed as Sheriff

William Cavines was proposed by Mr North in which he was seconded by Mr George Richard Clarke.

Mr Crawford's nomination withdrawn.

The nomination of Mr Crawford is withdrawn by permission of the Assembly through the Chair.

Objections to nomination of William Cavines

Objections are raised by Alderman Robert Pearkard to the nomination of Mr Cavines.

James Medlicott proposed as Sheriff.

James Medlicott is proposed to be one of the Sheriffs by Mr George Richard Clark in which he was seconded by Mr J. W. Crawford to which nomination objections are also raised.

Obadiah Wisdom proposed as Sheriff but excused on account of his age.

Mr Obadiah Wisdom is proposed by Alderman Ralph Smyth in which he is seconded by Alderman Hardman, but upon the request of Mr Wisdom who urged his inability from age he is excused by the Assembly from serving the Office of Sheriff

Ballot

A Ballot being then demanded for the election of two persons from Messrs Darbey, Rodger, Cavines, and Medlicott, there appeared upon the Scrutiny

For Patrick Darbey	31
For William Rodger	14
For William Cavines	19
For James Medlicott	8

William Cavines and Patrick Darbey Sheriffs elect

Whereupon Messrs William Cavines and Patrick Darbey being the greater number of votes the question of their election to be Sheriffs for the ensuing year was duly put from the Chair and agreed to.

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to be certified to Governmt

Ordered — That the Election of the said Mayor and Sheriffs be certified to Governmt for approval.

Freedom Petn John F. Robinson

The petition of John Foster Robinson of Drogheda Son of Walter Robinson for freedom by Birth which was referred from the last Post Assembly being read, and it being moved by Alderman John Ashland that the prayer of same be granted in which he was seconded by Alderman St George Smith the question was thereupon put from the Chair and unanimously agreed to, and he was thereupon admitted to his freedom of this Corporation by oath on the usual terms.

do marriage John Watson not granted.

The Petition of John Watson referred from the Post Assembly for freedom by marriage being read upon which reference was made to the Freemans Book for the ascertainment of the allegations in the petition, and it having appeared that altho' the Grandfather of Petitioners Wife had obtained his Freedom in the year 1783 yet that his son John Sawkil the father of Petitioners Wife, and who would have been entitled to his Freedom by birth did not appear upon the Roll of Freedom, by reason of which the Freedom was not obtained.

Freedom Spl favor F. W. Steele referred

The petition of F. W. Steele Esqre for freedom by Special favour and which was referred from the Post Assembly being read, the same was in conformity with usage referred to the next General Quarterly Assembly.

Petitions for Freedom not entertained Stamp duty not been paid.

It being notified by the Town Clerk that the Stamp duty was not paid on the petitions of Hugh Emerson, Joseph Wilcocks, and Thomas Jeffers which were referred from the Post Assembly the same were not therefore entertained.

Treasurers Quarterly Account before Assembly. referred to Committee of Accounts.

The Treasurers Account for the ending was laid before the Assembly for examination and same was referred to the Consideration of the Committee of Accounts to report thereon to the next Assembly.

Agent to Commons Funds to furnish his Account at the Adjournment.

Ordered — That the Agent to the Commons Funds do furnish his Account for consideration at the adjournment of this Assembly.

Committee for revision of pension Lists to report for Consideration at the Adjournmt.

Ordered — That the Committee appointed at the General Quarterly Assembly held the 4th of January last for the revision of the Lists of persons receiving relief from the different funds under the control of this Corporation do report on the several matters to them referred that same may be considered at the Adjournment of this Assembly and that there be laid before the same Committee for examination and enquiry the petition from Anne McCategart hoping the pension of which she is at present in receipt might not be reduced until certain debts incurred for her Stepbrothers at the anticipation of her pension

Petitions of Anne McCategart and Margaret Brooks referred to Committee.

being continued to her undiminished were discharged. Also the petition of Margaret Brooks Widow of the late Thomas Brookes who was a Freeman, for some small relief to enable her to leave this Town to go to her friends, or to convey on some business for her support.

Petitions of Mary Anne Robinson and Mary Blackwood for admission into St Johns Poor House

The petition of Mary Anne Robinson Widow of William Robinson who was a Freeman being read stating that petitioner was left with four Children and near her confinement without support, and soliciting to be admitted into Saint Johns Poor House; also the petition of Mary Blackwood Widow being read stating that she was left with four Children without any provision, and that having lately lost one child petitioner was in great distress, and hoping for admission into St Johns Poor House, or for some small relief from the Commons Fund.

read

Mary Anne Robinson admitted.

Petition of Mary Blackwood to be kept in recollection for next Vacancy.

Upon motion of Mr Francis Leland seconded by Mr Robert Bell Hackett that the prayer of the petition of Mary Anne Robinson be granted, and the question having been put from the Chair the same was agreed to.

And it was Ordered that the petition of Mary Blackwood be kept in recollection with a view to the filling of the next vacancy that shall occur.

Motion by Alderman H.B. Tarbrough for Grant of £20 to fix a pump on Road to the Gaol

Same Ordered to be paid to a Committee appointed for superintendance of the work

Alderman H.B. Tarbrough moves upon the notice given by him at the Adjournment of the Assembly held the 13th of February last for a Grant of Twenty pounds to fix a pump on the road leading to the Gaol adjoining Mr Butterly's Concerns.

Ordered — That the Treasurer be at liberty to pay over said sum for the foregoing purpose to a Committee to consist of Aldermen R. Pritchard, H.B. Tarbrough, William Tarbrough, G.W. Evans, with Messrs North and Hogg to whom is confided the superintendance of the work and management of the Fund with instructions that the Situation shall be so chosen as not to interfere with or encroach upon the public way or Street.

Motion by Alderman George Wm Evans for Grant of £10 for laying a pipe to convey Water from Mr McCann's Yard on the Strand to Mr Ridgeway's Stores to extend a pump.

Granted

Ordered to be paid to the foregoing Committee.

Alderman G.W. Evans moves upon the notice given by him at the Adjournment of the Assembly held the 13th of February last that a sum of Ten pounds be granted for laying a pipe to convey Water from Mr McCann's Yard on the Strand across the Road to Mr Ridgeway's Stores where a pump is to be placed Mr McCann having promised to lay the pipes outside his Gate.

Ordered — That the Treasurer be at liberty to pay over said sum for the foregoing purpose to the Committee already named in the preceding Order to whom are given the same powers as in the last instance and of whom a like request is made of particular attention being paid to the Situation for similar reasons and upon the

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understanding that what has been proposed to be done by Mr. M'Cann will be carried into effect.

Report of Auditors & Viewers on Memorial of Alderman Wm. Tankerough for new Lease of Lands of Landshareagh been read

The following Report of the Auditors and Viewers on the Memorial of Alderman William Tankerough for a Renewal of part of the Lands of Landshareagh and which was referred to them at the General Quarterly Assembly held the 16th of January last being read viz:

"4th May 1835

At our adjourned meeting held this day pursuant to adjournment Present

Townley B. Hardman	Esqre	Chairman
St George Smith		
Ralph Smyth		Aldermen
Henry B. Tankerough		
Graves Ackland		
Thomas Beddy		
Austin Nicholls		
Obadiah Wisdom		Common
Thomas North		Council
John Crawford		
Robert Thompson		

"Resolved – That We find by a new Survey made of these Lands that the Contents of these two Lots are 7.1.7 which at the rent of £3 per acre as already valued amounts to £21 17s 7d

A moiety of which to be deducted according to the Custom 10.18.10

One half of which to be fined down at 17 years purchase being 5 9 5

The fine is therefore at this rate 93.0.1

from which is to be deducted allowance for unexpired term of 6 years say £2.10.2 per annum (the existing rent) at 5 years purchase 12.10.10

£80.9.3

was confirmed accordingly

"Resolved that a new Lease be made thereof to Alderman William Tankerough for 99 years from 25 March last (1835) at the reserved rent of £5.9.5 per annum and a Fine of £80.9.3

"T. B. Hardman Chairman"

It was moved by Alderman Hardman seconded by Alderman Jno Ackland that the foregoing Report be confirmed, the question on which having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to

Mary Emerson on account of Drunkenness no longer an Inmate of St John's Poor House.

Alderman Graves Ackland as Agent to the Poor of St Johns having reported to the Assembly the particulars of an investigation which he had felt it his duty to make into the conduct of Mary Emerson one of the Inmates of the Establishment who it appeared had been repeatedly in a

shameful state of inebriation in the forenoon of different days It was then Ordered That the said Mary Emerson be no longer continued an Inmate of St John's Poor House and that she be removed therefrom.

Auds & Vrs for ensuing year.

It being necessary at this Assembly to elect Auditors and Viewers for the ensuing year a general ballot for the purpose of such election took place when upon a Scrutiny of votes the following Aldermen and Common Council men were chosen.

1 St George Smith		
2 T. B. Hardman		
3 Graves Ackland		
4 Wm. Tankerough		Aldermen
5 John Ackland		
6 William Tankerough		
1 Hen. Crawford		
2 J. W. Crawford		
3 Obadiah Wisdom		
4 Robert Thompson		
5 Thomas Beddy Jun.		Common
6 Thomas North		Council
7 Austin Nicholls		
8 Francis Wm. Lloyd		
9 Henry Reynolds		

12 Guineas to Mr. Thos North for Gilt Box with Freedom to Hon. Rt. E. Plunkett.

Ordered That the Treasurer do pay to Mr. Thomas North his Account of Twelve Guineas for furnishing a Silver Gilt Box which was presented to the Honble Randall E. Plunkett with his Freedom.

15 Shillings to Alderman G Ackland for caretaking part of the North Commons.

Ordered – That Alderman G Ackland be at liberty to pay from the Commons Funds a sum of fifteen Shillings incurred for the Caretaking of that part of the Lands of the North Commons which had been in the possession of Mr John Chester and which had been deserted and was for some time waste.

Law Agent to prepare a Case for the advice of the Recorder relative to arrear of rent due from part of the North Commons heretofore occupied by the late Michl Chester

And it was further Ordered That the Law Agent do prepare a Case to be submitted to the Recorder for advice as to whether the arrear of rent can be recovered from the Representatives of the late Michael Chester or from Mr John Chester, and should the Recorder advise that the Arrear can be recovered, that proceedings be taken accordingly against such persons as are considered liable.

The Memorial of The Reverend James Crawford Vicar of St Mary's Parish being read stating that Memorialist's late father in the year 1820 took at auction from the Corporation two small parks of land without Dublin Gate adjoining the Glebe of Mary's

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Memorial of Mrs Jas Crawford for reduction of Rent

read

and

parish containing 2a 3r 1p at £6.15.6 per acre, one fourth part of which Rent was fixed down at Seventeen years purchase thereby making the price £79.1.0 and the rent per acre £5.1.3 — that the object of Petitioners failure in procuring said land was in expectation that the Board of First Fruits would have made the purchase and added it to the Glebe, but which expectation not having been realised Memorialist had suffered considerable loss from the deteriorated value in Land and the low price of agricultural produce, and hoping for these reasons consideration would be given to his case with a view to reduction of his rent

referred to Aud.rs & Vi.rs

It was moved by Alderman William Fairclough seconded by Alderman Robert Portland that the foregoing Memorial be referred for consideration to the Auditors and Viewers, which motion having been put from the Chair the same was agreed to.

Memorial of Geo. Richard Clark for reduction of rent not been lodged agreeably to terms of 3rd General Rule was not entertained.

The Memorial of George Richard Clark a Tenant to Land out West Gate seeking to be at liberty to bine down his Lands by reason of agricultural produce having decreased in value being presented at the Assembly, and it being stated that it was not lodged in the Town Clerk's Office previous to the meeting as required by the 3rd General Rule the same was not entertained.

Notice of Motion Alderman H.B. Fairclough

Alderman H B Fairclough gives notice that he will at the next General Quarterly Assembly move that the Agents to the Commons Fund and the Poor of St John's do furnish his Accounts half yearly only instead of Quarterly.

do do Alderman G. Ackland

Alderman G Ackland gives notice that he will at the next General Quarterly Assembly move that the Fines paid on the Settings of Lands belonging to the Commons Fund and the Poor of St John's be placed to the Credit of their Funds respectively, and that the Treasurer do open an Account for that purpose

Adj. Assy to 19 June next.

Ordered That this Assembly at its rising do stand adjourned to Friday the 19th of June next.

Qua: Post Assy 17 July 1835

At a Quarterly Post Assembly held before John Cooper Esqr Mayor, Thomas Greedon and George Harpur Esqrs Sheriffs the Aldermen being present on Friday the 17th day of July 1835.

The following Petitions were read and severally referred

Petitions for the Freedom of this Corporation from the following persons and upon the claims to their names respectively set forth were read and considered and were severally referred to the next General Quarterly Assembly

Freedom marriage James Jeffers

The petition of James Jeffers of Fair Street for Freedom by marriage with the Daughter of Francis Forde a Freeman.

do births Frest. Joseph Collins

Like of Joseph Frederick Collins of Drogheda Son of Thomas Collins deceased for Freedom by Birth.

do do Saint John Collins

Like of Saint John Collins of Drogheda Son of the said late Thomas Collins for Freedom by birth.

do Births George Bagnall

Like of George Bagnall of Drogheda Son of Alexander Bagnall upon the two fold claim of birth and Service.

do Births Thomas Apperson.

Like of Thomas Apperson of Drogheda Son of Thomas Apperson for freedom by birth.

Gen. Qua: Assy 17 July 1835

At a General Quarterly Assembly held before John Cooper Esqr Mayor, Thomas Greedon and George Harpur Esqrs Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present on Friday the 17th day of July 1835

The proceedings of former Assembly were read.

Freedom marriage James Jeffers

The petition of James Jeffers of Fair Street for Freedom by marriage with the daughter of Francis Forde a Freeman being read It was moved by Alderman Hardman Seconded by Alderman William Fairclough that the prayer thereof be granted, and the question being put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to, and he was thereupon admitted to his freedom of this Corporation by marriage on the usual terms.

Petitions for Freedom not entertained the Stamp duty not been paid.

The petitions of Joseph Frederick Collins, Saint John Collins George Bagnall and Thomas Apperson being read and it being noticed by the Town Clerk that the Stamp duty was not paid on these petitions which were referred from the Post Assembly, the same were not therefore entertained.

Mr Mayor reads letter from Mr Cavines Sheriff Elect requesting to be excused from the Office, not entertained

Mr Mayor laid before the Assembly a letter addressed to him by William Cavines Esqr Sheriff Elect dated the 17 instant which being read it appeared that the Writer being informed that he was elected Sheriff for the ensuing year he begged respectfully to acquaint the Assembly that he was so circumstanced by business as not to be enabled at present possibly to execute the Office and hoping that he might be excused, and it being Moved by Alderman Hardman and Seconded by Alderman George William Evans that the request of Mr Cavines be complied with and the matter having undergone discussion It was Resolved that pending the consideration by Government of the Election of Sheriffs made by this Corporation that the subject matter of Mr Cavines' Letter ought not to be entertained.

Adjournts of Assy to 7th & 28th of Augt next

Resolved That Adjournments of this Assembly be held on the 7th day of August next being this day three weeks, and on the 28th of August being this day six weeks.

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Tenants who at different periods fined down their rents but omitted procuring Leases at the time allowed to take out same.

Resolved – That the several Tenants of this Corporation who at different periods have been allowed to fine down the Rents of their respective holdings, and who have omitted to take out new Leases at the reduced rents be at liberty to take out such new Leases provided the several fines payable by them have been duly paid to the Treasurer.

Sealing Day

Ordered – That the 22nd of August next be appointed for the Sealing of the several Leases which are in preparation and requiring the execution of the Mayor.

Salary of the Recorder £100 p.a annum.

It was moved by Alderman Latham Faulkner Seconded by Alderman Joseph Holmes that the Salary payable to the Recorder which under the Report of the Finance Committee in May 1829 was reduced from the sum of £100 to £50 yearly, be restored to the original sum of £100 yearly, the same to commence from Michaelmas day last, and the question thereof having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to.

Town Clerk to prepare a Deed vesting certain property in the Protestant Clergyman of the Town & Governors & Assembly of the Blue School, Parish School and Female Orphan School to secure the future payments of the Yearly Grants now made to these Institutions

Resolved – That the Town Clerk do prepare a Deed to be approved of by the Recorder vesting in the Clergymen of the Established Church of this Town for the time being together with the Governors and Subscribers of the Blue School, the Female Orphan School and the Parish School a sufficient yearly Sum to be secured by a Transfer and Assignment of Rent reserved and made payable under Lease duly to provide for the punctual payment of the yearly Grants now made to said Charitable Funds respectively, and enabling the said Trustees for the time being to apply and receive those funds from the property so to be assigned for the purposes of the said Establishments respectively thus affording a permanent Fund for the use of these Institutions without the necessity of applying to the Treasurer for the payment of yearly Grants as heretofore.

Memorial of Aldeman Joseph Holmes for renewal of a Strip of Land without Dulleek Gate.

Referred to Auds & Vrs

The Memorial of Joseph Holmes Alderman being read stating that he was in possession as the Surviving Executor of the late Alderman William Holmes of a Strip or piece of Ground containing one rood and thirty six perches situate without Dulleek Gate under a demise from this Corporation to the said late William Holmes dated the 5th of June 1775 for 61 years from Easter 1774 at a yearly rent of five Shillings and said premises not having passed out of the hands of a Freeman praying for a renewal upon the usual terms It was moved by Alderman Hardman Seconded by Alderman William Faulkner that said Memorial be referred to the Auditors and Viewers, and the question having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to.

The Memorial of George Richard Clerk which was presented at the last Assembly but which was not then entertained by reason of same

Memorial of G.R. Clark for reduction of Rent read

not having been lodged in the Town Clerks office in sufficient time previous to the Assembly, being read stating that Memorialist had become Tenant in the year 1825 to 4 acres 3 roods and 35 perches of Land without West Gate at the yearly rent of £5 per acre; that when Memorialist became Tenant the premises were in a most impoverished condition; that he had since made considerable improvements thereon, and had converted same into an Ornamental Nursery – that agricultural produce and particularly Nursery Stock had much decreased in value, and praying that he might be allowed the same privilege of fining down his rent as had been granted to the Tenants of the Lands of Collage, and the Prayer of Memorialist being taken into consideration the same was referred for a Report by the Auditors and Viewers thereon.

Referred to Auds & Vrs

Committee of Accounts to meet on every day and make a Report for his Assessment

Ordered – That the Committee of Accounts be required to meet on every day to examine such Accounts as may be produced by persons having claims against the Corporation in order that same may be brought for consideration before the Assembly at the Assessment.

The following Reports of Auds & Vrs

The following Report of the Auditors and Viewers on the Memorial of James Daniel Lowd respecting the overcharge of Rent reserved as due by him for premises on the South Quay and which was referred from the last January Assembly, and also on the Memorial of the Reverend James Crawford for reduction in the rent of Land held by him at Dublin Gate in the parish of St Mary being read viz:

"At a meeting of the Committee held this day 5 June 1835

Present

Saml George Smith	Aldermen
J. B. Hardman	
H. B. Faulkner	
John Ackland	
William Faulkner	
J W Crawford	Common Council
Robert Thompson	
John Crawford	

"Resolved – That Alderman Henry B. Faulkner be elected Chairman for the ensuing year –

On Memorial of Revd James Crawford allowing him a reduction of £1 per acre in his rent and

"Resolved – That we are of opinion that in consequence of the reduction in the produce of Land generally the Revd James Crawford whose petition has been this day laid before us stating that his father became Tenant in 1820 for 2a 3r 7p adjoining the Dale at a Rent of £6 15 0 per acre (one fourth of which was fined down amounting to a Fine of £79 1 0) and praying for a reduction of the Rent – be the said petitioner be allowed to take out new Leases at a reduction of One pound per acre on the Contents already

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stated the same to take place on and from Easter last past"

On memorial of James D. Dowd recommending an abatement of Ten Guineas

"Resolved That on examining the premises in the possession of Mr James D. Dowd situate on South Quay as described in the Lease now submitted No 899 We are of opinion that that part of the premises of which the Tenant has not been put in possession is of the value of One third part of the whole thereof, and therefore We recommend that an abatement of Ten Guineas be made to the Tenant from the Commencement of the term until the Corporation shall be enable to give full possession of the whole of the premises

"H B Fawdenagh. Chairman"

been read

It was moved by Alderman Hardman seconded by Alderman William Fawdenagh that the foregoing reports as read be confirmed the question on which having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to.

were confirmed accordingly.

Motion by Alderman H. B. Fawdenagh that Agent to Commons Funds and Poor of St Johns do furnish his Accounts half yearly only. granted.

Alderman H B Fawdenagh moves upon the notice given by him at the last Quarterly Assembly held the 4th of may last that the Agent to the Commons Fund and the Poor of St John's do furnish his Accounts half yearly only instead of Quarterly, and said motion being seconded by Alderman Hardman the same was put from the Chair and unanimously agreed to.

Motion by Alderman Graves Ackland that the fines on lettings of Lands belonging to the Commons Fund and Poor of St Johns be placed to the credit of those funds respectively — Treasurer to open an Acct for same.

Alderman Graves Ackland moves upon the notice given by him at the Quarterly Assembly held the 4th of May last that the fines paid on the lettings of Lands belonging to the Commons Fund and the Poor of St John's be placed to the credit of those Funds respectively and that the Treasurer do open an Account for that purpose, and said motion having been seconded by Alderman H B Fawdenagh the same was put from the Chair and unanimously agreed to.

£5 to Margt Brookes Widow of a Freeman

Ordered That the Treasurer do pay to Margaret Brookes Widow of the late Thomas Brookes who was a Freeman of this Corporation the sum of Five pounds to enable her to go to her relatives at Banboy Bay in the County of Cork, the said Margaret Brookes being in a desolate and helpless condition of which the Assembly were informed by her memorial presented at the last Quarterly Assembly

Notice Motion Alderman L. Fawdenagh for a Grant of £50 towards erecting Iron Pallasading front of St Mark's Church.

Committee to inspect management of same.

Alderman Latham Fawdenagh gives notice that he will at the next Quarterly Assembly move that a sum not exceeding £50 be granted for the purpose of erecting Iron Pallasading in the front of St Mark's Church in Fair Street, said sum to be under the management of a Committee to consist of Aldermen Hardman William Fawdenagh and the Mover and Seconder together with Sheriff Grendon Messrs Nolls and John Crawford. And it is Ordered that in the

and to receive plans for the work.

interim the said Committee be authorized to receive Plans and Specifications for the intended Work, and to make choice of such Plan as to them shall appear the most eligible.

Notice motion Alderman L. Fawdenagh for increase of Grants to Blue School Orphan School and Parish School

Alderman Latham Fawdenagh gives notice that he will at the next Quarterly Assembly move that the Annual Grant at present made to the Protestant Blue School be increased to a sum of Fifty Guineas yearly, and that the Grants at present made to the Female Orphan School and Parish School be increased to the yearly sum of Fifteen Guineas.

Petition of Mary Emerson to be placed on Commons List not entertained

The petition of Mary Emerson widow being read mentioning being heretofore an Inmate of St John's Poor House from which she was dismissed on account of Drunkenness, and hoping that as she had not since been guilty of that offence and as the hopeless Widow of a deceased Freeman her name would be placed on the Commons List until a vacancy in St John's Poor House, - But no motion being made on the subject of said petition the same was not entertained

Adjt Gen Quar Assy 7 August 1835

At an Adjournment of the last General Quarterly Assembly held this day Friday the 7th of August 1835 before the Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being

Proceedings of the former Assembly were read.

Town Clerk to the Under Secretary Dublin Castle respecting Recorders approving Election of Mayor & Sheriffs

Ordered — upon the motion of Alderman Hardman on which he was seconded by Alderman William Fawdenagh that the Town Clerk do write to the Under Secretary at Dublin Castle to know whether the Election of the Mayor and Sheriffs whereof the Certificate was left at the Castle has been approved of by Government.

The following Reports of Auditors and Viewers on the Memorial of Jos B Holmes Alderman for renewal of a Strip or piece of Ground without Dublin Gate — also on the Memorial of George Richard Clark for reduction in the rent of 4. 3. 35 of land without West Gate through the medium of fining down same, - both of which were referred from the last General Assembly - also upon the Order of Reference made at the Adjournment of the October Quarterly Assembly held the 7th of November last respecting the letting of part of the South Commons to Patrick Grimes being severally read —

"6th July 1835

"At a Meeting of the Auditors and Viewers held this day —

"present

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"present ⁂ Said Geoge Smith, J. B. Hardeman, Graves Ackland, William Fairclough — Aldermen
S. W. Crawford, Charles Wisdom, Robert Thompson, Fras Wm Leland, Thomas Reddy Esqr, John Crawford — Common Council

"Alderman Graves Ackland in the Chair

The following Reports of Andrs & Wms

On Memorial of Alderman Joseph Holmes

"Resolved — That having proceeded to view the Strip or piece of Ground without Dullock Gate in the parish of St Mary, stated in the Memorial of Joseph Holmes Esqr praying for a renewal of same, expired at Easter last, and stated by him as containing 1a. 3r. 36p, but by a new Survey thereof now made containing 2a. 1r. 10p and formerly let to Colo Alderman Wm Holmes for 61 years from Easter 1774 — We are of opinion that the said Strip or piece of Ground is worth between man and man at the rate of Eight pounds per acre, and that a new Lease thereof be granted to Alderman Joseph Holmes agreeable to the prayer contained in the said Memorial as Representative of the said William Holmes for the term of ninetynine years from the expiration of former Lease at the reserved rent of One pound two Shillings and Sixpence, and a Fine of Fifteen pounds and fifteen Shillings Sterling — The above increase in the Survey appears to have arisen from the addition of a passage become obsolete since the Grant of the former Lease.

And in reference to the letting of part of the North Commons to Fabrick Grimes

"Resolved — That We recommend in order to remedy the mistake or error in letting part of the Commons to Fabrick Grimes (as herein stated) being afterwards ascertained to belong to the Charitable Funds and not to the Corporation — that a Lease be made out to said Fabrick Grimes for 61 years from the 29th September 1834 at a yearly rent of £13.17.6, being at a rate of £3.15.5 per acre on 3.2.32 as set to him at said Auction — and that he do pay a fine of two years' rent amounting to £27.15.5 and that in Consideration of not being able to fulfill the Terms of Letting We also recommend that an allowance be made to him of £8 per cent on said Fine, Amounting to £2.4.4 which will leave the annual reserved rent at £11.13.2.

and on the Memorial of G. K Clarke

"Resolved — That We are of opinion that having referred to the Report of a former Committee of 21st October 1834 on the petition of Mr Geo. R. Clark then presented — We do not see any reason for recommending a different arrangement than was at that time offered — namely that the petitioner be permitted to fine down one fourth of his original rent at a rate of 14 years purchase — and therefore beg to repeat the same recommendation

"Graves Ackland, Chairman"

Allowing David Alex Holmes to take out a new Lease of a Strip of land without Dullock Gate Confirmed and remedying the error in the said Letting to Patk Grimes Confirmed

It was moved by Alderman William Fairclough seconded by Alderman Hardeman that the Report made on the memorial of Alderman Joseph Holmes be confirmed, and the question thereof being put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to.

Mr Shegog moved in which he was seconded by Mr John Crawford that the report made in reference to the letting to Patrick Grimes be confirmed, upon which an amendment was moved by Mr Graves Ackland seconded by Mr J. R. Clark "That to prevent apparent irregularity which from the mode of framing the report might be considered to have been acted upon in the letting of the Lands in question being part of the Charitable Funds as viewed in reference to the usual letting of Lands comprising the General Estate of the Corporation, the bidding of the said Fabrick Grimes as Tenant be taken and acted upon as at £3.4.0 per acre instead of £3.15.0 the rate referred to in the report, and that the Fine of Two years rent be calculated at the lesser rate so as to make the letting conformable to the usage adopted in the letting of Charitable Lands as contradistinguished from the letting of the general Estate of the Corporation where the Rents are allowed to be reduced by fining down a portion thereof". and the question upon said amendment having been put from the Chair the same was lost, Whereupon the original motion for confirming the Report was agreed to.

J. K. Clarke to fine down one fourth of the Lands on the North Road at 11 years purchase

Alderman Evans moved in which he was seconded by Mr Beddy that the Report on the Memorial of George Richard Clark be confirmed, upon which an amendment was moved by Alderman Chesshire in which he was seconded by Mr Shegog that instead of said Report being adopted that Mr Clark be at Liberty to fine down one fourth of the rent at present payable by him at eleven years purchase, the question upon which having been put from the Chair the same after much discussion and enquiry was agreed to, by reason of the peculiar circumstances stated in his memorial, And it was Ordered that George Richard Clark be at Liberty to take out new Leases for said Land on the North Road, which were the subject of his memorial, upon the terms aforesaid.

Accounts passed.

The following Accounts having passed the Committee of Accounts the same were laid by the Vice Secretary before the Assembly for examination and being duly enquired into the same were ordered to be paid

1 John Leland Esqr Coals for Mayor's Office, in Market House and Police — 3.12.8
2 Peter Norris — repairs of Market House and Offices — Carpenters Work — 6.1.5
3 William Meade — repairs of same — Slating Work — 1.6.6

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4 Mrs E. Clarendon – Plumbers Work at Mayoralty House 1.10.7½
5 Joseph Holmes Esqr Town Clerk for Stamps and Writings for Corporation – Year ending Sept[r] 1834 45.1.8½
6 The Mayor – Expenses at Mayoralty House Feby 1835 2.12.6
7 Anne Armstrong – Cash as for Ehollet . 7 –
8 Proprietor Evening Mail – advertising in March 1834 4.18 –
9 John Crawford for engrossing and forwarding Petitions to House of Commons and Lord Lieutenant from Grand Jury – voted at respective Assizes of March 1834 and March 1835 4.4.0

£ 69.11.8

Account of Secretary to Having Committee referred to Assembly, and ordered to be paid.

A voucher Account preferred by John Crawford for his attendance as Secretary during one year and ahalf to the Paving and Cleansing Committee ending at Easter 1835 at £5 per annum, and amounting to £7.10.0, and which had undergone the examination of the Committee of Accounts was referred by them specially to the consideration of the Assembly inasmuch as the service was performed by desire of the respective Mayors for the time without having been notified to the Assembly.

Question of necessity for appointment to said office reserved for Consideration at next General Assembly.

Ordered – That the Claim now preferred as aforesaid be paid by the Treasurer, and that the question of necessity for such appointment of Secretary to the Paving Board be reserved for consideration at the next General Assembly, and that in the interim Mr Crawford continue to perform the duty of Secretary to said Committee.

Town Clerk informs the Assy that the Stamp duty is paid on the following Petitions which were not entertained at the last Assy on acct of such duty not been paid

The Assembly having been informed by the Town Clerk that since the last Quarterly Assembly Saint John Collins and Thomas Apperson who had severally petitioned for their Freedom by Birth, and George Bagnall who had petitioned for his freedom both by Birth and Service had respectively paid the necessary Stamp duty, and inasmuch as the consideration of their respective petitions had not been entered upon at the last Assembly by reason alone of such payments not having been then made It was moved by Mr Shegog seconded by Alderman Evans that the freedom of this Corporation be granted to Saint John Collins by birth and the question having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to.

Freedom Birth
St John Collins

A Similar motion was made by Mr Shegog seconded by Alderman Evans that the freedom of this Corporation be granted to Thomas Apperson by birth, and the question on same having been put from the Chair was unanimously agree to.

do do
Thomas Apperson

A Similar motion was made by Mr Shegog seconded by Alderman Evans that the freedom of this Corporation by birth be granted to George Bagnall, and the question on same having been put from the Chair was unanimously agreed to.

do do
George Bagnall

Petition of Jane Bagnall Widow, to recall it – not entertained

The petition of Jane Bagnall Widow of Alexander Bagnall deceased who was a Freeman being read stating that she had four Children two of whom were solely depending on her for support, and that from general infirmity and weakness of sight she was unable to earn sufficient subsistence, and praying for some small relief or to be admitted an Inmate of the Poor House It was moved by Mr Mayne that the prayer of the petition be taken into consideration, the propriety of which was discussed and examined into, and the motion not having been seconded same was not entertained.

Motion by Mr Shegog for a Committee to prepare Petitions to Parliament against the Corporate Reform Bill

It was moved by Mr Shegog seconded by Mr Vesey that a Committee to consist of the Recorder, Aldermen Hardman, St George Smith, William Fairclough, Henry B. Fairclough, Anderson and Graves Aldermen, with Mr Sheriff Gordon, and Mr[s] Francis Williams Deared, and John Crawford, be appointed for the purpose of preparing Petitions to be presented to both Houses of Parliament against the Bill which has been introduced into the House of Commons by his Majesty's Attorney General for Ireland for the Reform of Municipal Corporations in this Kingdom, and that said Committee be empowered so soon as said petitions are prepared to forward same for presentation; – the petition to the Lords to be confided to the Right Honble Lord Orial, and that to the Commons to be transmitted to the honble Randall E. Plunkett Member for this Town – the question upon which motion having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to, And it was Ordered that the Mover and Seconder be added to the Committee and that the Town Clerk be requested to give his assistance.

Town Clerk to give his assistance.

Notice Motion
Mr John Crawford

Mr John Crawford gives notice that he will at the next General Assembly move that the Treasurer do pay to Mr William Dawson senior the sum of One pound expended by him in the interment of Eliza Blogg who died a pauper.

do do
Mr Shegog

Mr Shegog gives notice that he will at the next General Assembly move that William Ogle the present Tenant to the Tolls and Customs be made a reasonable allowance or reduction in the sums which he became bound for and undertook to pay, by reason of decisions recently made by Magistrates at Petty Sessions affecting the Collection of Toll.

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Drogheda 22nd August 1835

This day the following Leases passed the Seal of this Corporation before John Cooper Eyre Mayor, the Sheriffs, Aldermen, and Common Council being present pursuant to Order of Assembly of the 17th day of July last.

William Cavines Merchant

A Lease of two houses or tenements and gardens without St James's Gate was sealed unto William Cavines merchant at £6 per annum for 141 years from 29 September 1833 pursuant to Order of Assembly held the 18 of July 1834.

George Harpur Eyre

A Lease of a House and Yard yard at the rear thereof on the South side of John Street was sealed unto George Harpur Eyre at £7.17.6 per annum and £26.5.0 fine for 99 years from Michaelmas 1834 same having been struck down to him by public Cant on the 27th of October 1834 at £10.10.0 per annum.

Patrick Grimes Farmer

A Lease of a piece or parcel of land being the first Lot of the Cowleys or South Commons containing 3.2.30 was sealed unto Patrick Grimes Farmer at £11.13.2 per annum, and £27.15.0. fine pursuant to order of Assembly of the 7th of August instant for 61 years from the 29th September 1834, same having been struck down to him by public Cant on the 27 October 1834 at £3.15.0 per acre.

Henry B: Fawkenor Esqre

A Lease of Several Lots of Ground with a Dwelling House and Offices on the West side of the Road from Drogheda to Ballymakenny was sealed unto Henry B Fawkenor Esqre at £42.9.2 per annum and £169.16.0 Fine for 93 years from 25 March 1834 pursuant to order of Assembly held the 16 January 1835

William Fawkenor Esqre

A Lease of several parcels or parcels of land at Sandsharragh containing 7.1.7, was sealed unto William Fawkenor Esqre at £5.9.5 per annum, and £80.9.3 fine for 99 years from the 25th of March 1835 pursuant to order of Assembly held the 1st May 1835

Revd James Crawford

A Lease of Two parcels of land adjoining the Dale Gardens without St James's Gate containing 2.3.1 was sealed unto the Revd James Crawford at £10.2.4½ per annum for 85 years from Easter 1835 pursuant to order of Assembly held the 1st day of May 1835.

Lieut Gen 2nd Assy
28 August 1835

At an Adjournment of the last General Quarterly Assembly held this day Friday the 28 of August 1835 before the Mayor and Sheriffs, the Aldermen and Common Council being present.

The proceedings of the former Assembly were read.

Motion by Mr Hogg to adopt the following resolution instead of one passed at the last Quarterly Assembly

It was moved by Mr Hogg in which he was seconded by Alderman Hardman that inasmuch as the Resolution passed at the last General Quarterly Assembly on the 17 of July last directing "that the Town Clerk should prepare a Deed vesting in the Clergymen of the Established Church of this Town for the time being together with the Governors and Subscribers of the Blue School, the Female Orphan School, and the Parish School a sufficient yearly sum to secure the payment of the Grants now made to the Blue School, Female School, and Parish School without application to the Treasurer" was not sufficiently specific to enable the Deed therein referred to to be prepared, that the Resolution now proposed and which is as follows be adopted, the question upon which motion having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to.

Resolution Town Clerk to prepare a Deed vesting a Rent Charge in the Protestant Clergymen of this Town for the time being to enable them to pay present Grants to the Blue School, Parish School and Female Orphan School without future application to the Trustees of this Corporation.

Whereas by an Order of the Corporation bearing date the 3rd day of October 1671 it was resolved that a sum of 20 Guineas a year be paid half yearly to the Stewards of the Charity School of St Peter's parish in aid of that Institution, to commence from the 25th day of March then last, And Whereas by an Order bearing date the 30th April 1813 it was resolved that in future a yearly Grant of 40 Guineas instead of 20 Guineas be paid by this Corporation in support of said School, said increase to commence from the day on which the last payment of 20 Guineas was made, And whereas upon the petition of the Revd J. B Owens and John Smith by an Order bearing date the 13th day of January 1826 it was resolved that the sum of Ten Guineas formerly granted to Mrs Back for the Female School be paid to Petitioners for the use of the Female Charity School in Bolton Street, And whereas by an Order of the Corporation bearing date the 29th May 1829 it was resolved that a Grant of Ten pounds be given the Parish School for the purpose of giving premiums in Clothing and otherwise to the best answering at the annual Catechetical Examination at the discretion of the Clergyman of the Parish, And whereas by an Order of the Corporation bearing date the 17th day of July 1835 it was resolved that the Town Clerk do prepare a Deed to be approved of by the Recorder vesting in the Clergyman of the Established Church of this town for the time being together with the Governors and Subscribers of the Blue School, the Female Orphan School, and the Parish School a sufficient yearly sum to be secured by a transfer and assignment of rent reserved and made payable under Lease, duly to provide for the punctual

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payment of the yearly Grants now made to said Charitable Funds respectively, and enabling the said Trustees for the time being to apply and receive those funds from the property so to be assigned for the purposes of the said Establishments respectively, thus affording a permanent Fund for the use of these Institutions without the necessity of applying to the Treasurer for the payment of yearly grants as heretofore, And Whereas said three annual Grants of 40 Guineas a year, 10 Guineas a year, and £10 a year have been regularly paid to said Schools since the respective dates of said several orders, And Whereas inasmuch as said three annual Grants have been given by this Corporation for the purposes of Charity and Education, it is deemed proper in order to obviate the necessity of applying to the Treasurer for the payment thereof to appropriate a permanent Fund for the use of those Institutions beyond the Controul of the Corporation, And Whereas the said Resolution of the 17 day of July last 1835 not being sufficiently specific as to enable the Deed therein referred to to be drawn It is therefore Resolved that an annual Rent Charge of £62.10.0 a year be granted in fee by this Corporation to the Reverend John Magee Vicar of the parish of St Peter, the Reverend George Needham Incumbent of the Church of St Mark, the Reverend A. Adams perpetual Curate of Ballymakenny, and the Reverend James Crawford Vicar of the parish of Stephany and their Successors for ever as Trustees in trust to appropriate and apply said annual sum of £62.10.0 according to the purposes and directions of said several recited Orders - Said rent Charge to be Charged on Lands demised by this Corporation under four several Indentures of Lease, the first whereof is dated the 24th of January 1828 and made unto the late Edward Bowden deceased and the three others (two of which are respectively dated the 13th of July 1833, and the other dated the 22nd of August 1835) are executed unto Alderman Henry Blacker Fairtough, and which said Lands are situate on the West and East side of the Road leading from Drogheda to Ballymakenny in the parish of St Peter and County of the Town of Drogheda and are severally now in the possession and occupation of said Alderman Henry Blacker Fairtough as Tenant of the Corporation who is in future to pay so much of the respective Rents payable by him to said Trustees as will indemnify them in the payment of said sum of £62.10.0, and for that purpose he is to attorn to them. It is also Resolved that the Town Clerk do prepare a Deed to be approved of by the Recorder in pursuance of this Resolution.

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Petition to the Lords against the Irish Municipal Corporation Reform Bill forwarded to the Hon. R. E. Plunket M.P. to be given by him for presentation to the Right Hon. Lord Cred.

It having been notified to the Assembly that in pursuance of the Resolution passed at the last Adjournment on the 7th instant there was forwarded through the Honble Randal E. Plunket the Member for the Town a petition to the House of Lords to be given by him for presentation to the Right Honble Lord Cred, and which petition had been prepared by the Committee appointed under said Resolution, a Copy of which is now read - and that the Honble Mr Plunket was also informed that by reason of the Bill for the regulation of Municipal Corporations in Ireland having passed thro the House of Commons with such unprecedented rapidity the Corporation had not had sufficient time to have a similar petition presented to that House.

Same to be entered on the Minutes.

It was moved by Alderman Anderson in which he was seconded by Alderman Hardman that the petition now read be entered on the Minutes, the question on which having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to.

Petition.

"To the Right Honorable the Lords Spiritual and Temporal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland in this present Parliament Assembled.

"The Humble Petition of the Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses and Commons of the County of the Town of Drogheda

"Respectfully Sheweth

"That your Petitioners having recently procured a Copy of the Bill now in progress thro' your honorable House for the purpose of "Reforming" Municipal Corporations of Ireland - feel themselves called upon to express the astonishment and alarm with which they have read the provisions of it - calculated as they are to destroy the rights privileges and immunities which your petitioners and their ancestors have so long enjoyed under Charters granted to them by many of his Majesty's most illustrious Predecessors - and to hand over all the property power and influence which the Royal Grantors designed for their sole use - to the Roman Catholic Population of the present day - a disposition which petitioners venture to say, the most opposed to the views and intentions with which the same were originally bestowed.

"That it must be well known to your Lordships that the establishment of Corporations in Ireland on their earliest foundation was made for the promotion and encouragement of friends to British Connection - and that subsequently at the period of the Revolution - the object of the Charters granted by the illustrious Monarch who then filled the Throne of these Realms - was to establish and encourage Protestant Communities attached not only to British Connection, but to those principles especially which led to the Settlement of the Throne on his

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Majesty's august Family –

"That your petitioners hold their property by Charter from that illustrious Monarch – and they do not conceive that in the management of it they have departed from the gracious intentions of the Royal Donor. That the handing over of such property as now proposed by the Bill to men professing the Roman Catholic religion, and disposed almost unanimously to assist the Agitation of the day towards dissevering the Empire, and breaking up the present Connection with Great Britain – can only be considered as a most arbitrary exercise of power, a flagrant breach of every principle of Justice and Equity – and an unwarranted departure from the principles upon which the property was originally bestowed.

"That the unprecedented rapidity with which this Bill has been carried thro' the Lower House of Parliament at a season so unusual – and contrary to an understanding given by Her Majesty's Ministers at an early period of the Session – Your petitioners have been taken by surprise and absolutely deprived of the means of making their objections, and pointing out to that honorable House the manifest injustice of its provisions.

"That your petitioners have also read a certain report which has been made by Commissioners appointed under the authority of his Majesty to enquire into the State of the municipal Corporations in Ireland – and do not hesitate to affert that in that part of it which refers to the Corporation of Drogheda many and gross misstatements have been made and Conclusions drawn not warranted by the facts or by the evidence received – That your petitioners did upon the occasion of the attendance in Drogheda of the said Commissioners freely and chearfully furnish them with all and every kind of information in their power to afford – whether by the inspection of all their books papers and records, or by the oral testimony of their Officers and of the Members of their Body who were considered qualified to furnish the same – and that had a correct report been made founded on the evidence received it would appear beyond all contradiction that neither corruption nor malpractices were to be found in the present administration of the affairs of the said Corporation, and that its funds were expended on works of general utility and advantage to all descriptions of the inhabitants and for the objects for which they were originally intended.

"Your petitioners here beg to remark that the well known political bias of the Commissioners engaged in the Corporate Inquiry in this town is such as peculiarly to unfit them for making a fair and impartial report – and that the truth of this observation is fully

confirmed by the whole tenor of the report itself – which in almost every page contains remarks insinuations or Statements either wholly unfounded or grossly exagerated – more particularly in reference to the property of this Corporation and the disposition made of it, and to the observations it contains respecting non resident Freemen which are wholly incorrect and unjustifiable – That had the Evidence been printed on which such Statements and observations are founded Your Honorable House would have been enabled to ascertain their correctness – but for obvious reasons such opportunity has been denied – and those assertions rest solely on the credit of men, who tho' furnished with all the books papers and records of this Corporation from which alone authentic information could be had sought out from all those most hostile to Corporate institutions and least likely to afford pure and unbiased testimony, as well as from anonymous sources for evidence of a nature more in conformity to preconceived opinions.

"That petitioners feeling that they have nothing to rely on but in the justice of your Honble House humbly implore your Lordships to take their case into your gracious consideration and either wholly to reject this most iniquitous Bill or to suffer your petitioners to produce evidence, and to be heard by Counsel at the Bar of your Honble House in their own defence, and to rebut the charges and misstatements contained in the said Report, and upon which it is presumed that the Bill now before your Honble House so far as relates to the Corporation of Drogheda, has been founded.

"And your Petitioners as in duty bound will pray.

"In testimony whereof We have hereunto affixed Our Common Seal in pursuance of an Order made at an Adjournment of a Quarterly Assembly held at the Tholsel of Drogheda before the said Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses and Commons on Friday the 7th day of August 1835.

"Exped. per Jos. Holmes Jr. C.B.C. Seal"

Account for insertion of Address to Captain Graham in the Evening Mail in May 1832 laid before Assembly and the Town Clerk directed to write to the Proprietor referring him to the person who directed the insertion

He Mayor laid before the Assembly a letter received by him from the Editor of the Evening Mail dated the 24 inst requiring payment of an account amounting to £1.15.0 for the advertising in May 1832 of an Address voted to Captain Graham.

Ordered That the Town Clerk do answer said letter stating that inasmuch as there did not appear to be any order for publishing said Address the Proprietor should be referred to the person directing the publication.

He Mayor also laid before the Assembly a letter received by him dated the 11th instant from Chief Constable Walsh at Dulek accompanied

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Account for travelling Expenses of Police during last Election

by a letter from Mr Drummond Under Secretary dated the 7th instant directed to Sir John Harvey in reference to accounts of Travelling allowances claimed by the Chief and other Constables of the Counties of Meath and Louth for their attendance at the contested Election in this Town in April last amounting to £15.2.0, and which demand Mr Drummond directed Sir John Harvey to apply for the payment of to the Corporation of Drogheda, and which application the Mayor answered by his letter of the 14 instant promising to lay same before this Assembly. It was moved by Alderman Anderson in which he was seconded by the Recorder that inasmuch as it appeared that the Mayor had applied for the Police Force for the preservation of the Peace of the Town and County that the expense attendant upon same should be defrayed by this Corporation, the question upon which motion having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to.

Ordered to be paid.

And it was

Ordered That the Treasurer do accordingly pay said Accounts furnished.

Town Clerk to prepare a Statement to oppose Corporation Reform Bill.

Resolved — That a Statement be prepared by the Town Clerk to be laid before the Recorder of such facts and circumstances as may be considered useful and necessary for the defence of this Corporation before the House of Lords against the Charges made in and the inferences to be drawn from the Report of the Commissioners who presided upon the Inquiry into this Corporation, and in case it should become necessary that such Statement should be used before the House of Lords previous to any meeting of this Corporation that the Recorder and Town Clerk be at liberty to procure the assistance of Counsel upon such occasion, and that such Attorney do attend as may be considered necessary by the Recorder, the expense attendant upon all which to be defrayed by this Corporation.

and if necessary

The Recorder and Town Clerk to be at liberty to procure Counsel — Attorney to attend. Expense of same to be paid by the Corporation.

Petition of Mary Emerson for relief moved — Ordered £5 to be paid to her in monthly sums of 10 Shillings each.

The petition of Mary Emerson widow being read by which it appeared that petitioner was in the greatest distress since her removal from the Poor House; that She sincerely regretted the cause of such removal, and praying for some small relief and expressing a hope that she might upon a future vacancy be again admitted into that establishment It was moved by Alderman Anderson in which he was seconded by Alderman Evans that the Treasurer do hand over to Mr John Crawford the sum of Five pounds for the use of Petitioner to be by him given to her in monthly payments of Ten Shillings, which motion having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to.

£100 to be paid to Law Agent on account of Costs in general and £50 on account of Costs relating to the Commons which last sum to be repaid to this Corporation when rents of same can be made available.

Ordered That the Treasurer do pay the Law Agent One Hundred Pounds on account of his demand for business done for this Corporation. And it is also

Ordered that he do pay the sum of Fifty pounds to the Law Agent on account of his demand for business done relating to the Commons Fund property the said sum of Fifty pounds to be repaid to this Corporation from and out of the rents issues and profits of said Fund so soon as same shall become available.

Warrant approving Mayor & Sheriffs Elect read.

The Warrant of approval of his Excellency the Lord Lieutenant dated the 7th instant being read whereby it was approved of that George Henry Rolland Eyre should be Mayor, and that William Cairnes and Patrick Darbey should be Sheriffs for the ensuing year from Michaelmas day next It was moved by Alderman Hardman in which he was seconded by Alderman Robert Rolland that for the reasons mentioned by Mr Cairnes in his letter to the Mayor which was read at the General Quarterly Assembly on the 17th of July last, he be excused from serving the Office of Sheriff for the ensuing year and which motion having been objected to, and the consideration of same being under discussion It was moved by the Recorder in which he was seconded by Mr Wolfe that the House be counted, and it appearing that there were only eleven Common Council men in attendance the Assembly was thereupon dissolved.

Motion that Mr Cairnes be excused from serving Office of Sheriff seconded

House counted out and Assembly dissolved

Special General Assembly 18 Sept 1835 for the purpose of considering the propriety of excusing William Cairnes Sheriff Elect from said Office and of electing if necessary another in his room.

At a Special General Assembly held before the Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present on Friday the 18th day of September 1835 pursuant to requisition directed to his Worship the Mayor numerously signed by Members of the Corporation for the purpose of considering the propriety of acceding to the request of Mr Cairnes one of the Sheriffs Elect to be excused from serving the said Office for the ensuing year for the reasons stated by him in a letter which was laid before the Corporation at the General Quarterly Assembly held the 17th of July last. Stating that from pressure of private business it would be peculiarly inconvenient for him to serve on said occasion, and also for the purpose if necessary of appointing another person to serve as Sheriff in his room.

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Requisition for meeting read

Motion that Mr Cairnes be excused from serving as Sheriff for ensuing Year

Agreed to

Carried by a majority of 17

The requisition to the Mayor having been read.

It was moved by Alderman Hardman Seconded by Alderman Anderson that Mr Cairnes for the reasons stated by him be excused from serving the Office of Sheriff for the ensuing year, which motion having been objected to by Alderman Graves Ackland, and the matter having undergone discussion a Ballot was demanded which there appeared upon a Scrutiny in favor of the motion for excusing for Mr Cairnes

	22 White Beans
And against the motion	5 Black Beans
Leaving a majority of	17

Motion that John Shegog Esqr be elected to serve Sheriff for ensuing year.

Amendt that Mr Rodger be elected to said Office

Lost by a large majority

Original motion for Mr Shegog's election to serve said Office Carried by a majority of 19

Moved by Alderman Robert Pendred Seconded by Robert Ball Hackett Esqre that John Shegog Esqre be elected to serve the Office of Sheriff for the ensuing year When Alderman Graves Ackland moved as an Amendment that Mr William Rodger be elected to serve said Office he having had next to Mr Cairnes the majority of Votes upon the Election for Sheriffs which took place at the General Quarter Assembly which was held on the 1st of may last, and the question upon the Amendment having been put from the Chair the same was negatived by a large majority whereupon the question was put from the Chair that Mr Shegog be accordy elected, to which election objections having been made a ballot was demanded, when there appeared upon a Scrutiny

For electing Mr Shegog	22 White Beans
Against said Election	3 B. Beans
Majority for electing Mr Shegog	19

Motion that Mr Shegog be elected to take precedence as Sub Sheriff

Carried by a majority of 5

It was then moved and seconded That Mr Shegog be considered as having been elected in the room of Mr Cairnes, which motion being opposed by Alderman H.B. Tavelough as such motion if successful would have the effect of placing Mr Shegog as First or Senior Sheriff to which precedence it was contended Mr Darbey was entitled as his election had received the approbation of Government, and the question having been then put from the Chair that Mr Shegog be elected in the room of Mr Cairnes, and a Ballot having been thereupon demanded there appeared upon a Scrutiny

For the motion	14 White Beans
And against the motion	9 B. Beans
Majority	5

Said Election to be certified to Government as usual.

Ordered That the foregoing election of John Shegog to serve as Sheriff in the place and stead of William Cairney in conjunction with Patrick Darbey Esqre be certified to Government in the usual manner

Drogheda 29 September 1835

This Day the foregoing Acts of Assembly were read and compared before us and Ordered to be entered in the Large Assembly Book as usual

Ad Test
Joseph Holmes
Town Clerk

John Cooper — Mayor
Thomas Garden, George Haynes — Sheriffs
H. B. Tavelough, J. Ackland — Aldermen
John Shegog, Fras W. Leland, Robt Ball Hackett — Common Council

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Tuesday 29th September 1835

Swearing in of Geo. Henry Pentland Espre Mayor and John Shegog and Patrick Darby Espres Sheriffs

This day being the Feast of Saint Michael the Archangel the Swearing in of the Mayor and Sherriffs took place at the Tholsel after having attended Divine Service at Saint Peters Church –

The Town Clerk having produced to John Cooper Espre Mayor the approbation of His Excellency Earl Mulgrave Lord Lieutenant General and General Governor of Ireland Dated at Dublin Castle 7th August 1835 approving of George Henry Pentland Espire to be Mayor and William Cairnes and Patrick Darby to be Sherriffs for the ensuing year from this day and having also produced a further approbation of His said Excellency Dated 26th September 1835 approving of John Shegog Espre one of the Freemen to serve as Sheriff for the ensuing year in the place and stead of William Cairnes who had been excused serving said Office, and said Warrants of approbations having been respectively read aloud in Open Court by the Town Clerk –

The said George Henry Pentland was thereupon accordingly Sworn and took the Oath prescribed by the Act of the 10 year of the Reign of Geo. the 4th, and also took the Oaths appertaining to the Offices of Mayor and Justice of the Peace –

And the said John Shegog and Patrick Darby were also respectively Sworn and took the Oaths prescribed by the said Statute of the 10th of George the 4th, and also Severally took the Oath appertaining to the Office of Sheriff –

Genl Post Assembly 7th October 1835

At a Quarterly Post Assembly held before George Henry Pentland Esquire Mayor the Sherriffs and Aldermen being present on Wednesday the 7th of October 1835 –

Petitions for Freedom Referred –

The petition of Stephen Henry Smith of Annesbrook Espre for his Freedom by Birth being presented and read the same was referred to the next General Quarterly Assembly –

The petition of Ralph Smith of Green Hills Espre Second Son of Alderman St. George Smith of Green Hills aforesaid for his Freedom by Birth was also presented and read and referred to the next General Quarterly Assembly –

And the petition of Saint George Smith of Annesbrook fourth Son of said Henry Smith of Annesbrook aforesaid Espre for his Freedom by Birth was likewise read and referred to the next General Quarterly Assembly –

There was not any other Business for the Consideration of the Assembly –

Genl Quar Assembly 9th Octr 1835

At a General Quarterly Assembly of the Corporation held before the said Mayor and Sherriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present on Friday the 9th day of October 1835 –

Proceedings of former Assembly read –

John Cooper Espre Mayor of the Staple & Justice of the peace –

Alderman John Cooper late Mayor is elected Mayor of the Staple for the ensuing year and Sworn –

The said Alderman John Cooper was also Sworn and took the Oath of a Justice of the Peace –

Common Council

Thomas Grendon and George Harpur are Elected Common Council more and both Sworn –

Coroners

The said Thomas Grendon and George Harpur are Elected Coroners for the ensuing year and both Sworn –

Constables Staple

The said Thomas Grendon and George Harpur are Elected Constables of the Staple for the ensuing year and Sworn –

Master Guild Wardens do

John Cooper is elected Master of the Guild of Merchants for the ensuing year –

Thomas Grendon and George Harpur Espres are Elected Wardens of the Guild of Merchants for the ensuing year –

Offices of Sword & Mace

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

John Cooper Espre Elected Treasurer –

Alderman John Cooper is unanimously re-elected Treasurer of this Corporation which Situation he Vacated on being elected Mayor on which occasion Alderman Ralph Smith was Elected for one year which ended on the 29th September last –

Cranes

Ordered – That the Cranes be set up to Auction from and after the 26th instant Inclusive –

Gate Customs

Ordered – That the Pontage and Gate Customs be set up from the 28th October instant inclusive and that notice of such settings respectively be advertized in the Drogheda Journal –

The usual Security to be entered into by the respective parties who are declared Tenants to the Cranes and Gate Customs –

Freedom – Birth Stephen H. Smith

The Petition of Stephen Henry Smith of Annesbrook Espre third Son of Henry Smith of Annesbrook Espre for his Freedom by Birth being read It was moved by Alderman Hardman seconded by Mr. Sherriff Shegog that the prayer of the Petition be granted and the Question having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to and he was thereupon admitted to his freedom by Birth on the usual terms –

do — do Ralph Smith

The Petition of Ralph Smith of Green Hills Espre Second Son of Alderman St. George Smith of Green Hills aforesaid for his freedom by Birth being read It was moved by Alderman Hardman Seconded by Alderman John Cooper that the prayer of the Petition be granted and the question having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to, and he was thereupon admitted to his freedom by Birth on the usual terms –

do — do St. George Smith

The Petition of Saint George Smith of Annesbrook fourth Son of Henry Smith of Annesbrook aforesaid Espre for his Freedom by Birth being read It was moved by Mr. Beady Seconded by Mr. Sherriff Shegog that the prayer of the Petition be granted

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and the question having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to, and he was thereupon admitted to his Freedom of this Corporation by Birth on the usual terms –

Treasurers Account

The Treasurers Account of Receipts and Expenditures commencing the 30th of April last and ending the 9th of October instant was laid before the Assembly for examination, by which it appeared there was a Balance due to the Treasurer of - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - £31 " 16 " 0

And the Account of Arrears returned due by the Tenants named therein at Easter 1834 Amounted to - " " " " £881 " 15 " 2

Tenants having Accounts to meet their Arrears to arrange same –

Upon enquiry it appeared that Several of the Tenants so returned in Arrear were Creditors by Account and otherwise which would liquidate and discharge said Arrears – And it was Ordered that Tenants so circumstanced should immediately arrange their said Accounts and Rents –

Law Agent to apply to Tenants in Arrear –

And it was further Ordered that the Law Agent should apply to all Tenants returned in Arrear more than one half year at November 1834 for immediate payment, and that in default thereof proceedings should be taken for recovery –

Memorial of Aldn John Leland for reduction in Rent Referred to Auds & Viewers –

The Memorial of Alderman John Leland being read stating that he was Tenant by Lease Vlg 1016 to 5 - 3 - 22 J - H - O of land near the Turnkies at £5 " 6 " 0 per Acre and praying for an abatement thereof in consequence of the fall in the price of grain –

It was resolved on the Motion of Mr Clarke Seconded by Mr Grendon that the matter of the said Petition be Referred for Consideration to the Auditors and Viewers –

Like Memorial of Francis Wm Leland Referred to Auds & Viewers

The Memorial of Francis William Leland being read stating that he was Tenant by Lease Vlg 940 of a Field near Manimore Containing 4 Acres of which Lord was to take in the year 1825 and praying for an abatement in the Rent of the said Premises for the reasons stated in the preceding Memorial –

It was resolved on the Motion of Henry B. Fairtlough Seconded by Alds Evans that the matter of the foregoing petition be referred for consideration to the Auditors and Viewers –

do — do John Cowley Referred to Auds & Viewers

The Memorial of John Cowley being read stating that he was Tenant for 5 Acres 3 Roods of land near Beamore part of the Property of the Dean of St Patrick at the rate of £4 " 14 " 3 per Acre and praying for an Abatement to £3 " 10 - 0 per Acre for the Reasons stated in the preceding Memorial –

It was resolved on the Motion of Alderman St George Smith, Seconded by Alderman John Cooper that the matter of the foregoing petition be referred for Consideration to the Auditors and Viewers –

Memorial of Coll. F. Batkersby for extension of Term in his Lease for part of the North Commons –

The Memorials of Francis Batkersby of Listoke Esqre being read stating that on the 12th of September last he became Tenant by Auction to the 3rd Lot of the North Commons at £3 " 10 - 0 per Acre, of the fourth Lot of said Commons at £3 " 0 " 0 per Acre and of the 6th Lot thereof at £3 - 5 - 0 per Acre with two years Rent of each Lot as fines

for the respective Terms of 61 years from the 29th of September last and Submitting that said Tenure was too limited to encourage improvement and Praying for a term of 99 years instead of 61 years and that one fourth of the Rent might be fixed down at Ten years purchase or should Propositions be at variance with the regulations respecting said property that Memorialist might be granted Leases for 31 years of said lands to commence from the expiration of the aforesaid term of 61 years –

Like Memorial of Christ Jordan Merchant – Referred to Auds & Viewers With directions not to be reported on till after next Quarter Assembly –

Also the Memorial of Christopher Jordan of West Street Merchant being read stating that on the 12th of September last he became Tenant by Auction to the first Lot of the North Commons at £3 " 1 " 0 per Acre and of the 2nd Lot of said Commons at £3 " 0 " 0 per Acre with two years of the Rent of each Lot as fines for the respective terms of 61 years from the 29th of September last and Submitting that said Tenure was too limited to encourage improvement, and praying for a term of 99 years instead of 61 years, and that one fourth of the Rent might be fixed down at 10 years purchase, or for the reversionary Lease as sought by Mr Batkersby in case the Propositions should be contrary to existing regulations –

The matter of the foregoing Memorials being taken into consideration and it appearing upon discussion that the terms for which this property which is part of the Charitable fund had been invariably demised did not exceed 61 years, and that any departure therefrom would be against the immemorial usage in this respect – It was moved by Alderman H. B. Fairtlough, Seconded by Alderman Robert Pentland that the Prayers of the foregoing Memorials be referred to the consideration of the Auditors and Viewers with Instructions that they should not report thereon until after the next General Quarterly Assembly –

Notice — Motion Alds H. B. Fairtlough

Alderman H. B. Fairtlough gives notice that he will at the next General Quarterly Assembly Move that from thenceforth the existing usage or Bye Law by which the Charitable property of this Corporation is limited in the tenure to 61 years be rescinded, and that same be set in future for the term of 99 years –

Memorial of Henry Smith praying an extension of the Term in Lease Vlg 504 – Referred to Auds & Viewers

The Memorial of Henry Smith Merchant being read stating that he had taken a Plot of ground part of the Corporation Property denominated the Marsh near St James's for the purpose of making a Patent Slip and Ship Building Yard thereon the Lease of which ground was Originally granted to Alderman John Graham in the year 1760 for 99 years (Vlg 504) and praying for an extension of said Lease to him to encourage the outlay of Capital upon such Terms as should be considered Reasonable –

It was resolved on the Motion of Alderman H. B. Fairtlough Seconded by Mr Grendon that the matter of the foregoing Memorial be Referred for consideration to the Auditors and Viewers –

Letter from Thos Brodigan Esqre Respecting interested Rail Road expressing hopes that the Corporation would aid the Same for its advancement –

His Worship the Mayor having laid before the Assembly a letter received by him from Thomas Brodigan Esquire of Piltown Dated the 8th instant setting forth the advantages likely to accrue to this Town and its Inhabitants at large from the Rail way proposed to be established between this Town and Dublin

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and hoping from the Local Benefits likely to be derived therefrom that the Corporation would aid the funds now collecting to defray the Cost of the Preliminary Parliamentary Survey, It was moved by Alderman R. B. Fairtlough in which he was seconded by Alderman Evans that this Corporation through their Treasurer should Subscribe the Sum of £100 to assist such Preliminary or Parliamentary Survey the said Subscription to be allowed hereafter to the Corporation in the Purchase of Shares in case they should be disposed to become Shareholders, which Motion being objected to by Mr. F. W. Leland a Ballot was demanded which was subsequently decided in favor of the Motion by a division of the Assembly there being but five dissentients –

£100 granted towards Railway Survey –

Ordered — That the Scavengery of the Streets be set up to Auction on Friday next the 16th instant, and in case His Worship the Mayor shall consider that the Proposals for cleansing would not prove effectual in keeping the Town sufficiently clean that he be authorized to act generally with a View to the attainment of so desirable an object by agreeing with such persons as should offer for cleansing certain portions of the Town, or by Submitting the cleansing of the Town either in the whole or in part to the management of the Paving Committee who in the event of such Reference to them are authorized to adopt such measures as will ensure the effectual cleansing of the Town either by contract or otherwise –

Scavengery ordered to be set ups to Auction on the 16th inst –

Ordered — That Alderman Chesshire and L. Fairtlough be added to the Paving Committee –

Mr. John Crawford moves upon the notice given by him on the 7th of August last that the Treasurer do pay to Mr. William Dawson Senr. the Sum of One Pound expended by him in the interment of Eliza Blood who died a Pauper, which Motion being seconded by Mr. Atkinson and the Question put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to –

Motion by Mr. John Crawford that Treasurer do pay £1. to W. Dawson Senr. for burial of Eliza Blood, Agreed to –

Mr. Shegog moves upon the Notice given by him on the 7th of April last that William Ogle the present Tenant to the Tolls and Customs be made a reasonable allowance or reduction in the Sums which he became bound for and undertook to pay, which motion having been seconded by Alderman Chesshire and the matter for consideration having undergone discussion the same was referred to the Committee who investigated the claim made by Patrick Plunkett when Toll Collector to which Committee are added the Mover and Seconder on the present occasion –

Motion by Mr. Shegog that Wm. Ogle be made a reasonable Reduction in his Contract for the Tolls – Referred to Committee that examines Reported on P. Plunketts Memorial –

That present State and Condition of the Mendicity Institution having been brought to the Notice of the Assembly by Alderman R. B. Fairtlough and the General Impression being that the System was ineffectual for the Purpose Originally intended and that the institution had fallen almost into disuse –

Mendicity gone into disuse –

Ordered — That the Auditors and Viewers do enquire into the present state and condition of the Mendicity and that they do Report thereon to this next General Quarterly Assembly with a view that if the Institution

Auditors & Viewers to inquire into same and Report thereon at next Quar. Assembly –

be inoperative for the Object intended that measures be taken for Resuming the Possession of the Premises the accomodation of which for that Purpose had been afforded by this Corporation –

Law Agent to prepare a draft of a General Police Bill & Same to contain clauses for improvement of the Town generally –

Moved by Alderman St. George Smith, Seconded by Alderman R. B. Fairtlough that the Law Agent do prepare for the approval of the Recorder the draft of a general Police Bill to embody within its Powers and authority to effect improvements within the Town and Suburbs among others for the widening of Streets and Purchasing Property for that Purpose under similar enactments with those possessed by the Wide Streets Commissioners of Dublin, the providing of Water for the Inhabitants in a Similar manner to that of the Pipe Water Committee and to embrace such other general objects as would be for the benefit of the Town and its inhabitants, the expense of this Bill to be borne by this Corporation, which Motion having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to – And it was

To be laid before a Committee –

Ordered – That the said draft Bill be laid before a Committee to consist of the Mover and Seconder – Aldermen Harbman R. Pentland and G. H. Evans, with Messrs Shegog Henry Smith and Robert Thompson of which the Mayor is to act as Chairman –

Committee –

Town Clerk to write to Mr. Drew requiring Possession of piece of ground South Side of the Tholsel –

Ordered – That the Town Clerk do communicate by Letter to Mr. Drew that the Corporation require the possession of a small piece of ground on the South side of the Tholsel which had been demised by them to the late Alderman Henry Leland by Lease dated the 7th of January 1771 for 61 years from Easter 1768. the Term of which expired in Easter 1829 –

Assembly adjourned –

This Assembly is adjourned to Monday the 26th instant at 12 O'Clock –

Drogheda 17th October 1835 –

Jn. John Collins Sworn a Freeman

This day Saint John Collins of Drogheda Junr. son of the late Thomas Collins of the same place Attorney deceased was Sworn a Freeman of this Corporation before George Henry Pentland Esquire Mayor Pursuant to his Admission by Birth on the 7th of August last –

19th October 1835 –

Wakefield Hamilton do

This day Wakefield Hamilton of Drogheda Junr. Minster Second Son of Wakefield Hamilton late of the same place Schoolmaster deceased was Sworn a Freeman of this Corporation before Henry Blacker Fairtlough Esquire Charter Justice Pursuant to his Admission by Birth on the 16th of January last –

21st December 1835 –

Wm. O. Fairtlough do

This day William Oliver Fairtlough of Drogheda Gentleman eldest Son of John Fairtlough late of Rathmullen in the County of Meath Esquire was Sworn a Freeman of this Corporation before William Fairtlough Esqr. Charter Justice Pursuant to his Admission by Birth on the 16th of January last –

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Quar: Post Assembly
13th January 1836 –

Henry B. Fairlough Esqr voted to the Chair in absence of Mayor –

Petition of Henry Osborne Junr for Freedom Marriage.
Referred –

Nothing more done

At a Quarterly Post Assembly held before Henry B. Fairlough Esqre acting under deputation from George Henry Pentland Esquire Mayor the Sheriffs and Aldermen being present on Wednesday the 13th day of January 1836 –

The said Alderman Henry B. Fairlough being voted to take the Chair, and having accordingly done so – The Petition of Henry Osborne the Younger of Dardistown Castle in the County of Meath Esqre for his Freedom by Marriage with Mary the Eldest daughter of Saint George Smith one of the Aldermen being presented and read the same was Referred to the next General Quarterly Assembly –

There was not any other business for the consideration of the Assembly –

Gen: Quar: Assembly
15 January 1836 –
H. B. Fairlough Esqr
Chairman –

At a General Quarterly Assembly of the Corporation held before Alderman Henry Blacker Fairlough acting under deputation from George Henry Pentland Esquire Mayor and which was read, the Sheriffs Aldermen and Common Council being present on Friday the 15th day of January 1836 –

The said Alderman H. B. Fairlough was voted that he do take the Chair and having taken his Seat thereof –

The proceedings of the former Assembly were read

Freedom – Marriage
Henry Osborne Junr

The Petition of Henry Osborne of Dardistown Castle in the County of Meath Esqre for his Freedom by Marriage with Mary the daughter of St. George Smith Esqre one of the Aldermen which was referred from the last Quarterly Post Assembly being read – It was moved by Alderman Hedges Seconded by Alderman Hardman that the Prayer of the Petition be granted and the question having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to, and he was thereupon admitted to his Freedom of this Corporation by Marriage on the usual terms –

Assembly adjourned to 19th February next –

Mr. Ball, Recorder moved that this Assembly at its rising do adjourn to Friday the 19th of February next which Motion being Seconded by Mr. Hedges the same was agreed to and this Assembly stands adjourned accordingly

Mayor to appoint a Sealing day –

Ordered – That the Mayor do appoint an early day for the Sealing of such Leases as are ready for execution and for such other Leases and documents as are in preparation –

Accounts due by the Corporation to be examined by Committee laid before Assembly at Adjournment –

Ordered – That the several Accounts outstanding and due by this Corporation be submitted for Examination to the Committee of Accounts in Order that the same may be laid before the Assembly at the adjournment –

Treasurers Account

The Treasurers Account of receipts and expenditure Commencing 9th of October last and continuing to the 15th of January instant was laid before the Assembly for Examination by which it appeared there was a Balance due to the Treasurer of – – – – – – – – – £150 – 9 – 8¼

And the Account of Arrears due by the Tenants named therein at Easter 1834 amounts to – – – – – – – – – – – £538 – 11 – 7

Together with Arrears due on Premises long since out of Lease And all together to – 141 – 16 – 4½

Making together the Sum of – – £680 – 7 – 11½

Premises under Leases near expiration to be advertized by Town Clerk –

Ordered – That the Town Clerk do advertise for setting such Premises as appear upon examination to come within the usual limit of expiration, having a regard to the right of Renewal in respecting such Premises to such persons as may be entitled, and such advertisement to include the Premises in John Street returned upon the Treasurers Account in Charge to the Representatives of C. Brunton, and demised under Lease Vol. 613 –

and same to include premises in John St in charge to Representatives C. Brunton –

Surveys to be made –

And it is ordered That Surveys be previously made of said Premises respectively –

Accounts passed –

The following Accounts having passed the Committee of Accounts the same were laid by their Secretary before the Assembly for examination and being duly enquired into the same were upon the Motion of Alderman Anderson Ordered to be paid –

Henry Garvey Goliets of Clothes for Town Serjeants Bangbeggars and Bellman – Mats and Traiters furnished Michaelmas 1835 – – –	51 – 19 – 6
William Dawson Stationary from 2nd May to 24th October 1835 – – –	2 – 19 – 8
Charles Collins Stationary from 20 October 1834 to 27 March 1835 – – –	3 – 3 – 7
James Stalker painting and Glazing from 2nd Octr 1834 to 30 Sept 1835 –	14 – 6 – 7
Austin Nicholls for Sundry Works and Repairs for one year ending Michaelmas 1835 and one years Contract – – – –	39 – 6 – 10
Joseph Kearns and William Codd Surveyors of – –	4 – 3 – 0
Smith and Crawford Ironmongery and plumbing and other works from 1st November 1834 to 19th September 1835 – – –	10 – 19 – 8
George Kriaggs Sundry Works and Repairs from December 1833 to July 1835 – – – – – –	10 – 8 – 7½
Thomas Grendon Repairs of Town Pump November 1835 –	1 – 10 – 6
Thomas Grendon 7 Sewers Gates furnished April 1833 & January 1835 –	26 – 16 – 3½
	£ 165 – 11½ – 3

Auditors & Viewers Report on Memorials of Henry Smith, John Leland, Francis Wm Leland and John Cowley –

The following report of the Auditors and Viewers on the Memorial of Henry Smith for an extension of Lease Vol. 504 of premises at the Marsh on which he proposed to construct a Patent Slip and Ship Building yard, also upon the Memorials of Alderman John Leland, Francis William Leland and John Cowley for abatement in their respective Rents by reason of the fall in Prices of grain, and which several Memorials were referred at the last General Quarterly Assembly held on the 9th of October last being respectively read viz:,

" 11th January 1836 – At a meeting of the Auditors & Viewers held this day pursuant to Summons –

– present –

1 Townley B. Hardman	Aldermen	1 John Crawford	Common Council
2 Henry B. Fairlough		2 Saml Wm Crawford	
		3 Robert Thompson	
		4 Thomas North	
		5 Austin Nicholls	
		6 Henry Bagnall	

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"Henry B. Fairtough Esqr in the Chair -

Report on Memorial of Henry Smith

"Resolved - That having had the Memorials of Henry Smith referred as opposite praying for an extension of Lease No. 504 and having had the several documents connected therewith laid before us, We find that the full and complete Interest and Title therein is now vested in him -

"Resolved - That we recommend a new lease be granted to Mr. Henry Smith of the profitable part of said Marsh as may appear by a new Survey thereof to be made at an Annual Rent of One pound per Acre for the Term of 99 years in addition to the present term of the said Lease unexpired - And We further recommend that the unprofitable part as shewn by said Survey containing 2 Acres 1 rood 28 Perches be included in the grant at the Annual Rent of One Shilling in consequence of the Corporation reserving a right of entry to so much of that part as may be necessary in case at any period the Quay should be extended so far on the South side of the River from the present Bridge, he the said Henry Smith having reserved to him a right of passage or communication by Drawbridge or otherwise with the River - And that we have recommended a Renewal of the said Lease on the above named moderate terms he the said Henry Smith being bound by Lease to build a Slip for the building or repairing of Vessells and a Building Yard agreeable to the prayer of his Petition within the Term of 20 years from the present period -

Like on Memorial of John Leland

"Resolved - That we recommend that Alderman John Leland be allowed an abatement of Rent as prayed for in his Petition now before us to the Sum of One pound per Acre and that he be allowed to take out a new Lease on these Terms -

Like F. W. Leland

"Resolved - That we recommend that Mr. Francis Wm Leland be allowed an abatement of Rent as prayed for in his Petition now before us to the Sum of One pound per Acre and that he be allowed to take out a new Lease on these Terms -

Like John Cowley

"Resolved - That we recommend that John Cowley be allowed an abatement of Rent as prayed for in his Petition now before us to the Sum of Fourteen Shillings per Acre and that he be allowed to take out a new Lease on these Terms -"

H. B. Fairtough, Chairman"

It was moved by Mr. Shegog Seconded by Mr. North that the Report made on the Memorial of Henry Smith be confirmed, which being objected to, it was moved as an Amendment by Alderman St. George Smith, Seconded by Mr. F. W. Leland that the said Report be referred back to the Auditors and Viewers for further Consideration and that they do report thereon to the adjournment of this Assembly stating therein with more exactness the present Actual Value of the Premises and whether any and what portions thereof it would be desirable to reserve for the projected improvements of the River under the Boyne Commissioners, and also whether any and what

passages should be reserved to lead from the Road to the River or intended Quay, having regard that such intended passages or streets shall not interfere with or obstruct the intended improvements of Mr. Smith in reference to the Patent Slip Building Yard -

Report on Memorial of Alderman John Leland Confirmed -

Like on Memt of F. W. Leland confirmed -

Like of John Cowley Confirmed

Alderman Hardiman moved in which he was Seconded by Mr. Clarke that the Report on the Memorial of Alderman Leland be confirmed and the Question there of being put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to -

Alderman Mercer moved in which he was Seconded by Mr. Shegog that the Report on the Memorial of Francis William Leland be confirmed and the Question there of being put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to -

Mr. Shegog moves in which he was Seconded by Alderman St. George Smith that the Report on the Memorial of John Cowley be confirmed and the Question there of being put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to -

Report of 5th June last on Memorial of James Daniel Dowd - Referred back to Auditors and Viewers for further Report -

The Report made by the Auditors and Viewers dated the 5th of June last on the Memorial of James Daniel Dowd and which was referred from the General Quarterly Assembly held the 18th of July 1834 and which was read at and Confirmed by the Assembly held the 17th of July 1835 having been brought to the consideration of this Assembly, and it having been urged upon discussion that the allowance or abatement made by the Auditors and Viewers to Memorialist was not commensurate with the loss of that part of the Premises of which he had not been put in Possession by this Corporation - It was moved by Alderman Cooper Seconded by Alderman William Fairtough that the said Report be referred back to the Auditors and Viewers for further Consideration and that they do report thereon to the adjournment of this Assembly -

Notice - Motion Alderman J. Donagh in reference to Blue School -

Alderman Donagh brings to the notice of the Assembly the depressed state of the Funds of the Protestant Blue School and gives notice that he will at the next general Quarterly Assembly move that the Treasurer be authorized to pay to the Governors of this Institution the Sum of 20 Guineas to assist in providing Clothing for the Boys -

The Recorder lays upon the Table the Draft Bill which was directed to be prepared at the last Quarterly Assembly on the 9th of October last for supplying the Inhabitants of this Town with Water, for procuring a more effective watch Establishment and for generally improving the Town by making wide and convenient Streets where necessary, and for Opening a Quay on the North of the River from the Bridge to the Western Boundary, and having stated the general Principles of the Bill with the Provisions and enactments for carrying the same into effect - It was Ordered that the Draft Bill be referred to the consideration of the Committee named in the Order for the Preparation of same, and that Messrs Grendon Clarke and Atkinson be added to said Committee and that a Copy of said Draft Bill be left on the Table of the Assembly Room for the Examination and Inspection of the Public and that Paper Pens and Ink be provided for the purpose of enabling any useful Suggestions or alterations to be made for

The Recorder lays upon the Table the draft Bill respecting the Supply of Water for the Town and for making wide and convenient Streets

A Copy to be left on the Assembly Table for inspection by the Public and

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consideration so as to make same a useful Public measure –

It is also Ordered that a Copy of the Draft Bill with such suggestions or alterations as may be made be furnished to our Member the Honorable Randale E. Plunkett who is requested to introduce said Bill to the House of Commons –

Also a Copy to be furnished to the Hon: R. E. Plunkett

On the Motion of Mr. Henry Smith Seconded by Alderman Evans It is ordered that the use of the Court House be given for the intended meeting of the Rail Road Committee between the City of Dublin and this Town –

Court House allowed to Rail Road Committee for Meeting

And it is further Ordered That this Corporation do assent in the usual way that the said intended Rail Road shall pass over any and such parts of their property as Owners in fee thereof as may be requisite for effecting the Objects of said Committee –

Rail Road to be allowed to pass over any part of the Corporation Estate necessary –

Ordered – That the attention of the Auditors and Viewers be directed to the Order of Reference made on the Memorials of Francis Battersby and Christopher Jordan on the 9th of October last respecting the extension of their Terms of part of the lands of the North Commons –

Aud.rs & Viewers attention directed to Memorials of Francis Battersby & Christopher Jordan –

Mr. Shegog moves on the Notice given by Alderman M. B. Fairbrother at the last Quarterly Assembly that from henceforth the existing usage or Bye Law by which the Charitable property of the Corporation is limited in the Tenure to 61 years be rescinded and that same be set in future for the Term of 99 years which Motion being seconded by Mr. Nicholls and the Assembly having been informed that a portion of the said Charitable Estates denominated Alderman Forde's Meadows were lately set up by Public Auction to Christopher Jordan for 99 years –

Motion by Mr. Shegog that Term of Charity lands be changed from 61 to 99 years in future – granted and Setting of Forde's Meadows lately made to Christr Jordan for 99 years. Confirmed –

It was Ordered That the said usage or Bye Law be rescinded and that said Charitable lands be advertized in future to be set for 99 years, and that the setting lately made to said Christopher Jordan for said term be confirmed –

The Memorial of The Reverend George Needham Curate of St. Marks Church in the Parish of Saint Peter being Read Stating that this Corporation had in the year 1830 endowed said Free Church with the Tithes of the Parish of Finsmouth Amounting to £65 yearly which with £50 per Annum granted by his Grace the Lord Primate formed his entire income, the Continuance of which grant by his Graces Successor might not be reasonably calculated upon leaving only for the support of Memorialists Successor what is derivable from the Tithes of Finsmouth and which at present from deductions and expenses only Amounts to £50 per Annum, and praying that this inadequate allowance for the maintenance of a Clergyman would be taken into Consideration and that some addition to the income would be granted – Mr. Atkinson gives notice that he will at the next General Quarterly Assembly move that certain lands the property of this Corporation producing the Annual Rent of £50 be legally vested in such Trustee or Trustees as may hereafter be appointed by this Corporation, the same to be applied to the augmentation of the present endowment of St. Marks Church which is insufficient for the proper maintenance of a Clergyman –

Memorial of The Reverend George Needham for increase of income

Notice —— Motion Mr. Atkinson

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The Memorial of the Reverend James Crawford Vicar of Saint Marys Parish in this Town being Read stating that £80 per Annum which is allocated by the Marquis of Drogheda the Impropriate Rector out of Tythes is inadequate to the decent maintenance of a Clergyman and that this Sum has been latterly paid in an unsatisfactory manner by reason of the Combination & opposition to Tythe – that £30 in additions derived from the liberality of the Bishops of Meath constitutes Memorialists income with the further emoluments of a House and five Acres of Glebe – That from the liberality evinced by the Bishops on various occasions in Support of the Church Establishment and their munificence to the Clergymen of the adjoining Parish Memorialist trusts the Insufficiency of his income will be considered and that the Corporation would be pleased to appropriate such Annual Sum as would secure Memorialist and his Successors from indigence and enable them becomingly to maintain themselves as Vicars of an important parish – Mr. Edward Atkinson gives notice that he will at the next general Quarterly Assembly move that certain lands the property of this Body producing £50 per Annum be legally vested in such Trustee or Trustees as this Corporation may hereafter appoint, the same to be applied to the Augmentation of the present endowment of the parish Church of St. Marys in this Town same not being sufficient for the proper maintenance and Support of a Parochial Clergyman, Amounting in all from Tithes, a House and Glebe Land only to the Sum of £80 per Annum –

Memorial of Revd James Crawford for increase of income –

Notice – Motion Mr. Atkinson

Alderman Evans gives notice that when the foregoing matters are brought to the consideration of the Assembly he will move as an Amendment that the Several Persons whose pensions and Salaries were reduced by a Committee of Economy in 1829 have a prior and paramount claim on the funds of this Corporation and that previously to the appropriation of said funds for the purposes contemplated by Mr. Atkinson the said pensions and Salaries be restored to their former Amount respectively if the Corporate funds shall now be found in a Condition to afford same –

do —— do Alderman Evans

Mr. North moves upon the Notice given by Alderman Fairbrother at the Quarterly Assembly on the 17th of July last that the Sum of £50 then referred to for the purpose of erecting Iron pallasading in the front of Saint Marks Church in Fair Street be now granted to the Committee thereinnamed which motion being seconded by Mr. John Crawford and the Question thereof being put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to –

Motion by Mr. North that £50 be granted to erect Iron Pallasading in front of St. Marks Church – agreed to –

Mr. North gives notice that he will at the next General Quarterly Assembly move that a Sum not exceeding £40-6-8½ be granted to the Committee appointed for the Superintendance of the erection of Iron Pallasading at St. Marks Church to enable them to pay the Balance of the expenses for completing of said Improvement

Notice – Motion Mr. North

On the Motion of Alderman Saint George Smith Seconded by Mr. Shegog, It is Ordered That Jane Moore Widow of the late Thomas Moore

Jane Moore Widow to be admitted to Poor House the first Vacancy without prejudice to others –

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be admitted into the Poor House on the first Vacancy that should occur without Prejudice to the Right of any Person at present on the list for admission therein –

Agents & Commrs. funds to enquire into and report respecting the conduct of Catherine Bridges an inmate of the Poor House –

Resolved – That the Receiver of the Rents of the Commons and Poor of Saint Johns do enquire into the Conduct of Catherine Bridges Widow one of the inmates of the Poor House and which is stated to be improper and that he do Report the result of this Enquiry to the Adjournment of this Assembly –

Report of Auditors & Viewers on the Claim of William Ogle late Tolle Collector –

The following report on the Order of Reference of the 9th of October last referring the claim for allowance by William Ogle late Toll to the same Committee who was appointed to investigate and Report on the Claim of Patrick Plunkett upon a similar Account being read, vizt –

– Tholsel 17th November 1835 –

At a Meeting of a Committee held for the purposes of considering what sum would be a reasonable allowance or Reduction in the sums which the late Tolle became bound for and undertook to pay in consequence of late decisions of the Magistrates –

– Present –

George Henry Pentland Esqre Mayor in the Chair –

Sir George Smith
J. B. Hardman
M. B. Fairtlough
John Chesshire
} Aldermen –

Robert Thompson
John Crawford
Thomas North
John Shegog
} Common Council –

Moved by Alderman Chesshire Seconded by Thomas North Esquire That William Ogle be allowed the Sum of Sixty pounds for the Reasons in resolution mentioned on other Side –

Treasurer to refund him £60 pursuant to foregoing Report –

It was Ordered on the Motion of Mr. Shegog Seconded by Alderman Robert Pentland that said Report be confirmed and that the Treasurer do accordingly pay to the said William Ogle the Sum of £60 so allowed to him –

Petition of Abraham Bagnall for Relief Read

The Petition of Abraham Bagnall for Relief being read which was accompanied with Certificates from Surgeons Pentland and Denby stating that Petitioner was afflicted with an eruptive disease and with an obstinate cutaneous affection by which he was rendered unable to work at his Trade as a Shoe maker and it appearing that Petitioner was a Freeman and had so long as he was enabled endeavoured to earn his support but was now so greatly afflicted with sickness he is wholly unable to do so, and not having obtained any Relief from his disease though a Considerable time in Richmond Hospital Petitioner now reluctantly solicits some Pecuniary Assistance –

Orders £5 as a Temporary Relief and

It was moved by Mr. F. W. Leland Seconded by Mr. Shegog that Petitioner be granted a Sum of £5 as a Temporary Relief, and that he

on first vacancy to become an Annuitant on Charity funds –

should become an Annuitant on the Commons funds and the Poor of St. Johns on the first vacancy to such account as shall be then agreed upon which Motion having been put from the Chair the same was agreed to –

Petition of James Gerrard late Superintendant of Mendicity House – read –

The Petition of James Gerrard late the Superintendant of the Mendicity Institution being read stating that the Establishment had been abandoned for some time past and that no persons had been relieved therein, and that understanding the premises were the Property of the Corporation and being at present resident therein and in Care of them wishes for further directions respecting same, and stating that there was due to him the Sum of £7 13s 4 for Wages and that he had given the Keys of the Premises to Alderman Henry Fairtlough by whose directions he was still remaining therein –

Ordered to be paid £7 13s 4 wages due to him in Consideration of his delivering up Keys of the Institution to the Corporation –

and

to remain in Care of premises till dct –

Ordered – That by reason of Petitioner having surrendered the Keys to Alderman Fairtlough and having undertaken to remain in Charge of the Premises until measures shall be taken for settling same that the Treasurer of this Corporation do pay to Petitioner the said Sum of £7 13s 4 so due to him for Wages as Superintendant of the late Mendicity institution –

Letters from Reverend Machee Vicar of Tullyallen & another from Mr. Nicholls praying the use of a Bell Lying on the Loft of the Tholsel for the Church of Tullyallen –

Alderman M. B. Fairtlough as Chairman and Acting as Mayor lays before the Assembly a Letter from the Reverend Thomas J. Machee Vicar of Tullyallen requesting the Corporation would grant for the use of the Church of Tullyallen a Bell which had been long in disuse and was lying on the Loft of the Tholsel as such would Answer the Purposes of Tullyallen Church which had never been provided with a Bell and from the pressing demands upon the Ecclesiastical Commissioners there was not any hope of a Grant from them for that Purpose, also a further Letter from Mr. Austin Nicholls Architect who was superintending Repairs of that Church to the same effect –

Request granted –

It is Ordered, on the Motion of Alderman Robert Pentland Seconded by Mr. Shegog that the request be complied with, and that the Bell be accordingly Presented for the use of the Church of Tullyallen which Motion being put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to –

Memorial of William Rodger referred generally to Auditors & Viewers –

The Memorial of William Rodger accompanied with the Receipt of the Treasurer Dated the 27th January 1835 for the Additional fine on 2 Houses in Fair Street fined down at ten years Purchase Pursuant to the Order of the Assembly of the 18th July 1834 being Read whereby a Reference is made to the Payment of said fine and that he considered himself entitled to a Reduction of Rent from the 29th September 1834 which the Treasurer refused to Recognize without an Order and Setting that said Houses should be further fined down from the present Rent of £20 to £5 per Annum at 10 years purchase by Reason of the fall in the Value of House property – It was moved by Alderman Hardman Seconded by Alderman William Fairtlough that the matter of said Memorial should be referred generally to the Auditors and Viewers for their Report with Instructions to report whether said Houses should be further fined down and if so at how many years purchase, and also to report when the Reduction

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in Payment of Rent at the former fining down should Commence having regard to the period at which the fine was paid –

Petition of Jane Bagnall Widow for Assistance – not moved –

The Petition of Jane Bagnall Widow being read stating that she was the Widow of the late Alexander Bagnall who was a Freeman with two Daughters dependent upon her and that from failure in her sight she was unable sufficiently to support herself and them and requesting some Assistance –

The Prayer of this Petition not moved –

Like of James Richardson for increase of Pension not moved –

The Petition of James Richardson a Freeman for increase of Pension being read whereby it appeared the Petitioner was a discharged Soldier and stating that the Cause of his discharge was bad health and that from the continuance of such he was unable to earn a Sufficient support and Praying for some small addition to his present Pension on the Commons List –

The Prayer of this Petition was not moved as it appeared that in addition to his Pension on the Commons list, he had also a Pension as a discharged Soldier –

Adjt Genl Qua – Assembly 19 February 1836 –

At an Adjournment of the last general Quarterly Assembly held this 19th day of February 1836 before the Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present –

The Proceedings of former Assembly were read –

Report of Auditors & Viewers on Memorials of William Rodger Francis Battersby & Chr Jordan –

The following report of Auditors and Viewers on the Memorial of William Rodger which was referred from the last Assembly, also on the Memorials of Messrs Francis Battersby and Chr Jordan the prayers of which were severally recommended to their attention at the last Assembly having been read – viz –

"11th February 1836

"At a meeting of the Auditors and Viewers held this day the following Members were present – viz –

Saint George Smith	Aldermen	John Crawford
T. B Hardman		S. H. Crawford
Graves Ketland		Thomas Beddy Smith
H. B. Fairtough		Robert Thompson
John Ketland		Austin Nicholls
		Francis Wm Leland

Common Council

"Resolved, That Mr Rodger be allowed the Reduction in Rent thereby granted him at the General Quarterly Assembly July 1834 to commence 25th March 1835 and that he be allowed Interest on the fine paid by him 29th January 1835 to said period of 25th March 1835 as acceded to, in his petition on the subject relative to his premises in Fair Street –"

"Resolved – That the latter part of the Prayers of Mr Rodger's

"Petition for further fining down the above Premises be rejected –"

"Resolved – That the Prayers of the Petition of Francis Battersby Esqre respecting the extension of the Term of his Lease from 61 to 99 years be recommended to be acceded to, but that no fine sought to be by said Petition paid down at less years purchase be received being contrary to the Standing Rules"

"Resolved – That we recommend that the Prayers of the Petition of Mr Christopher Jordan respecting the extension of the Term of his Lease from 61 to 99 years be acceded to, but that for the Reasons assigned in the last Case no fine be received from him"

"That this meeting be adjourned to Tuesday next at 11 O'Clock"

"H. B. Fairtough"

Said Reports respectively confirmed –

It was moved by Alderman Henry B. Fairtough seconded by Thomas North Esqre that the foregoing Report on said several Memorials be confirmed and the Question thereon respectively having been severally put from the Chair the same were unanimously agreed to –

Committee to prepare Petitions to both Houses of Parliament upon Irish Municipal Corporation Reform Bill –

On the Motion of Alderman Henry B. Fairtough which was seconded by Mr Sheriff Darley. It was resolved that a Committee to consist of – Aldermen T. B. Hardman, Saint George Smith, H. Graves Ketland with Messrs. Edward Atkinson, Thomas North & William Dawson together with the Mover and Seconder, and Mayor and Recorder be instructed to prepare Petitions to both Houses of Parliament, that to the House of Commons to be forwarded through their Member The Honble Randall E. Plunkett humbly representing that the Bill proposed by his Majesty's Ministers to place the Corporations of Ireland on the same footing as those of England and Wales would be in effect a mere transfer of all the rights privileges immunities and properties at present Vested in the Protestants to the Roman Catholics of this Country and that the adoption of such a measure would perpetuate party feeling Jealousy and discord in the Country and that to obviate such consequences said petition should pray that the suggestion of Sir Robert Peel should be adopted of dissolving all existing Corporations that the property should be vested in a Commission to administer the funds and after discharging all legal Incumbrances and liabilities thereon that the surplus should be applied for public local purposes having regard to the existing Rights of Tenants claims on Charitable funds and to the Officers and Servants of the Corporation –

Assembly adjourned to 22nd Instant

Resolved – That this Assembly at its rising do adjourn to Monday next the 22nd Instant at one O'Clock –

Catherine Bridges to be dismissed from Stirling Row House –

Ordered – Upon the Motion of Alderman Graves Ketland Seconded by Mr Sheriff Darley that Catherine Bridges whose Conduct was at the last Assembly Ordered to be enquired into by the Agent to the Commons found be dismissed as an Inmate from St Johns Poor House –

Mary Blackwood be admitted in her stead – or if

Ordered – Upon the Motion of Alderman H. B. Fairtough Seconded by Mr North that Mary Blackwood Widow be admitted into St Johns Poor House

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declined it –

Jane Moore to be admitted therein –

in the Room of Catherine Bridges, and in case said Mary K Blackwood should decline becoming an inmate in said institution that Jane Moore Widow of Thomas Moore deceased who was a Freeman be admitted therein –

Further Adjt. Qua. Assembly 22nd February 1836

"At a further adjournment of the last General Quarterly Assembly held before the Mayor and Sheriffs, the Aldermen and Common Council being present on Monday the 22nd of February 1836 –

Proceedings of former Assembly read –

The following Reports of Auditors and Viewers which were made in pursuance of Orders made at last Quarterly Assembly on the 15th of January directing that the Reports of the Auditors and Viewers there Submitted to the Assembly on the respective Memorials of Henry Smith and James Daniel Dowd should be referred back to them for the reasons in said Orders respectively stated and that the Auditors and Viewers should further Consider their said Reports having been read – viz.t"

"22nd February 1836

Report of Auditors & Viewers On Memorials of

"At a meeting of the Auditors and Viewers held this day as an Adjournment from the general Assembly held on Friday last (19th instant)

Alderman – Sr. George Smith, J. B. Hardman, H. B. Fairtlough, John Ireland

Common Council – 1 – John Crawford, 2 – Saml. H. Crawford, 3 – Robert Thompson, 4 – Thomas Beddy Senr., 5 – Francis Wm. Leland, 6 – Thomas Walsh, 7 – Austin Nicholls

"Henry B. Fairtlough Esqre. in the Chair"

Henry Smith

"Resolved that we are of Opinion that we do extend to Mr. Henry Smith the period of his Lease No. 504, that is to say Lot No. 1, as described in a Map drawn by Mr. Bald – with 70 feet of Lot No. 2 East of his present Building for the Term of 99 years from Michaelmas last (1835) at the yearly rent of £15 – Lot Nos. 2 and 3 to be leased at £3 per Annum from the same period for the Remainder of the unexpired term of said Lease – the Mr. Smith being bound to erect draw Bridges of not less than 12 feet wide wherever he may require a Communication with the River, This Consent Subject to the Improvements as pointed out by the said Map, that is to say 3 Streets to be reserved for the public Accomodation of 66 feet width each together with a Quay of 80 feet wide to extend the entire length of said Premises along the River and the Waste reserved between said Quay and the River for the purpose of widening the River as now or lately staked out by Mr. Bald the said Streets and Quay to be thrown open to the Public within 6 months from the present date and the Tenant to be allowed

£6.10.0 in Consideration of the necessity he is under of taking down three Tenements on the Western extremity to open the Streets and in the event of Mr. Smith acceding to this Report that he shall Surrender the Lease No. 504, and take out two new Leases agreeable to the Recommendations therein Contained –"

"H. B. Fairtlough"

and

James Daniel Dowd –

"Resolved – That having reviewed and further considered the Premises contained in Lease No. 899, and the Tenants having refused the abatement ~~contained~~ recommended in Report formerly made on the Memorial of James Daniel Dowd 5th June last (1835) We do Recommend that an abatement of 15 Guineas per Annum be made in the rent thereof from the Commencement of the said Lease until the Corporation shall be enabled to give them Possession of the whole of the Premises described therein"

"H. B. Fairtlough"

Report of Memorial of Henry Smith Confirmed –

Moved by Mr. Sheriff Gregory Seconded by Alderman Hardman that the Report made in Reference to the Case of Mr. Henry Smith be confirmed and the Question thereon being put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to –

Like on Memorial of James Daniel Dowd Confirmed –

Moved by Alderman Hardman Seconded by Mr. North that the Report made in Reference to the Case of Mr. James Daniel Dowd be confirmed and the Question thereon having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to –

Drogheda 29 February 1836 –

Meeting of Committee to prepare Petitions agst Corporate Reform Bill –

The Committee appointed at the Adjourned Assembly on the 19th of February to prepare Petitions to both Houses of Parliament against the Bill Proposed by His Majestys Ministers for the Reform of Corporations in Ireland this day met at the Assembly Room where the following Petitions were read and approved of, and Ordered to be entered on the minutes and when respectively engrossed the Petition to the House of Commons to be forwarded for presentation to the House of Commons to The Honorable Randall B. Plunkett, and that to the House of Lords to be forwarded to The Right Honorable Lord Cloncurry for presentation, and in Case of his absence that same should be given to the Right Honorable Lord Fitzgerald and Vesey –

Petition to the Commons

"To the Right Honorable and Honorable the Knights Citizens & Burgesses of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland in Parliament Assembled

"The Humble Petition of the Mayor Sheriffs Aldermen and Common Council of the County of the Town of Drogheda –"

"Sheweth – That your Petitioners have seen with great Concern the introduction of a Bill into your Honorable House for the purpose as described of carrying into effect a Reform in the Municipal Corporations of

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"Ireland on principles similar to those lately adopted respecting Corporate Bodies in England and Scotland"-

"That your Petitioners however much they would approve of such reform in the Irish Corporations as by the removal of such alleged abuses and the introduction of wise and salutary regulations should tend to promote their general utility, cannot but feel that the adoption of the measure now proposed instead of leading to so desireable a Result would be attended with the most mischievous effects by handing over the properties powers Charitable institutions and privileges vested in those bodies by Royal Assent Grant and Charter to persons entertaining principles hostile to the objects of the Original incorporation and thereby unfitted to afford either advantage or satisfaction to the Community at large-

"That Petitioners beg leave respectfully to remind your Honorable House that the object for which Corporations were originally established in Ireland was to promote and encourage the Settlement of Protestants therein and thereby to strengthen the connection between that Country and Great Britain - That accordingly those Bodies have ever been and still continue one of the principal Bonds of Union between- Conspicuous alike for their loyalty to the Crown and Attachment to British Connexion — That nevertheless by the measure now proposed to your Honorable House those Loyal Protestant Corporations are already doomed to utter destruction, a full [illegible] thereof (who would be elected by a Constituency under the Control of their Priesthood and would consist exclusively of Roman Catholics) are to be established in their stead endowed with all the Properties rights Liberties and immunities of which to persecuted and unoffending Protestants are thus unjustly to be deprived-

"That Petitioners lament that any measure calculated to produce such effect should have been introduced and approved of by men enjoying the confidence of his Majesty and holding high Official Situations in the Country however unconsciously and through ignorance of the Actual State of Society in Ireland - They trust however that upon more mature consideration there may be found in your Honorable House such an Attachment to Protestant principles as will be sufficient to prevent so calamitous a Result, one which must eventually tend to strengthen the enemies of British Connexion, already well disposed to aid in the destruction of it-

"That Petitioners feel it necessary in reference to the enquiry lately made into the management of the Irish Corporations to state in their defence that they utterly deny that the conclusions drawn by the Commissioners in their Report upon this Corporation were warranted by the evidence which was laid before them and which was principally obtained from the Books Records and Documents of this Corporation freely and unreservedly exhibited

to them, and from the voluntary testimony of their own Officers, and other Members of their Body, and into the Particulars of which Petitioners challenge the fullest enquiry-

"That your Petitioners conscious that the Trusts committed to their care have been faithfully discharged and duly applied to Purposes Consonant to the objects for which they were originally intended and feeling convinced that under the System now proposed no expectation of their being so administered can be reasonably entertained are decidedly of Opinion that the abolition of this Corporation would be in every point of view Preferrable to the Establishment of any other under the Provisions of the Bill now before your Honorable House, and would tend more to establish Peace harmony and good feeling amongst the several Classes of which the Population consists than any measure whatever which should erect Popish Supremacy on the Ruins of Protestant Institutions-

"That Petitioners therefore pray this Honorable House to take the Premises into their serious consideration, and rather than adopt the Bill now before them to take such measures as may be necessary for the abolition of this Corporation and the appropriation of their Funds (with due care to the preservation of vested rights and for permanent Security to the mainteriance of existing Charities) to such useful and local Purposes as may appear to them meet- And they will pray"

"Joseph Holmes" "In testimony whereof &c"

"Town Clerk" (Seal)

Petition to the Lords

"To the Right Honorable the Lords Spiritual and Temporal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland in Parliament Assembled-

"The Humble Petition of the Mayor Sheriffs Aldermen and Commons of the County of the Town of Drogheda-

"Sheweth-

"That Your Petitioners beg leave to call the attention of Your Lordships to a Bill lately introduced into your Honorable House for the purpose of reforming the Municipal Corporations of Ireland on principles similar to those already adopted respecting the Corporate Bodies of England and Scotland"

"That your Petitioners humbly conceive that the Provisions of the said Bill are in direct violation of the Chartered rights of your Petitioners and utterly subversive of the objects for which those rights were conferred - That Petitioners beg to state that all the Property and immunities which they at present enjoy and of which it is now sought to deprive them were originally granted to their Predecessors by Charter at so early a Period as the Reign of Henry the 3rd when it is well known that it was the policy of the British Government to establish English

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"Settlements in this Country there but lately Subdued – That the said Charter was repeatedly Renewed by Several of his Successors more Particularly by James the first and William the 3rd. by the latter of whom the grant of all Property and Rights belonging to the then existing Corporation was confirmed in the fullest manner to them and their Successors for ever, and who were thereby expressly ~~exempt~~ declared to be exempt from the liability to control or interference of any Kind whatsoever in the management of it – That the object of the two last named Monarchs in forming such institutions in Ireland was to encourage and increase the Settlement of Protestants therein, to whose benefit alone such grants were confined – To your Honorable House therefore Petitioners look with confidence for protection against a measure, the adoption of which must not only deprive them of the entire Property Rights privileges and immunities thus granted in Perpetuity to their predecessors, But have the still more injurious effect of handing over all these valuable and important endowments to men whose principles are in direct opposition to those objects for which they were either originally granted or Subsequently confirmed –"

"That your Petitioners feel that they have much reason to complain of the Report lately made by the Commissioners appointed to enquire into the management of this Corporation which they assert is in many Respects wholly unwarranted by the Evidence laid before them collected Principally from the Books records and documents of this Corporation and the voluntary testimony of their own Officers and other members of their Body, an evidence however which it has not been thought convenient to Publish but into the Particulars of which your Petitioners Count the fullest enquiry, at the same time Petitioners feel it proper in justice to themselves to remark, that no degree of blame can reasonably be attributed to them for having kept in view in the management of their property the objects for which that Property had been granted to them –"

"Your Petitioners beg leave to state that although decidedly opposed to the Bill now before your Lordships and which they consider to be alike unjust in Principle and fraught with Consequences dangerous to the Peace and happiness of these Countries, and to the Continuance of the Union so happily established between them, they would nevertheless see with much satisfaction such a Reform in the Irish Corporations as by the Removal of any existing abuses and the introduction of salutary regulations, and would tend to promote their general utility – Should your Lordships however feel that such a modification of the Bill now before you is not to be attained or be of Opinion that the time has arrived at which it is no longer politic to continue the Establishment of Protestant Corporations in Ireland – Your Petitioners have no hesitation in declaring that a total abolition of Corporations would in every respect be preferable to the adoption of the measure now before your Lordships, and would in their Opinion materially contribute

"to the Establishment of Peace and harmony in this Country, and of good feeling amongst the different classes of which the Population consists, by removing from the possession of all parties what in the hands of either must be a source of discord between them –"

"That your Petitioners beg leave further to state that in such an event all necessary municipal Corporations may hereafter be fully and effectually managed by an extension of the 9th of George the 4th whilst your Petitioners with the view to remove every degree of Jealousy and to place the Rights of parties on an equal footing would cheerfully surrender their Tolls and abandon all exclusive privileges as Freemen, save only the Right of voting for members to serve in Parliament

"Having thus fully expressed their feelings and views upon this important Subject your Petitioners take the liberty of suggesting to your Lordships the propriety of adopting the proposition lately made thereon by Sir Robert Peel in the Lower House of Parliament, a proposition which appears to them well calculated to Soothe the animosities and conciliate the feelings of all who are truly solicitous for the tranquility of Ireland, and anxious to remove the discontent and divisions which have so long distracted this unhappy Country"

"Josepfus Holmes" "And they will pray –

"Town Clerk" "In testimony whereof &c"

(Seal)

Wallop Brabazon Sworn Freeman

Proceeded 2nd April 1836 –

This day Wallop Brabazon of Termonpetters in the County of Louth Second Son of Wallop Brabazon of Bath in said County Esquire deceased was Sworn a Freeman of this Corporation before Henry B. Fairtlough Esquire Charter Justice pursuant to his admission by Birth on the 16th of January 1835 –

Thomas Apperson do — do

4th April 1836

This day Thomas Apperson of Drogheda Son of Thomas Apperson was Sworn a Freeman of this Corporation before William Fairtlough Esquire Charter Justice pursuant to his Admission by Birth on the 7th of August 1835 –

George Bagnall do — do

Same Day

George Bagnall of Drogheda Son of Alexander Bagnall was Sworn a Freeman of this Corporation before William Fairtlough Esquire Charter Justice pursuant to his Admission by Birth on the 7th of August 1835 –

Ralph Smith do do

Same day –

Ralph Smith of Greene Hills in the County of Louth Second Son of Alderman Saint George Smith of the same place was Sworn a Freeman of this Corporation before William Fairtlough Esquire Charter Justice pursuant to his Admission by Birth on the 9th of October 1835 –

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Same day

Henry Osborne Junior of Dardistown Castle in the County of Meath Esquire was Sworn a Freeman of this Corporation before William Fairtough Esquire Charter Justice pursuant to his Admission by Marriage on the 15th of January 1836-

Henry Osborne Sworn Freeman-

2nd Quarterly Post Assembly held before George Henry Pentland Esquire Mayor the Sheriffs and Aldermen being present on Friday the 15th day of April 1836-

2nd - Post Assembly 15th April 1836

There was no business for the Consideration of the Assembly-

No business done-

At a General Quarterly Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present on Friday the 15th day of April 1836-

General 2nd - Assembly 15th April 1836

The proceedings of the last Adjournment held the 22nd of February last read-

Mr. Sheriff Shegog proposed that Alderman Robert Pentland be elected Mayor for the ensuing year, and such nomination being seconded by Alderman Donagh, the Question was put from the Chair, and the same was unanimously agreed to-

Alderman Robert Pentland proposed and elected Mayor for ensuing year-

William Henry Shegog was proposed by Alderman Evans to be one of the Sheriffs for the ensuing year in which he was seconded by Mr. Atkinson-

William Henry Shegog proposed as Sheriff-

James Medlicott Esquire was proposed by Mr. Sheriff Shegog to be one of the Sheriffs for the ensuing year in which he was seconded by Mr. Nicholls-

James Medlicott proposed as Sheriff-

William Rodger Esquire was proposed by Alderman Donagh to be one of the Sheriffs for the ensuing year in which he was seconded by Alderman Chesshire-

William Rodger proposed-

A Ballot being then demanded for the Election of two persons from the foregoing there appeared upon the Scrutiny-

Ballot

For Mr. Shegog - - - 29-
Mr. Medlicott - - - - 27-
Mr. Rodger - - - - 20-

Whereupon William Henry Shegog and James Medlicott were declared to be duly elected Sheriffs for the Year-

Mr. Henry Shegog and James Medlicott - Sheriffs Elect -

Ordered - That the Election of the Mayor and Sheriffs be certified to Government for approval -

To be certified to Government-

Resolved - That this Assembly at its rising do adjourn to Saturday the 29th instant with power if necessary then to make further adjournments of this Assembly -

Adjournment of Assembly to 29th Instant -

Alderman Donagh moves upon the notice given by him at the

Motion by Alderman Donagh

last Quarterly Assembly that the Treasurer be authorized to pay to the Governors of the Protestant Blue School the Sum of 20 guineas to assist in providing Clothing for the Boys and said Motion being Seconded by Alderman William Fairtough the Question thereon was put from the Chair, and the same was unanimously agreed to-

for grant of 20 Guineas for Clothing Boys in Protestant Blue School -

agreed to

Mr. North moves upon the Notice given by him at the last Quarterly Assembly that a Sum not exceeding £40 - 6 - 8½ be granted to the Committee appointed for the Superintendance of the erection of Iron Palisading at Saint Marks Church to enable them to pay the Balance of the expenses for the Completing said improvement which Motion being Seconded by Alderman Hardman and the Question thereon being put from the Chair - It was Ordered that the Account be Submitted for Examination to the Committee of Accounts, and if found to be satisfactory that they endorse their approval thereon, and that the Treasurer be then authorized to discharge same -

Motion by Mr. North for grant of £40 - 6 - 8½ to pay Balance of erecting Palisading at St. Marks Church -

Account of said expenses to be Submitted to Committee of Accounts

Mr. Henry Smith informs the Assembly that a Compliance by him with the Terms of the Report on his Memorial by the Auditors and Viewers for an extension of his Lease No. 504 of the premises at the Marsh would frustrate the object he had in view of establishing there a Shipbuilding Yard as it would be impracticable to Launch Vessels therefrom - And also submitted that the erecting of Draw Bridges on the proposed Quay would be attended with considerable expense and that being for public accomodation same should not be borne by the Tenant and that under those circumstances he begged leave to decline the Renewal proposed to be made by the Report of the Auditors and Viewers and hoping that further Consideration would be given to the matter - Mr. Smith presented a Memorial for that purpose which being read - It was Ordered on the Motion of Mr. Grendon Seconded by Mr. Sheriff Shegog that the Memorial of Mr. Smith now presented and read be referred to the Auditors and Viewers with instructions that they should report thereon to the Adjournment of the Assembly -

Memorial of Henry Smith for extension of Lease No. 504

Referred to Auditors & Viewers

On the motion of Mr. Atkinson Seconded by Alderman Chesshire It was Ordered that the usual Election of Auditors and Viewers do take place where the following persons who had served in that Capacity for the previous years were chosen -

Aldermen -
1 - St George Smith
2 - J. B. Hardman
3 - Graves Ashland
4 - W. B. Fairtough
5 - John Ashland
6 - Wm. Fairtough

Common Council -
1 - John Crawford
2 - S. W. Crawford
3 - Obadiah Wisdom
4 - Robert Thompson
5 - Thomas Beddy Sent.
6 - Thomas North
7 - Austin Nicholls
8 - Francis Wm. Leland
9 - Henry Bagnall

The petition of Abraham Bagnall for relief and which

Petition of Abraham Bagnall for

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for Relief

Ordered to become an Annuitant on Commons fund £5 yearly -

referred to an Order made at the last Quarterly Assembly being read whereby it was Ordered that Petitioner should become an Annuitant on the Commons fund or the Fund of the Poor of St. Johns on the first vacancy to such Amount as should be thereafter agreed upon, and it appearing that there was now a vacancy on the Commons funds -

Resolved - That Abraham Bagnall be placed on the Commons Fund as an Annuitant to the Amount of £5 -

Petition of Alice Winslow for relief - Ordered £5 per Ann. on Commons fund -

The Petition of Alice Winslow for relief being read stating that by the death of her Sister Mary Winslow who was a Pensioner on the Commons Fund and with whom Petitioner lived she was reduced to great distress and that from her Age and infirmity she was unable to make any effort for a livelihood, and praying for admission into the Poor House or for some relief until a vacancy should occur - It was Ordered on the Motion of Alderman Graves Ketland Seconded by Alderman William Fairtlough that said Alice Winslow be placed on the Commons List to the Amount of £5 per Annum -

Ltr of Matilda Potter Ordered £15 pr Annum on Commons funds

The petition of Matilda Potter Spinster Daughter of George Potter and Sister of John Potter both deceased who were Common Council of this Corporation being read, whereby it appeared that Petitioners late Sister and Petitioner were joint Annuitants on the Commons List to the Amount of £15 yearly - that they had lived together, and that upon the decease of her Sister her Annuity had been reduced to £7.10.0. that Petitioner has scarcely any other support, and prayed that she should be allowed to continue to receive the Original grant or that an increase should be made to the Sum to which it had been reduced - It was moved by Alderman Hardman Seconded by Alderman Anderson that Petitioner do receive the grant of £15 per Annum Originally made to herself and her Sister Upon which Mr. Clarke moved an Amendment that the Sum to be granted should not exceed £10 upon which a discussion took place when the Amendment was lost, and the Original motion was carried with only four dissentients -

Petition of Samuel Atkinson for Relief - Ordered £5 -

The Petition of Samuel Atkinson a Freeman in distressed circumstances being read and praying for some temporary Relief. It was moved by Mr. Sheriff Shegog Seconded by Mr. Sheriff Darbey That the Treasurer be authorized to pay to Petitioner the Sum of £5, and the Question thereon having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to -

Joseph Kearns Surveyor Ordered an Annuity of £5 on the Corporate funds -

Alderman Lt. George Smith brings to the notice of the Assembly a Petition for Relief which had been sometime previously presented on the Part of Joseph Kearns who had been many years Land Surveyor to the Corporation - that from his increased infirmity he was rendered almost wholly unable to labour, and submitting that as an Old Servant he ought

to receive some pension on the Corporate Funds - It is ordered on the Motion of Mr. Clarke Seconded by Alderman Robert Pentland that Joseph Kearnes as an Old Servant and now rendered incapable from infirmity to earn a livelihood be granted an Annuity on the Corporate Funds of £10 to Commence from the 25th of March last -

Mathew Smith Ordered £10 Annuity

The petition of Mathew Smith Paviour being read by which it appeared that Petitioner has been in the employment of the Corporation for upwards of Sixty years, that he was 96 years of age and reduced to the greatest poverty and praying for some means to provide lodging and subsistence - It was Ordered on the Motion of Alderman L. Fairtlough Seconded by Alderman Anderson that Petitioner as an Old Servant be granted an Annuity of £10 to commence from the 25th of March last -

Memorial of James McCartney for Compensation for loss of Office &c -

The Memorial of James McCartney Chief Constable being read by which it appeared that Memorialist was originally appointed Chief Constable at 80 Guineas per Annum which Salary was reduced to 60 Guineas per Annum by the Report of the Finance Committee in May 1829 which Reductions continued till the 15th of January 1834 - when the Salary was restored to its Original Amount - That Memorialist was Keeper of the Fire engine at a Salary of £20 per Annum up to the 1st of June 1835 when he was deprived of said Situation by a Vote at the Vestry meeting for no other reason as he believes than having exercised his Privilege as an Elector in favor of the Honorable Randall C. Plunkett, and having a large family to support memorialist was by the loss of said Situation much straightened in his Circumstances and praying that his case might be taken into Consideration

Notice Motion Alderman L. Fairtlough

The prayer of the foregoing Memorial being in its nature an application for an advance of money Alderman L. Fairtlough gives notice that he will at the next Assembly move that a Sum of £50 be granted to James McCartney as an approval of his Services generally and Remuneration for the loss experienced by him under the Circumstances stated -

Memorial of Stephen Stanage

The Memorial of Stephen Stanage Serjeant at Mace being read whereby it appeared that Memorialist in June 1818 was granted a Pension of 15 Guineas yearly in Consequence of a wound received by him in performance of his duty which Pension was Reduced to 5 Guineas yearly in May 1829 by the Finance Committee - That Petitioner still suffers from the effects of his wounds and apprehends that he may thereby become incapable of the active life he has hitherto pursued - That Petitioner was appointed Caretaker of the Market House in which he enjoys a Residence, and confidently feeling that he would Remain in possession of same during his life he had at his own expense made an addition to said Residence and otherwise improved same, but being apprehensive that he would be deprived of said Situation should the Irish Municipal Reform Bill become Law. Petitioner hoped that under those Circumstances he would be Refunded the expense so by him incurred and also hoped that his pension would be restored to its Original Amount -

A discussion having ensued on the Propriety of taking the

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prayer of said petition into consideration and it being stated that the Cause for the reduction of the Pension to Petitioner was principally the benefit and advantage of having been appointed Keeper of the Market House and that if the pension were to be increased said Situation ought to be vacated the Propriety of such in reference to the Provision for Compensation in the proposed Municipal Reform Bill being questioned on the part of Petitioner It was suggested and agreed to that the consideration of said Petition should be deferred to the Adjournment of this Assembly to enable Petitioner in the interim to determine the course he would pursue in respect of his petition -

Memorial of Charles James Barry & Co respecting a party gutter Referred to Committee of Accounts

The Memorial of Charles James Barry and Co being read by which it appeared that Memorialist had been obliged to put in Repair a party gutter between their House and the Hotel of which His Worship the Mayor had been apprized, that the expence incurred Amounted to £7.0.3 as appeared by accompanying documents and seeking the payment of one Half thereof -

Ordered - That said Account be referred to the Examination of the Committee of Accounts for their Report -

Memorial of Francis Wm Leland for a new lease of ground without Johns Gate

The Memorial of Francis William Leland Esquire being read by which it appeared that by Lease 11th 8, Dated 25th October 1773 a small piece of ground without St Johns gate were a piece of ground without St. John's Gate were demised by the Corporation to Alderman Richard Norman deceased from whom same were purchased by the late James Metcalfe Esquire deceased, that the said James Metcalfe devised same to his Son Henry Metcalfe under whose Will Petitioner derives, that said Premises have not passed out of the hands of a Freeman and Memorialist prays a Renewal thereof on the usual terms -

Referred to Auditors and Viewers -

Ordered - That the Prayer of said Memorial be Referred to the Auditors and Viewers for their Report -

Memorial of Francis Forde for Renl of Lease Dated 1st May 1780 -

The Memorial of Francis Forde being read whereby it appeared that by Lease Dated the 1st of May 1780, the Corporation granted unto Alderman James Forde a parcel of ground late a Fallow garden and a Waste spot adjoining thereto without Saint James's gate Containing together three roods twelve perches for the term of 61 years from Easter 1779 at the yearly Rent of £1.2.9 late Currency - That Memorialist became possessed of said Premises under the Will of said James Forde and is still in possession thereof and Praying as a Freeman for a Renewal thereof upon the usual terms -

Memorial of Mary Bowden respecting Houses in Magdalene St

The Memorial of Mary Bowden of the Town of Liverpool Widow being read whereby it appeared that Memorialist was in possession as Tenant at Will of Two Houses in Magdalene Street part of the Estate of the Poor of Saint Johns at a yearly

Rent of £8 late Currency of which Memorialist was possessed as the Widow of the late Edward Bowden, that said Premises are much in want of Repair and Proposing to accept a Lease thereof to enable same to be approved or that said Premises would be given up by Memorialist if the net proceeds of the Rents since the death of her husband would be accepted on the part of the Institution in discharge of all Rent due by Memorialist -

Referred to Auditors & Viewers -

Ordered - That the Prayers of the Memorials of said Francis Forde and Mary Bowden be severally Referred to the Auditors and Viewers to report thereon -

Memorial of Edward Lee Sandiford and Thomas Power for renewal of Lease called Culver House Park

The Memorials of Edward Lee Sandiford and Thomas Power being read whereby it appeared that by Lease Dated the 4th of June 1773 the Corporation demised to James Sandiford then of Drogheda a Park of land called the Culver House park Containing 5 Acres and 28 Perches without St Laurences Gate for 61 years from Michaelmas 1776 that on the decease of said James Sandiford said land became the property of his two Sons The Reverend Thomas Sandiford and The Reverend Edward Sandiford, and upon their decease that portion which belonged to the Reverend Thomas Sandiford vested in Memorialist Edward Lee Sandiford, and that portion which belonged to the Reverend Edward Sandiford vested in his only Surviving Child Mary Francisca Sandiford who intermarried with the Reverend William Power of Waterford in the County of Waterford in virtue whereof Memorialist Thomas Power is entitled to the Moiety which belonged to his Mother. Memorialists therefore Prayed that as said Lease was on the eve of expiration a Renewal might be granted on the usual Terms -

Referred to Auditors & Viewers

Ordered - That said Memorial be referred to the Auditors and Viewers for their Report -

Memorial of Alderman John Rickland for a Reduction in Rent of Lands at St James's

The Memorial of Alderman John Rickland being read it appeared that he became Tenant in possession as Tenant to the Corporation of 11 Acres of land at Saint James's at a yearly Rent of £62.10.0 and with the Charges Taxes and Tithe was subject to £7 per Acre, and from the low prices of Agricultural Produce Memorialist Submitted that said Rent was too high and Prayed for a Reduction thereof -

Referred to Auditors & Viewers -

Ordered that the Prayer of said Memorial be referred to the Auditors and Viewers for their Report -

Petition of Wm Roy for Reduction in Rent of Cranes deferred till end of Tenancy -

The Petition of William Roy Farmer being read it appeared that he became Tenant for the Cranes at the late Auction for the ensuing year and that after the first six weeks from his Tenancy the Receipts have been so unproductive that he is not collecting so much as he undertook to pay - in addition to which Petitioner suffered a loss by the deaths of two persons from whom he expected to receive about £14 by reason of a tenancy under Petitioner - That Petitioner devotes a great portion of his time and Attendance upon the Cranes and hopes under the Circumstances some abatement of the Rent would be made -

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Ordered – That the Consideration of the said Petition be deferred till the Tenancy expires –

Memorial of Denis Devire to be written to by Town Clerk

The Memorial of Denis Devire Toll Farmer being read stating that on the 31st of March last Memorialist insisted upon the Payment of Toll on wheat passing over the Bridge on Mr. McLoughlins Cars which was stated to be the Property of Mr. Gerrard as Freeman – That on the 2nd of April Memorialist was obliged to refund the Toll to Mr. Gerrard by Order of the Mayor which decision Memorialist conceived would act injuriously to him and by reducing his receipts render him unable to meet his engagement, therefore sought the advice and interference of the Corporation under the Circumstances –

Ordered – That the Town Clerk do write to Denis Devire and inform him the right of the Freeman generally as to the exemptions from Toll generally enquiring into the matter of the present Memorial, and that he be informed the Course the Toll Farmer was bound to adopt on that occasion having in view the usuage in this respect –

Notice — Alderman Chesshire

Alderman Chesshire gives notice that he will at the next Assembly move that a Sum of £20 be paid by this Corporation to their Treasurer to increase the fund now in course of Collection towards erecting a Chapel for the Reverend Messrs. Crotty of Birr in the Kings County –

do — do Sheriff Gregg

Mr. Sheriff Gregg gives notice that he will at the next Quarterly Assembly move that the existing Rules and Bye Laws of this Corporation be suspended till further Order –

Petitions not entertained –

The Several Petitions of James Richardson for increase of Pension, of Mary Emerson Widow for a further temporary grant for present relief, and of Catherine Fairtrough otherwise Bridges setting a Pension for Support of herself and Children by her former Husband were severally read but there not being any Motions made upon any of said Petitions same were not entertained –

Memorial of James Forde not entertained

The Memorial of Francis Forde Gentleman being read stating that by Lease dated the 11th of August 1785 the Corporation demised to James Forde deceased Several Tenements and gardens on the West side of the Hill called Castle Street and on the North side of Upper Barrack Lane otherwise Duke Street in the Parish of Saint Mary for 61 years from Easter 1785 at a yearly Rent of £3.6.6 late Currency, that under the Will of said James Forde Memorialist became entitled to said Properties and was now in possession thereof, the Memorialist therefore as a Freeman paid a Renewal upon the usual terms, But inasmuch as the circumstances of said Memorial did not come within the Period within which applications for Renewals are limitted the prayer thereof could not be entertained –

Motion by Mr. Atkinson for

Mr. Atkinson moves upon the notice given by him at the last Quarterly Assembly that certain Lands the property of this Corporation

augmentation of endowment St. Marks Church

producing the Annual Rent of £.50 be legally vested in such Trustee or Trustees as may hereafter be appointed by this Corporation, the same to be applied to the augmentation of the present endowment of St. Marks Church which is insufficient for the proper maintenance of a Clergyman, and same having been brought to the Consideration of the Assembly – Mr. Evans moves the Amendment of which he had given notice at the same Assembly that the Several persons whose Pensions and Salaries were reduced by a Committee of Economy in 1829 have a prior and Paramount claim on the funds of this Corporation, and that previous to any appropriation of funds for the purpose mentioned in Mr. Atkinsons notice the said Pensions and Salaries be restored to their former Amount respectively if the Corporate Funds shall be now found in a Condition to afford same Whereupon the matter of the notice and amendment thereupon underwent general discussion, and previously to such discussion being concluded the further Consideration was postponed by a dissolution of the Assembly to the Adjournment thereof held on the 29th instant –

postponed by dissolution of Assembly to adjournment

Special General Assembly 15th April 1836

At a Special General Assembly of the Corporation convened by Requisition to the Right Worshipful George Henry Pentland Esquire Mayor and held before him, the Sheriffs, Aldermen and Common Council being present at the Tholsel on Friday the 15th day of April 1836 for the purpose of taking into consideration the propriety of petitioning the Legislature in favor of the Coast lines of Railway from the City of Dublin to this Town –

to consider the propriety of Petition in favor of Coast Line Railway –

The requisition having been read It was moved by Alderman Henry B. Fairtrough Seconded by Mr. Thomas North that Petitions do emanate from this Corporation to be presented to both Houses of Parliament in favor of the Coast line of Rail Road, same being considered as an undertaking calculated to advance considerably the Interests of the Town, and to be of general utility to the Country at Large and that a Committee to consist of –

Committee to prepare Petitions –

J. B. Hardman	Aldermen	Messrs. Henry Smith	Common Council
H. B. Fairtrough		Thomas North and Thomas Geraldon	
Graves Ketland			
Francis Donagh			
Latham and Fairtrough			

be appointed to prepare said Petitions and when prepared they are instructed to forward the Petition to the House of Lords to the Right Honorable Lord Oriel for presentation and that to the Commons to the Honorable Randall C. Plunkett –

The Committee having retired to prepare the Petitions returned with the following –

To the Rt.

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"To the Right Honorable and Honorable The Knights Citizens and Burgesses of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland in Parliament Assembled –

"The Humble Petition of the Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses and Commons of the County of the Town of Drogheda –

Petition to the House of Commons in favor of Coast Line of Rail Road –

"Sheweth. That a Bill has been lately introduced into your Honorable House for establishing a railway leading from the City of Dublin to this Town and which is proposed to be carried close to the Towns of Malahide, Rush Skerries and Balbriggan and through a portion of the Country containing a large and industrious population to whom such a mode of Conveyance must be of the greatest utility –

"That your Petitioners conceive that the line thus marked out is decidedly the best which the nature of the Country between the Metropolis and this Town affords avoiding as it does the great and extensive irregularities of surface which in every other direction particularly Characterize that district –

"That a deep interest in the Success of this undertaking is felt by the Inhabitants of this Town in general and in which your petitioners warmly participate from the Conviction that if carried into effect it will be the means of extending the Trade and Commerce of Drogheda, of giving useful employment to the working Classes and tend to develope the Resources of the adjoining Counties of Meath and Louth –

"That Petitioners therefore pray this Honorable House that they will be pleased to adopt a measure which is in their Opinion of the utmost importance to the trade and prosperity of the Town of Drogheda

"And they will pray

"Joseph Holmes"
"Town Clerk"

"In testimony whereof &c"
(Seal)

Adjt. Gen. Qua. Assembly 29 April 1836 –

"At an adjournment of the last General Quarterly Assembly held before the Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present on Friday the 29th day of April 1836 –

The proceedings of the former Assembly were Read –

The following report of the Auditors and Viewers on the Memorial of Henry Smith which was read at the last Assembly and referred to the Auditors and Viewers – vizt

18th April 1836 –

"A Meeting of the Auditors and Viewers were held this day pursuant to Notice –

– Members present –

Aldermen –
1 – St. George Smith
2 – T. B. Hardman
3 – John Ackland
4 – Wm. Fairtough

Common Council –
5 – John Crawford
6 – S. H. Crawford
7 – Thomas North
8 – Henry Bagnall –

"St. George Smith Esqre in the Chair"

Auditors & Viewers Report on Memorial of Henry Smith

"Having considered the foregoing resolution of the General Assembly relative to Mr. H. Smith – We are of Opinion that a new Lease of the premises therein referred to be granted him for the term of 99 years from Easter last (1836) at the Annual Rent of £25 Sterling Subject to the following Conditions. The existing Lease thereof (50th) to be surrendered"

"A Road or Street not less than 60 feet wide to be opened from the Road leading to Mornington extending to the River Boyne said Road to be laid out at such a distance from the Eastern Canal as shall be deemed expedient by the Tenant not exceeding 100 feet from said Canal –"

"A Quay of 80 feet wide to be laid out adjoining the River and to Commence at the Eastern Bank of said Canal and to be continued from that point to the extreme Eastern Boundary of the premises."

"That in Case at any time hereafter during the continuance of this Lease an open Quay should be constructed from the Briag to the Western Boundary of said premises, that then it shall and may be Lawful for the Proper Authorities to continue the said Quay through the said premises until the same shall adjoin the Quay hereby appointed to be laid out, the said space to be given up by the Tenant without Remuneration of any kind and that it shall be Lawful for the said Authorities to erect one draw Bridge over each and every Canal or Slip which may have been there Cut or shall thereafter be cut or formed through said premises."

"That the entire space lying between Low water mark and the Line now marked out by the Stakes shall be yielded up by the said Tenant to the Boyne Commissioners for the improvement of the River Boyne where required –"

"St. George Smith, Chairman"

Confirmed

Mr. Thompson moved that the Report now read be confirmed which Motion being Seconded by Mr. Sheriff Stegog and the Question thereon having been put from the Chair the same after some discussion was unanimously agreed to –

Mr. Stegog handed in Lease No. 504 and outline of intended Improvements by Mr. Smith

Mr. Sheriff Stegog on the part of Mr. Henry Smith handed in the Tenants part of the Lease No. 504 granted to Alderman John Graham and bearing date the 1st of September 1760 for the purpose of having the necessary Surrender made in Conformity with the Report of the Auditors and Viewers and produced a Map or Sketch of the ground as required to be laid out by the said Report with the improvements intended to be made thereon by Mr. Smith –

Mr. Atkinson resumes discussion respecting Endowment of St. Mark's St. Mary's Churches & Graves Post Improvement

Mr. Atkinson resumed the discussion on the proposed augmentation of the endowments of the Churches of St. Mark's and St. Mary's which was under Consideration at the last Assembly and concluded his Observations by moving that the further discussion of the Subject – be postponed to the next Quarterly

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Petition to the House of Commons in favor of Coast Line of Rail Road -

"To the Right Honorable and Honorable The Knights Citizens and Burgesses of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland in Parliament Assembled -

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- Members present -

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2. T. B. Hardman
3. John Ackland
4. Wm Fairtough

Common Council -
5. John Crawford
6. S. K. Crawford
7. Thomas North
8. Henry Bagnall -

Auditors & Viewers Report on Memorial of Henry Smith

Ante Settled Petition

Confirmed

"Sr George Smith Esqre in the Chair"

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Mr Atkinson resumes discussion respecting Endowment of St Mark's St Mary's Churches & Trowes Postponement

Mr Atkinson resumes the discussion on the proposed augmentation of the endowments of the Churches of St Mark's and St Mary's which was under Consideration at the last Assembly and Concluded his Observations by moving that the further discussion of the Subject - be postponed to the next Quarterly

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of same to the next Gua-
Assembly - Alderm Evans
moves an Amendment that
same be adjourned sine die
House Counted
both Lost
there not being a Sufficient No
of Common Council present -
Assembly dissolved -

Assembly, which Motion was Seconded by Mr Sheriff Gregory, and the Question thereon being put from the Chair, Alderman Evans moved as an Amendment that the Question be adjourned sine die in which he was Seconded by Mr Francis Wm Leland Whereupon the matter of the Original Motion and Amendment was brought generally before the Assembly by Alderman Graves Pickland during which Alderman Hardman moves that the House be counted, and it appearing upon Examination that there was not a Sufficient Number of Common Council present the meeting was thereupon dissolved -

Special General Assembly
24th May 1836 -
to give Assent to Rail Road as
now deviating from Original plan
to pass over such parts of the
Corporation property as may be
necessary -

At a Special General Assembly of the Corporation convened by requisition to the Right Worshipful George Henry Pentland Esquire Mayor and held before him the Sheriffs Aldermen and Common Council being present on Tuesday the 24th day of May 1836 for the purpose of taking into Consideration the propriety of renewing a Resolution of this Corporation entered into at a general Quarterly Assembly held on the 15th day of January last - Whereby it was Resolved that the intended Rail Road should pass over any and such parts of their property as Owners in fee thereof as might be requisite for effecting the objects of the Committee of said Rail Road and of Procuring the Assent of the Corporation to the line of Rail Road passing through their property as now altered and deviating from the plan and Section heretofore made -

Requisition & Resolution of
15th January last read -

The requisition for the meeting and also the Resolution of the 15th of January last being read It was moved by Alderman Evans Seconded by Alderman Anderson that the Corporation do give their full approbation and Assent to the plan and Section of the Coast line of Railway from Dublin to Drogheda as Exhibited to the Town Clerk by Mr Henry G. Flynn on the 23rd Instant and to the gradients and elevations on said Section as they originally were or now are or hereafter may be found expedient, and the question thereon having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to, the Corporation being fully impressed with the important advantages to be derived from the said line of Railway -

Special General Assembly
21st June 1836
to consider necessity of petitioning
Parliament relative to Municipal
Bill -

At a Special General Assembly of the Corporation Convened by Requisition to the Right Worshipful George Henry Pentland Esquire Mayor and held before him, the Sheriffs Aldermen and Common Council being present on Tuesday the 21st day of June 1836 for the purpose of taking into Consideration the necessity of Petitioning both Houses of Parliament Relative to the Irish Municipal Bill -

Appoints Committee to
prepare Petitions

The requisition having been read It was moved by Alderman Williams Fairtlough Seconded by Alderman J. B. Hardman, that a Committee to consist of -

names of Committee -

Mr Sheriff Darbey
Alderman W B. Fairtlough
Mess[rs] Thomas Beddy Jun[r]
William Dawson Jun[r]
Henry Bagnall

be appointed to prepare petitions to both Houses of Parliament expressive of the Opinions of this Corporation respecting the independent Course taken by the House of Lords in the Amendments proposed by them for the adoption of the House of Commons to the Irish Municipal Reform Bill sent up to their Lordships by that House -

Retires to prepare Petitions
to both Houses -

The Committee having retired to prepare said petitions returned with the following as the petition to be forwarded to the House of Commons which being read was unanimously adopted. And it was Ordered that same should be forwarded by the Town Clerk to The Right Honble R. C. Plunkett for presentation -

Petition to the House
of Commons

"To the Right Honorable and Honorable The Knights Citizens & Burgesses of the United Kingdom of Great Britain & Ireland in Parliament Assembled -

"The Petition of the Mayor Sheriffs Aldermen & Common Council of the County of the Town of Drogheda -

"Humbly Sheweth"

"That your Petitioners feeling the deepest anxiety on the Subject of Corporate Reform in Ireland now again under the Consideration of your Honorable House, and convinced that on the judicious and equitable Settlement of this important Question much of the peace and harmony of this Country and of the mutual good feelings of its inhabitants must ultimately depend, beg leave to express their entire Concurrence in the Amendments made by the House of Lords in the Bill lately brought up to their Lordships from your Honorable House -

To be forwarded by Town Clerk
to the Honble R. C. Plunkett
for presentation -

"That your Petitioners beg leave to Assure your Honorable House that the excitement now attempted to be raised on the Subject of these Amendments has not originated in the feelings or Opinions of the People of this Country, that during the late discussion in the House of Lords many of the most respectable Roman Catholics of this Town expressed their approbation of the measures adopted by the Lords and their perfect satisfaction at the total abolition of Corporations as therein proposed - that such sentiments your Petitioners have good reason to believe were very generally entertained amongst the moderate and thinking portion of that Communion until Orders to agitate were received from the demagogue Rulers of Ireland with a View to alarm and intimidate the Government and to compel your Honorable House to Reject measures calculated to remove what has long been held up as a Source of Jealousy and discord in this distracted Country."

"That in consequence of such Orders meetings have been

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"held in various places at which violent Resolutions have been adopted, and Assertions made wholly unfounded in fact – That your Petitioners utterly deny that by the abolition of Corporations the Public at large would be Robbed either of rights or of property, for of neither were they ever possessed in reference to Protestant Corporations – That your Petitioners are the Sole Proprietors of the Property granted to this Corporation, and alone entitled to the Privileges and immunities attached thereto, all of which they have voluntary offered to relinquish with a view alone to the Preservation of Peace and harmony in this Town and to the Establishment of perfect equality amongst the Inhabitants of it –"

"That petitioners beg leave to represent to this Honorable House that it is impossible in a Country circumstanced as Ireland is for Corporations to exist without their being exclusively under the Control of one or other of the parties which unhappily divide it, and which no legislative enactment can ever unite, that to effect this must be the work of time and that all which any Government can do to promote it, consists in the Removal from all parties alike of whatever in the hands of either, may become the Source of discord and disunion between them, that the Continuance of Municipal Corporations in Ireland must have that effect is undeniable, and it is with this Conviction on their minds that your Petitioners now most earnestly implore this Honorable House as made by the Lords in the Bill for the Reform of Corporations in Ireland"

"And they will pray"

"Joseph Holmes"
"Town Clerk"

"In Testimony whereof &c"
(Seal)

Town Clerk to forward Petition to the Lords to Lord Fitzgerald & Vesey

It was then moved by Alderman William Fairtough Seconded by Mr. Sheriff Darley that when and so soon as the Committee have prepared the Petition to the House of Lords that the Town Clerk be authorized to forward same to the Right Honorable Lord Fitzgerald and Vesey –

The following is a Copy of the Petition forwarded for presentation to the House of Lords –

"To the Right Honorable the Lords Spiritual and Temporal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland in Parliament Assembled –

"The Humble Petition of the Mayor Sheriffs Aldermen and Common Council of the County of the Town of Drogheda –"

"Sheweth"

"That Petitioners have witnessed with peculiar satisfaction the steady and uncompromising firmness displayed by your Lordships in the late discussion on the Bill for the Reform of Municipal Corporations in Ireland, and whilst they admire the Wisdom of the important amendments made therein they cannot but feel deeply grateful for the warm interest

"exhibitted by your Lordships in the welfare and Security of the Protestant Inhabitants of this part of the United Empire –"

"It is therefore with great Concern that Petitioners now find that amendments so calculated to produce unanimity Peace and harmony in this distracted Country by Removing what has been so long complained of as the Source of discord and disunion therein, have been rejected in the Lower House of Parliament by the influence of designing and interested Demagogues whose objects are only bounded by the Subversion of the Constitution and the dismemberment of the Empire."

"That petitioners still look with confidence to your Honorable House on which alone they can depend in these revolutionary times for Protection from that insatiable lust of Power which has already possessed itself of all authority in this Country – and now seeks to deliver up the Protestant Corporations of Ireland into the hands of the bitterest Enemies of their Religion and to convert the Property which was granted for the encouragement of Protestantism to the Promotion of Popery and Popish Supremacy in its stead –"

"Petitioners however trust that your Lordships will still pursue the same steady course which you have already adopted, and that you will continue to exercise your important functions for the welfare and happiness of these Countries, prepared alike to restrain the encroachments of Regal Power on the one hand, or the still more formidable ebullitions of Popular phrenzy on the other –"

"And your petitioners will pray"

"Joseph Holmes"
"Town Clerk"

In testimony whereof &c
(Seal)

Special Gen.l Assembly 5th July 1836 to authorize a deputation in aid of Rail Road Committee –

At a Special General Assembly of the Corporation convened by Requisition to the Right Worshipful George Henry Pentland Esquire Mayor and held before him, the Sheriffs Aldermen and Common Council being present on Tesday the 5th day of July 1836 for the purpose of considering the propriety of authorizing a deputation of this Corporation to attend in London to solicit support from Peers of Parliament in the Promotion of the Bill now pending for the formation of the Coast line of Rail Road from the City of Dublin to this Town –

Requisition Read – Mr. Henry Smith's set forth the peculiar advantages of Coast line of Railway –

The requisition for the Meeting being read and Mr. Henry Smith having brought to the notice of the meeting the peculiar advantages to be acquired by the Inhabitants of this Town from the Establishment of the proposed line of Rail road in the increase of the trade and Commerce the facility of Communication with the Metropolis and the enhanced value which would be given to the Proprietors of Property generally of whom the Corporation

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formed a considerable portion. It was then moved by him Seconded by Alderman Evans that it was under all circumstances incumbent upon this Corporation to authorize a deputation to proceed to London to aid the promoters of the Bill pending and to render every assistance in their power to effect the Attainment of the objects contemplated by them and the Question thereon being put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to, and the following Members were selected as the deputation. Francis Ball Esqre Recorder. Aldermen William Fairtough, Francis Donagh, Francis Anderson John Chesshire, with Mr Sheriff Shegog and Alderman Holmes Town Clerk.

Names of Deputation

Mr Grendon states his intention of moving on the first opportunity that the expenses of the deputation be defrayed by the Corporation.

Mr Grendon Submitted that the expenses Attending the deputation should be paid by the Corporation, and inasmuch as there could not consistent with the standing rules be any money grant passed without the usual notice being previously given It was then intimated by him that he would avail himself of the first opportunity to give notice that the expense of the proposed Deputation be defrayed by the Corporation.

Result of this meeting to be communicated by Town Clerk to the Noble R. C. Plunkett and to request his influence in aid of Deputation.

Resolved. That the result of this meeting be notified by the Town Clerk to the Honorable R. C. Plunkett M. P. and that he be respectfully requested to aid the deputation in the furtherance of the proposed Object by the exercise of the influence of his Station and Character with such of the Noble Members of the Upper House as he is politically Associated with or otherwise.

Town Clerk to write to Deputies to appoint an early day of Departure.

Ordered. That the Town Clerk do communicate with the Members Selected as the Deputation to ascertain whether or not they could give their Attendance for the purpose specified in Order that the necessary Arrangements might be made for the appointment of an early day of departure.

Qua. Post. Assembly 14 July 1836.

At a Quarterly post Assembly held before George Henry Pentland Esquire Mayor, the Sheriffs and Aldermen being present on Friday the 14th day of July 1836.

Petition of George Chinnery for Freedom Marriage Referred

The petition of George Chinnery of the Town of Dublin Yeoman for his Freedom by Marriage with the Daughter of Thomas Andrews of Queensborough a Freeman being read the same was referred to the next General Quarterly Assembly.

No other business for the Consideration of the Assembly.

Gene. Qua. Assembly 15 July 1836

At a General Quarterly Assembly of the Corporation held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present on Friday the 15th day of July 1836.

The Proceedings of former Assembly read.

Freedom. Marriage

The Petition of George Chinnery of the Town of Dublin

Yeoman for Freedom by Marriage which was Referred from the last Post Assembly being read claiming the right from having married the Daughter of Thomas Andrews of Queensborough who was at the time of such Marriage a Freeman of this Corporation. It was moved by Sheriff Darbey Seconded by Alderman Cooper that the prayer of Petitioner be granted, and the Assembly being then informed by the Town Clerk that the necessary Stamp duty was not paid, the prayer of said Petition could not therefore be then entertained.

Deputation to proceed to London in aid of Committee of Coast line of Railway

Moved by Mr Sheriff Shegog and Seconded by Alderman Chesshire that a deputation from this Corporation to consist of Alderman William Fairtough and Francis Anderson and the Recorder do forthwith Proceed to London to Assist the Committee of the Coast line of Rail Road in forwarding the passing of the Bill then pending, and that the expenses attending such deputation be paid by this Corporation, the Consideration of which motion having undergone discussion, the Question upon same was put from the Chair and agreed to without a division.

Their Expenses to be paid by the Corporation.

Mr Mayor informs the Assembly that he had authorized an expenditure to be incurred for watering the Streets of the Town which it was considered would Amount to £100. It was Ordered on the Motion of Alderman H. B. Fairtough Seconded by Mr Sheriff Darbey that a grant of £100 be made for supplying a Watering Cart and paying the other expenses incidental upon watering the Town, and that the Treasurer be directed to pay said Sum to his Worship the Mayor for the Purposes specified.

£100. towards watering the Streets.

Ordered. That this Assembly at its rising do stand adjourned to Friday the 12th of August next with liberty then to make further Adjournment thereof.

Assembly adjourned to 12th August next

Ordered. That the several Petitions for Relief which were laid before previous Assemblies and not considered, also the Petition of Walter Robinson, James Taaffe, Sarah and Catherine Bridges, Susan Chinnery Mary Chambers Jane Moore and Margaret Evans which are now presented praying for Pecuniary Assistance, be referred for Examination and enquiry to the Auditors and Viewers to report upon said Petitions Respectively, stating which of said Petitioners are most deserving in Character and which stand most in need of Assistance, having Reference to their present means of Support and whether derived from employment or otherwise.

Several Petitions for Relief. Referred to Auditors & Viewers

The Accounts of the Agent of the Commons fund and the Poor of Saint John. Dated the 15th of July instant were laid before the Assembly for Examination when it appeared that on the 25th of March last the Rental of these Properties Amounted to the Yearly Sum of - - - - - - - £400 . 13 - 2½

Accounts of the Agent of the Commons funds and Poor of St. John's.

And that the Pensions payable thereout Amounted to - - - - £352 . 3 . 1

Annual Amount thereof.

Pensions payable thereout.

Leaving a Yearly Sum disposable of - - - - - £48 - 10 - 1½

Yearly Sum disposable.

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Balance in favor of the Institution -

And it appeared that there was a Balance in the Agents hands to the Credit of the Institution up to April last of - - - - - - - £21 . 7 . 5½

Treasurers Account

The Treasurers Account for the Quarter Commencing on April last and ending July instant was laid before the Assembly for examination and which Comprized the Receipts and disbursements within that period by

Balance in favor of the Corporation -

which Account it appeared to be in the hands of the Treasurer to the Credit of the Corporation a Sum of - - - - - - - - - - £369 . 15 . 6

The Arrears of Rent returned at Easter last May 1835 Amounted to £938 . 2 . 6¼

And Arrears due by Tenants whose terms long since expired Amounted to 141 . 16 . 4½

Making together the Sum of £1079 . 18 . 10¾

Law Agent to apply to persons had demands agst the Corpn as counter Balances for arrears, for a Settlement of same -

Upon Examination of the before mentioned Arrears it appears Several would be liquidated by the repayment to the Tenants of demands for Accounts and otherwise against the Corporation, And it was Ordered that the Law Agent be directed to apply to the Several Tenants in Arrear for payment and Settlement of the Sums due by them in the Treasurers Account returned -

Memorial of Mr James McCann for a Reduction in Rent of Land at Dulcett gate -

The Memorial of Mr James McCann being read by which it appeared that he was in possession of a Parcel of Land at Dulcett gate Containing 2 Acres 2 roods 18 perches as the Representative of his late Father who had purchased said ground from Ninian Rodgers Esqr deceased to whom the Corporation had granted same by Lease Dated the 30th Decr 1815 for 99 years from Michaelmas 1816 at the yearly Rent of £11 . 19 . 1 that when said Lease was granted Land rated much higher than at present and that by reason of the alteration in the Value of Land Memorialist hoped a Reduction would be made in his Rent It was moved by

Referred to Audrs & Viewers

Alderman M.B. Fairtlough Seconded by Mr Sherriff Gregg that the Prayer of the foregoing Memorial be referred to the Auditors and Viewers for their Report, upon which Alderman P. Fairtlough moved in which he was Seconded by Mr Clarke that the Consideration of same should not be entertained Whereupon the Question upon the Original Motion was put from the Chair and Carried with Six dissentients -

£20 towards erecting a Chapel for the Revd Mess Crotty of Birr -

Alderman Cheshire moves upon the Notice given by him at the last Quarterly Assembly that a Sum of £20 be paid by this Corporation through their Treasurer to increase the fund now in course of Collection towards erecting a Chapel for the Revd Messrs Crotty of Birr in the Kings County Which motion being Seconded by Mr Sherriff Darby and having undergone discussion the Question thereon was put from the Chair and Carried with one dissentient -

On the Motion of Alderman Graves Ackland which was Seconded by Alderman Hardman and it having been brought to the notice of the Assembly that at an Adjournment of a Quarterly Assembly held on the 28th of August 1835 - It was agreed that the Recorder and Town

Clerk be authorized previously to any further meeting to adopt such measures as might be considered useful and necessary in bringing to the notice of the House of Lords upon the discussion of the Irish Municipal Reform Bill all facts and circumstances to explain and disprove the Charges made against the Corporation by the Report of of the Commissioners and that for that Purpose they were at liberty to direct the Attendance of Witnesses if required and to have the Assistance of Council if necessary the expence of which was to be defrayed by the Corporation, and the Honorable Mr Plunkett having Subsequently intimated by letter that it was absolutely necessary that the Recorder and Town Clerk should Attend in London to furnish instructions to the Peers and also to him in Reference to the Bill then Pending with explanations of the Objectionable Passages in the report of Commissioners of Corporate Enquiry In consequence of which the Recorder and Town Clerk did give their immediate attendance at the instance of Several Members - It is resolved that this Corporation do approve of the Recorder and Town Clerk having given their Attendance in London upon the Occasion and for the Purposes mentioned, and that the expense Attendant thereon be borne by this Corporation, and that the Recorder and Town Clerk do furnish their Charges to the Committee of Accounts who are to Report thereon to the next Assembly -

Recorder and Town Clerks Attendance in London on Corporate Reform Question approved of - And expenses to be paid, To furnish their Accounts of Charges to Committee of Accounts -

£50 to Jas Mc Cartney for approval of his Services and Remuneration for loss Sustained -

Alderman Latham Fairtlough moves upon the notice given by him at the last Quarterly Assembly that a Sum of £50 be granted to James Mc Cartney as an approval of his Services generally and Remuneration for the loss experienced by him under the Circumstances referred to when Notice given at the last Assembly and particularly stated in his Memorial, and Alderman Cooper having Seconded said Motion the Matter of said Petition and grant underwent discussion Objection thereto having been raised by Alderman Graves Ackland in which he was Seconded by Mr George Clarke, and on the Question having been put from the Chair the same was carried with three dissentients -

The Mayor to pass the Seal of the Corporation at his earliest Convenience -

Ordered - That his Worship the Mayor do affix the Seal of this Corporation to the Several Leases and Deeds now ready for his Execution at his Earliest Convenience -

A Report to be made of the Number of Leases Renewed & persons bound by Ancient Custom to the expences of a Sealing Dinner -

Ordered - That Alderman G. Ackland with Messrs F. H. Leland & John Crawford and Mr Sherriff Gregg do Report to this Assembly after due Examination by them the Number of Leases which have been Renewed and of which the Lessees are bound under Ancient Custom to contribute to the expence of a Sealing Dinner -

Assy dissolved for want of a Sufficient No of Common Council -

The Assembly was then dissolved it being ascertained that there was not a Sufficient Number of Common Council in Attendance -

At a Special

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Special Post Assembly 25th August 1836-

At a Special Post Assembly held before the Mayor and Sherriffs the Aldermen being present pursuant to Notice on the 25th day of August 1836 for the purpose of electing an Alderman in the Room of William Jones Esquire deceased-

Henry Smith elected Alderman

Moved by Alderman Chesshire Seconded by Alderman Hussey that Henry Smith one of the Sherriffs Peers of this Corporation be elected an Alderman in the Room of William Jones deceased which being put from the Chair he was thereupon elected with one dissentient-

Sworn-

And being then introduced he took the Oath of an Alderman before the Mayor-

Drogheda 28th September 1836-

This day the following Leases passed the Seal of this Corporation before George Henry Pentland Esquire Mayor, The Sherriffs Aldermen and Common Council being present pursuant to Order of Assembly of the 15th July last-

Christopher Jordan Merchant

A Lease of the first Lot of the North Commons Containing A. R. P. 8-3-29 was sealed unto Christopher Jordan Merchant at £29-4-10 per Annum and £54-8-9 Fine for 99 years from 29th September 1835 same having been struck down to him by Public Cant on the 5th September 1835 at £3-1-0 per per Acre and two years Rent as a fine-

Christopher Jordan Merchant

A Lease of the 2nd Lot of the North Commons Containing A. R. P. 3-3-21 was sealed unto Christopher Jordan Merchant at £10-17-10½ per Annum and £21-15-9 Fine for 99 years from 29th September 1835 same having been struck down to him by Public Cant on the 5th September 1835 at £3-0-0 per Acre and Two years Rent fine-

Francis Bakersby Esqre

A Lease of the 3rd Lot of the North Commons Containing A. R. P. 6-3-26 was sealed unto Francis Bakersby Esqre at £24-3-10½ per Annum and £48-7-9 fine for 99 years from the 29th September 1835 same having been struck down to him by Public Cant on the 5th September 1835 at £3-10-0 per Acre and Two years Rent fine-

Francis Bakersby Esqre

A Lease of the 4th Lot of the North Commons Containing A. R. P. 5-2-38 was sealed unto Francis Bakersby Esqre at £18-7-2½ per Annum and £36-14-5 fine for 99 years from the 29th September 1835 same having been struck down to him by Public Cant on the 5th September 1835 at £3-4-0 per Acre and Two years Rent fine-

Francis Bakersby Esqre

A Lease of the 6th Lot of the North Commons Containing A. R. P. 5-2-29 was sealed unto Francis Bakersby Esqre at £21-11-4 per Annum and £43-8-8 fine for 99 years from the 29th September 1835 same having been struck down to him by Public Cant on the 5th September 1835 at £3-5-0 per Acre and Two years Rent fine-

Joseph Holmes

A Lease of a Strip of ground without Duleek gate Containing A. R. P. 2-0-10 was sealed unto Alderman Joseph Holmes at £1-2-6 per Annum and £15-15-0 fine for 99 years from Easter 1835 pursuant to Order of Assembly of 7th of August 1835-

And also was sealed on the same day A Rent Charge from the Mayor Sherriffs Burgesses and Commons of the County of the Town of Drogheda of the first part, The Reverend John Hagan, Reverend George Needham, Revd Anthony Adams and Reverend James Crawford Clerks Second part and William Codd Surveyor third part of £62-10-0, on that parcel of ground Dwelling House and Offices thereon West of the Road to Ballymakenny Containing A. R. P. 5-2-10- Also that parcel of ground near to same Containing A. R. P. 5-0-5- Also a small peark of Land Containing 1 acre 2 Roods 20 perches, And also the parks of land called Cottage Containing 15 Acres 1 Rood 8 perches as in the Tenancy of Alderman Henry Blacker Fairtlough-

Drogheda 28th September 1836-

This day William Henry Gregg of Drogheda Gentleman third Son of Richard Gregg of the same place Attorney was Sworn a Freeman of this Corporation before Henry Blacker Fairtlough Esquire Charter Justice pursuant to his Admission by Birth on the 16th of January 1835-

Drogheda 28th September 1836-

This day the foregoing Acts of Assembly were read and Compared before us, and Ordered to be entered in the large Assembly Book as usual-

Ald Test
Joseph Holmes
Town Clerk

George Henry Pentland — Mayor-
John Gregg
P. Darbey — Sherriffs-

John Chesshire
Robert Pentland
G. H. Evans
Graves Ackland — Aldermen-

George R. Clarke
Thomas Beddy
John Mayne
Saml. H. Crawford — Common Council-

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Drogheda 29th September 1836

James Medlicott Sworn Freeman

This day James Medlicott of the Town of Drogheda Esquire was Sworn a Freeman of this Corporation before George Henry Pentland Esquire Mayor pursuant to his admission by Special favor on the 23rd of April 1830 —

Thursday 29th September 1836.

Michaelmas Day

Swearing of Robert Pentland Esqre Mayor and William Henry Shegog and James Medlicott Esqres Sheriffs

This day being the Feast of Saint Michael the Archangel the Swearing of the Mayor and Sheriffs took place at the Tholsel after having attended Divine Service at St Peters Church.

The Town Clerk having produced to George Henry Pentland Esquire Mayor the approbation of His Excellency Earl Mulgrave Lord Lieutenant General and General Governor of Ireland Dated at Dublin Castle 7th May 1836 approving of Robert Pentland Esqre to be Mayor and William Henry Shegog and James Medlicott Esquires to be Sheriffs and same having been read aloud in Open Court by the Town Clerk.

The said Robert Pentland Esqre was thereupon accordingly Sworn and took the Oath prescribed by the Act of the 10th year of the Reign of George 4th Chap. 7, and also took the Oaths appertaining to the Office of Mayor and Justice of the Peace.

And the said William Henry Shegog and James Medlicott were also respectively Sworn and took the Oath appertaining to the Office of Sheriff.

Qua. Past Assembly 5th October 1836

At a Quarterly Post Assembly held before Robert Pentland Esquire Mayor the Sheriffs and Aldermen being present on Wednesday the 5th day of October 1836.

There was not any business for the Consideration of the Assembly.

Genl Qua. Assembly 7th October 1836.

At a general Quarterly Assembly of the Corporation held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present of Friday the 7th day of October 1836.

Proceedings of last Assembly not now read; same having been with the years business Compared on the 28th Sept.

The proceedings of the past year having been read and Compared on the 28th of September last the reading of the Proceedings of the last Assembly were dispensed with.

Mayor Staple

Alderman George Henry Pentland late Mayor is elected Mayor of the Staple for the ensuing year.

Common Council

John Shegog and Patrick Darbey are elected Common Council Men and both Sworn.

Coroners

The said John Shegog and Patrick Darbey are elected Coroners for the ensuing year and both Sworn.

Constables Staple

The said John Shegog and Patrick Darbey are elected Constables of the Staple for the ensuing year and both Sworn

Master Guild

George Henry Pentland Esquire is elected Master of the Guild of Merchants for the ensuing year.

Wardens do

Thomas Grendon and George Harpur Esqres late Coroners are Elected Wardens of the Guild of Merchants for the ensuing year.

Offices of Sword & Mace

The Offices of Sword and Mace, and the Marshal to continue during the Pleasure of this Corporation.

Treasurer

Alderman John Cooper is elected Treasurer for the ensuing year.

Cranes set up to auction from 26th Inst.

Ordered. That the Cranes be set up to Auction for one year to Commence from 26th instant.

Gate Customs from 28th Inst.

Ordered. That the Portage and Gate Customs be set up to Auction for one year to commence from the 28th Instant; and that Notice of such Settings Respectively be advertized in the Drogheda Journal.

Security to be entered into.

The usual Security to be entered into by the respective parties who are declared Tenants to the Cranes and Gate Customs.

Treasurers Qua. account

The Treasurers Account of Receipts and Expenditure Commencing 15th July 1836 and ending the 7th of October Instant was laid before the Assembly for Examination by which it appeared there was a Balance in the hands of the Treasurer Amounting to ——— £155 " 1 - 4½

And the Account of Arrears returned due by the Tenants named therein at Easter 1835 Amounted to ——— £824 " 13 " 1¾

Also Old Arrears due by Tenants whose Leases have long since Expired Amounting to ——— 141 " 16 - 4½

Making a Total of ——— £ 966 = 9 = 6¼

Law Agent to apply to Tenants in Arrear.

Ordered - That the Law Agent do apply to the Tenants for Payment of the Arrears due by them, and that he do take effectual measures for enforcing Payment.

Ordered - That this Assembly at its rising do adjourn to this day three Weeks being the 28th Instant.

Letter from Thomas Brodigan Esqre

Alderman Ralph Smyth produces to the Assembly a letter from Thomas Brodigan Esquire.

The Mayor proposed as a Member to Vote for Directors of the Coast Line Railway.

Alderman Cheshire moves that this Worship the Mayor be appointed as the Member to attend from the Corporation to vote on their behalf in the Choice of the Directors of the Coast Line of Railway from Dublin to this Town.

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Ald^n H.B. Faithfull proposed and Elected accordingly=

Mr. Darbey proposed that Alderman H.B. Faithfull be the Person appointed for that purpose and being Seconded by Mr. Francis Villiard Leland, Alderman Chesshire thereupon withdrew his nomination of the Mayor and Alderman Faithfull was accordingly elected=.

Freedom Fiat: Gold Box and Address to Thomas Brodigan Esqre

It was unanimously resolved on the Motion of Alderman George William Evans Seconded by Alderman H.B. Faithfull that the Freedom of this Corporation to be accompanied by a Gold Box and a Suitable Address be presented to Thomas Brodigan Esqre of Tilltown in the County of Meath in testimony of the high sense entertained by this Body of his private worth and for his efficient exertions in promoting the Dublin and Drogheda Rail road, a Project which Originated with him and which must confer incalculable Public benefit=

Committee to prepare the Address

The Committee to prepare the Address and Order the Box to consist of the Mover and Seconder, The Mayor Sheriffs Recorder Alderman Hardman, Graves Ackland, John Chesshire and Mr. North=

Account of Expense of Scavengery for the year 1834=

Mr. John Crawford Secretary to the Paving Committee lays before the Assembly the Account of the Sweeping and Cleansing of the Streets for the year ending the 31st of October 1834 when the Scavengery not being set by Auction the Cleansing of the Streets was undertaken by the Corporation

The Account of Expenses including the Cost of Carts and Horses and Rent and Stabling Amounted to ——— £300=18=0½

The Receipt from Sale of Manure being - - - £131=14=0

And the Value at first Cost of Horse Cart and other property being ——— 26=4=2 — 157=18=2½

The Total Costs of cleansing for the period was £150=19=10½

Paving Account for the year 1835

The Account of Expenses for Paving for the year ending the 29th of September 1835 with occasional expense of Sweeping the Streets being for this year set up by Auction was as follows=

For paving	£169=19=4
" Sweeping	22=12=0
" Secretary Salary at £5 per Annum	4=9=7
" Pavior do at £10 do	35=16=8
	£232=17=7

Do for the years 1836

The Paving Account for the year the 29th September 1836 Amounted (including Secretarys Salary for one year £5 and to the Pavior for one years Salary) to ——— £428=11=1

Surplus of Tolls & Customs in 1835 & 1836 to be expended in Flagging the Streets=

Ordered = That the Surplus arising from the Receipts for the years 1835 and 1836 of the Tolls and Customs be expending in Flagging the Footways of the Town=

Secretary to the Paving Committee Salary £10=

Ordered = That the Salary of the Secretary be increased from £5 to £10 per Annum to commence from the 29th September last=

Ald^n Evans added to Paving Committee

Ordered - That Alderman George William Evans be added to the Paving Committee=

Ald^n G. Ackland as Treasurer to Paving Committee a Salary of £10=

Alderman G. Ackland acting as Treasurer to the paving Committee produced Accounts of Receipts and Expenditures under his management Commencing the 17th January 1834 and ending the 7th of October instant, And it appearing that he had performed the duties of the Office without remuneration which was attended with Risk and Trouble It is Ordered that he be paid as Treasurers a Yearly Salary of £10 to commence from the 29th of September last=

Accounts laid before Assembly and passed=

The following Accounts having passed the Committee of Accounts on the 3rd and 24th August last, the same were laid by their Secretary before the Assembly for Examination and being duly enquired into were Ordered to be paid=

= Accounts passed 3rd August 1836=

No 1 - Charles James Barry & Co^y a Moiety of Expenses Amounting to £7=0=3 for repairing the Gutter between the Thekel and their House ——— £3=10=7½

" 2 - The Committee appointed to erect a Palisading in front of St. Mary's Church, Balance of Expenses ——— 40=6=8½

" 3 = Joseph Holmes Town Clerk for Stamps Expenditure and Takings for the Corporation from 29th September 1835 ——— 52=0=5

£ 95=17=3

= Accounts passed 24th August 1836=

No 1 = Francis Ball Esqre for his Attendance in London in pursuance of the Resolutions of Corporation 28th August 1835 and 15th July 1836 pending the discussion of the Irish Municipal Reform Bill before Parliament as Recorder ——— £100=0=0

" 2 - Joseph Holmes Esqre for like attendance as Town Clerk, Balance of Account ——— 111=1=5

" 3 - William Codd Surveying for pipe Water in 1835 ——— 4=4=6

" 4 - Messrs. Brassington and Gale Surveying for Lites, Maps &c ——— 25=4=2

" 5 - Richard Flinn Repairs of fire Engine ——— 1=7=4

" 6 - The Recorder and Aldermen Wm. Faithfull and F. Anderson as a Deputation to Assist the Committee of the Coast line of Rail Road ——— 100=0=0

£ 342=5=5

Report of Auditors & Viewers

The following Reports of the Auditors and Viewers made on the 3rd of August last on the several Memorials therein respectively Referred to were Read at this Assembly there not having been any previous meeting at the adjournment which was Ordered at the last July Assembly to be held on the 3rd of August last=

- Report made on the 3rd of August last -

3rd August 1836

5th August 1836 - At a meeting of the Auditors & Viewers held this day pursuant to Summons -

- Present -

Members present

Townley B. Hardman, Henry B. Faithfull } Aldermen

{ Bradish, Wisdom, Robert Thompson, Thos. Beddy, Chas. F. W. Leland, Henry Bagnall } Common Council

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On Memorial of James McCann

A Memorial of Mr James McCann for Reduction in Rent of Land out Duleek Gate having been taken into consideration — Resolved - That we consider the Petitioner has no claim to the reduction sought, the Land being worth the Rent -

Do John Ackland

A Memorial of John Ackland Esquire for a reduction in Rent of lands of Saint James's having been taken into consideration Resolved - That we are of Opinion that Petitioner has no claim to the reduction sought the Land being worth the Rent -

Do Francis Forde

A Memorial of Francis Forde Esquire for a renewal of a Lease of ground without Saint James's Gate having been taken into Consideration - Resolved - That the Prayer be granted - Premises to be Viewed and Valued -

Do F. W. Leland

A Memorial of Francis William Leland for a Renewal of a Lease of ground out Johns gate - Resolved That the Prayer be granted - Premises to be Viewed and valued -

Do Mary Bowden

A Memorial of Mrs Mary Bowden having been presented relative to Premises in Magdalene Street — Resolved, That its consideration be deferred for further Consideration -

H. B. Fairtlough -

Report made on the 24th of August 1836

24 August 1836

24 August 1836 - The Auditors and Viewers being Summoned for this day, the following Members Attended -

Members present

J. B. Hardman, Graves Ackland, H. B. Fairtlough, William Fairtlough } Aldermen -

S. W. Crawford, Robert Thompson, Austin Nicholls, John Crawford } Common Council -

On Memorials of Messrs Forde & Leland

Resolved - That new Surveys of the ground referred to in the Memorials of Messrs Forde and Leland be submitted to the Committee to enable them to conclude their Report -

H. B. Fairtlough, Chairman

Memorial of Town Serjeants and other Constables

His Worship the Mayor having laid before the Assembly a Memorial addressed to him from the Constables of Mace and Servants of the Corporation praying to be supplied with Great Coats for the approaching Winter -

Ordered - That the Mayor be authorized to have the necessary Coats furnished -

Further Memorial of Do their Salaries to be paid to them in Bills Currency Treasurer authorized to pay same -

The Memorials of the Constables at Mace Bang & Beggars and Bell Mace having been read praying that their Salaries might be paid to them in Present Currency -

Ordered - That the Treasurer be authorized to pay the Salaries of the Constables at Mace Bang & Beggars and Bellmace in the

present Currency according to the Amount of each respectively from the 29th of September last -

Letter from Travelling Agent of Ordnance Survey respecting Maps for Assembly Room -

The Mayor having produced a letter written to him from Mr John Doyle Travelling Agent of the Ordnance Survey with prices annexed of the Maps of the County of the Town of Drogheda &c., and requiring to know if the Corporation would order any of the Maps -

Town Clerk to order a Map of the County Town of Drogheda and A Map of the County Louth Treasurer to pay for same when provided

Ordered - That the Town Clerk Reply to said Letter by Ordering a Map of the County of the Town of Drogheda as described by Mr Doyle, the Cost of which was to be £8-2-0 - Also a Map of the County of Louth on Similar principle to be placed in the Assembly Room - And the Treasurer is directed to pay for said Maps when provided -

£20 Voted at last July Assembly to be paid to John Lloyd for the Chapel of Messrs Crotty - Kerr -

A Letter signed John Lloyd Dated Parsonstown 3rd October Instant directed to the Treasurer being read referring to a Vote passed at last July Assembly whereby £20 was Ordered towards erecting a Chapel for the Messieurs Crotty and requiring that same should be Transmitted to him as Treasurer of the Committee in that behalf - the previous Resolution is Referred to and the Sum thereby voted is Ordered to be forthwith paid -

Mayor & Town Clk to examine Assembly Books for Resolutions respecting News Room -

It is requested that the Mayor be assisted by the Town Clerk will examine the Books of Assembly for Resolutions in Reference to the News Room and that the Assembly be informed the Result of such Examination

Notice Motion Mr Atkinson

Ordered - That the Premises lately occupied as a Mendicity Establishment be advertized for letting with such other Property as is out of Lease, and such of which the Town is on the eve of Expiration -

do do Mr Atkinson

Mr John Crawford hands in a Notice that Mr Atkinson will at the next Assembly move a Resolution that certain Lands the Property of this Corporation of the Yearly Value of £50 per Annum be vested in such Trustees or Trustee as this Body may hereafter appoint for the Purpose of increasing the present Endowment of Saint Martin Church in the Town of Drogheda said present Endowment being inadequate to the Proper maintenance and Support of a Clergyman Amounting in all to £80 per year -

do do Mr Atkinson

Mr John Crawford also hands in another Notice that Mr Atkinson will at the next Assembly move a Resolution that certain Lands the Property of this Body of the Clear yearly Value of £50 per Annum be vested in such Trustee or Trustees as this Corporation may hereafter appoint for the purpose of increasing the Income of the Incumbent of Saint Mary's Parish in this Town, said present income Amounting in all from House Land and Tithe to the Sum of £80 per year being insufficient to the due and Proper maintenance of a Parochial Clergyman -

Mr Chesshire moves rejection of said two Notices -

Alderman Chesshire moves that the foregoing Notices be Rejected in which he is Seconded by Alderman Fleming Blacker Fairtlough -

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Mr Shegog supports reception of same – demands a Ballot

House Counted out –

Assembly dissolved

Mr John Skegog supports the Reception of said Notice and demands that a Ballot be had thereon, whereupon the Assembly is Ordered to be counted and there not being a Sufficient Common Council in Attendance the same is dissolved –

Adjt Qua Assembly 28th October 1836

At an Adjournment of the last Quarterly Assembly held this 28th day of October 1836 The said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present –

The Proceedings of the former Assembly were not now read, same not having been entered from the Rough Book for want of a New Assembly Book –

Memorial of Revd Samuel Sandford Referred to Auditors and Viewers

The Memorial of The Reverend Samuel Sandford of Bantry in the County of Cork Clerk being read stating that by Lease Dated the 4th of June 1777, a House situate on the North side of Bachelors Lane in the Parish of Saint Peter was demised by the Corporation to his late Father Samuel Sandford deceased for 61 years from Easter 1777 at the yearly Rent of £1 – of the late Currency, and that he was now entitled to the Interest in said Lease and benefit of Renewal thereof as the Son and Devisee of his Father and of Paying a Renewal thereof upon the usual Terms, the same was thereupon referred to the Auditors and Viewers for their Report –

Memorial of John Crawford Gent of the late Geo Holmes for Renewal of Certain Premises Referred to Auditors and Viewers

The Memorial of John Crawford Gentleman a Free Member of the Corporation being read stating that he was Surviving Executor of the late George Holmes Esqre deceased who was also a Free Member of the Corporation, and that by Lease No 870, Dated the 1st of August 1783 the Corporation demised to Patrick Mc Entegart of said Town Merchant also a Free Merchant since deceased certain Stores and Premises on the North side of Laurences Street, West Side of School House Lane and South side of Williams Street bounded as therein for 61 years from Easter 1782, the Interest in which Premises was vested in the said late George Holmes under an Assignment from the Representatives of the said late Patrick Mc Entegart Dated 24th of December 1832 – Memorialist therefore prayed for a Renewal of said Premises as such Executor on the usual Terms – whereupon the same was Referred to the Auditors and Viewers for their Report –

Memorial of Wm Clinton praying to be exonerated from payment of some flags the Property of the Corpn – granted on paying Costs

The Memorial of William Clinton Victualler being read by which it appeared that he was Proprietor of the Shambles or meat Market and that he had got some flags the Property of the Corporation which he had caused to be laid down in improving the Pathway Leading from that Street to Dyer Street and that he had been Served with a Civil Bill Process at the Suit of the Corporation for £1 13s 9 the price of said Flags but which

Same he hoped he would not be called upon to pay as the flags were used in Public improvement –

Ordered – That the proceeding be withdrawn and that Memorialist is not to be called on for payment of the Debt, or discharging the expenses incurred in the Recovery thereof –

Memt of Bonus Whitton £5 granted to assist him on his Journey to his native Land –

Treasurer to pay same to Stephen Staunton to be by him applied for Memorialist –

The Memorial of Bonus Whitton being read stating that he was a Protestant and had been employed in the Watch Establishment for 17 years, from which Situation he was discharged by the Directors in Sept last, on the grounds of Memorialist being too Old and infirm for the duties – That Memorialist was thus deprived of his only Support and is reduced to distress and being desirous to spend the remainder of his days in his own Parish in England seeks for some assistance to Prosecute his Journey –

Ordered – That the Treasurer do pay to Stephen Staunton the Sum of £5 to be by him appropriated in forwarding the wishes of the Memorialist Bonus Whitton –

Petition of Sarah & Catherine Bridges to be received into the Protestant Orphan Society of this Town by the Mayor chosen for a Vacancy therein – £20 to be placed in the hands of the Mayor to procure their Admission –

The Petition of Sarah Bridges aged 8 years and Catherine Bridges aged 5 years Children of Thomas Bridges late a Freeman deceased being read stating that Petitioners are the descendants of an Ancient Protestant family and being abandoned by their only Surviving Parent are in a State of absolute Poverty and praying to be admitted as Pensioners on the Corporation fund – It is requested that His Worship the Mayor will make enquiry from the Trustees or Committee of the Protestant Orphan Society with a view to the Petitioners being received therein, and that a Sum of £20 be placed at the disposal of the Mayor to be applied by him in effecting their admission

Memt of Thos Apperson for Relief –

The Memorial of Thomas Apperson being read stating that he is the Son of Thomas Apperson a Freeman and having lost his hand he is unable sufficiently to provide for himself and hoping that the Corporation would take his Case into Consideration –

Memt of Sd Gill for Relief –

The Petition of James Gill being read stating that he is a native of Drogheda and has been Resident therein since his Birth and being now 97 years old is unable to earn support from his Labour and hopes from his helpless Condition that his Case will be taken into Consideration –

Said two petitions with others referred to Auditors and Viewers

The prayers of the two foregoing Memorials are Referred to the Auditors and Viewers for their enquiry and Report. And it is requested that they will take same with the other Petitions for Relief the References upon which are pending into their speedy Consideration –

Memt of Late Mc Kenna Marshal for Compensation for outlay

The Memorial of Patrick Mc Kenna Marshal of the Tholsel Court being read stating that his Salary was reduced in 1829 from £20 late Currency to £10 per Annum and so continued till March 1834 when same was restored to its Original Amount – that his Salary as Marshal provided a Turnkey necessary for the Care of Debtors from the Tholsel Court & Court of Conscience

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and that the Land Holders of the County objected to being made chargeable with any expense for the Care of such Debtors, and that during the Period within which his Salary was reduced, he had out of his Salary as Governor of the Jail provided for the Custody committed from the Tholsel Court and Court of Conscience to the Amount of £38-1-7½, Memorialist therefore hoped that from the improvement in the financial circumstances of the Corporation his Memorial for Relief would be taken into consideration It was therefore moved by Mr Thompson that Patrick M'Kenna be granted the Amount of loss sustained by him for the reasons stated during the period within which his Salary was reduced, and being Seconded by Mr John Crawford upon the Question being put from the Chair Mr Wisdom demanded a Ballot which being proceeded upon there appeared upon the Scrutiny -

A Ballot demanded
Motion lost

For the Motion 10 M.B.
Against 13 B.B.

It appearing on the Report of Stephen Hartage Rent Bailiff that on the 28th instant he had by Orders of the Treasurer demanded from Mr William Clinton the occupying Tenant of Premises demised to the late Alderman George Evans payment of an Arrear of £193-19-11¼ and that he refused paying same alleging that he had paid Mr Thompson - It is Ordered that the Law Agent do immediately take the necessary Proceedings for Recovery of said Arrear -

Mr Clinton having refused to pay an arrear due on premises in his possession to be forthwith proceeded against for Recovery

The following Accounts passed the 28th Instant before the Committee of Accounts were laid by their Secretary before the Assembly for Examination and being duly enquired into were Ordered to be paid -

Accounts passed

No 1 - Mr Austin Nicholls for Sundry Works and repairs effected in the Tholsel, Mayoralty House, Market House, Town Pumps &c & Salary for attending Town Pumps from January to August 1836 = £53-6-0
" 2 - M. Garvey Clothing and Hats for Town Serjeants Michaelmas 1836 — 5-19-6
" 3 - Charles Collins Stationary from 15th January to 22 Augt 1836 — 1 " 14-4
" 4 - George Knaggs furnishing Shoots at Mayoralty House per Contract — 12-5-0

£ 119 " 4-10

Account of Treasurer of Commons fund -

The Account of the Treasurer of the Commons fund for Receipts and Disbursements from the period of passing his last Account to this day was laid before the Assembly for Examination

Resolved - That the Mayor be authorized to set up the Cleansing of the Streets by Auction, and that for the purposes of insuring the Cleanliness of the Town he is at liberty to agree with or allow any one person to enter into Security by Bond with two Sureties for the due and punctual performance of the Agreement and to be subject to fines for default to be deducted from the Sums receivable by the Contractor -

Mayor authorized to have Scavengery set up to Auction -

Philip Brabazon appointed Inspector of Nuisances at a Salary of £20 during pleasure -

Mr Philip Brabazon is appointed Inspector of Nuisances within the Town and Conservator of the Avenues, at a Salary of £20 per Annum - said appointment being made conditionally that if after three months the necessity of such Office did not exist that same should be discontinued -

Mr Nicholls to furnish plans for Water Closets -

Ordered - That Mr Nicholls Architect do furnish to the Mayor Plans and Specifications for erecting two Water Closets in the most convenient parts of the Tholsel having in view Accomodation to the Crown and Record Courts, and that Mr Nicholls do also inspect the Mayoralty House and report whether any and what necessary Repairs are required to be made therein and that a Committee of Consist of Alderman G. Ackland, Henry Smith, John Cheshire, G. W. Evans and William Fairtough with Messrs F. W. Leland and Thomas North do assist his Worship in examining the plans and Specifications to be furnished and in directing the Execution of the plan of which they shall approve, And also in determining and directing the Repairs necessary to be made in the Mayoralty House

Committee to assist the Mayor in examining said plans and also in directing Repairs of Mayoralty House -

Town Clerk to notify to late Mayor his Election Mayor of Staple -

Ordered - That the Town Clerk do notify to the late Mayor his Election to be Mayor of the Staple in Order that he might be Sworn a Justice of the Peace -

Notice Motion Mr Shegog

Mr Shegog gives notice that he will at the next Assembly move That every Member of the Corporation be entitled to attend and Vote at all meetings to be held by the Auditors and Viewers and also be entitled to attend and vote at all meetings to be held by any of the Committees of the Corporation -

do — do Alderman Cheshire

Alderman Cheshire gives notice that he will at the next Assembly move that the Oath of Secrecy as regards the Proceedings of the Assemblies be in future dispensed with -

do — do Mr Clarke

Mr George R. Clarke gives notice that he will at the next Assembly Move That a Sum of £500 be placed at the disposal of a Committee for the Purpose of completing the Repairs of the Corn Market, and if Practicable that part of the Corn Market be allocated for an Egg, Fowl and Butter Market -

Drogheda 29th October 1836 -

George Henry Pentland Esqr Sworn Mayor of Staple & Justice Peace -

This day George Henry Pentland Esquire late Mayor having been at the last General Quarterly Assembly Elected

Mayor of the Staple was Sworn and took the Oath of a Justice of the Peace.

Drogheda 9th of January 1837

On this day Robert Pentland Esquire Mayor accompanied by Wm Sherriff Medlicott and Several Members of the Corporation proceeded to Pelltown the Residence of Thomas Brodigan Esquire and presented to him his Freedom of this Corporation by Vellum accompanied with the address and Silver Gilt Box as Voted at the General Assembly held on the 7th of October last.

Freedom Vellum Gilt Box Thos Brodigan Esqre

The address having been read by the Mayor and Wm Brodigan having expressed his thanks in the most complimentary terms to the Corporation for the Honor thus conferred upon him, and the manner in which it had been conveyed, and having read to the Meeting his Answer to the address he handed the same to the Mayor to be by him conveyed to the Corporation in Assembly.

Address read.

Answer read.

Qua. Post. Assembly 11 January 1837

At a Quarterly Post Assembly held before Robert Pentland Esqre Mayor the Sheriffs and Aldermen being present on Wednesday the 11th day of January 1837.

There was not any business for the Consideration of the Assembly.

Genl Qua. Assembly 13 January 1837

At a General Quarterly Assembly of the Corporation of Drogheda held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present on Friday the 13th day of January 1837.

The proceedings of the former Assembly were read.

Several petitions for Relief

The Petition of William Jepson a Freeman was read stating that from his advanced age he was not able from his industry to support himself and family and praying for a small Annuity for his and their Assistance. Also the Petition of Edward Bagnall a Freeman was read stating that he had been and then was suffering from ill health which rendered him unable to provide for the support of himself and his family and praying under the Circumstances for Some Relief.

Also the Petition of James Moles a Freeman was read stating that he and his family were in a most distressed Condition being nearly naked and almost Starving and praying for some temporary Relief.

Also the Petition of Malcolm Thornton a Freeman

was read, stating that he had suffered reverses in business for the last four years which had obliged him to remove to England, that in consequence of Recent death in his family he had returned to this Town and is in great distress and praying under the Circumstances for some temporary Assistance.

Referred to Auditors & Viewers

The Several foregoing Petitions were referred to the Auditors and Viewers for their Consideration and Report with Instructions that strict enquiry should be made into the Peculiar Situation and circumstances of the applicants.

Jane Moore declines residing in poor House.

The Agent of the Commons fund and Poor of Saint Johns, Reports that Jane Moore the Widow of Thomas Moore a Freeman deceased who by an Order of the Quarterly Assembly held on the 15th January 1836 was permitted to become an inmate of Saint Johns Poor House had declined residing therein but was desirous of receiving the Pecessary advantages Connected with the Establishment.

No person in future to receive the benefits of the Poor House unless inmates.

Ordered. That no person be considered entitled to the benefits of the Poor House Establishment unless in Actual distress, and it appearing that Jane Moore has declined to conform to the Regulations of the Institution by becoming an inmate therein the Agent of the Charity is to discontinue said Jane Moore on the Establishment.

Jane Moore discontinued on the Establishment.

Petition of Bridget McKay for admission into Poor House.

The Petition of Bridget McKay was read whereby it appeared that she was a protestant, destitute and without means of support being the niece of Oliver Bridges a Freeman and Sister of Bernard Chapman a Freeman, and praying for admission into the Poor house by Reason of the Vacancy that had occurred.

Petition of Jane Bagnall for like purpose.

Also the Petition of Jane Bagnall stating that she was the Widow of a Freeman and a Protestant, and praying for admission into the Poor House.

Petition of Rose Anne Jennings for like purpose

Also the Petition of Rose Anne Jennings stating that she was a Protestant and Widow of John Jennings Grandson of James Elliott a Freeman and having been left with a family and no means of support prayed that her Situation might be taken into Consideration.

Upon discussion of the rights of the different applicants for admission into the Poor House and upon Consideration of the Circumstances Connected with the Case of each individual. It was Moved by Alderman M.P.B. Fairtough Seconded by Alderman Latham Fairtough that the Prayer of the Petition of Bridget McKay be granted Whereupon Mr Clark proposed in which he was Seconded by Alderman Hergest that the Prayer of the Petition of Mary Anne Jennings be complied with and upon the Question being about to be put from the Chair as to the eligibility of the two persons proposed Mr Clarke withdrew his nomination and thereupon

Bridget McKay admitted.

Bridget McKay was admitted into the Establishment.

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Letter from Francis McAuley & Moses Starr. Bang beggars praying Increase of Salary -

His Worship the Mayor laid before the Assembly a letter addressed to him by Francis McAuley and Moses Starr Bang Beggars stating their Salary to be only £11-7-6 with an allowance of £3 Annually for their Attendance upon the Courts of Assize and Sessions, that when they were appointed to their Situations they were enabled to earn small Sums within the intervals of their duty from which they had been (latterly) precluded from the necessity of their Continual Attendance in assisting the Constables and seeking in consequence an Increase of Salary -

Francis McAuley & Moses Starr added to the number of Town Serjeants with the Salaries & advantages thereof -

Ordered - That Francis McAuley and Moses Starr be from henceforth added to the number of Constables or Serjeants at Mace with the same Salaries and advantages appurtenant to the Situation of Serjeant at Mace, the Salary to commence from Michaelmas last - And it is Ordered that the Constables generally from henceforward are to perform the Several duties of Constable or Serjeant at Mace and also the duties heretofore required to be performed by the Bang Beggars and Court House Attendants -

Memorial of Patrick McKenna Marshal for Compensation for Outlay -

The Memorial of Patrick McKenna Marshal read referring to the Circumstances stated in his Memorial presented and considered at the last Assembly and praying that same might be reconsidered, and that he might be allowed the Sum of £38-1-7½ which Memorialist alleged he had been obliged to incur in providing a Turnkey for four years and an half at £8 8s 9d per Annum and whose duties was stated to be principally confined to the Care of Persons Committed from the Tholsel Court and Court of Conscience - It was moved by Alderman Latham Fairtough Seconded by Mr John Shegog that the Prayer of the Memorial be granted - and the principle sought to be established being objected to by Mr Wisdom the Question thereupon was put from the Chair, and it appearing that the Assembly was in favor of the Motion Mr Wisdom thereupon demanded a Ballot, the Proceeding upon which was then postponed -

Ballot demanded
Proceedg thereon postponed

£3-2-6 Ordered to Jno Carney to indemnify him in expence of procuring a new Tithe Valuation -

The Memorial of John Carney of Killiney Farmer Read stating that in the Course of last year he with other Tithe Payers in the parish of Saint Peter had under the Provisions of the Statute in that behalf procured a new Tithe Valuation by which a considerable Expense had accrued, and stated that having by a Voluntary Contribution raised a fund in part discharge of the expence Memorialist was still deficient in the Sum of £3-2-6 and in as much as the Corporation were landed Proprietors he hoped they would Order him to be paid the said Sum of Three pounds two Shillings and Six pence -

Ordered, Upon the Motion of Mr Francis William Leland Seconded by Mr Harpur that the Treasurer do pay to Mr John Carney the Sum of £3-2-6 to indemnify him in the expense of procuring a new Tithe Valuation -

Joint Memls of Robert Thompson and Wm Clinton praying leave to discharge an Arrear due out of Premises in Dyer St under Ejectment by Installments -

The Memorial of Robert Thompson and William Clinton read stating that Ejectments for non payment of Rent had been Served at the instance of the Corporation upon Premises in Dyer Street Leased to the late Alderman George Evans, and in which the Memorialists were respectively interested, that without serious inconvenience they could not discharge the Arrear now due, and hoping that same would be received by Installments of equal Amount with the Rent and as the accruing Rent should become due and Payable until discharged, It was moved by Alderman John Cheshire Seconded by Mr Shegog that the proposition of the Memorialists be acceded to, which being objected to by Alderman Graves Ashlands and the Question after discussion being about to be put from the Chair It was Ordered that the Law Agent do procure the Security by Bond of the said Robert Thompson and William Clinton for the Arrear of Rent now due to be paid by Installments as proposed and as a further Security for said Arrear that he do continue the proceedings by Ejectment which has been latterly and procure an Habere, the same not to be executed until default be made in the Payment of the Installments as mentioned in the Bond -

Law Agent to procure their Joint Bond for the Arrear to be discharged by installments - But Ejectmt & the proceedings with to Habere - not to be executed 'till default -

Memorial of Alderman Edward Fairtough

The Memorial of Alderman Edward Fairtough being read stating that in the year 1815 he became Tenant to 7a 1r 21p (a.r.p.) of Land without Sundays gate at the enormous Acreable Rent of £16-10-0 of the then Currency, One fourth of which Rent he fined down at 17 years purchase and Subsequently fined down two others fourths at 10 years purchase - That in the year 1820 he took 4a 1r 20p of land lying Contiguous to Ottage at £5-5-0 per Acre, one fourth of which Rent he also fined down at 17 years purchase and Subsequently fined down another fourth at 10 years purchase, that the Amount of his fines on both holdings Amounted to £352-11-8 of the present Currency, in addition to which he is subject to an Acreable Rent of £1-16-11 of the present Currency, and Submitting that upon an average of the whole he was not receiving a fair remuneration for the money sunk by Memorialist, as if they were demised to him at £4 pr Acre he would not be receiving more than 4½ per Cent on his Outlay, and praying for those reasons that a Reasonable Reduction be made in the Rent of said Premises -

Referred to Auditors & Viewers

Upon the motion of Alderman H. B. Fairtough Seconded by Alderman Henry Smith the Prayer of the foregoing Memorial was referred for further Consideration and Report of the Auditors and Viewers -

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Treasurers Account

The Treasurers Account for the Quarter Commencing the 11th of October last and Ending the 13th Instant was laid before the Assembly for Examination by which it appeared that the Treasurer had received funds within that Period Amounting to ——— £1011-13-0

And that the payments and disbursements Amounted to ——— 971-4-6-3/4

Balance due by Treasurer ——— Leaving a Balance due by the Treasurer of ——— £ 40-6-8 1/4

Arrears

The Arrears as returned due at Easter last Amounted to ——— £685-6-6 1/2

And the Arrears due by Tenants whose terms had long since expired Amounted to ——— 141-16-4 1/2

Making together the Sum of ——— £827-2-11

Mayor to pass the Great Seal to Leases -

Ordered That His Worship the Mayor do affix the Great Seal of the Corporation to the Lease of ground at the Marsh of St. James's granted to Alderman Henry Smith and to the other Leases now in preparation so soon as they are ready to be Sealed -

The Mayor informs the Assembly of some Convictions against Bakers for deficiency in weight of Bread denominated Brown Cakes -

His Worship the Mayor informs the Assembly of the intention of certain Bakers in the Town to bring before the Court of Kings Bench some convictions which in course of his duty he was bound to make for deficiency in the weight of Bread under the denomination of Brown Cakes, it being alleged that that description of Bread did not come within the meaning of the Statute. He is recommended to his Worship that in as much as the Poor of the Town are Chiefly subject to this imposition being for the most part Consumers of this description of Bread that the Convictions be made up, and that he do sign same in Order that the Subject matter may be put in course of legal investigation and enquiry -

Same to be made up in order to be put in course of legal investigation -

Town Clerk to signify to Messrs Mahony the Assent of the Corporation to the Drogheda Longford Railways without Prejudice to Tenants -

The Town Clerk is authorized on the part of the Corporation to signify to Messrs Mahony and Co. Solicitors and Agents for the Grand Northern Trunk Railway and also the Railway between Drogheda and Longford their Assent to same respectively passing through their property without prejudice to the rights of the Tenantry -

Notice Motion Alderman Cheshire

Alderman Cheshire gives notice that he will at the next Assembly move that a Sum of £50 be granted to the Directors of the Drogheda and Longford Tramway to Assist in procuring the necessary Maps and Surveys the Project being likely to advance the Prosperity of the Town and increase its Property -

Adjt Assy to 10th Feby next -

Ordered - That this Assembly at its rising do adjourn to the 10th of February next -

Inspector of Nuisances to continue till next Quarterly Assembly -

Ordered - That the Office of Inspector of nuisances be continued till the next General Quarterly Assembly -

Notice Motion Mr Grendon

Mr Grendon gives notice that he will at the next

Mr Grendon

Assembly move that a Sum of £50 be granted to the Committee which is formed in this Town to Search for Coal in the neighbourhood to assist them in the expense of that undertaking -

do do Mr Henry Smith

Alderman Henry Smith gives notice that he will at the next Assembly move that the Paving Committee be authorized to advertize for Proposals for Widening the Bridge by means of Balkhastrades and to receive Plans and Specifications for that purpose, and that a Sum not exceeding £500 be placed at their disposal for the promotion and furtherance of the undertaking -

do do Mr Clarke

Mr Clarke gives notice that he will at the next Assembly move that the Treasurer of this Corporation be directed to receive in future from their Several Tenants their receipts for payment of Tithe Composition Rent in part payment and discharge of the Rent due by them respectively -

do do Mr Wisdom

Mr Obadiah Wisdom gives notice that he will at the next Assembly move for an Order to restrain the present and all future Mayors from affording the use of the Mayoralty Rooms for Public Purposes without the previous approbation of the Corporation

Drogheda 10th February 1837 -

Leases passed the Seal before Robt. Pentland Esqr. Mayor -

This day the following two Leases passed the Seal of this Corporation before Robert. Pentland Esqr. Mayor, the Sheriffs Aldermen and Common Council being present pursuant to Order of the 13th of January last -

Ch. Jordan rent 1021 -

A Lease of a parcel of Land at the Twenties Containing 13-1-39 a. r. p. was Sealed unto Christopher Jordan Merchant at £29-13-9 per Annum and £59-7-6 fine same having been struck down by Public Cant on the 14th November 1835 at £2-4-0 per Acre and Two years Rent as a fine -

Henry Smith rent 1032 -

A Lease of a parcel of Land without Saint James's Gate called the Marsh Containing 7-3-16 a. r. p. was Sealed unto Henry Smith Merchant now an Alderman at £25 per Annum and Surrender of a former Lease for 199 years from 25th March 1836 pursuant to Order of Assembly of 29th April 1836 -

Adjournt Assembly 10th Feby 1837

At an Adjournment of the last Quarterly Assembly held before Robert Pentland Esquire Mayor the Sheriffs Aldermen and Common Council being present on Friday the 10th day of February 1837 -

The proceedings of the former Assembly were read -

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Deputation to Alderman N.B. Fairtlough to act in absence of His Worship the Mayor—

His Worship the Mayor being obliged through unavoidable necessity to leave the Assembly to attend upon his Brother Doctor A Pentland who was dangerously ill of Typhus Fever at Kells- Alderman N.B. Fairtlough upon the Motion of Alderman Hardman was unanimously voted to the Chair and authority to act on behalf of the Mayor was given to him by Deputation -

Address and Answer of Thomas Brodigan Esqre to address to be entered on the Minutes—

Alderman Evans as one of the Deputation who had waited upon Mr Brodigan with the address of this Corporation having notified to the Assembly the Presentation thereof, And the Answer of Mr Brodigan having been previously lodged by His Worship the Mayor with the Town Clerk, it was required that the address and Answer be now read, and same having been accordingly read, they were upon the Motion of Alderman Evans Seconded by Alderman William Fairtlough Ordered to be entered upon the Minutes -

Address

- The following is the address presented to Mr Brodigan -

"To the Mayor Sherriffs Aldermen and Common Council of the County of the Town of Drogheda beg leave to present you with the Freedom of this Corporation - which with the accompanying Gold Box has been unanimously voted to you at a General Assembly held on the 7th of October last -"

"In Offering you this mark of our Respect We desire to testify the high sense we entertain of the worth of your Private Character as well as the Zeal and ability which you have uniformly exhibitted in promoting works of Public utility and more especially in the unwearied Assiduity with which you have laboured to procure and finally succeeded in obtaining an Act to Establish a Rail Road between Dublin and this Town, a work which Originated in the suggestions of your Active and intelligent mind, and from which we anticipate the happiest results to the Trade and prosperity of Drogheda"

= To which Mr Brodigan Returned the following Answer -

Answer

"Mr Mayor and Gentlemen"

"I feel sincerely grateful for the Honor you have done me in enrolling me as a Freeman of the Ancient Town of Drogheda and for the very flattering manner in which it has been conveyed, But while I duly estimate your franchise accompanied as it is by this Splendid Specimen of Art, I still more appreciate the feeling of the Corporation and the Complimentary manner in which it has been exhibitted"=

"In promoting works of Public utility I beg leave to disclaim the merit you are pleased to ascribe to me, as I merely discharged a Social duty, and while I rested on the conscientious rectitude of my intentions, I have now more than an adequate reward in the approbation of my fellow Townsmen"

"In forwarding the project of a Railway Communication from Dublin to Drogheda, it was to me a source of the highest gratification to witness the timely and efficient support rendered by your Corporation as well as the Cordial union manifested by all Classes of my Townsmen in advancing the undertaking, It was through such union of sentiment the difficulties created by opposing views were overcome, and I trust through an Exertion of a similar Cooperation all the anticipated benefits of our Railway will be realised to the Community and that it will prove a powerful auxiliary in the advancement of the Trade and prosperity of my native Town"

"I have the Honor to remain"
"Mr Mayor and Gentlemen"
"your most Obedient and much obliged Servant"
"Thomas P^k Brodigan"

Pilltown - "January 9th 1837"

£16-16-0 to Mr North for Gilt Box -

Ordered - Upon the Motion of Mr Evans Seconded by Mr Sheriff Shegog that the Account of Mr North for furnishing the Silver Gilt Box which accompanied the Freedom to Mr Brodigan Amounting to the Sum of £16-16-0 be paid to him by the Treasurer -

Mr John Shegog requires that the entry of the minutes of the last Assembly in reference to the Memorial of Mr Patrick McKenna be read, and same having been accordingly read, Mr Shegog moved that the Ballot which had not taken place at the last Assembly be now proceeded with, which being objected to by Mr Wisdom upon the principle that the objection had fallen to the ground by reason of the Assembly having adjourned without the Ballot being then had, and that same could not be entertained without the Presentation of a further Memorial, and the Question for resuming the discussion being put from the Chair, Mr Wisdom demanded a Ballot which being proceeded with there appeared upon a Scrutiny for entering upon the Discussion ——— 17 W. Beans and against entering upon same ——— 4 B. Beans

£38-1-7p^r to C. McKenna Marshal as Compensation for Loss by Outlay in Execution of his Office -

Whereupon the Chair was required to proceed with a Ballot upon the Motion pending that the Prayer of M^r McKenna's Memorial be granted, and the Ballot thereon having taken place there appeared upon a Scrutiny ——— For the Motion 14 W. Beans and against same 7 B. Beans

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the effect of which was that a grant of £38-1-7½ applied for by Mr. McKenna was Ordered to be made and which the Treasurer is directed to pay him -

Upon the application of Alderman Henry Smith the following persons are added to the Committee already appointed for receiving Estimates and plans for constructing footways to the Bridge and they are required to Report thereon to next Assembly namely Aldermen St George Smith and Henry Smith. Messrs John Crawford. G. R. Clarke and John Shegog -

Aldn St Geo Smith & Wm Smith & Messrs Jno Crawford. G.R. Clarke & Jno Shegog added to Comtee for constructing footways to the Bridge -

The petition of the Committee for superintending the repairs and preserving the defences of the Chord Burial ground and of certain inhabitants of the Town being read, stating that the ground hitherto occupied as the Chord Burial ground without St James's gate from numerous mortalities had become almost wholly occupied, that the Corporation some few years since when an extension of said burial ground was necessary was pleased to make a grant of a small piece of ground to the North of same which had been duly appreciated by the Committee and for which they felt most grateful, that from the pressing necessity which now exists for a further extension of said Cemetary and encouraged by the Recollection of former generosity, Petitioners were induced to appeal for another grant of some ground heretofore Known as the Culver House Park now advertized to be let, and after suggesting the convenience to the health of the Town which a Burial place at a Convenient distance must be productive of Prayed a grant of part of said ground which is Situate on the West side thereof from the road to Greene Hills to a line with the present North Wall of said Cemetry -

Petition of Inhabitants for grant of a portion of ground to extend the Chord Burial ground -

Resolved - Upon the Motion of Alderman Henry Smith Seconded by Alderman Evans that the Letting of the ground called the Culver House Park be postponed and that the Committee which is appointed for receiving Plans for Widening the Bridge be requested to inspect the ground and Report to the Assembly what portion thereof should be reserved with a view of Considering the propriety of granting same to the Petitioners for the Purposes stated in their Petition -

Letting of Culver House Park postponed with a view to Compliance with the foregoing Memorial -

The Memorial of several persons interested by residence and holding property in the neighbourhood of West gate and Killineer for a footway for the Convenience of Pedestrians being read. Stating that the Directors of the Turnpike Road having voted a Sum of money for the Purpose of making a footway Commencing at the end of the Town on the North Road towards Killineer they therefore Solicited

Memls of Inhabts for a part of money to make a footway from West gate to meet that to be made by Trustees of Dundalk Turnpike Road -

the Corporation to grant a Sufficient Sum for the purpose of making a footway from West gate to meet that to be made by the Trustees of the Dunleer Turnpike Road -

Resolved - Upon the Motion of Mr. Harpur Seconded by Mr. Clarke that the Paving Committee be authorized to have a foot way made from West gate to the Mile Stone on the North Road -

Paving Committee authorized to have same made -

The several reports of Auditors and brewers appearing by their Books to have been enquired into on the 6th instant upon the Memorials of Francis Forde, Francis William Leland and the Reverend Samuel Sandiford are referred back to them to state the Rents and fines on which the several Leases are to be granted, the Reports being incomplete in these Respects - And the Consideration of the Reports made on the Memorials of Alderman Edward Fairtlough and John Crawford Esqr of Late Geo. Holmes is reserved until the first mentioned Reports are Corrected as required, the same to be brought before the Assembly on the 17th Instant to which day the same stands adjourned -

Reports on Memls of Francis Forde, Wm Leland and Reverend Saml Sandiford referred back to Auditors & Brewers to state Rents and fines -

Consideration of Reports on Memls of Alderman Edwd Fairtlough & John Crawford Esqr of Late Geo. Holmes reserved till the before mentd Reports shall be corrected -

At a Quarterly Post Assembly held before Robert Pentland Esqre Mayor, William Henry Shegog and James Medlicott Esquires Sherrifs, the Aldermen being present on Friday the 7th day of April 1837 -

Qua. Post. Assembly 7th April 1837

The petition of Robert Foster Delap of Monasterboice in the County of Louth Esquire for his Freedom in right of Marriage with Anna Dorothea Skeffington Foster daughter of the Right Honble Thomas Henry Lord Viscount Ferrard a Freeman being presented and read, the same was on the Motion of Alderman J. B. Hardman Seconded by Alderman St George Smith referred to the next General Quarterly Assembly -

Petition of Robt F. Delap Esqre for freedom by marriage Referred

At a General Quarterly Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs, the Aldermen and Common Council being present on Friday the 7th day of April 1837 -

Genl Qua. Assembly 7th April 1837

The proceedings of the former Assembly were read

Alderman George William Evans proposed that Alderman Henry Smith be Elected Mayor for the ensuing year and such nomination being Seconded by Alderman Frances Graham Fairtlough, the Question was put from the Chair and the same was unanimously agreed to -

Aldn Henry Smith Elected Mayor

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William Cairnes proposed to be Sheriff-

William Cairnes was proposed by Mr. Harper as one of the Sheriffs for the ensuing year in which he was Seconded by Mr. Darley -

Thomas Fogarty proposed

Thomas Fogarty was proposed by Alderman Anderson to be one of the Sheriffs for the ensuing year in which he was Seconded by Alderman North-

Wm Rodger proposed

William Rodger was proposed by Alderman Latham Fairtlough to be one of the Sheriffs for the ensuing year in which he was Seconded by Alderman N. B. Fairtlough-

Nathaniel Hill proposed

Nathaniel Hill was proposed by Mr. John Heggs to be one of the Sheriffs for the ensuing year in which he was Seconded by Mr. G. R. Clarke -

A Ballot being then demanded for the Election of two persons from the foregoing when there appeared upon the Scrutiny -

For Mr. Cairnes		16
Mr. Fogarty		30
Mr. Rodger		17
Mr. Hill		10

Messrs. Fogarty & Rodger Sheriffs Elect-

Whereupon Messrs. Thomas Fogarty and William Rodger were declared to be duly elected Sheriffs for the ensuing year -

Ordered - That the Election of the Mayor and Sheriffs be Certified to Government for their approval -

Their Election to be Certified to Government

Petition of Sarah & Catherine Bridges read - Order made in their behalf 28th Oct. last is referred to and the Sum then granted to the Mayor to procure their admission into the protestant Orphan Society is directed to be applied by his Worship in obtaining their admission into the Drogheda Branch of said Society -

The Petition of Sarah & Catherine Bridges the Children of Thomas Bridges deceased a Freeman being read stating that Petitioners were in a distressed state by reason of the death of their Father and being deserted by their Mother, and being wholly without protection and Assistance they Prayed that their Situation might be taken into consideration. The Order made in their behalf at the adjournment of the Quarterly Assembly held the 28th of October last is referred to, and his Worship the Mayor having stated the result of his Communication with the Secretary of the Protestant Orphan Society was that an Objection was raised to admission of one of the Children by reason of her age His Worship was thereupon directed to apply the Sum already granted in procuring the Admission of the Children into the Drogheda Branch of the Protestant Orphan Society -

Petition of Jane Jones for increased Pension Same raised to

The Petition of Jane Jones Widow being read stating that her late Husband had been a Freeman of the Corporation and that from Age and Infirmity Petitioner was incapable of earning support and stating that her present allowance upon the Common fund of £7-7-9 being inadequate for her

£10 per Annum from last gale day -

maintenance and Lodging. Petitioner prayed that same might be increased It is Ordered upon the Motion of Alderman Hardman Seconded by Alderman William Fairtlough that Petitioners allowance be increased to £10. to take place from the last Quarter day -

Inspector of Nuisances continued in Office for ensuing Quarter -

It is Ordered upon the Motion of Alderman Cooper Seconded by Mr. Clarke that Mr. Philip Brabazon be continued in the Office of Inspector of Nuisances for the ensuing Quarter -

The following Reports of Auditors & Viewers on Memorials

The following Reports of the Auditors and Viewers upon the Memorials of Francis Forde, Francis William Leland and the Reverend Samuel Sandiford which had been referred back by Order of Assembly of the 10th of February last to state the Rents and fines on which the Leases were granted, the Reports being incomplete in their respects, having been severally read, the same were respectively Confirmed on the Motion of Alderman Hardman Seconded by Alderman William Fairtlough Vizt.

"1st Feby 1837 - Pursuant to the foregoing Resolutions of the General Assembly 10th Instant, the Committee Assembled this day for the purpose therein directed -

Present

"Henry B. Fairtlough Esqre Chairman
" Townley B. Hardman Esqre

Robert Thompson, Abdiah Wisdom, Henry Bagnall, Austin Nicholls & John Crawford } Common Council

of Francis Forde

"Resolved - That having viewed the premises stated in the Petition of Francis Forde Esqre We are of Opinion that that part marked in the Map "No 1" now submitted Containing 2-2-5 is of the Value between man and man of £20 per Annum and that a new Lease be made to the Petitioner thereof for the Term of 99 years from Easter 1837 at the Reserved Rent of £5 per Annum he paying the Sum of £50 as a fine thereon - And that with reference to that part marked "No 2" Containing 19 perches (exclusive of Road) We are of Opinion that it is of the Value between man and man of £3 per Annum and that a new Lease for 99 years thereof be made to the Petitioner from Easter 1837 at the reserved Rent of 15 Shillings per Annum he paying the Sum of £7-10-0 as a fine thereon, but on the Condition that he shall not interfere with a Pier now standing on the South East Corner thereof adjoining Mr. Nicholls holding And that all Buildings now standing on Lot No 1 shall be Rebuilt in a Substantial manner of Lime and Stone Slated within the Term of 5 Years from the date of the new Lease and that any Building to be built or Rebuilt on Number Two shall be of the same description -

Francis Wm. Leland

"Resolved - That having proceeded to view the Premises stated in the Petition of Francis William Leland Esqre we are of Opinion that that part marked on said Map No 1 - Containing 1a 1r 6p Situate on the West Side of Crooked Street is worth between man and man £5-5-0 per Acre and that a new Lease thereof be made to the Petitioner for 99 years from Easter 1834 when it appears his Lease Expired at the Reserved Annual Rent of £1-13-9 he paying a fine of £38-14-5 thereon - And that with reference to No 2 Containing 19 perches we are of Opinion that it is worth between man and man 30 Shillings per Annum, and that a new Lease thereof be made to the Petitioner for the Term of 99 years from Easter 1834 at the Reserved Rent of £0-7-6 per Annum he paying the Sum of £3-15-0 as a fine thereon, the Corporation Reserving so much of the Cabin on the East End thereof of the Concerns as may be found necessary for widening the Road, possession of same to be immediately given"

and

Revd Samuel Sandford were Confirmed

"Resolved - That having viewed the Premises stated in the Petition of The Reverend Samuel Sandford We are of Opinion that the Concern is worth between man and man £1-1 per Annum and that a new Lease thereof be made to the Petitioner for 99 years from Easter 1837 at the Reserved Rent of £1 per Annum he paying the Sum of £10 as a fine thereon -

Notice Motion Alderman Henry Smith

Alderman Henry Smith gives notice that he will at the next Assembly move that a Sum of £30 be granted to be expended in Widening the Avenue leading to the Road to Saint James at the Dublin Road and Saint James's gate -

Auditors & Viewers Report of 9th Feby last on Memorial of Alderman Edwd Fairtlough, referred back for further Consideration -

The report made on the 9th of February last by the Auditors and Viewers on the Memorial of Alderman Edward Fairtlough is referred back for further Consideration on the Memorial of Alderman William Fairtlough Seconded by Mr Hogg -

Memorial of Francis Wm Leland for Renewal of Lease No 6777 referred to Auditors & Viewers -

The Memorial of Francis William Leland Esqre being read Whereby it appeared that by Lease No 6777. Dated 11th August 1783 the Corporation demised to the late James Metcalfe Several Stores & Premises at West gate on the East Side of the North Road leading to Fair gate for 61 years which wd expire at Michaelmas 1836, that the Interest in said Lease is now vested in Memorialist and being in a delapidated state money could not be expended on a short tenure and therefore Prayed for a Renewal on the usual Terms - Ordered that said Memorial be referred to the Auditors and Viewers for enquiry and their Report -

His Worship the Mayor having brought to the notice of the Assembly proceedings at the instance of some of the Bakers

Law Agent to prepare a Case in reference to the Bakery Acts for the Opinion of the Recorder and another Lawyer -

whom he had been obliged to convict in Penalties for non compliance with the Bakery Acts, and which Convictions were about to be Removed to the Court of Kings Bench by Certiorari - It is Ordered that the Law Agent do prepare Case generally in Reference to the Bakery Acts to be submitted to the Recorder and another eminent Barrister for their Opinion and advice under the Circumstances -

Pension of Margaret Evans increased to £10 -

The Petition of Margaret Evans of Dublin Widow Daughter of Brabazon Courtenay deceased a Freeman being Read stating that from Age and loss of health Petitioner was reduced to a most dependant state that her Principle means of support was by Lodgers the funds arising from which are much reduced by reason of a Foundry Establishment in the neighbourhood and having Rent and Taxes to discharge with no other Assistance than her present yearly allowance of £5 from the Commons fund Petitioner humbly hoped that for the purpose of affording support and maintenance same would be increased - Alderman Hardman Moved in which he was Seconded by Alderman Anderson that Petrs allowance from the Commons funds be increased to £10. to Commence from the last Quarter day and the Question thereof having been put from the Chair the same was Carried without a dissentient -

Petition of Malcolm Thornton for Relief -

The Petition of Malcolm Thornton a Freeman being read stating that for sometime past Petitioner suffered much from losses in trade as a Tailor and was induced to Remove to England from whence he had been obliged to Return by means of death in his family and other disappointments and being reduced to great want he hoped that his Case will be taken into Consideration and be afforded some temporary relief - Mr Bagnall moved that the Treasurer be authorized to pay to Petitioner the Sum of £5 which Motion being Seconded by Mr Charles Robinson the Question thereon was put from the Chair and agreed to without any dissentient -

£5 granted to him -

Other Petitions for Relief not moved upon, No funds being in the hands of the Treasurer of the Commons fund - Edwd Bagnall Petitioner must move the Case being a Military Pensioner -

From want of Funds in the hands of the Treasurer of the Commons fund, the several Petitions for Relief of Mary Chambers Susan Chinnery Florinda Ball and Nicholas Berford were not moved upon, nor was the Petition of Edward Bagnall for Relief moved upon being in Receipt of a Pension as a discharged Soldier -

Notice Motion The Recorder -

The Recorder gives notice that he will at the next Quarterly Assembly move that the Salaries of the Officers of the Corporation which were reduced by the Recommendation of a Committee of Economy in the year 1829 - be reinstated to their former Amounts upon application for that purpose -

£100 granted for constructing a foot way on the Western side of the Bridge -

Alderman Henry Smith moves upon the Notice given by him at the Quarterly Assembly held the 13th of January last of an intended application for the Sum therein stated for widening the Bridge

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by Ballastrade that a Sum not exceeding £100 be granted to the Committee appointed for improving the Bridge on the Western side thereof, which Motion being Seconded by Alderman North, and the Question being put from the Chair, the same was objected to by Mr Clarke, and the Assembly having divided thereon the Motion was carried by a Majority of 18. there being 26 in favor of the Motion and against it 8=

Thomas McCaul, Public Bell Man granted an increase of Salary from £6 to £10 p.ann

The petition of Thomas McCaul the Public Bell Man being read, stating that Petitioner had been 5 years in his present employment, in addition to the duties of which he uniformly Assisted the Constables in the Execution of their duty, that the Salaries of the Bandy beggars had been increased in Consequence of the Assistance given by them to the Constables, and that Petitioners Salary being £6. he also hoped that same would be increased for the like reasons. It was then moved by Alderman Latham Fairtlough Seconded by Alderman Henry Smith that Petitioner be placed in regard to Salary on the same terms as the other Officers, to which an Amendment being moved by Mr Shego of that Petitioners Salary be increased to £10 per Annum. the Question upon the Amendment was thereupon put from the Chair and agreed to without any dissentient-

Accounts passed

The following Accounts having passed the Committee of Accounts the same were laid by their Secretary before the Assembly for Examination and being duly enquired into the same were Ordered to be paid=

No 1 - Joseph Holmes Esqre Town Clerk for Writings done by him for the year Commencing 29th Sept. 1835 to 29 Sept. 1836 ——— £16-16-7

2 - James Trotter for painting & glazing in the Tholsel, Mayoralty House and Chief Constables Rooms from 10th Jan. 1836 to 26th February 1837 ——— 22-2-3

3 - Henry Garvey providing 9 Surtouts for Town Serjants 26-2-0

4 - Joseph Holmes Esquire Town Clerk for Costs preparing Rent Charge to secure Annual grants to the Blue School Female Orphan School and Parish School, and a Counterpart thereof and also Costs of Deed of Attornment ——— 30-14-2½

5 - Joseph Holmes Esquire Town Clerk being the Amount agreed to be received by Thomas Batter Esquire Parliamentary Agent appointed to forward a Bill through Parliament for providing the Town of Drogheda with water and otherwise improving the Town - in full payment and discharge of his Account for same Amounting to £76-9-2 - ——— £60-0-0

Account for advertizing in Drogheda Journal ——— 3-15-0 63-15-0

£189-10-0½

Anne Jollie admitted into St Johns poorhouse

The petitions of Sarah Marshall and Anne Jollie for admission into Saint Johns poor House in which a vacancy had recently occurred being severally read - Alderman A.B. Fairtlough moved that Anne Jollie be admitted, and being Seconded by Alderman Henry Smith, and the Question thereon being put from the Chair the prayer of her petition was unanimously granted -

Assembly adjourned to 15th May next -

Resolved - That this Assembly at its rising do adjourn to Monday the 15th of May next, with power if necessary then to make further adjournments of this Assembly -

Boyne Commrs to take charge of a part of the South Quay Wall in order to repair same -

Ordered - Upon the Motion of Alderman Henry Smith seconded by Alderman St George Smith that it be notified to the Boyne Commissioners that this Corporation authorize them to take under their Charge that part of the South Quay Wall extending from the Bridge to the Salt Works to enable the said Commissioners to have same repaired from their funds -

Bridge Committee to take such measures for erection of a new Bridge as seems necessary & to enquire of the Treasurer what portion of the Corpn property could be appropriated to raise a fund for that purpose -

Resolved - That the Committee already appointed to repair the present Bridge be authorized to take such measures as may appear to them necessary for promoting the Erection of a new Bridge, and that they confer with the Treasurer for the purpose of ascertaining what portion of the Corporation Property can be made available to create a fund for defraying the expenses of such undertaking - And that the Committee do report to the adjournment of this Assembly the result of their conference with the Treasurer and what other progress they have made generally -

Freedom - Marriage R. F. Delap Esqre

The Petition of Robert Foster Delap of Monasterboice in the County of Louth Esqre for freedom by Marriage with Anna Dorothea Skeffington Foster, Daughter of the Right Honble Thomas Henry Lord Viscount Ferrard a Freeman of this Corporation which was referred from the last Post Assembly being read - It was moved by Alderman J. B Hardman Seconded by Alderman William Fairtlough that the Prayer of the Petitioner be granted, and the Question thereon having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to, and he was thereupon admitted to his freedom of this Corporation by marriage on the usual terms =

Drogheda 21st June 1837 -

St George Smith Sworn Freeman

This day Saint George Smith of Annesbrook in the County of Meath fourth Son of Henry Smith of the same place Esqre was Sworn a Freeman of this Corporation before The Right Worshipful Robert Pentland Mayor pursuant to his Admission by Birth on the 9th of October 1835 -

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Lua. Post. Assembly 14 July 1837.

At a Quarterly Post Assembly held before Robert Pentland Esquire Mayor, William Henry Shegog and James Medlicott Esqrs Sheriffs the Aldermen being present on Friday the 14th day of July 1837.

Petition of Mich. Ed. Smith for Freedom Referred.

The petition of Michael Edward Smith of Annesbrook fifth Son of Henry Smith of Annesbrook aforesaid Esquire for his Freedom of this Corporation by Birth being presented and read, the same was referred to the next General Quarterly Assembly.

Lets of Wm. Thos. Smith referred.

The petition of William Thomas Smith of Annesbrook aforesaid Sixth Son of the said Henry Smith for his freedom of this Corporation by Birth being presented and read the same was referred to the next General Quarterly Assembly.

Gen. Lua. Assembly 14 July 1837.

At a Quarterly of the Corporation held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present on Friday the 14th day of July 1837.

The proceedings of the former Assembly read.

Freedom Birth Mich. Edd. Smith

The petition of Michael Edward Smith of Annesbrook Fifth Son of Henry Smith of Annesbrook aforesaid Esquire for his Freedom of this Corporation by Birth being read. It was moved by Alderman Hardman. Seconded by Alderman William Fairtlough that the prayer of the petition be granted, and the Question having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to, and he was thereupon admitted to his Freedom of this Corporation by Birth on the usual Terms.

do do Wm. Thomas Smith

The petition of William Thomas Smith of Annesbrook aforesaid Sixth Son of the said Henry Smith for his Freedom of this Corporation by Birth being read. It was moved by Alderman Hardman Seconded by Alderman William Fairtlough that the prayer of the petition be granted, and the question having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to, and he was thereupon admitted to his Freedom of this Corporation by Birth on the usual terms.

Petitions for Relief Referred to Auditors & Viewers

Petitions seeking relief for the reasons and under the Circumstances therein respectively stated were read from Mrs. Frances Ashe Widow of the late Reverend Isaac Ashe who was a Freeman of the Corporation, the Misses Rose Anna and Mary Tighe Daughters of Hugh Tighe deceased who was also a Freeman, Priscilla Warren Widow and Samuel Atkinson and Edward Bagnall distressed Freemen. It is Ordered that said Several Petitions with the other Petitions for relief not yet reported on be referred to the Auditors and Viewers for

Considerations and to be reported upon, and any Member of the Corporation is at liberty to attend to render Assistance and information in examining the Several Claims of the Applicants.

Anne Warren admitted into Poor House.

Petitions for admission into St. Johns poor House from Sarah Marshall Widow, Mary Whitton Widow and Anne Warren widow were Respectively Read. It was moved by Alderman W.B. Fairtlough that Anne Warren the Widow of Thomas Warren who was for many years one of the Serjeants at Mace be admitted to fill the present vacancy, and said Motion being Seconded by Alderman William Fairtlough, the question was thereupon put from the Chair and the motion unanimously agreed to.

£20 a year to Protestant Orphan Society - to be Secured by Rent Charge.

The petition of the Committee of the Protestant Orphan Society being read stating that in accordance with a Resolution passed at the General Quarterly Assembly held the 7th of April last, Catherine and Sarah Bridges Children of Thomas Bridges a deceased Freeman had been placed under the protection of the Society, that the benevolent views in which the Society Originated have been realized to a Considerable extent having since its establishment in 1832 afforded Refuge to 16 destitute orphans who might otherwise have perished, that the Society is wholly dependent on Voluntary contributions and many applications cannot be entertained for want of funds, and seeking therefore under the Circumstances an Annual grant for more extensive usefulness of the Society. Mr. John Shegog moves that an Annual grant of £20 be made on the Corporate Estate and to be Secured by Rent Charge, which Motion being Seconded by Alderman William Fairtlough the same was put from the Chair and unanimously agreed to. the same to commence from the 25th March preceding.

Memorial of Wakefield Hamilton proprietor of Drogheda Journal for Patronage.

The Memorial of Wakefield Hamilton Printer being read stating he was proprietor of the Drogheda Journal which has been favored with the Support of the Corporation for nearly 60 years, and seeking a Continuance of their patronage by the appointment of their Printer to Commence from September last.

Lets of Proprietors of Drogheda Conservative Journal.

The Memorial of the Proprietors of the Drogheda Conservative Journal being read stating that they had been encouraged to Establish a Protestant and Conservative Journal to be the Organ and Echo of Protestant feelings, and trusting such motives give a Claim to the Regard and bounty of the Corporation and for such Reasons seeking a Share of their business and Patronage.

Both Memorials withdrawn

The foregoing Memorials being Respectively moved and Seconded and thereby brought to the Considerations of the Assembly. It was there stated by Alderman Evans that inasmuch as he had not resigned his appointment of Printer to the Corporation but on the Contrary was desirous of Continuing in such employment he submitted the Memorials read ought not to be entertained and upon Consideration and discussion

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of the matter they were respectively withdrawn by their Supporters -

Notice Motion
Mr. Darbey

Mr. Darbey gives notice that he will at the next General Quarterly Assembly move that for the better upholding the Political and Financial integrity of this Corporation the Reporters to the Public press be admitted to all future Assemblies of this Body to commence from and after the 16th day of October next and that the Reporters be requested to give to the Respective Journals to which they belong ample and impartial Reports of all debates and Proceedings during the Sitting of the Corporation -

The several Salaries of the Officers reduced by Committee of economy in 1829 are raised to their several former Amounts -

The Recorder moves upon the notice given by him at the last Quarterly Assembly held the 7th of April last that the Salaries of the Officers of the Corporation which were reduced by the recommendation of a Committee of Economy in 1829 be reinstated to their former Amount upon application for that purpose. Which Motion being duly Seconded the matter underwent discussion, and was objected to by Alderman Graves Ketland who moved an Amendment that the Motion be considered this day Six months, and the Question of the Amendment having been thereupon put from the Chair a Ballot was demanded, and upon a Scrutiny it appeared the Amendment was lost by a Majority of One -

There being for the Amendment — 13 - W. Beaver
and against it — 14 - B. Beaver

thereby carrying the Original Motion in the affirmative -

Adjournment of Assembly to 21st July next

Resolved - That this Assembly at its rising do adjourn to Friday the 21st July instant with power if necessary then to adjourn further adjournments of this Assembly -

Treasurers Account -

The Treasurers Account for the Quarter Commencing in April and Ending in July instant was laid before the Assembly for Examination accounting for the Receipt and application of a Sum of £989 - 19 - 4½ upon foot of which a Balance appeared to be due to the Treasurer of £99 - 8 - 1 - A Return was made of Arrears due at Easter 1836 and Remaining unpaid Amounting to the Sum of £697 - 11 - 9½ and it was Ordered that the Law Agent do make application for payment to all Tenants who are returned one year in arrear for payment and in default thereof that he do take the necessary proceedings for Recovery -

Law Agent to proceed for Recovery of all Rents one year in Arrear

Account of Treasurer of Commons fund -

The Account of the Treasurer of the Commons fund was also laid before the Assembly for Examination Accounting for the Receipt and application of a Sum of £287 - 15 - 7 of which £200 - 17 - 5½ was the Amount of Rent and Arrears received up to March 1837 and upon foot of which Account a Balance appeared to be due to the Treasurer of £31 - 4 - 0½ - The

Account of Arrears up to the 25th of March 1837 appeared to Amount to £385 - 8 - 6
It also appeared that the Rental Amounted to £400 - 13 - 3
That the Annual Charges thereon Amounted to — 340 - 11 - 5
Leaving an Annual Sum now disposable of £60 - 1 - 10 -

Notice Motion
Mr. H. B. Fairtlough

Alderman H. B. Fairtlough gives notice that he was much as he was Elected Mayor before the Committee of economy reduced the Salary from £200 to £150 per Annum he is therefore entitled to the full Salary, and he will move that he be Ordered Payment of the Reduction of the Salary there made -

Drogheda 11th July 1837 -

The following Leases passed the Seal of this Corporation before Robert Ketland Esquire Mayor, the Sheriffs Aldermen and Common Council being present pursuant to Order of Assembly of the 13th January last -

G. R. Castle
No. 1033 -

A Lease of a parcel of Land Containing 1 Acres 3 Roods 32 perches Situate without West gate South side of Turnpike road to Dundeer was Sealed unto Geo. R. Castle Grocer and Seedsman at £11 - 0 - 0½ per Annum and £62 - 16 - 6½ Fine for 89 years from 25th March 1835 pursuant to Order of Assembly of 7th August 1835 -

John Leland
No. 1034

A Lease of a parcel of land near the Twenties Containing 6 - 0 - 30 was Sealed unto Alderman John Leland at £7 - 17 - 1½ per Annum, and £157 - 1 - 6½ for 78 years from 29th September 1836 pursuant to Order of Assembly of 17th July 1835 -

Francis Wm. Leland
No. 1035

A Lease of a parcel of Land Containing 4 Acres Situate at Mannimore was Sealed unto Francis William Leland Esquire at £9 - 3 - 4 per Annum for 88 years from 29th September 1836 pursuant to Order of Assembly of 15th January 1836 -

John Leland
No. 1036

A Lease of a Field Containing 3 - 3 - 22 Situate at the Twenties road was Sealed unto Alderman John Leland at £11 - 11 - 4 per Annum for 96 years from 29th September 1836 pursuant to Order of Assembly of 15th January 1836 -

John Leland
No. 1037 -

A Lease of a parcel of Land Containing 4 - 2 - 26 Situate without West gate adjoining the Road to the Twenties was Sealed unto Alderman John Leland at £13 - 2 - 6 per Annum and £65 - 12 - 3¾ fine for 81½ years from 29th September 1836 pursuant to Order of Assembly of 17th July 1835 -

William Rodger
No. 1038 -

A Lease of a parcel of ground out Dubedi gate adjoining Cowleaze Bridge Containing 2 Roods 38 perches was Sealed unto William Rodger Esquire Merchant at £3 - 0 - 0 per Annum and £15 fine for 83½ years from 29th September 1836 pursuant to Order of Assembly of 17 July 1835 -

William Rodger
No. 1039 -

A Lease of a lot of ground near Cowleaze Bridge without Dubedi gate Cont. 1 - 0 - 28 was Sealed unto said William Rodger at £2 - 17 - 8½ per Annum and £14 - 8 - 5½ fine for 83½ years from 29th September 1836 - pursuant to Orders of Assembly of 17th July 1835 -

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William Rodger No. 1040 -

It Lease of a lot of ground on the Road to the Shore Containing 1 Rood 38 perches was Sealed unto said William Rodger at £2-7-3¼ per Annum and £11-16-1¾ fine for 83½ years from 29th September 1836 pursuant to Order of 17th July 1835.

William Rodger No. 1041

It Lease of a parcel of Land out Drogheda gate Containing A. R. P. 9-0-10 was Sealed unto said William Rodger at £10-9-1¾ per Annum and £209-2-3¾ Fine for 99 years from 29th September 1836 pursuant to Order of Assembly of 17th July 1835.

William Rodger No. 1042

It Lease of Several Tenements and gardens at Maryans Lane out Lawrence's gate Containing 1 Rood 35 perches was Sealed unto the said William Rodger at £7-7-8 per Annum and £55-7-8¼ fine for 80 years from Michaelmas 1836 pursuant to Order of Assembly of 17th July 1835.

William Rodger No. 1043

It Lease of a parcel of land out Sundays gate called Little Lady Park Containing 5 Acres 2 Roods 22 perches was Sealed unto said William Rodger at £6-4-0 per Annum and £124 fine for 80 years from 29th September 1836 pursuant to Order of Assembly of 17 July 1835.

Adjt. Assembly 21st July 1837

It an Adjournment of the last Quarterly Assembly held before Robert Pentland Esquire Mayor the Sheriffs Aldermen and Common Council being present on Friday the 21st day of July 1837.

The proceedings of the former Assembly read.

Ordered - Upon the Motion of Alderman Saint George Smith Seconded by Alderman Harbinson that the Mayor and Sheriffs with the Mover and Seconder and Alderman G. Ackland do constitute a Committee to prepare an Address of Congratulation to Her Most Gracious Majesty upon her Accession, and also an address of condolence to the Queen Dowager and when approved of that they be forwarded for presentation.

Committee to prepare Address to the Queen and Queen Dowager

Ordered - Upon the Motion of Alderman Cooper Seconded by Mr. Darley that the Law Agent do take such steps as may be considered necessary for protecting the Lawful dues and fees to which the Harbour Master is entitled, the payment of which is reported to be objected to by the Steam Packet Company.

Law Agent to ascertain what dues & fees Harbour Master is entitled to -

Upon the Motion of Alderman William Fairtough Seconded by Mr. Grendon the Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to Mr. James Greene the Sum of £5 towards the repairs of the Road leading from Greene Hills to Newfoundwell. The said James Greene with the several Tenants through whose Lands the said Road runs having Subscribed for the same purpose to the like Amount - and

£5 to improve Road from Greene Hills to Newfoundwell

The Memorial of several Land Holders in the neighbourhood of the Road leading from near Cottage to the Greene Batter

Memorial of Several Land Holders for

a grant to improve Road from near Cottage to Mr. Greenes Batter -

being read - stating that said Road required immediate Repair and that they were willing to assist by Subscriptions to create a fund for the purpose that the Road runs entirely through Corporation property and hoping a grant would be made to effect the necessary Repairs -

£10 granted to improve said Road -

Ordered - Upon the Motion of Alderman William Fairtough Seconded by Alderman R. B. Fairtough that the Treasurer be at liberty to pay for effecting the foregoing object a Sum not exceeding £10 - provided Subscriptions are received to that Amount, and the Treasurer is hereby authorized to pay any Sum equivalent in Amount to such Sums as may be subscribed within said Sum of £10.

Adjt. Assembly to 18th August next

Resolved - That this Assembly at its rising do adjourn to Friday the 18th of August next with power if necessary to make further Adjournments of this Assembly.

Report of Engineers appointed by Bridge Committee to select the best Site for a new Bridge - Read - approved of -

The Report of the Engineers appointed by the Bridge Committee to select the most proper Situation for the erection of a Bridge was read by their Secretary Mr. John Crawford. Whereupon It was moved by Mr. Clarke Seconded by Mr. Nicholls that the Site recommended by the Engineers over the River at Stockwell Lane be approved of by the Corporation and the Question thereon being put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to -

20 Guineas to each Surveyor employed by the Bridge Committee in full payment for their attendance and expenses -

Ordered - Upon the Motion of Alderman William Fairtough Seconded by Alderman North that the Treasurer do pay to each of the Surveyors employed by the Bridge Committee a Sum of 20 Guineas in full payment and satisfaction of their respective claims for their attendance and expenses -

Notice Motion Mr. Atkinson

Mr. Atkinson gives notice that he will at the next Assembly move that the Salaries of the Town Clerk and Court House Keeper be reduced to the Amount fixed by the Committee of Economy in 1829 - and that the Salary of the Sword Bearer be reduced to the Sum of £25 being the Amount agreed to be paid by this Corporation at the time the said Sword Bearer was appointed - And Mr. Atkinson gives notice that he will bring each case seperately under the consideration of the Assembly.

Memorial of William Rodger not moved -

The Memorial of William Rodger Merchant Read stating that by Lease dated 4th July 1825 (No. 962) a lot of ground Situate on the North side of the Road to St. James's was demised to him - That the representatives of the late Mr. Devin had encroached on the Western Boundary of said premises and praying that he might be put in possession of the whole of the ground set to him by said Lease of 4th July 1825 - There not having been any Motion on the foregoing same was not entertained -

The Memorial of William Cairnes Merchant being read stating that in the Year 1823 he became Tenant to certain

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Memt of Wm Curnes

Referred to Auditors & Viewers

premises formerly belonging to the Representatives of the late Burton Jandy Alderman under a Letting of the Court of Chancery, among which was a plot of ground part of the Estate of the Corporation called Flaggery park, that the Terms for which the said Park was so let to Memorialist as will appear by the Lease thereof made was for 32 years from the 1st of May 1823, that Memorialist relying on the Security of his Title to the said Premises during the continuance of this Tenure has lately been induced to build a House thereon which is now occupied by a person in his employment, and that he has since been informed that the Lease under which the Representatives of the said Burton Jandy derived has expired Whereby Memorialist is deprived of the benefit of the improvements which he has so lately made, and therefore hopes his Case will be taken into Consideration and either permit him to become Tenant for the said Premises, on such terms as may be deemed reasonable or afford him other relief -

The prayer of the foregoing Memorial was referred to the Auditors and Viewers for their Consideration and report on the Motion of Alderman Hardman Seconded by Alderman George Williams Evans -

Memorial of Committee of Flax Mill Company

The Memorial of the Several Members of a Company founded for the purpose of erecting and establishing a Flax Spinning Mill in the Parish of Saint Mary being read stating that the Corporation demised to William Rodger (one of Memorialists) a Lot of ground for 99 years from the 25th of March 1826, at a yearly Rent of £32-5-0 and a fine paid of £150, and he had agreed to demise to Memorialists a portion of said ground Containing in front to the road 400 feet for the purpose of erecting said Mill, that in the erection thereof a very considerable outlay would be necessary and the unexpired term under said Lease is not of sufficient length to encourage the erection of such substantial and permanent works as it would be their interest and that of the Corporation to promote - That an extension of the unexpired term would be advantageous to Landlord and Tenant as an encouragement to the lasting improvement of the Property and the expenditure of Capital on the Premises by which the Value of the Property will be enhanced - That with a view to render this portion of the Corporate Property available to the progressive improvements of the Shipping and general Interests of the Town as an equivalent for the advantage to be derived from the extension of the Term now sought, they propose to place at the disposal of the Corporation so much of the said Premises demised by said Lease ranging with the River as may be necessary to continue the proposed Quay where required

which would be an immediate and Public advantage, and which would not otherwise accrue for the unexpired term - Memorialists therefore seek a Lease in reversion of that part of the ground held under said Lease (11 yrs 6d) as they at present occupy or cancel the existing Lease and grant a new Lease of said premises (to either of which Terms said William Rodger will Assent) at a proportionate Rent for an extension of Term -

Referred to Auditors & Viewers -

Ordered - That the foregoing Memorial be Referred to the Auditors and Viewers for their Consideration and Report -

Memorial of Thomas Grendon

The Memorial of Thomas Grendon of Drogheda Merchant being read stating that he holds under an Assignment bearing date the 30th of November 1836 from William Rodger a portion of ground with Cabins and gardens thereon Situate on the north Side of the Road to Saint James's being part of some ground demised to the said William Rodger by the Corporation under Lease Dated 4th July 1825 (11 yrs 6d)

Referred to Auditors & Viewers

That Memorialist is desirous of making improvements on said portion of ground so held by him under an Assignment, and is willing to resign any part thereof that might be considered requisite for the improvement of the Quay, upon getting a grant of said lot or portion of ground on the same the same Terms as may be given to the Members formed for the purpose of erecting a Flax Spinning Mill who are seeking an extension of the Terms unexpired under Lease of the other portion of said ground which is now in their occupancy -

Ordered - That the foregoing Memorial be referred to the Auditors and Viewers for their Report

Adjournment Assembly 18th August 1837

At an Adjournment of the last Quarterly Assembly held before Robert Pentland Esquire Mayor, the Sheriffs Aldermen and Common Council being present on Friday the 18th day of August 1837 -

The proceedings of the former Assembly read -

Addresses of Congratulation and Condolence to the Queen and Queen Dowager read.

The address of Congratulation to Her most Gracious Majesty the Queen upon her Accession and also the address of Condolence to Her most Gracious Majesty the Queen Dowager upon the decease of Her late Royal Consort having been read -

Ordered to be entered on the Minutes

Ordered - Upon the Motion of Alderman William Fairtough Seconded by Alderman Graves Ackland that said Addresses be entered on the minutes -

Address to the Queen

"To the Queens most excellent Majesty - May it please Your Majesty - We your Majesty's most dutiful and Loyal Subjects - the Mayor Sheriffs Aldermen and Common Council of the County of the Town of Drogheda beg leave to approach your Majesty with the Assurance

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"of our most sincere and ardent Attachment to your Majestys Most Gracious Person and to that August family of which it has pleased Divine Providence to place your Majesty at the Head"

"In offering to your Majesty our warmest congratulations on your happy accession to the Throne of your Ancestors, We cannot omit to express the heartfelt satisfaction which we have derived from the gracious declarations with which your Majesty has been pleased to commence what we fervently hope may prove a long and glorious Reign, and in which you have declared your determination to uphold the present Constitution both in Church and State, a Declaration which we consider peculiarly important at a period when attempts are daily making and the intention openly avowed to overthrow the one and to weaken and dismember the other."

"Warmly attached as we were to His late most Gracious Majesty and fully persuaded of the Anxious Solicitude with which he endeavoured to promote the welfare of his Dominions and the happiness and prosperity of his Subjects, we cannot but feel and deplore the loss which the Country has sustained by his removal to we trust a better and more durable Crown, and whilst we submit with resignation to the Decrees of a good and wise Providence we are not insensible to the blessings which He has bestowed on us, by placing us under the Care and Protection of a Monarch determined to preserve to us our Rights our Liberties and Religion -

In Testimony whereof &c

Address to the Queen Dowager -

"To Her Most Gracious Majesty Adelaide Queen Dowager of England - May it please your Majesty - We the Mayor Sheriffs Aldermen and Common Council of the County of the Town of Drogheda beg leave to offer to your Majesty the expression of our deepest concern and sincere Condolence with your Majesty, on the much to be lamented event which has lately deprived these Countries of a Monarch whose study was to promote the welfare and to secure to his faithful subjects the blessings which they have so long enjoyed under the mild rule of his August family."

"We feel that there is nothing which we could presume to offer to your Majesty that could afford consolation or mitigate in any degree the sufferings of your Royal bosom - still it may be permitted to us to render a just tribute to the merit of departed worth and whilst with the rest of the Community we express to your Majesty our Esteem for the Character and our admiration of the virtues of William the fourth, We trust that we shall not be deemed to have unreasonably intruded on your Majesty for whom we must ever

entertain the deepest respect and most profound veneration -

In Testimony whereof &c

Petition of Wm Meade Smith for Renewal

The Petition of William Meade Smith Esqr a Freeman being read stating that by Lease Dated the 12th day of August 1778 the Corporation demised unto his Grand Uncle James Barlow then of Drogheda a Dwelling House with Premises (Back ground Offices and appurtenances) situate on the South side of West Street for 61 years at the yearly rent of £4, that said James Barlow died intestate whereby his Interest vested in his Sisters Elizth Barlow and Patience Barlow late of Drogheda Spinsters, that Elizabeth died in the lifetime of her Sisters and by her last Will she bequeathed all her real and personal Estates to Trustees for said Patience Barlow for her life and after her decease for Petitioner his Heirs Exrs Admors and Assigns for ever - That by Indenture Dated the 18th of March 1824, the said Patience Barlow (assigned (among others) the said House and Premises to Arthur Barlow of Great Georges Street North in the County of Dublin a Freeman In Trust for the said Patience Barlow for life and from her decease for the Petitioner - That the said Patience Barlow is since dead and as said Lease will expire on the 29th day of September 1838 Petitioner is anxious for a Renewal -

Referred to Auditors & Viewers

Ordered - Upon the Motion of Alderman A. B. Fairtlough seconded by Mr Atkinson that said Memorial be referred to the Auditors and Viewers for their Consideration and report -

£5-5-0 to Mr. Nicholls for the assistance rendered to the Engineers in selecting a site for new Bridge -

Mr Darley moves that the Treasurer do pay to Mr Austin Nicholls Architect the Sum of £5-5-0 as Compensation for the Services and Assistance rendered by him to the Engineers lately engaged in Selecting a Proper Site for the Bridge and being seconded by Mr Clarke the Question was about to be put from the Chair when Mr Atkinson moves an Amendment that the payment be £3-3-0, on which he demanded a Ballot and upon a Scrutiny there appeared ___ For the Original Motion ___ 16

For the Amendment ___ 6

and the Original Motion being thus carried by a Majority of 10, the Treasurer is therefore Ordered to pay to Mr Nicholls a Sum of £5-5-0 for the reasons aforesaid -

Reports of Auditors & Viewers

The following reports of Auditors and Viewers on the Memorials of Alderman Edward Fairtlough William Rodger and others being a Company formed for the Erection of a Flax Spinning Mill in the parish of St Mary, Thomas Grandors, William Cairnes and Francis William Leland having been respectively read - Viz -

"26th July 1827 - At a meeting of the Auditors & Viewers held this day pursuant to Summons - present - A. B. Fairtlough Esqr Chairman - Obadiah Wisdom; J. B. Hardman, Robert Thompson; Wm St Fairtlough, Austin Nicholls; Graves Ashland, Henry Bagnall; Aldermen; John Crawford; Common Council

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Extract from Report of Auditors & Viewers — 14th August 1837 —

Memorial of Alderman B. Fairtlough Confirmed

"Resolved — That we have reconsidered the Memorial of Alderman Benjd Fairtlough referred to us, and we are of Opinion that Memorialist should be permitted to fine down the Rent of the lot of ground lying Contiguous to the lands of Cottage Containing 4a 1r 20p as demised by Lease No. 912 at a rate of 10 years purchase on a third Quarter or Portion of the Original Rent thereof —"

Ore Memorial of Flax Mill Company not moved

"Resolved — That the Memorial of Mrs. William Rodger and others forming a Company for the erection of a Flax Spinning Mill in the Parish of Saint Mary having been taken into consideration, Resolved That we are of Opinion that as an equivalent for the extension of term required, the whole of the Premises demised by Lease therein referred to (No. 962) are of the value of £50 per Annum in lieu of the Rent now paid — Resolved — That We recommend the said Lease to be taken up and cancelled and that a new one be granted to Memorialists of 395 feet in front to the road being their proportion of the 595 feet so demised to said William Rodger for the term of 187 years from 29th September next — and that a proportionate part of the said increased Rent be owing relation to the Quantity of ground so held by them shall be charged to Memorialists from said date — upon this Consideration however that a Power be reserved in said Lease to the Corporation, that they may enter upon and take a Quay on the Northern Boundary thereof ranging with the River Boyne of equal Breadth with that lately reserved by Lease granted to Alderman Henry Smith of a lot of ground for a Shipbuilding yard Eastward of the Premises now under Consideration"

Ore Memorial of Thomas Grendon not moved

"The Memorial of Mr. Thomas Grendon a Tenant to and at present in Occupation of the remaining 595 feet fronting the road to Saint James's demised by said Lease to William Rodger aforesaid Resolved — That upon said Lease being cancelled as recommended by last resolution, We recommend a new Lease to be granted to Memorialist for 187 years from Michaelmas next (1837) of the 200 feet of said ground held by him at a proportionate part of the said increased Rent of £50 bearing relation to the said 200 feet held by him and subject to the like condition of Power to reserve and enter upon a like Quay as in the Case of the Flax Mill Company." "A.B. Fairtlough Chairman"

"14 August 1837 — "At a meeting of the Auditors and Viewers held this day pursuant to notices Issued —

present

"A.B. Fairtlough	Chairman	Obadiah Wisdom
J.B. Hardman	Aldermen	Thomas Beddy Esqr.
Thomas North		Austin Nicholls
		John Crawford

Common Council

Ore Memorial of William Cairnes

"The Memorial of William Cairnes having been

William Cairnes Confirmed

taken into consideration stating that he became Tenant to a plot of ground called the Flaggery of Dark under the Court of Chancery for an Assumed Term of 32 years from May 1823, on which Assumption Memorialist erected a building; but afterwards ascertained that the Building really unexpired was but 13 years having expired at Easter 1836 and thus having been deprived of the Term supposed to exist is compelled to Solicit the grant of the premises — Resolved — That we are of Opinion that a new Lease be granted to Memorialist of the said lot of ground containing as by a new Survey thereof made 3r 2p, at the Annual Rent of £4 Sterling which we consider as between Man and Man the Value thereof — the said Rent to commence with the termination of the Term of the Original Lease made to Alderman Anthony Sibbery for 61 years from Easter 1775 purchased by Alderman Tandy, and by his Representatives Sold in the Court of Chancery to Memorialist"

A.B. Fairtlough Chairman"

"18 August 1837 — The Adjourned Meeting having been held this day — present

Ore Memorial of F.W. Leland Confirmed

A.B. Fairtlough	Aldermen	Obadiah Wisdom
J.B. Hardman		Thomas Beddy Esqr.
Wm. Fairtlough		Austin Nicholls
Thomas North		Henry Bagnall
		Robert Thompson

Common Council

A.B. Fairtlough Esquire in the Chair

"The Memorial of Francis William Leland having been Submitted and Considered for Renewal of Lease No. 677 and a new Map of the Premises accompanying same made with a view to effect improvements therein — Resolved That we are of Opinion that that portion of the Premises lying between the entrance into Fair Street and that at West Street Bounded on the East by Dominick Lane are worth between man and man the Sum of £25 per Annum — And that that portion of the Premises in possession of Patrick Conway at the Corner of Fair Street and Great Georges Street are of the Value between Man and Man of £15 per Annum, We recommend that a new Lease of the foregoing Premises be made to Memorialist for 99 years from 29th September 1837 at the Annual Rent of £10 and on payment of a Fine of £100 — upon the Condition however that he shall be bound to rebuild on the first portion above stated within the Term of 5 years from said period houses of at least Two Stories high of Brick and Stone and Mortar to be slated — Provided Memorialist is not bound by Lease to the Tenants now in possession But in case he shall be so bound the Rebuilding to Commence within five years from the expiration of their interests, the Corporation reserving to themselves the approval of the plans of elevation of the House to be built on South end of said portion — And should the Premises now in possession of Patrick Conway be at any time hereafter rebuilt such Buildings to be of the same Character

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"as those of the first portion already described, And the whole premises to be subject to this further condition, that the several improvements delineated by the Maps thereof now submitted be carried into effect"

"H.B. Fairtlough Chairman"

Confirmation of Report on Memorial of Alderman Edward Fairtlough

Alderman H.B. Fairtlough moved, That the Report on the Memorial of Alderman Edward Fairtlough now read be confirmed which motion being Seconded by Alderman Hardman and the Question thereon having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to -

Like on Memorials of William Cairnes

The Report on the Memorial of William Cairnes was also confirmed on the Motion of Alderman H.B. Fairtlough - Seconded by Alderman Hardman -

Like on Memorial of F. W. Leland

Also the report on the Memorial of Francis William Leland was likewise confirmed on the Motion of said Alderman H.B. Fairtlough, Seconded by Alderman Hardman -

Flax Mill Company decline terms of Report on their Memorial -

Mr. Atkinson on the part of the Flax Spinning Mill Company declines the terms of the foregoing Report on their Memorial -

Report on Mem[o]r of Tho[s] Grendon not moved -

There not having been any motion on the foregoing Report on the Memorial of Thomas Grendon, the same was not entertained -

Drogheda day of September 1837.

This Day the foregoing Acts of Assembly were read and Compared before us, and Ordered to be entered in the large Assembly Book as usual -

Robert Pentland - Mayor -
William A. Shegog } Sheriffs -
James Medlicott }

J. B. Hardman }
Henry Smith } Aldermen -
G. W. Evans }

John Crawford }
Henry Bagnall } Common Council -

As Test.
Joseph Holmes
Town Clerk

Drogheda Friday 29th September 1837

Michaelmas day

This day being the Feast of Saint Michael the Archangel the Swearing of the Mayor and Sheriffs took place at the Tholsel after having attended Divine Service at Saint Peters Church

Swearing in of Henry Smith Esq[r] Mayor and Thomas Fogarty and William Rodger Esqrs Sheriffs

The Town Clerk having produced to Robert Pentland Esqre Mayor the Approbation of his Excellency Earl Mulgrave Lord Lieutenant General and General Governor of Ireland Dated at Dublin Castle 1st May 1837 approving of Henry Smith Esquire to be Mayor and Thomas Fogarty and William Rodger Esquires to be Sheriffs and same having been read aloud in open Court by the Town Clerk

The said Henry Smith was thereupon accordingly Sworn and took the oath prescribed by the act of the 10th year of the Reign of George the 4th Chap[r] and also took the oaths appertaining to the office of Mayor and Justice of the peace

And the said Thomas Fogarty and William Rodger were also respectively Sworn and took the oaths prescribed by the said Statute of the 10th George 4th and also severally took the oath appertaining to the office of Sheriff

Drogheda 2nd October 1837.

Mich[l] Edw[d] Smith Sworn Freeman

This day Michael Edward Smith of Arvebrook in the County of Meath fifth Son of Henry Smith of the same place Esqre was Sworn a Freeman of this Corporation before Henry Blacker Fairtlough Esquire Charter Justice pursuant to his admission by Birth on the 14th of July 1837

Quar[r] Post Assembly 6th October 1837

At a Quarterly Post assembly held before Henry Smith Esquire Mayor the Sheriffs and aldermen being present on Friday the 6th day of October 1837

Petition of Edw[d] Townley Hardman Freedom Birth

The petition of Edward Townley Hardman Esqre Eldest Son of Townley Blackwood Hardman of Drogheda alderman for his freedom of this Corporation by Birth being presented and read the same was referred to the next General Quarterly assembly

Petn of Jn[o] George Smith Junior

The petition of Saint George Smith Esquire Junior 3rd Son of Saint George Smith Esquire of Greene Hills in the County of Louth for his Freedom of this Corporation by Birth being presented and read the same was likewise referred to the next General Quarter assembly

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Gen.l Quar. Assembly 6th. October 1837.

At a General Quarterly assembly of the Corporation held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present) on Friday the 6th. day of October 1837

Proceedings of past year not now read, same having been read and Compared on 28th. September last

The proceedings of the past year having been read and Compared on the 28th. of September Last the reading of the proceedings of the last Assembly was dispensed with

Mayor of Staple

Alderman Robert Pentland late Mayor of the Staple for the ensuing Year and Sworn and likewise took the oath of Justice of the Peace

Wm. Henry Shegog & Jas. Medlicott Elected Common Council men

William Henry Shegog and James Medlicott Esquires are Elected Common Council men

Coroners

The said William Henry Shegog and James Medlicott are Elected Coroners for the ensuing Year

Constable, Staple

The said William Henry Shegog and James Medlicott are Elected Constables of the Staple for the ensuing Year

Master Guild

Robert Pentland Esquire is Elected Master of the Guild of Merchants for the ensuing Year

Wardens Guild

John Shegog and Patrick Darley Esquires late Coroners are Elected Wardens of the Guild of Merchants for the ensuing Year

Officers of Vessel Mace and Marshall

The officers of Vessel Mace and Marshall are Elected and to Continue during the pleasure of this Corporation

Treasurer

Alderman John Cooper is elected Treasurer for the ensuing Year

Saint George Smith Esqr. admitted Freeman

The petition of Saint George Smith Esquire Junior, third Son of Saint George Smith Esquire of Greene Hills in the County of Louth Alderman for his Freedom of this Corporation by Birth being read. It was moved by Alderman Hardman, Seconded by Alderman Cooper that the prayer of the Petitioner be granted and the Question thereon having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to and he was thereupon admitted to his Freedom of this Corporation by Birth on the usual terms

Edward Townley Hardman admitted Freeman

The petition of Edward Townley Hardman Esquire Eldest Son of Townley Blackwood Hardman of Drogheda Alderman for his Freedom of this Corporation by Birth being read. It was moved by Alderman William Pentlough Seconded by Alderman Robert Pentland that the Prayer of the Petitioner be granted and the Question thereon having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to, and he was thereupon admitted to his Freedom of this Corporation by Birth on the usual terms

Memorial of Master and Wardens of Butchers Hall

The following Memorial of the Master Wardens and Members of the Corporation of Butchers Hall being presented and read

Memorial of Master and Wardens of Butchers Hall

"To the Worshipful the Mayor Sheriffs Aldermen and Common Council of the Corporation of Drogheda

"The Memorial of the Master Wardens and Members of the Corporation of Butchers Hall

Sheweth. That they beg to submit the names of three Members of their body viz. Messrs. John Dardis John Van Norwigh and Henry Garvey one of whom to be chosen by you to Represent (in Council) their Hall in the Room of the late Mr. William Dawson Junior deceased, and they will pray

Samuel M. Crawford Master
Lothian Pentlough } Wardens
John Shegog }

"Drogheda
"7th. October 1837

Henry Garvey Sworn Common Council

Mr. Henry Garvey was proposed by Alderman Pattison Pentlough Seconded by alderman Cooper to fill the foregoing Vacancy and he was accordingly elected. Whereupon he was introduced and Sworn a Common Council man and took his Seat at the Board accordingly

Cranes Set up to auction from 28th. October

Ordered That the Cranes be Set up to auction for one Year to Commence from the 28th. instant

Portage and gate Customs Set to auction from 28th. inst.

Ordered That the Portage and Gate Customs be Set up to auction for one year to Commence from the 28th. instant and that Notice of Such Settings respectively be advertized in the Drogheda Journal

Security to be entered into

The usual Security to be entered into by the respective parties who are declared Tenants to the Cranes and gate Customs

Treasurers Qua account

The Treasurers account of Receipt and Expenditures Commencing the 14th. of July 1837 and ending the 5th. October instant was laid before the assembly for examination by which it appeared there was a Balance in his hands amounting to ——— £46 . 10 . 7½

Arrears

And the account of arrears returned due by the Tenants named therein at Easter 1836 amounted to ——— £430 . 16 . 4½

Also old arrears due by Tenants whose Leases had long since expired amounting to ——— 141 . 16 . 4½

Making a Total of ——— £572 . 12 . 9

Law agent to apply to Tenants in arrear

Ordered, That the Law agent do apply by letter to the Several Tenants for payment of the arrears due by them and in Case of non payment forthwith that he do take proceedings for enforcing the payment of same

Accounts ordered to be paid

The following accounts having passed the Committee of accounts on the 5th. instant were laid by their Secretary before the assembly for examination and being enquired into were ordered to be paid Viz

Thomas

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			£	s	d
N°. 1	Thomas Warren painting at the Mayoralty House and				
	Sheriffs at Michaelmas 1837		17	5	5
" 2	Henry Garvey for clothing Hats Swords and Gaitors for				
	Town Serjeants Michaelmas 1837		55	19	6
" 3	The Town Clerk Engrossing and Stamps provided by				
	him for the year commencing Michaelmas 1836 and				
	ending Michaelmas 1837		53	13	6p
" 4	Charles W. Collins Stationary furnished for the year				
	ending Michaelmas 1837		9	17	11
" 5	Hodges and Smith for ordnance Survey map of				
	County of Town of Drogheda and Index of South				
	per order of assembly 5th. October 1837		8	19	6
		£	145	15	10

Resolution of Paving Committee

A resolution of the Paving Committee Dated the 5th. of October instant being read recommending the Corporation to order the Toll farmers to pay in their instalments as they fall due to Graves Ackland Esqre the Treasurer to the Paving Committee from and after next sitting for the purpose of keeping a clear and distinct account of the Paving expenses

Upon discussion of the foregoing Resolution

Treasurer to provide Book for receipts of Pontage & gate Customs and to hand over to the Treasurer of the paving Committee the Net amount deducting Public Charges

It was ordered that in future the Treasurer of the Corporation do provide a Book in which the receipts from the Pontage and Gate & Customs are to be kept and the application thereof and the Treasurer is hereby directed to hand over to the Treasurer for the time being of the Paving Committee for the Net amount of such receipts after deducting thereout the public Charges to which the said Fund is liable and subject to enable the paving Committee to proceed with the paving Work throughout the Streets and Lanes of the Town and also to provide for the sufficient Cleansing of the Town and Suburbs. And in reference to the Cleansing of the Streets and Lanes the paving Committee is authorised to adopt such measures as shall be considered most conducive to public advantage either by Conducting the Cleansing in the whole or in part or by letting the Scavengery in part by public Auction. The Treasurer of the Corporation is also directed to employ a person to enter in the Book to be provided by him the receipts and application of the Pontage and Gate Customs for the last ten years

Treasurer to employ a person to enter in a Book receipts & application of Pontage & gate Customs for the last 10 years

Report of auditors & Viewers on Memorial of Wm. Meade Smith Esqre

The following report of auditors & Viewers on the Memorial of William Meade Smith Esquire having been read Viz

23rd. August 1837. At a meeting of the Committee held this day pursuant to Notice. Present. Henry Blachford Fairtlough } Aldermen
Townley Blackwood Hardman }
John Ackland } Messrs

Messrs. Obadiah Wisdom, Robert Thompson, John Crawford, W. W. Crawford and Thomas Beady } Common Council

The Memorial of William Meade Smith Esquire Referred to the Committee as opposite having been taken into Consideration

Resolved That we are of opinion that the right of renewal of the premises in West Street has expired in Consequence of their having passed into the hands of a Female as stated in the Memorial. We therefore recommend that the same be set up to public auction from the 29th. September 1838 when the Lease expires and that a new Survey thereof be made previous to the Setting

"Resolved That this Meeting do adjourn to receive the Surveyors Report"

"H. B. Fairtlough Chairman"

Resolved That inasmuch as it appears by the reasons stated there was not any right of renewal in Memorialist that the Setting of the premises as advertized by the Town Clerk be proceeded upon

Petition of Wm. Sharples to be appointed Serjeant at Mace

The Petition of William Sharples being read stating that in the year 1832 during the Mayoralty of Alderman Graves Ackland he was Sworn a Special Constable since which he has Continued to act in that Capacity when Called on by the Chief Constable, that the late Mayor alderman Robert Pentland appointed Memorialist to do the duty of Town Serjeant since the decease of the late John Warren and therefore Petitioner offers himself as a Candidate to fill the Vacancy occasioned by such death

William Sharples appointed Serjeant at Mace

Alderman Robert Pentland moved that the petitioner be appointed Serjeant at Mace in the room of John Warren deceased in which he was Seconded by John Skeggy Esquire. Alderman Hardman Named William Kelly as a proper person to fill the Situation and having subsequently withdrawn such Nomination William Sharples was thereupon unanimously appointed

adjt assembly to 27th. instant

Ordered That this assembly at its rising do adjourn to Friday the 27th. instant

Town Clerk to write to Mr. Nathaniel Hill that the Lane from Lawrence Street to Bachelors Lane be kept open

Ordered That the Town Clerk do write to Mr. Nathaniel Hill notifying to him the desire of the Corporation that the Lane leading from Lawrence Street to Bachelors Lane be kept a free and open passage for public accommodation, and his Worship the Mayor is directed that Thomas McCaul do take charge of the Lane to have the wishes of the Corporation Carried into effect the Keys of the Gate thereof to remain in his Lane that he may open and Shut same at proper periods daily according to the seasons

Thomas McCaul to take charge thereof

The

Petition of Sarah Marshall for admission into poor House

The Petition of Sarah Marshall widow being read Stating that Petitioner is a Protestant and 12 years a widow and had reared with decency six children by her Industry, that she was now less Capable of exertion than formerly and praying for admission into the Poor House of Saint Johns, There not being any Claim for admission by any Widow of a Freeman who would on that account be entitled. It is accordingly that petitioner be admitted an inmate of the Establishment

Granted

Memorial of Maryanne Mc. Cready for relief

The Memorial of Mrs Mary Anne Mc Ready being Read Stating that she was the Daughter of the late Alderman Charles Evans who had died in limited Circumstances the printing Establishment of which he was Proprietor being incumbered as much by debt as it was worth, that memorialist has a large helpless family dependant in a great measure upon Relatives who in justice to their own families are unable to render her the necessary assistance and being in ill health and suffering from domestic affliction of which many Members are aware memorialist hopes her peculiar Situation will be taken into Consideration. It was Ordered upon the Motion of Mr. John Shegog Seconded by Mr. Sheriff Fogarty that the Treasurer of the Corporation be authorised to pay to memorialist an annuity of £16 to Commence from the 29th Sept. last and that the receipt of memorialist alone be a Sufficient discharge for the payment

Granted an annuity of £16 Treasurer to pay Same

Memorial of Frances Evans for relief

The memorial of Frances Evans Spinster having been Read Stating she was Daughter of the late Alderman Evans and by reason of the distressed Circumstances in which her Father had died praying for relief. It was ordered upon the Motion of John Shegog Seconded by Mr. Sheriff Fogarty that the Treasurer of the Corporation be authorised to pay to Memorialist out of the Corporate funds an annuity of Sixteen pounds to Commence from the 29th Sept. last

Treasurer to pay her an annuity of £16

Petition of Joseph Steames

The petition of Joseph Steames being read Stating that he had been deprived of the Surveying work of the Corporation Work and hoped to be restored to same in order that he might instruct his Son as a Surveyor and thanking the Corporation for the annuity bestowed upon him

Not moved

The prayer of this memorial was not moved it being considered that memorialist had upon a former occasion states he was incapable from weakness and infirmity to perform the work of a Surveyor and in Consideration thereof he had upon memorial being granted an annuity

The following Petitions for relief referred to Auditors & Viewers

The following Petitions for Relief being read they were severally Referred to the auditors and Viewers for Consideration and to report thereon.

Anne Elliott

Of Anne Elliott of Bolton Street Dublin widow

widow of Andrew Elliott Freeman who had died in distressed Circumstances

Margaret Warren

Margaret Warren of Drogheda widow of John Warren late Serjeant at mace

Mary Whitton

Mary Whitton widow of Barnes Whitton who appeared by Petition to have been fifteen years a Watchman

James Moles

James Moles a distressed Freeman

Edward Bagnall

Edward Bagnall a distressed Freeman whose petition appeared by the Report of Auditors and Viewers to have been rejected for the Reasons therein Stated

James Gill

Report of Auditors & Viewers

James Gill a distressed native of Drogheda

The following Report of Auditors and Viewers and the several petitions for relief therein mentioned and which had been formerly referred to them being read viz. 26th July 1837

1 Edward Bagnall — Rejected being a pensioner and his general Character not such as to render him eligible for relief

2 Rose, Anne and Mary Tighe — Ordered a pension on Commons fund from Easter 1837 of £10 per annum

3 Mary Whitton — Rejected not being either widow or Daughter of a freeman

4 Samuel Atkinson — Ordered a pension on Commons fund from Easter 1837 of £8 per annum

5 Priscilla Warren — Ordered a pension on Commons fund from Easter 1837 of £10 per annum

6 Anne Dawson — Ordered a pension on Commons fund from Easter 1837 of £12 per annum

7 Sarah Chinney — To be Considered by General assembly

8 Jane Moore — Ordered a pension on Commons from Easter 1837 of £8 until she obtains a room in the poor of Saint Johns alms House

9 Frances Ashe — Rejected having an allowance on the Widows fund

H. B. Fairtlough Chairman

Report Confirmed

Ordered, Upon the Motion of Alderman Harman seconded by Mr. John Crawford and the question thereon having been put from the Chair that the foregoing report do stand Confirmed and that the Treasurer of the Commons fund do accordingly pay to the several persons therein recommended the several annuities mentioned to Commence from the period therein Stated

Treasurer of the Commons fund to pay the several annuities

Treasurer to pay Alderman H. B. Fairtlough £2. 18. 0 expences attending Dublin and Drogheda rail road Committee

Ordered That the Treasurer do pay to Alderman H. B. Fairtlough the Sum of £2. 18. 0 expences incurred by him in attending a Meeting of the Dublin and Drogheda Rail road Committee

Petition of Stephen Manage to have his pensions restored to its former amt.

The petition of Stephen Manage Serjeant at mace which had lain over from a previous assembly being read stating that he had been in the Employment of the Corporation 22 years and that on the 30th June 1818 he received a Wound in the discharge

Discharge of his Duty in Consequence of which he had on the 23rd of april 1819 been granted an annual pension of £15. 15. 0 which he enjoyed till May 1829 when it was then reduced (by the Committee of Economy) to the Sum of £5. 5. 0 thereby sustaining a loss of £84 and he had not since received as an equivalent any Compensation or Situation of any Kind. that petitioner is advised that he Cannot by reason of his Wounds Continue the active life he has hitherto followed and to preserve health it will be necessary to live more Quietly in future. Petitioner therefore hoped that the Reduction of his pension would be reconsidered and that same be restored to its former amount. Moved by Alderman Fairclough. Seconded by Mr. John Shegog that the prayer of the petition be granted and that the pension be restored to its former amount from the 29th of September last which being objected to by Alderman Saint George Smith a discussion upon the petition ensued when it was understood that the motion should be confined to restoring the pension to its former amount without payment of any part of the loss sustained by its decrease and a Ballott having been demanded there appeared upon a Scrutiny

Moved and Seconded

objected to

Ballott demanded

For the Motion 16 11 B
and against same 11 B. B.

Carried in the affirmative

Whereupon the Motion was Carried in the affirmative by a Majority of five

Notice Motion Mr Harpur

Mr Harpur gives notice that he will at the next assembly move that the interest on the Corporation Bonds be raised from five to Six per Cent

Motion of Alderman S. H. Fairclough for full Salary as Mayor

Upon motion of Alderman M. H. Fairclough the notice given by him at the last Assembly being read "that in as much as he was elected Mayor before the Committee of economy reduced the Salary from £200 to £150 per annum he is therefore entitled to the full Salary" And he moved that he be ordered payment of the reduction of the Salary then made which motion being objected to a Ballott was demanded and upon a Scrutiny there appeared.

Ballott demanded

For the Motion 7 11. B.
and against same 19 B. B

Motion Lost

Whereupon the motion was Lost by a Majority of 12.

Law agent to take proceedings for recovery of Culver House park and house and premises in John Street

Ordered That the Law agent do take the necessary proceedings for recovery of the possession of the premises without Saint Laurence Gate Called the Culver house park and of the house and premises in John Street heretofore in Lease to Edward Brunton deceased and demanded by the Representatives of Thomas Carty deceased

Drogheda

Drogheda 9th October 1837.

William Thos Smith Sworn Freeman

This day William Thomas Smith of Annesbrook in the County of Meath Youngest Son of Henry Smith of the same peace Esquire was Sworn a freeman of this Corporation before Patrick Vernon Cooper Justice of the peace pursuant to his admission by Birth on the 14th July 1837

Drogheda 10th October 1837

Selling by Auction of Dwelling house & premises South Side of West Street

This day was set up to auction to the highest Bidder that Dwelling house with the Back ground offices and appurtenances situate in the South side of West Street in the Parish of Saint Peter heretofore demised to James Barlow Esquire per Lease 11th 6th & Lately occupied by Doctor Atkinson as a Medical Establishment Containing in front to said Street in breadth 25 feet 2 inches in the rere 23 feet 6 inches and in depth on the East side 46 feet 1 Inch and on the West 45 feet 3 inches for 99 years from the 29th September 1838. The terms were one fourth part of the rent to be paid down at the time of selling and the remainder in 3 months from day of selling. when several persons attended and bid for same and

James Vernon declared Tenant

James Vernon Esquire was declared the Tenant at £60 per annum

Special post assembly 23rd October 1837

At a special post assembly held before the Mayor and Sheriffs the aldermen being present pursuant to notice on the 23rd day of October 1837 for the purpose of electing an alderman in the room of Edward Fairclough Esquire deceased

Elect Alderman in room of Edward Fairclough died

Moved by Alderman Hussey Seconded by Alderman Latham Fairclough that Mr John Shegog one of the Sheriffs peers of this Corporation be elected in the Room of Edward Fairclough Esquire deceased

Mr John Shegog proposed Seconded

Francis Ball Esqre Proposed Seconded

Francis Ball Esquire Recorder was proposed by Alderman Saint George Smith. Seconded by Alderman Hardman upon which a Ballott was demanded and upon a Scrutiny there appeared to have voted for Mr Shegog 9
and for Mr Ball 9

Ballott demanded

John Shegog elected Alderman introduced & sworn

and his Worship the Mayor having voted for Mr Shegog he was thereupon declared duly elected and being then introduced he took the oath of an Alderman before the Mayor

Qua Post assembly 12th January 1838

At a Quarterly post assembly held before Henry Smith Esquire Mayor the Sheriffs and Aldermen being present on Friday the 12th day of January 1838

Petition of Fredk Wm Hogarty

The petition of Frederick William Hogarty Gentleman fourth Son of John Edward Hogarty apothecary late of the Town

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Freedom

Town of Drogheda deceased and Grandson of Robert Taylor deceased who was a Sheriffs peer of this Corporation for his Freedom of this Corporation by Service of an apprenticeship of Seven Years as Surgeon and Apothecary to his Brother Thomas Timothy Fogarty M.D. being presented and read the Same was Referred to the next General Quarter Assembly

Referred Petition of Richard Raisin Hill Freedom

The petition of Richard Raisin Hill Gentleman Eldest Son of Nathaniel Hill of Shanaskeh Lodge Drogheda for his Freedom of this Corporation by Service of an apprenticeship of 7 years as Corn Merchant and Miller to his Father having been presented and read the Same was Referred to the next General Quarterly Assembly

Gen.l Qua Assembly 12th January 1838

At a General Quarter assembly of the Corporation held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present on Friday the 12th day of January 1838

Proceedings of last Assembly Read

The proceedings of the former assembly were read

Fredrick W.m Fogarty Admitted Freeman

The petition of Frederick William Fogarty Gentleman for his Freedom of this Corporation by Servitude Referred from the last assembly being read. It was Moved by Alderman Graves ACkland Seconded by Alderman Francis Graham Fairtlough that the prayer of the Petition be granted and the question thereon having been put from the Chair the Same was unanimously agreed to and he was thereupon admitted to his Freedom of this Corporation on the usual terms

Petition of Richard Raisin Hill post poned till Indre of apprenticeship produced

The petition of Richard Raisin Hill Gentleman for his Freedom of this Corporation by Servitude also Referred to the last past assembly being read and it appearing that the Indenture of apprenticeship had not been Lodged in the Town Clerks office the further Consideration of the petition is post poned until Same is produced.

Letter to Mr Mayor Signed by Inhabitants about Westgate representing inconvenience arising from Want of foot path

A letter to his Worship the Mayor dated the 9th of November last Signed by Several Inhabitants and holders of property out West Gate towards Loughboy being read, whereby they represented the Inconvenience arising from want of a foot path the neighbourhood having greatly improved in Trade and Manufacture and much frequented in Consequence of the Factories lately established there and requesting that a path way should be made the expense of which would be small from the Contiguity of material. Upon motion of Alderman G.Ackland Seconded by Alderman Evans. It is ordered that a Sum not exceeding £20 be paid by the Treasurer for the purpose

£20 granted to make foot path

purpose of making a Suitable foot way Commencing at West Gate to the termination of the County

£30 to Austin Nichols on account Work

Ordered. On the motion of alderman Evans Seconded by Robert Thompson Esqre that the Treasurer do advance to Mr. Austin Nicholls Architect the Sum of £30 Stlg to be Credited by him in his account for Work done for the Corporation the particulars of which he is directed to furnish forthwith

Answer to address of Condolence to Queen Dowager

The Answer from Earl Howe to his Worship the Mayor to the address of Condolence to Her Majesty the Queen Dowager having been read the same was ordered to be entered on the Minutes

Copy said Answer

"Sir "Bushy House August 17th 1837

"I have not failed to submit the address of Kind Condolence "from the Mayor Sheriffs Aldermen and Common Council of the County of "the Town of Drogheda to Queen Adelaide and am honored by Her "Majesty's Commands to express how Consolatory has been to the Queen Dowager "feelings this proof of attachment to herself and of respect for the "memory of the late King. I have the honor to be Sir "Your obedient humble Servant"

"The Mayor of "Howe"

"Drogheda &c"

The Answer of Lord John Russell received by the Town Clerk to the address of Congratulation upon her Majesty's Accession having been also read the same was directed to be entered upon the Minutes

Answer to address of Congratulation to the Queen

Copy said Answer

Sir. White hall August 29th 1837

I have had the honor to lay before the Queen the "Loyal and dutiful address on the occasion of her Majesty's accession to "the Throne from the Mayor Sheriffs Aldermen and Common Council of the "County of the Town of Drogheda

"And I have to inform you that the "same was very graciously received by Her Majesty"

"The Town Clerk I have the honor to be Sir
"of Drogheda &c Your obedient Servant
"J. Russell"

Notice Motion Alderm G.Ackland

Alderman G.Ackland gives notice that he will at the next General Quarterly Assembly move that the Sum of £30 be granted to the Committee which has been formed to receive Subscriptions for erecting a Monument to the memory of the late Reverend John Magee Vicar of Saint Peters as a mark of the respect and esteem in

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in which his truly Christian Character was held by this Corporation

Treasurers Quad account

The Treasurers account for the Quarter Commencing the 10th of October Last and ending the 12th instant was laid before the assembly for Examination by which it appeared that the Treasurer had received funds within that period Amounting to £1145. 6. 6

and that the payments and disbursements amounted to 1118. 6. 2½

Leaving a Balance due by the Treasurer of £27. 0. 3¾

arrears

The arrears returned due at Easter 1836 amounted to £55 7. 12. 9½

assembly adjourned to 23rd February next

This assembly is adjourned to this day one Week being the 23rd day of February next

Special Post assembly 23rd February 1838 to elect 2 aldermen in room of John Leland & W.B. Fairtlough

At a special post assembly held before the Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen being present pursuant to Notice on the 23rd day of February 1838 for the purpose of electing two Aldermen in the room of John Leland and William Barber Fairtlough Esquires deceased

Francis Ball Esqr unanimously elected in room of John Leland

Moved by Alderman Hardman Seconded by Alderman William Fairtlough that Francis Ball Esquire Recorder and and one of the Sheriffs peers be elected Alderman in the room of John Leland Esquire deceased and the question thereon being put from the Chair he was thereupon unanimously elected

Question raised

A Question was then raised whether sufficiently Satisfactory information had been received by the reported death of Alderman William Barber Fairtlough to warrant an Election being proceeded upon to fill the alleged Vacancy, the intelligence of the death having been acquired through the private Communication and it was suggested that all further proceedings should be deferred until an Army Gazette should notify the death which was reported to have occurred while serving in the 63 Regiment in India and his Worship the Mayor having considered under all the Circumstances and particularly that the family of Alderman Fairtlough had acted on the belief that the information of the death was accurate the election should be proceeded with. It was thereupon moved by Alderman George Henry Pentland that Robert Thompson Esquire one of the Sheriffs peers be elected to fill the said Vacancy in the Aldermanic Board in which motion he was seconded by Alderman Arthur Fairtlough

Alderman Donagh then moved that the Assembly do adjourn Sine die requiring said motion to be put from the Chair by way of amendment.

Alderman

Alderman William Fairtlough seconds the said amendment and his Worship being urged to put the said amendment he declines doing so

Alderman W.B. Fairtlough then proposed Edward Atkinson Esquire one of the Sheriffs peers be elected to fill the said Vacancy which motion was seconded by Alderman John Ackland

The Mayor having been again called upon and required to put the Amendment which had been moved by Alderman Donagh and duly seconded and having still declined to entertain the same.

Alderman Graves Ackland then proposed that William Murray Esquire one of the Sheriffs peers be elected to fill the said Vacancy which proposition was seconded by Alderman Hardman

A Ballott was then demanded when there appeared upon a Scrutiny For Mr. Thompson 7
Mr. Atkinson 2
Mr. Murray 10

Wm. Murray elected Alderman in room of W.B. Fairtlough deced

Whereupon Mr. Murray was Elected Alderman in the room of said William Barber Fairtlough Esquire deceased

Alderman Graves Ackland then desired to have entered on the minutes that he protested against his Worship the Mayor as Chairman having refused to put from the Chair when called upon an amendment which had been proposed and seconded insisting that the Refusal was not Warranted by usage in such Cases

Graves Ackland
H. Donagh } Aldermen

Qr. Post assembly 27th April 1838

At a quarterly post assembly held before Henry Smith Esquire Mayor the Sheriff and Aldermen being present on Friday the 27th day of April 1838

Petition of Thomas Taylor for freedom

The petition of Thomas Taylor of Beamore Road flour and Oatmeal Miller for his Freedom of this Corporation by Vertitude of an apprenticeship of Seven Years as Flour and Oatmeal Miller to Saint George and Ralph Smith Esquires being presented and read. Upon the motion of Alderman Saint George Smith seconded by Alderman Robert Pentland the same was referred

referred

to the next General quarter assembly

There was not any other business for the Consideration of the assembly

At

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Gen Qua Assembly
27th april 1838

At a General Quarterly assembly of the Corporation held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present on Friday the 27th day of april 1838

The proceedings of the former assembly read

The Consideration of the petition of Richard Raisin Hill Gentleman for his Freedom by Service which was deferred at the last Quarterly assembly for the production of his Indenture of Apprenticeship being brought to the Notice of the Assembly and the said Indenture having been produced by the Town Clerk by which it appeared (as stated in his petition) served an apprenticeship of 7 years. It was thereupon moved by Alderman William Faintlough and seconded by Alderman Robert Pentland that the prayer of the said Petition be granted and the question thereon having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to on the usual terms

Thomas Taylor

Admitted

Freeman

The petition of Thomas Taylor of Beamore Road Elect Son of William Taylor Yeoman deceased for his Freedom of this Corporation by Service of an apprenticeship of Seven Years to Saint George Smith and Ralph Smith Esquires as flour and oatmeal Miller Referred from the last post assembly being read. It was Moved by Alderman Saint George Smith Seconded by Alderman William Faintlough that the prayer of the petitioner be granted and the Question thereon having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to on the usual terms

Alderman North

Mayor Elect

Alderman Saint George Smith proposed that Alderman North be Elected Mayor for the ensuing year and such nomination being Seconded by Alderman William Faintlough and the question thereon having been put from the Chair Alderman North was thereupon unanimously elected and returned Chan Rois Vautable terms

Ralph Smith

and

Thomas Brodigan

Sheriffs Elect

Ralph Smith Esquire a Freeman is proposed by Alderman Donaghy to Serve the office of Sheriff for the ensuing year and the proposition being Seconded by Alderman Anderson he is thereupon unanimously elected

Thomas Brodigan Esquire a Freeman is proposed by Mr. Atkinson to Serve the office of Sheriff for the ensuing year and being Seconded by Mr. Sheriff Rodgers he is unanimously elected

ordered

To be Certified to Government

ordered That the said Election of Alderman North to be Mayor and of Ralph Smith and Thomas Brodigan Esquires to be Sheriffs be Certified to Government for approval

James Mealiffe Coroner

James Mealiffe Esquire one of the Sheriffs for the last year is elected Coroner and Sworn

Proposal from Distillery to rent Vaults at Thebel

rejected

His Worship the Mayor informs the Assembly of a proposal from the Distillery Company to occupy the Vaults at Horage Subject to rent to be agreed upon - But it being Considered upon discussion that such occupation would be attended with Public inconveniences the entrance to the Vaults being in Shop Street the proposition was withdrawn.

£30 granted to Committee towards erecting a monument to the Memory of the late Revd John Magee

Alderman Pickland moves upon the Notice given by him at the last Quarterly Assembly that the Sum of £30 be granted to the Committee formed for receiving Subscriptions for erecting a Monument to the memory of the late Reverend John Magee which motion was seconded by Alderman Robert Pentland and the question having been put from the Chair the grant of the Sum of £30 for the purpose Specified was unanimously agreed to

Treasurers yearly account from Easter 1837 to Easter 1838

The Treasurers account of receipts and disbursements for one year Commencing at Easter 1837 and ending Easter 1838 was laid before the assembly for Examination and the particulars there of including the arrears of Easter 1837 were read aloud by his Worship the Mayor.

The following were the Particulars Compising said account

		£ s. d.
The Corporation were charged in account by the Treasurer for the Balance on his account furnished Easter 1837		106. 10. 5
James D. Dowd one years rent included in account this not received		7. 17. 5½
Arrears returned due by Tenants at Easter 1837		1097. 14. 11
Disbursements from Easter 1837 to Easter 1838		3748. 6. 2
		£4960. 8. 11½
Cr By Cash arrears returned due at Easter 1836	£ 975. 4. 9½	
One years rent due at Easter and May 1837	2862. 6. 4½	
Half a years rent received from Woods at Michaelmas 1837	5. 6. 1	
Like from Martin due same time	4. 17. 0½	
Gate Customs from July 1837 to April 1838	750. 0. 0	
Cranage from the same period	107. 12. 6	
Fine received from James Gibson for House in West Street	150. 1. 0	
Like from John Greene for Land at Dulcek gate	32. 1. 10½	
	£4920. 10. 7½	
Balance due to Treasurer on foot of the account	£ 39. 18. 4	

Law agents to apply to Tenants in arrear

ordered That the Law agent do apply to each Tenant returned in arrear for payment of such arrear and in Case the application should be ineffectual to take immediate proceedings for Recovery

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Assembly adj.d

Ordered That this assembly do Stand adjourned to Friday the 25th. instant

Notice Motion Alder.n G. Ackland

Alderman Graves Ackland gives Notice that he will move at the next Quarter Assembly that no person be in future admitted to the Freedom of this Corporation by Servitude unless the Indentures of apprenticeship be enrolled immediately after the Execution in the Town Clerks office

Law agent to submit Case to Counsel to sue for rent due by repr.s Michael Chester

Ordered That the Law agent do submit to Robert Holmes Esquire for his opinion a Copy of the Case which was laid before the Recorder respecting the arrear of rent due by the representatives of Michael Chester deceased to the Commons Hand

Memorial of Elizabeth Waters for Renewal Lease

The Memorial of Elizabeth Waters on behalf of herself and the other persons deriving under the will of the late Alderman William Gibbons being read Whereby it appeared that by Lease Dated the 19th. of August 1778 the Corporation Leased to Alderman Gibbons Certain Tenements and Gardens in Crooked Street without Dublin gate for 61 years from Michaelmas 1777 and also by Lease of the same date they demised to the said Alderman Gibbons a parcel of ground without Dublin gate for 61 years from Easter 1778 and the said Leases was on the Eve of expiration Memorialist sought for a Renewal of same respectively on the usual terms

referred to Auditors & Viewers

Ordered That said Memorial be Referred to the Auditors and Viewers for their report

Memorial of H.y L.t Bradazon for reduction in rent

The Memorial of Henry Lambert Bradazon of Sea field County South Esquire being read by which it appeared that the Corporation demised in at Michaelmas 1815 a piece of Land Called the Harp park out Dublin gate Containing 1.1.1 at a rent of £2-4-9p and a fine of £46.8.7 that a Sum of £60 and upwards had been expended in making a proper fence and that a Solvent Tenant Could not be procured for said premises at a greater rent than £7.9.7p and praying for the reasons stated that a reduction would be made in his rent It was moved by Alderman Robert Pentland that said memorial be referred to the Auditors and Viewers for enquiry and report which motion was seconded by Alderman Francis G. Fairtlough and upon the Question being put the reference was objected to Alderman Graves Ackland by whom a Ballott was demanded and it appearing that Memorialist was included in the Treasurers Return of arrears for the premises in Question the prayer of the Petition was then

rejected

rejected

The

Memorial of Francis Wm. Leland to have Leases which had been executed to his late Father which were incomplete Cancelled and new Leases Executed to him.

The memorial of Francis William Leland Esquire being read whereby it appeared that on the 11th July last three Several Leases 11.o 1834 of land near the Seventies 1836 of a Field near the Seventies Road and 1837 of a parcel of land without West Gate passed the great Seal of the Corporation and were duly executed to his late Father Alderman John Leland in pursuance of the general order of Assembly made 17th July 1833 enabling the Several Tenants who had at different periods been allowed to fine down their rents of their respective holdings to take out new Leases thereof. That said Leases were not Executed by memorialists late Father and under his will memorialist was devised all interest in said Several premises and the Leases thereof being for the reasons stated incomplete Memorialist hoped that under the Circumstances an order would be made that new Leases should be executed to him. It was thereupon moved by alderman William Fairtlough Seconded by Alderman F.G. Fairtlough that the prayer of the petition be granted and the question thereon having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to

agreed to

Petition of Mrs. Elizabeth Orpen to have her pension restored

The petition of Mrs. Elizabeth Orpen of Cork Widow being read whereby it appeared that petitioner was widow of the late Henry Orpen who was an Officer of Her Majesty's Customs and by his death she is left without any provision the Board of Customs having withdrawn the provision therefore usually given to the widows of officers of the Customs. The memorialist previous to her Marriage was in receipt of an annual pension of £25 late Currency which by a Regulation of your body was withdrawn on her marriage Memorialist therefore Solicited that for the reasons stated her former pension would be revived. Alderman Grenfell Moved that the prayer of the petition would be granted which motion was seconded by Alderman Francis Graham Fairtlough and Alderman Evans having in his place at assembly guaranteed the accuracy of the Statement Contained in said petition the Question that the prayer thereof be granted was put from the Chair and that the pension be paid as heretofore out of the Corporate funds upon which Mr Clarke objected and demanded a Ballott and instead thereof the House by Consent divided when the prayer of the petition was Carried in the affirmative with one dissentient to Commence from the 25th. March 1838

granted

Mr. Mayor to advertize for proposals for repairing the Vane on the Spire of the Tholsel and also for repairs to Corn Market

Ordered That his Worship the Mayor do advertize for proposals for replacing the Vane on the Spire of the Tholsel and also for Contracting for such repairs to the Corn Market as he shall Consider necessary and for roofing a further portion thereof and his Worship is requested to report

to

to the adjournment of this assembly what he shall have done in this respect in the interim

Treasurer to pay to Mr. George Knaggs £35 on account

Ordered That the Treasurer do pay to Mr Knaggs the Sum of £35 to be Credited in his account furnished for Work done for the Corporation and it is requested that his account be examined with a View to Settlement by the Committee of accounts previously to the adjourned meeting

Petition of Joseph Kearns for an increase of pension

The petition of Joseph Kearns being read whereby it appeared that petitioner had been Land Surveyor to the Corporation for upwards of 35 years and that having been discontinued he lost the Chief part of his business and Consequently is much distressed and unable to earn a livelihood by any other means. That he has been and is in the Enjoyment of a pension of £10 per annum for some time past for which he feels grateful but having four Children to support he finds it quite inadequate and therefore Solicited a Small additional grant

£5 additional granted

Ordered Upon the Motion of Mr Clarke seconded by Mr Weldon that an additional Yearly sum of £5 be granted to the Pension of Joseph Kearns to be paid out of the Corporate fund as a retired Servant of the Corporation such increase to Commence from the last gale day

Letter from Revd Wynne expressing desire to resign Lease of ground on which the Parish School Stands &c

A letter from The Revd Arthur Wynne Vicar of St Peters parish Dated 25th instant was laid before the assembly by the Town Clerk to whom it was addressed expressing a desire to be enabled to resign the Lease granted by the Corporation to The Revd Wardlaw Ball a former Vicar of ground in Bolton Street on which a Parish School had been erected in order that same might be sold and that out of the proceeds another School might be erected within the Church Yard and the Corporation being disposed to accede to the wishes of the Writer if practicable. It is ordered that the Law agent do prepare a Statement of the peculiar Circumstances in Connexion with the grant of the ground in question to be Submitted to the Recorder to advise as to the practicability of Complying with the wishes of Mr Wynne by accepting a Surrender of the Lease as proposed

Law agent to prepare statement relative to the premises to be submitted to the Recorder

Auditors and Viewers to inspect Culver house park Report what portion should be given to the Chord Committee

Ordered That the Auditors and Viewers do inspect the ground at the Culver house park and upon Considering the Memorial from the Committee of the Chord Burial ground and upon said Report being made that the Town Clerk do advertize for letting the said Culver house park in Conformity thereto either in the whole or in part and such other property as is on the eve of expiration

Petition of Wm Dawson Mace Bearer for Compensn for loss of office of Inspector of Weights and measures

The Petition of William Dawson Mace Bearer being read is hereby it appeared that Petitioner was appointed Mace Bearer at the yearly Salary of £10 Sterling and when so appointed the Situation of Weighter and measurer formed part of his Emoluments. That by a recent act of Parliament the office of Inspector of Weights and measures is seperated from that of Mace Bearer. Whereby Memorialist Sustained Considerable loss petitioner therefore Seeks under the Circumstances some Compensation by an increase of Salary. It was moved by Mr Weldon that under the Circumstances the petitioners Salary be increased to £20 as Compensation for the loss Sustained and previously to the matter being further Considered It was moved by Mr Leland that the assembly be Counted and there not being a Sufficient Number of Common Council present the assembly is dissolved by which the further Consideration of the petition is postponed to the next adjournment

House Counted &

Postponed to next adjourn.

Special General assembly 8th June 1838 to Elect Treasurer in room of John Cooper deceased

At a Special General assembly of the Corporation Convened by Requisition to The Right Worshipful Henry Smith Espr Mayor and held before him the Sheriffs Aldermen and Common Council being present at the Tholsel on Friday the 8th day of June 1838 for the purpose of electing a Treasurer in the room of Alderman John Cooper deceased and for transacting other business

Requisition read

The Requisition having been read by the Mayor. It was moved by alderman Handman that alderman Ralph Smith be elected Treasurer of this Corporation. and the Motion being seconded by Alderman Anderson the Motion was thereupon put from the Chair and Alderman Smith was unanimously elected

Alderman Ralph Smith unanimously elected and then returned thanks

Alderman Ralph Smith then returned thanks in suitable terms and notified his intention of entering into the necessary Security for performance of the duties of Treasurer

Reports of Auditors & Viewers on Memorial of the Chord Comm.

The following reports of the Auditors and Viewers on the order made at the last assembly "that they do inspect "the ground at the Culver house park and upon Considering the "Memorial from the Committee of the Chord Burial ground for an "additional grant of ground that they do report whether any "and what portion of the said Culver house park be granted "to the said Committee as an addition to the Chord Burial ground"

being

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being read Viz.ᵗ "30ᵗʰ April 1838 A meeting of the Auditors and Viewers was held this day pursuant to Summons Issues for the above purpose"; present

Report of Auditors and Viewers as to Culver house Park

The Mayor
St George Smith
Townley B Hardman
Graves Ackland
John Ackland
} Aldermen

Austin Nicholls
Henry Bagnall
John Crawford
} Common Council

"The Mayor in the Chair"

The Auditors and Viewers in pursuance of the order of the General assembly of 27ᵗʰ instant met this day and proceeded to inspect that part of the Culver House park requested by Memorial from the Chord Committee to be granted by the Corporation for the use of said Chord as a Burial ground do recommend that the same be granted them according to a Map ordered to be made out by Mr Nicholls for the preparᵗⁿ of which the Auditors and Viewers do now adjourn until Monday 7ᵗʰ May next when the Stipulations to be complied with by said Chord Committee shall be then defined

Henry Smith Chairman

"7ᵗʰ May 1838"

At an adjourned Meeting held this day pursuant to Summons issued. present

Henry Smith Esqre.
St George Smith
Townley B Hardman
Graves Ackland
} Mayor & Aldermen

Austin Nicholls
Henry Bagnall
John Crawford
Robert Thompson
} Common Council

"The Mayor in the Chair"

"Resolved. That the plan now submitted by Mr Nicholls of that part of Culver house Park proposed to be given the Committee of the Chord be approved of and that a Copy thereof be lodged with the Town Clerk with a view of letting remainder of the ground and a second Copy given to the said Committee"

"Resolved. That all houses to be built or rebuilt on the premises shall be built of Brick or Stone and slated"

"Henry Smith"

Alderman Wᵐ Fairlough moved to have same Confirmed

It was moved by Alderman William Fairlough Seconded by Alderman Shegog that the said Report be Confirmed and upon the question thereon being put from the Chair the adoption of the report was objected to by Mr Darbey who moved as an amendment that the portion of ground thereby proposed

Mr Darbey objects Moves Amendment

proposed to be given to the Committee of the Chord be not granted in as much as same would rather injure than benefit the Inhabitants of Drogheda and his Worship having put the question on said amendment he declared that same was lost upon which Mr Darbey

Ballott demanded

demanded a Ballott and being proceeded upon there appeared upon a Scrutiny. for the amendment 16 V. 15

against same 15 V. 15

Amendment Carried

Whereby the amendment was Carried by a Majority of one

Auditors and Viewers with Land Surveyor to divide Culver house Park into lots with a view to Building

ordered. Upon the motion of Alderman Fairlough Seconded by Mr Darbey that the Auditors and Viewers be Summoned for an early day to attend with the Land Surveyor to divide the ground of the Culver house Park into lots as should appear to them practicable with a view to building having reference to the terms Contained in the recent advertisement for the letting thereof and particularly reserving thereout the proposed Road of 40 feet wide throughout from the Road by Prospect to Green Hills to the Termonpeckin road the necessary Widening for that purpose to be on the Eastern side of the Street to be Called Bachelors Walk

Question carried

The question upon such motion being put from the Chair Mr Shegog moved that it be an Instruction to the Auditors and Viewers in Laying out the proposed lots that the portion of ground appearing upon the map which was prepared by the Surveyor in May last and therein Stated to have been given to the Chord Committee be reserved out of the proposed letting of said ground and the question upon said Instruction being put as an amendment there appeared upon the Scrutiny of a Ballott which was thereon had.

Instruction moved to Auditors and Viewers

for the amendment 17 V. 13

Amendment moved

and against same 10 V. 13.

by which the instruction to the Committe was Carried by a Majority of 7.

Ballott demanded

Alderman Shegog then moved that the said portion of ground which had been so ordered to be reserved out of the future letting be granted to the Chord Committee to enlarge the Chord Burial ground and said Motion being Seconded by Alderman Hardman the question thereon was put from the Chair Mr Darbey objected to the Motion and having demanded a Ballott the same was proceeded upon when there appeared upon a Scrutiny. for the Motion 18 V. 13

Alderman Shegog moves that the portion of ground which had been reserved to enlarge Burial ground be granted to the Chord Committee

Mr Darbey objects

Ballott demanded

and against same 9 V. 13

Motion Carried

Whereby the original motion was Carried by a Majority of Nine

Petition of

The petition of Abraham Bagnall which

Abraham Bagnall for Increase of Pension

which had been lodged previous to the last quarterly assembly being read stating that he was a Freeman and from the loss of health was in receipt of a pension of £3 per annum and that from a Continued and increased loss of health he was wholly incapable of following his Trade the truth of which appeared by the subjoined Medical Certificates of Doctors Pentland Hogarty and Darley, ordered upon the motion of Alderman Graves Ackland Seconded by Alderman William Fairtlough that said Abraham Bagnall do receive an additional Pension of £3 to be charged on the Commons fund and to Commence from the 25th March last

£3 additional granted

Meeting of Inhabitants held at Simcox's Hotel as to New Bridge

Mr Clarke brings to the attention of the assembly Certain Resolutions agreed at a Numerous and highly respectable Meeting of the Inhabitants of Drogheda held at Simcox's hotel for the purpose of discussing the propriety of building a Second Bridge across the Boyne and which Resolutions having been read and being to the effect that. "A Second Bridge is absolutely necessary "for the Welfare of the Town of Drogheda"

Resolutions

"That the Site Selected by the County Engineers of Meath and South at the end of Stockwell Lane be that fixed upon for the intended new Bridge as pointed out in the report now read"

"That the intended new Bridge shall be a draw Bridge"

"That a Committee be appointed to wait on the Corporation at their General assembly to be held on Friday next for the purpose of ascertaining their intentions with respect to Building a new Bridge"

Resolutions read to be adopted

Mr Clarke then moved that the Resolutions which has been read be adopted by the Corporation and that they do facilitate as much as in their power the building of the proposed new Bridge which Motion having been seconded the Same was put from the Chair, upon which Alderman William Fairtlough moved as an amendment that the Corporation do out of their own

Amendment moved that the Corporation out of their own funds do build a new Bridge

funds build the proposed Bridge as it appeared from the Treasurers Statement that Sufficient Money could without difficulty be procured from the Corporate property and that there was also a Considerable yearly Surplus of the Rents adequate for the purpose and upon said amendment being about to be put from the Chair Mr Clarke requested leave

leave to withdraw his Motion

Mr Wm Fairtlough moved that the new Bridge be a draw one. Amendment moved that it be a Stone Bridge

Alderman Henry Wm Fairtlough then moved that the proposed new Bridge be a draw Bridge and being Seconded by Mr Leland Alderman North begged to propose as an amendment that the proposed Bridge be a handsome ly ornamented Stone Bridge with a View to the present Bridge being Converted into a draw Bridge. Upon which question it was agreed the assembly should divide instead of Ballott and the division appearing to be equal his Worship thereupon Voted in favor of the proposed Bridge being a Draw Bridge which was accordingly Carried by the Casting Voice

Houses Divided.

Motion Carried by a Casting Voice

Bridge Committee to raise £5,000

A Committee to Consist of the Mayor and Sheriffs Alderman North Hardman and Pentland with Messrs Grendon Leland and Clarke are now appointed and they are instructed to Confer with the Treasurer for the purpose of ascertaining what portion of the Corporation property Can be made available to Create a fund for the purpose of such undertaking as recommended at a former assembly or they are empowered to treat with Government for a Loan of £5,000 if practicable or adopt the most advisable mode of raising the required Sum

See pa 41

The Mayor to advertize for plans

And his Worship as Chairman is authorised to advertize for plans of a Draw Bridge the expence of which to be defrayed by the Treasurer when ascertained

Treasurer to defray expence

Petition of William Dawson

Alderman North recommended the Consideration of the Petition of William Dawson whose Claim to Compensation for the reasons therein stated had been in part enquired into at the last assembly and having moved that his Salary be increased from £16 to £20 as then proposed which was seconded by Mr Grendon. The question was thereupon put from the Chair and Carried unanimously that additional Salary to Commence and take effect from the last gale day

Reconsidered

Salary increased to £20

Committee of accounts to meet within a Week to audit and Examine accounts

ordered. That the proper officer do Summon the Committee of accounts to meet within a Week to audit and examine the several accounts and Tradesmens Bills against the Corporation in order that same may be laid before this assembly at its re adjournment for further Consideration

Application from Stewards of Bellewstown races for grant in aid of the Rates

His Worship the Mayor informed the assembly that the Stewards of the approaching Bellewstown races were in expectation of receiving a grant of Money in aid of the Stakes and that a Gentleman deputed for the purpose would attend to know their determination on the subject and the propriety of applying funds to that purpose having been discussed the proposition appeared

disapproved of

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appeared to have been so much disapproved of, that there was not any Motion made and Mr. Boylan having attended on the part of the Stewards he was apprised of the result accordingly

Deputation from Committee appointed at Simcox's Hotel to ascertain the intention of the Corporation in building the proposed Bridge introduced

A Deputation from the Committee appointed by the Meeting which was held at Simcox's Hotel on the 2nd. instant Consisting of Messrs. Gernon Joseph M'Cann Nicholas Boylan Patrick Boylan and Patrick Beaghan having attended for the purpose of ascertaining the intention of the Corporation in building the proposed Bridge they were introduced into the assembly when his Worship informed the Gentlemen the resolutions the Corporation had entered into on the Subject

The Mayor informs them of the resolutions of the Corporation on the Subject

Auditors & Viewers re-elected

The several persons now Constituting the Board of Auditors and Viewers, are re-elected to the office

His Worship is authorized to accept the Sealed proposals for repairs to be done to the Sholsel Replacing the Vane on the Cupola

His Worship lays before the assembly the sealed Proposals received by him pursuant to advertizement for the repairs necessary to be done to the Sholsel and also for the purpose of replacing the Vain on the Cupola, and same being opened His Worship is authorized to have such work and repairs entered upon as he should consider necessary

Proposals for Repairs of Corn Market referred to Committee

The proposals for the repairs necessary to be done to the Corn Market are referred to the Committee under whose direction and management the Repairs previously made had been performed and their previous management being much approved of they are authorized to carry the further necessary Repairs into execution

Assembly adjourned to 6th July next

This assembly is adjourned to the 6th. day of July next.

Memorial of Francis Forde for renewal of Lease

The memorial of Francis Forde of Carnally in the County of Armagh Gentleman being read Stating that by Lease of the 11th August 1753 the Corporation demised unto James Forde several tenements and gardens on the West side of the Hill Called Castle Street and on the North side of the upper Barrack Lane otherwise Duleek Street in the Parish of Saint Mary in the said Town of Drogheda Containing about 30 and an half perches plantation measure be the same more or less for the term of 61 years from Easter 1782 at the yearly rent of £3-6-6 of the then Currency

That under the Will of the said James Forde said premises with other properties in the City of the Town of Drogheda were demised to memorialist and he has

has ever since Continued in the possession and receipt of the rents thereof

That the said Tenements are now in a very dilapidated State from the bad materials of which they were originally built and unless rebuilt they will in a few years be of no value at all

That said Lease will expire at Easter 1843 and Memorialist therefore seeks a renewal of the said Lease to induce him to rebuild the said Tenements

Referred to Auditors & Viewers

Ordered That the matter of the foregoing memorial be referred to the Auditors and Viewers for their Consideration and report

Letter of Rev. Arthur Wynne enclosing estimate for repairs necessary to be done to Blue School

The Town Clerk having laid before the assembly a letter directed to him from the Revd. Arthur Wynne Vicar of Saint Peters Dated the 24th of May last enclosing an estimate by Mr. Nicholls Architect of some repairs necessary to be done to the Blue School and seeking a grant for the execution of such work if the Estimate should be Considered reasonable

Mr. Nicholls to proceed with Work

Ordered That Mr. Nicholls do proceed with the work necessary to be done to the Blue School as set out in his Estimate amounting to the Sum of £10 ii. 9 and the Treasurer is directed to pay said Sum upon procuring Mr. Wynnes Certificate of the due performance of the Work

Treasurer to pay him

Drogheda 9th June 1838

Edward Townley Hardman Sworn Freeman

This day Edward Townley Hardman of Drogheda eldest Son of Townley Blackwood Hardman of the same place Esquire was sworn as freeman of this Corporation before Henry Smith Esquire Mayor pursuant to his admission by Birth on the 6th of October 1837

Same day

Fred.k Wm. Fogarty Sworn Freeman

Frederick William Fogarty of Drogheda fourth Son of John Edward Fogarty late of the same place Apothecary deceased was sworn a Freeman of this Corporation before Henry Smith Esquire Mayor pursuant to his admission by Service on the 12th January 1838.

Drogheda 16th June 1838

Like Thos. Taylor

This day Thomas Taylor of Beamore road Drogheda Flour and Oatmeal Miller was sworn a freeman of this Corporation before Henry Smith Esquire Mayor pursuant to his admission by Service on the 27th April 1838

Drogheda 21st June 1838

Like Richard K. Hill

This day Richard Kavin Hill of new Cottage Drogheda Corn Merchant and Miller was sworn Freeman of

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of this Corporation before Henry Smith Esquire Mayor pursuant to his admission by Service on the 27th April 1838

Drogheda 22nd June 1838

Setting by Auction of Lot No 1 of Culver House Park

This day was Set up by Auction to the highest bidder one Lott of that Park or parcel of land heretofore Called the Culver house park with the Several Cabins and Tenements thereon and Known as Sandisfords Allies Containing 3 roods 36 perches late Irish plantation measure being the first Lot of said premises Containing in length on the West Side 613 Feet 7 inches in length on the East 617 feet in depth on the North to Scarlet Lane 117 feet and in depth fronting the road to Green Hills 93 feet 10 Inches as p map for 99 years from 25th March 1838. The terms were one fourth part of the rent to be fined down at 10 years purchase one fourth part of which fine is to be paid down as soon as the Tenant is declared and the remainder in one month from the day of Setting. all houses to be taken down within 5 years and the Lot to be either properly enclosed with a Wall or houses to be rebuilt within said period with Brick or Stone and Slated those fronting Green Hills road to be built 16 feet high to the Course and all others 12 feet to Same point Penal Covenants to be inserted in the Lease for due performance of those requisites. When Several persons attended and bid for same and Edward Atkinson was declared the Tenant at £31. 10. 0 per annum

Edward Atkinson Tenant.)

Same day

Setting by Auction of Lot No 2 of Culver House Park

This day was Set up by Auction to the highest bidder "the second Lot" of that Park or parcel of Land heretofore Called the Culver House park and Known as Sandisfords Allies with the Several Cabins and Tenements thereon Containing 2 acres 29 perches late Irish plantation measure Containing in length on the West side 623 feet 1 Inch in length on the East side 729 feet 6 inches in depth on the North to Scarlet Lane 192 feet and in depth fronting the road to Green Hills 200 feet 8 inches as per map for 99 years from 25th March 1838. The terms were one fourth part of the rent to be fined down at 10 years purchase one fourth part of which is to be paid down as soon as the Tenant is declared and the remainder in one month from the day of letting. All houses to be taken down within 5 years and the Lot to be either properly enclosed with a Wall or houses to be rebuilt within said period with Brick or Stone and Slated those fronting Green Hills road to be built 16 feet high to the Course and all others 12 feet to Same point penal Covenants

Covenants to be inserted in the Lease for due performance of these requisites When Several persons attended and bid for the same and Chas Timothy Fogarty was declared the Tenant at £10 per annum

T. T. Fogarty Tenant

Same day

Setting by Auction of Lot No 3. of Culver house park

This day was set up by Auction to the highest Bidder "the third Lot" of that parte or parcel of land Called the Culver House park and Known as Sandisfords Allies with the Several Cabins and Tenements thereon Containing 1 acre 2 roods late Irish plantation measure Containing in Length on the West side 412 feet 11 inches in length on the East side 365 feet 9 inches in depth on the North to Scarlet Lane 243 feet 8 inches, and in depth fronting Flag alley 249 feet 6 inches, as per map for 99 years from 25th March 1838. The terms were one fourth part of the rent to be fined down at 10 years purchase one fourth part of which is to be paid down as soon as the Tenant is declared and the remainder in one month from the day of letting All houses to be taken down within 5 years and the Lot to be either properly enclosed with a Wall or houses to be rebuilt within said period with Brick or Stone and Slated. to be built 12 feet high to the Course and the present Street to be Called Bachelors Walk to be Continued 40 feet wide throughout from the road by Prospect to Greene Hills to the Sermon pelin was the necessary widening to be on the Easter side of said Street from the end of the proposed Chad Wall and to be Completed within 3 months from the letting. Penal Covenants to be inserted in the Lease for due performance of these requisites When Several persons attended and bid for the same and Thomas North was declared the Tenant at £44 per annum

Thomas North Tenant

Gen Qua assembly 13th July 1838

At a Quarterly post assembly held before Henry Smith Esqre Mayor the Sheriffs and Aldermen being present on Friday the 13th day of July 1838

There was not any business for the Consideration of the assembly

Gen Qua assembly 13th July 1838

At a General Quarterly assembly of the Corporation held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present on Friday the 13th day of July 1838

The proceedings of the former assembly were read

Letter of Henry Moore Complaining of his Estimate not having been submitted to the Committee

His Worship the Mayor laid before the assembly a letter from Henry Moore Plumber Stating that he had in Compliance with the Public advertisements furnished an Estimate for the plumbing Work to be done to the Market house &c and Complaining of his estimate not having been furnished to the Committee. the proposal of

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of Mr Knaggs for the same work was received and acted upon as the only Estimate

not entertained

Mr Nicholls Architect was referred to in Assembly to give such explanation as he was enabled on the Subject of Henry Moores letter when it appeared that the Committee had decided upon the only estimate with which they had been furnished and that Mr Knaggs having as was stated given orders to his Correspondent for a supply of lead to effect his Contract the Assembly Considered that under the Circumstances they could entertain the letter of Henry Moore as a Complaint against the Committee

Application to have Bessexwell Lane paved

An application from Alderman Henry Collector of Customs and from several House holders residing in Shop Street and that Neighbourhood was laid before the Assembly Suggesting the propriety of having Bessexwell Lane paved instead of being Macadamized the latter kind of repair not being suited to its Low and Confined situation and the Consequent difficulty of its being Kept dry the said Lane being a leading passage to the Custom House Heraldry house and a Considerable Suburb and stating that the required improvement would Contribute to the Comfort and Convenience of the Inhabitants

Referred to Paving Committee

Ordered. That the foregoing application be referred to the Paving Committee with an Instruction to the Paving Committee with an Instruction that they should act therein with a View to Public necessity and Convenience

The following accounts having passed the Committee of accounts on the 15th June and 6th July last. the same were laid by this Secretary before the Assembly for examination and being duly enquired into the same were severally ordered to be paid

Accounts passed and ordered to be paid

Accounts passed 15th June 1838

1 George Knaggs plumbing Work done at the Mayoralty House and Theatre from October 1836 to October 1837 and the Water Closet Erected	£	97. 4. 1
2 Austin Nicholls expences of fitting up Water Closet Judges retiring room and attendance of Jury Box in 1837. of which £30 have been paid him		118. 13. 8½
3 Austin Nicholls repairing at the Theatre Mayoralty house Fish Market and Meal Crane July 1837 and Salary for attendance on pumps 1 year £13. 16. 11		77. 4. 8½
Forward	£	293. 2. 6

Brought Forward £		293. 2. 6
4 Francis Murphy. Stone Work at Bridge and Theatre in August 1837		2. 13. 11
5 Thomas Brendon for work done at the Theatre and Crane from May 1837 to January 1838		40. 8. 5
6 James Butler painting and glazing at the Theatre in August and September 1837		5. 17. 4
	£	342. 4. 8

Accounts passed 6th July 1838

1 Henry Neill of Empire Mayor Amount Sundry expences incurred in Celebrating the Coronation of Her Majesty on the 28th June 1838 agreable to Memorandum furnished	£	140. 17. 7½
2 William Codd expences of Maps and Surveying		18. 12. 6
3 Thomas Connolly for the superintendence of Work in Celebrating the Coronation		2. 0. 0
	£	161. 9. 8½

Mr Nicholls to examine Flue of Theatre Chimney

Mr Nicholls Architect is directed to Examine the flue of the Theatre Chimney next to Mr Drews house to ascertain the nature of the Inconvenience to which Mr Drew states he is subject by a return of smoke and Mr Nicholls is requested to report to the adjourned Assembly in order to have the same remedied

Assembly adjourned to 27th inst

This Assembly at its rising is adjourned to the 27th instant to be then further adjourned if necessary

Memorial of Nathaniel Hill for renewal Lease

The Memorial of Nathaniel Hill Merchant being read it appears that at an adjournment of a Quarterly Assembly held the 8th of February 1833 a report of the auditors and Viewers which was made on the 6th of said Month & was then presented and read by which the auditors and Viewers had recommended a renewal of the Lease No Dated the 6th of September 54 from the Corporation to Grace Chamney and the interest in which Lease was then vested in Mr Hill should be renewed and that a rent of £30 was considered fair and just to Commence from the 25th March then next. That said report was confirmed at said Assembly and it was then further ordered that inasmuch as memorialist was bound by an intermediate letting to a yearly rent of £14. 11. 0 for 12¼ years then to come he should for such period be only subject to a decreased rent of £15. 6. 0 and after the expiration thereof to be subject to the yearly rent of £30 and upon these terms memorialist was required to surrender the interest which was then outstanding against the Corporation. That memorialist is only subject to the yearly rent of £15. 6. 0 late Chamney for the premises demised to the late Grace Chamney

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Chamney of the interest in which he is possessed and which Interest he is Willing to surrender and therefore prayed that the Town Clerk might be directed to prepare a Lease to him for the usual Term

Referred to Auditors & Viewers with Instructions

Ordered. That the foregoing Memorial be referred to the Consideration of the Auditors and Viewers who are instructed to review and Reconsider the Memorial heretofore presented by Mr Hill with a report made thereon and the Subsequent orders made in reference thereto and to report to the adjournment of this assembly whether Mr Hill is liable to any greater rent for the premises of which he is in possession as assignee of the late Grace Chamney to whom the same was demised by the Corporation than the Sum of £1.5.0 Late Currency and that the Auditors and Viewers do also report whether in making their report on the 6th of February 1833 the premises then Viewed and for which a rent of £30 was Submitted as the just and fair rent was limitted and Confined to the premises in the Lease of the 6th of Sept. 1784 and therein described as a Tenement and garden without Saint Laurences Gate adjoining the Town Wall bounded on the North by the road to Green hills on the East by a Lane or road leading to the Strand on the South by the road leading from Wind gate to the Strand on the West by the Town Wall and when widened as thereby directed to Contain on the North about 63 feet on the East Side 127 feet 4 inches and on the South Side 116 feet 6 inches

Petition of Inhabitants of Bachelors Walk

It The petition of the Inhabitants of Bachelor, Walk being part of Vandiforde Alley being read Stating that Petitioners had resided from their infancy on that part of the Corporation Estate to which Alderman North had Lately become Tenant and that their houses were ordered to be taken down for the purpose of Widening the road to 40 feet and requesting that the time within which their houses were to be taken down Should be extended to 5 years being the period for the Removal of the houses on the other two portions of the same property

not moved

The prayer of the foregoing memorial was not moved upon

Memorial of Revd A. Wynne for assistance to enlarge the Sunday School

The Memorial of the Revd Arthur Wynne Bean of Saint Peters being read Stating that in Consequence of the great increase of the Sunday School under Memorialists superintendance a more Commodious School room than the present was necessary the Situation of which Should be as near as possible to the Parish Church that premises adjoining the Vicarage held by H. B. Fairbrough

Fairbrough Esqr under the Corporation might at no great expense be so altered as to answer the purposes of a Sunday School. Memorialist therefore prayed that the Corporation would grant assistance to make arrangement with the occupying Tenant so as obtain the possession thereof and to defray the expense of the necessary alteration

Referred to Auditors & Viewers

Ordered That the matter in the foregoing Memorial be referred to the Consideration of the Auditors and Viewers to report to the adjournment of the Assembly whether the premises therein mentioned are so Circumstanced by locality and the accommodation likely to be afforded as to be Converted into a Suitable Sunday School and if so the Auditors and viewers are instructed to ascertain the Value of Mr Fairbroughs Interest in the Premises and to report same together with the amount of such Sum as would be Gradually required to defray the expenses necessary for Converting same into a Suitable Sunday School room

New road at Bachelors Walk to be Commenced and finished with as little delay as possible

On the Motion of Alderman North Seconded by Mr Darley it is ordered that so soon as the houses on the East side of Bachelors Walk are removed the Contemplated new road be immediately Commenced and finished with as little delay as possible by the Corporation in the best manner with foot ways

Notice of motion Alderman H.B. Fairbrough

Alderman H.B. Fairbrough gives notice that he will at the next assembly move that a Sum of £150 be granted to assist in having the necessary alterations made to the premises in Magdalene Street for the purpose of having same Converted into a Sunday School

Treasurer to pay £150 to Committee superintending Repairs of Corn Market

Ordered. That the Treasurer do pay to the Committee superintending the Repairs of the Committee the Sum of £150 towards the Works in progress

Persons whose estimates approved of to enter into Securities

Ordered. That the several persons whose estimates were approved of do enter into the necessary Securities to be prepared by the Town Clerk for the performance of their Contracts

Treasurers Qua account from 8th April to 15th Inst

The Treasurers account for the Quarter Commencing the 18th of April last and ending the 15th instant was laid before the Assembly for examination by which it appeared that he had received funds within that period amounting to ——— £828 - 6 - 3¼

and that the payments and disbursements amounted to ——— 857 - 6 - 0¼

Leaving a balance due to the Treasurer of ——— 28 - 19 - 9

The arrears due at Easter last amounted to ——— 678 - 10 - 1¼

And the arrears due by Tenants whose Leases have long since expired amounted to ——— 141 - 16 - 1¼

Making together the Sum of £820 - 7 - 3¾

Drogheda

Drogheda 14th July 1838

Leases Sealed

The following Leases passed the Seal of this Corporation before Henry Smith Esqre Mayor the Sheriffs Aldermen and Common Council being present

Rev.d George Needham and Patrick M.c Kenna No. 1044

A Lease of a parcel of land Containing 1.1.18 situate at the Yellow Batter without Thundays Gate was Sealed unto The Rev.d George Needham and Patrick M.c Kenna at £2. 0. 1 per annum and £36. 1. 8p fine for 77 years and 6 months from 25th March 1838 pursuant to order of Assembly of

Rev.d George Needham and Patrick M.c Kenna No. 1045

A Lease of a parcel of land Containing six acres Called the Big Lary Park near the Yellow Batter was Sealed unto the said Rev.d Geo.e Needham and Patrick M.c Kenna at £7. 1. 9 per annum and £107. 11. 6 fine for 77 years and 6 months from 25th March 1838 pursuant to order of assembly of

Francis Wm. Leland No. 1046

A Lease of a field Containing 6. 2. 30 situate at the Twenties road was Sealed unto Francis Wm. Leland at £7. 17. 0 per annum and £137. 1. 6 fine for 77 years from 29th September 1837 pursuant to order of assembly of

Francis Wm. Leland No. 1047

A Lease of a Field Containing 3.3.22 situate at the Twenties road was Sealed unto said Francis Wm. Leland at £11. 11. 4 per annum for 95 years from 29th Sept.r 1837 pursuant to order of assembly of

Francis William Leland No. 1048

A Lease of a parcel of Land Cont.g 4. 2. 26 situate without West gate adjoining the road to Mannimore was Sealed unto said Francis Wm. Leland at £13. 2. 6 per annum and £65. 12. 3 fine for 81 years from 25th March 1837 pursuant to order of assembly of

Francis William Leland No. 1049

A Lease of a small Lott of ground and Tenement thereon Containing 19 perches situate without Dallett gate was Sealed unto said Francis Wm. Leland at 7/6 per annum and £3. 15. 0 fine for 99 years from 25th March 1834 pursuant to order of Assembly of

William Cairnes No. 1050

A Lease of a park of land Called the Haggery Park Containing 3 roods 26 perches situate without Saint Xavier Gate was Sealed unto William Cairnes at £4 per ann for 99 years from 25th March 1836 pursuant to order of assembly of

John Cowley No. 1051

A Lease of the fourth lot of the South Commons Containing 3. 2. 15 was Sealed unto John Cowley at £23. 3. 10 per annum for 21 years from 25th March 1836 pursuant to order of assembly of

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Francis Forde No. 1052

A Lease of a Spot of ground Containing 1½ perches situate North East of the Dublin road by Balbriggan was Sealed unto Francis Forde at 15/ per annum and £7. 10. 0 fine for 99 years from 25th March 1837 pursuant to order of assembly of

Francis Forde No. 1053

A Lease of a parcel of land Containing 2. 1. 5 situate on the North side of the Dublin road by Balbriggan was Sealed unto said Francis Forde at £3 per annum and £30 fine for 99 years from 25th March 1837 pursuant to order of assembly of

Rev.d Sam.l Sandiford No. 1054

A Lease of a house and Tenement in Bachelors Lane was Sealed unto Rev.d Samuel Sandiford at £1 per annum for 99 years from 25th March 1837 pursuant to order of assembly of

John Greene No. 1055

A Lease of a park or parcel of land Cont.g 2. 3. 35 situate without Dulek Gate was Sealed unto John Greene at £3. 4. per annum and £42. 1. 6 fine for 99 years from 25th March 1837 pursuant to order of assembly of

James Greene No. 1056

A Lease of a parcel of land at Clausragh Containing 4. 3. 28 was Sealed unto James Greene at £6. 2. 1½ per ann and £75. 11. 6½ fine for 99 years from 25th March 1837 pursuant to order of assembly of

William Cairnes No. 1057

A Lease of a Tenement and lot of ground on the West side of Pitcher Hill was Sealed unto William Cairney at £1. 11. 0 per annum and £6 Fine for 99 years from 25th March 1837 pursuant to order of assembly of

James Gernon No. 1058

A Lease of a Dwelling House and premises situate on the South side of West Street was Sealed unto James Gernon at £15 per ann and £150 fine for 99 years from 29th September 1838 pursuant to order of assembly of

Special post assembly 23rd July 1838 to elect an Alderman in the room of John Cooper Esqre Robert B. Hackett unanimously elected

At a special post assembly held before the Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen being present pursuant to Notice on Monday the 23rd day of July 1838 for the purpose of electing an Alderman in the room of John Cooper Esqre deceased

Moved by Alderman Hardman Seconded by Alderman William Hart Coughs that Robert Ball Hackett Esquire one of the Sheriffs prens be elected Alderman in the room of John Cooper Esqre deceased and the Question thereon being put from the Chair he was thereupon unanimously Elected

At an adjournment of the late quarterly assembly held this 27th day of July 1838 before the said Mayor Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present

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The following report of the auditors and Viewers made in pursuance of the order at the last General Quarterly Assembly referring to their Consideration the Memorial of the Revd Mr Wynne as to whether the premises in said Memorial mentioned and which were proposed as a place suitable for a Sunday School were so circumstanced by locality and accommodation likely to be afforded and if so to report Alderman Fairtroughs Interest therein and the sum which would be probably required to convert said premises into a Sunday School having been read Viz.

27th July 1758. At a Meeting of the Committee held this day the following members present

Henry Smith Esqre Mayor

Sir B. Wardman, Grace Oakland, Alderman — Robert Thompson, Austin Nicholls, Common Council

St George Smith — John Crawford

"Resolved. That we proceed to View the premises adjoining the Vicarage held by Sir B. Fairtrough Esqre as referred to in the Memorial of the Revd Arthur Wynne"

"Resolved That we are of opinion that the premises in point of locality are suitable to the purpose for which it is proposed to apply them"

"Resolved. That it appears that the premises are held by Mr Fairtrough under a Lease from this Corporation of which there were from 25th March last an unexpired Term of 89 years subject to an annual rent of £2.2.6"

"Resolved. That we are of opinion that the Concerns are of the Value between man and man of £14 per annt and that Mr Fairtroughs Interest being £3.5.6 per annum amounts to a rate of 14 years purchase which we Consider the Value thereof to the Sum of £54.5.0

"Mr Fairtrough agrees to Surrender his Interest in a passage he holds under the Vicar of St Peters at an annual rent of one Guinea. Henry Smith Chairman"

It was moved by Alderman Wilkes Fairtrough Seconded by Alderman Evans that the foregoing Report be received and Confirmed and upon the question thereon being put from the Chair, Mr Clarke objected to the Confirmation thereof and moved an amendment that the Assembly do now adjourn for a fortnight which motion not being Seconded His Worship thereupon put the usual question which was then Carried in the affirmative without further dissent

Confirmed

Petition of James Greene for grant to repair road from Green Hills to Newfoundwell

A petition from Mr James Greene of Prospect was read referring to an order made at an adjourned Assembly the 21st of July 1757 whereby a sum of £5 was granted towards the repairs of the road leading from Green Hills to Newfoundwell provided an equal amount was subscribed by the Tenants to whose Lands the road runs. That by reason of the heavy County Cess petitioner has been unable to Collect Subscriptions in Money but expected assistance in Carriage, that said road runs entirely thro the Corporation Estate, and requesting a grant of £10 instead of the £5 previously ordered undertaking to Collect as much as possible by Subscription to be expended in the first instance and only to appropriate so much of the grant as should be afterwards found to be necessary

£5 granted

ordered. That the Treasurer do pay to Mr Greene the sum of £5 without imposing the Condition contained in the order of the 21st July 1757 requiring any amount to be Subscribed

Law agent to prepare surrender of premises referred to in the Memorial of Revd A Wynne and Treasurer to pay to Sir B Fairtrough Esqre £54.5. Comm and Leases to be executed at the expense of the Corporation

Alderman Skegg brings to the Notice of the Assembly the report of the auditors and Viewers which had been Confirmed in Reference to the Memorial of the Revd Arthur Wynne. And it is ordered on his Motion Seconded by Alderman Latham Fairtrough. That the Law agent do prepare as may be advisable a Surrender or assignment from Alderman Sir B. Fairtrough of the premises in Magdalene Street in said report mentioned and that upon the Execution of the necessary Instrument of Transfer by Alderman Fairtrough that the Treasurer be authorised to pay to him the Sum of £54.5.0 which he has Consented to receive in Consideration of his interest therein and that a Lease of the said premises be made at the expense of this Corporation to the Vicar of Saint Peter and his Successors for the residue of the Term for which the said premises are held under the Corporation at a Yearly rent of 6 the said Demise being made to enable the Vicar and his Successors to Establish there an infant and Sunday School

Assembly adjourned

This Assembly at its rising stands adjourned to this day fortnight

Public privy to be removed

ordered. That the Public privy on the North Quay opposite Mr Rowell Lane be immediately removed, and that Mr Nicholls Architect do assist the Paving Board in ascertaining where a Building for a similar purpose could be advantageously erected, and when the Site is determined upon the paving board is authorised to have such erected, and Mr Nicholls is requested to submit a plan for making a "Tank" with a pump on the Quay of provide to the Distillery to provide for Public use the benefit of the

the Surplus Water at the Distillery for which the Corporation are to pay the Distillery Company a rent of Six pence by the year

Advertizements for £3000 to Build new Bridge

The Town Clerk is directed to have advertizements inserted in the different Drogheda Papers for the loan of £3000 to be secured by Debentures, the Money to be applied in Building a Bridge across the Boyne opposite to Stockwell Lane

Memorial of Austin Nicholls for a portion of the Mendicity premises

The Memorial of Mr. Austin Nicholls being read Stating that he was Tenant to the Corporation for premises on the South side of William Street on which he has expended a Considerable sum of money in erecting a Dwelling house and other buildings, that the ground at the rere of said Concerns belongs to the Corporation and forms part of the premises which had been used as a Mendicity Institution, that memorialist is most anxious of extending his Concerns by acquiring a portion of the Mendicity premises as described in a Map annexed to his Memorial proposing to pay reasonable rent for same

Referred to Auditors & Viewers

ordered. That the matter of said Memorial be referred to the Auditors and Viewers who are instructed to View the Mendicity premises and report whether the portion thereof required by Mr. Nicholls should be granted to him and if so to state the Terms in reference to rent and otherwise on which a Lease should be granted

Auditors & Viewers to ascertain if Alderman North in Complying with the terms of letting of Culver House park and Treasurer to advance £30 to paving Commee to Commence road

ordered. That the auditors and Viewers do ascertain upon View and report whether Alderman North in taking down the houses on that part of the Culver house park lately demised to him is Complying with the terms and Conditions imposed upon him at the letting and they are requested to determine upon the manner in which the street or road is to be proceeded with and that for the purpose of at once Commencing same the Treasurer is authorised to advance to the paving Committee a sum of £30

Treasurer to pay Law agents Costs

Resolved. That the Treasurer do discharge the Law agents account for Costs when same is passed and Certified by the Committee of accounts

Bridge Committee to advertize for plans

Resolved. That the Bridge Committee be at liberty to advertize in the Drogheda papers for plans of a Stone bridge with a Simple arch

Drogheda 10th August 1838

Leases Sealed

The following Leases passed the Seal of this

this Corporation before Henry Smith Esquire Mayor the Sheriffs Aldermen and Common Council being present

Francis Wm Leland No. 1059

A Lease of a lot or piece of ground and Tenements thereon Containing 2.1.6 situate without Saint John's Gate was sealed unto Francis William Leland at £1.13.9 per annum and £6.11.0 fine for 99 years from 25th March 1838 pursuant to order of assembly of

Hugh Bredon & Jas Bredon No. 1060

A Lease of a part of land Containing 2.0.26 situate near the green Batter and sealed unto Hugh Bredon and James Bredon at £2.19.11 per annum and £38.6.1¼ fine for 75 years from 29th September 1837 pursuant to order of assembly of

Townley B. Hardman No. 1061

A Lease of a house and garden situate East side of Duleek Street was sealed unto Alderman Townley Blackwood Hardman at £1.4.3 per annum and £6.11.3 late Currency fine for 77 years from 29th September 1837 pursuant to order of assembly of

Townley B. Hardman No. 1062

A Lease of a parcel of land Containing 3.2.30 situate without Sundays Gate was sealed unto said Abraham Townley Blackwood Hardman at £11.18.10 per annum and £238.15.10 fine for 77 years from 29th September 1837 pursuant to order of assembly of

Ralph Smith No. 1063

A Lease of a parcel of land Containing 3.1.25 situate at the Yellow Batter was sealed unto Alderman Ralph Smith at £11.17.10 per annum and £64.8.4 fine for 82 years from 25th March 1838 pursuant to order of assembly of

Ralph Smith No. 1064

A Lease of a parcel of land Containing 3.3.5 situate at Duleek gate was sealed unto said Alderman Ralph Smith at £9.18.5p per annum and £33.15.0 late Currency fine for 76p years from 25th March 1838 pursuant to order of assembly of

William Rodger No. 1065

A Lease of two Dwelling houses situate on the South side of Fair Street Containing in front to said Street 45 feet in rere 45 feet in depth on the West side 127 feet and on the east side 125 feet was sealed unto Wm Rodger at £20 per annum and £250 fine for 87 years from 25th March 1838 pursuant to order of assembly of

Edward Atkinson No. 1066

A Lease of "the first lot" of a park or parcel of land Called Culver house park and known as Vandeleur's Quays with the Cabins and Tenements thereon Containing Three Roods 36 perches was sealed unto Edward Atkinson at £23.12.6 per annum and £76.15.0 fine for 99 years from 25th March 1838 pursuant to order of assembly of

Thomas D. Fogarty No. 1067

A Lease of "the second lot" of said Culver House park with the Cabins and Tenements thereon Containing 2.0.29 was sealed unto Thomas Timothy Fogarty at £32.10.0 per annum and

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and Eight Pence for 99 years from 25th March 1838 pursuant to order of assembly of

Thomas North
No. 1068.

All Lease of "the third lot" of said Culver house park with the Cabins and Tenements thereon Containing 1. 2. 0 was Sealed unto Thomas North at £54. 10. 0 per annum and £115 Fine for 99 years from 25th March 1838 pursuant to order of Assembly of

Drogheda 29th day of September 1838

This day the foregoing acts of assembly were read and Compared before us and ordered to be entered in the Large Assembly Book accordingly

Henry Smith Mayor
Thomas P. Fogarty } Sheriffs
Wm. Rodger }

P.S.Test.
Joseph Holmes
Town Clerk

J. K. Leland
G. C. Evans } Aldermen
Thos. North }

} Common Council

Drogheda Saturday 29th Sept. 1838

Michaelmas day

This Day being the Feast of Saint Michael the Archangel the Swearing in of the Mayor and Sheriffs took place at the Tholsel after having attended Divine Service at Saint Peters Church

Swearing in of Thomas North Edgr Mayor. and Ralph Smith and Thomas Brodigan Edgrs Sheriffs

The Town Clerk having produced to Henry Smith Edgre Mayor the approbation of their Excellencies the Lords Justices General and General Governors of Ireland Dated at Dublin Castle 31st May 1838 approving of Thomas North Edgre to be Mayor and Ralph Smith and Thomas Brodigan Edgrs to be Sheriffs and same having been read aloud in open Court by the Town Clerk

The said Thomas North was thereupon accordingly sworn and took the oaths prescribed by the act of the 10th year of the reign of George the 4th Chapt 7. and also took the oaths appertaining to the office of Mayor and Justice of the Peace

And the said Ralph Smith and Thomas Brodigan were also respectively Sworn and took the oaths prescribed by the said Statute of the 10th George 4 and also Severally took the oath appertaining to the office of Sheriff

Drogheda 2nd Oct. 1838

Robert D. Delapp Sworn Freeman

This day Robert Doster Delapp of Monasterboice in the County of South Edgre was Sworn a Freeman of this Corporation before Henry Blackrow Fairclough Edgre Charter Justice pursuant to his admission in right of Marriage on the 7th day of April 1837

Same Day

Mich.l E. Smith Sworn Freeman

Michael Edward Smith of Anne Brook in the County of Meath Edgre first Son of Henry Smith of the same place Edgre was Sworn a Freeman of this Corporation before Henry Blackrow Fairclough Edgre Charter Justice pursuant to his admission by Birth on the 14th July 1837

Quar. Post assembly 5th October 1838

At a Quarterly post assembly held before Thomas North Edgre Mayor the Sheriffs and Aldermen being present on Friday the 5th day of October 1838

Petition of Robert Hardman for Freedom

The petition of Robert Hardman of the Town of Drogheda Edgre second son of Townley Blackwood Hardman of Drogheda Alderman for his Freedom of this Corpn

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Referred

by Birth being presented and read the same was referred to the next General Quarly assembly on the Motion of Alderman Skegog seconded by Alderman Anderson

Petn of Willm Simpson

The petition of William Simpson of Mallock Lodge in the County of Meath Gentleman 3rd Son of William Simpson late of the same place deceased for his Freedom of this Corporation by Birth being presented and read the same was

Referred

likewise referred to the next General Quarterly assembly on being moved and seconded by the before named Aldermen

Petn of Henry Moore

The petition of Henry Moore of the Town of Drogheda plumber fourth son of Josiah Moore of Killineer in the County of the Town of Drogheda for his Freedom of this Corporation by Birth being presented and read the same

Referred

was likewise referred to the next General Quarterly assembly on being moved and seconded by the before named Alderman

Petn of Willm Moore

The petition of William Moore of Killineer in the County of the Town of Drogheda Farmer 3rd Son of Josiah Moore of the same place for his Freedom of this Corporation by Birth being presented and read the same was

Referred

likewise referred to the next General Quarterly assembly on being moved and seconded by the before named Aldermen

Petn of Thomas Warren

The petition of Thomas Warren of the Town of Drogheda painter and Glazier for his Freedom of this Corporation in right of Marriage with Mary Reilly one of the Daughters of the late John Reilly who was a Freeman at the time of her

Referred

Birth being presented and read the same was likewise referred to the next General Quarterly assembly on being moved and seconded by the before named Aldermen

Petn of Edward Reay

The petition of Edward Reay of Drogheda Gentleman for his Freedom of this Corporation in right of Marriage with Allen Daughter of the late John Allen who was a Free Member at the time of her Birth being presented and read the same was likewise

Referred

referred to the next General Quarterly assembly on being moved and seconded by the before named Aldermen

Petn of Alfred Cowdroy

The petition of Alfred Cowdroy of Mallifont Abbey Mills near Drogheda Merchant for his Freedom of this Corporation by special favor being presented and read the same was referred to the

Referred

next General Quarterly Assembly on the Motion of Alderman Skegog seconded by Alderman Evans

There was not any other business for the Consideration of the Assembly

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General Dua Assembly 5th Octr 1838.

At a General Quarterly Assembly of the Corporation held before the said Mayor and Mr Sheriff Smith the Aldermen and Common Council being present on Friday the 5th day of Octr 1838

Reading of past proceedings dispensed with

The proceedings of the past year having been read and Compared on the 28th of September last the reading of the proceedings of the last Assembly was dispensed with

Mayor of the Staple

Alderman Henry Smith late Mayor is elected Mayor of the Staple for the ensuing year and sworn and likewise took the Oath of Justice of the peace and is elected Master of the Guild of Merchants

Common Council

Thomas Timothy Fogarty and William Hodgers Esquires are elected Common Council Men

Coroners

The said Thomas Timothy Fogarty and William Hodgers are elected Coroners for the ensuing year and are also elected Constables of the Staple

Wardens

Messrs William Henry Skegog and James Medlicott the late Coroners are elected Wardens of the Guild of Merchants for the ensuing year

Officers of Sword Mace and Marshall

The officers of Sword Mace and Marshall are re-elected and to Continue during the pleasure of this Corporation

Treasurer

Alderman Ralph Smith is elected Treasurer for the ensuing year

Robert Hardman admitted Freeman

The petition of Robert Hardman Esqre 2nd son of Townley Blackwood Hardman of the Town of Drogheda Alderman for his Freedom of this Corporation by Birth being read. It was moved by Alderman Robert Pentland seconded by Alderman Anderson that the prayer of the Petition be granted and the question thereon having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to and he was thereupon admitted to his Freedom of this Corporation on the usual terms

William Simpson admitted Freeman

The petition of William Simpson of Mallock Lodge in the County of Meath Gentleman third son of William Simpson late of the same place deceased for his Freedom of this Corporation by Birth being read. It was moved by Alderman Robert Pentland seconded by Alderman John Ackland that the prayer of the petition be granted and the Question thereon having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to and he was thereupon admitted to his Freedom of this Corporation on the usual terms

Henry Moore admitted Freeman

The petition of Henry Moore of the Town of Drogheda Plumber fourth Son of Josiah Moore of Killineer for his Freedom of this Corporation by Birth being read. It was moved by Mr Thompson seconded by Mr Atkinson that the prayer of the petition

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Petition be granted and the question thereon having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to and he was thereupon admitted to his Freedom of this Corporation on the usual terms

William Moore admitted Freeman

The petition of William Moore of Killineer Farmer third Son of Isaiah Moore of the same place for his Freedom of this Corporation by Birth being read. It was moved by Mr Thompson seconded by Mr Atkinson that the prayer of the Petition be granted and the question thereon having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to and he was thereupon admitted to his Freedom of this Corporation on the usual Terms

Thomas Warren admitted Freeman

The petition of Thomas Warren of the Town of Drogheda Painter and Glazier for his Freedom of this Corporation in right of his Marriage with Mary Reilly one of the Daughters of the late John Reilly being read. It was moved by Mr Garvey seconded by Mr Samuel Wisdom that the prayer of the Petition be granted and the Question thereon having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to and he was thereupon admitted to his Freedom of this Corporation on the usual terms

Edward Reay admitted freeman

The petition of Edward Reay of the Town of Drogheda Gentleman for his Freedom of this Corporation in right of his Marriage with Margaret Allen Daughter of the late John Allen being read. It was moved by Alderman Robert Pentland seconded by Mr Bagnall that the prayer of the petition be granted and the question thereon having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to and he was thereupon admitted to his Freedom of this Corporation on the usual terms

Petition of Alfred Cowdray Referred to next Gen Qua Assembly

The petition of Alfred Cowdray of Millford Abbey Mills near Drogheda Merchant for his Freedom of this Corporation by special favor being read. It was moved by Mr Darley seconded by Alderman Shegog that the further Consideration of the petition be referred to the next General Quarterly Assembly and the question thereon having been put from the Chair the same was agreed to with one dissentient

Cranes be set up to Auction

Ordered. That the Cranes be set up to Public Auction for one year to Commence from the 26th Instant and that it be stated in the advertizements in the papers that the Rate of the Charges to be made for Cranage and Weighing would be lodged at the Thobel office

Gate Customs set up to auction

ordered That the pontage and Gate Customs be set up to auction for one year to Commence from the 28th Instant and that it be stated in the advertizements that pontage is the only Collection which will be allowed to be made at the Bridge

William Murray and Robert Wm Hackett Sworn Aldermen

The usual Security to be entered into by the respective parties who are declared Tenants to the Cranes and Gate Customs

Alderman William Murray and Robert Dale Hackett were severally Sworn and respectively took the oath of an Alderman

Treasurers account

The Treasurers account of receipts and expenditures Commencing 13th July and ending the 5th October instant was laid before the Assembly for examination by which it appeared there was a Balance in his hands amounting to £93.11.4½

and the amount of arrears returned due by the Tenants named therein at Easter 1837 amount to 604.17.3

Further arrears

Representatives of Wm Kilgate whose Lease expired at Easter 1833 £3.17½ £3.1.7½

Denis Read do 6.17.7½ 10.1.3½

Abs old arrears due by Tenants whose Leases have long since expired amounting to £241.16.4½

The receipts for the foregoing quarter as per account amounted to £138.18.11½

and the payments within the said period amounted to 104.5.7

Notice Motion Aldm Shegog

Alderman Shegog gives notice that he will at the next General Quarterly Assembly move that the Collection of Tolls and Customs shall Cease and be given up from and after the 26th day of October 1839

Notice Alderman Smith

Alderman Henry Smith gives Notice that he will at the next Quarterly Assembly move that the sum of £30 which was heretofore given to the Bellewstown Races be in future granted to the Trustees be granted to the Trustees of the Drogheda Planting Society

Petition of Edward Latimer for Relief

The petition of Edward Latimer Freeman being read by which it appeared he was a Freeman for upwards of 35 years and now aged 65 and that from defection of sight and from an affection in the head he was unable to Work at his Trade and petitioner therefore prayed for a small yearly pension for his future support

£3 granted

Ordered. Upon the Motion of Alderman Hardman which was seconded by Alderman Robert Pentland that the Treasurer do pay to petitioner for his immediate use the sum of £3. and that the accounts of the Treasurer of the Commons fund be examined to ascertain the amount of the funds now applicable in order that petitioner may be relieved thereout

Petition of Mary Latimer

The petition of Mary Latimer Widow being read by which it appeared that Petitioner was the Widow of William Latimer who was a Freeman and now dead about 4 years and being

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in great distress without Daughters unprovided for petitioner prayed for admission into St. Johns poor house in which there was a Vacancy

Petn of Charlotte Ruxton praying admn into poor House

The petition of Charlotte Ruxton was also read who is a Daughter of Mathew Ruxton who was for many years one of the Council and pet.r being afflicted from Childhood with Lameness and rendered incapable of earning her Bread and therefore prayed for admission into the poor house

Petn of Margaret Warren

The petition of Margaret Warren widow being read mentioning that she was the widow of the late John Warren Town Serjeant and that from delicate health and pecuniary Want she was unable to support herself and two Female Children and therefore prayed for admission to the present Vacancy

Mary Latimer admitted

The prayers of the foregoing Several petitions being brought to the Consideration of the assembly. It was moved by Alderman Hanrahan that Mary Latimer being the widow of a deceased Freeman and as such having a prior right to the other applicants that she be admitted to fill the present Vacancy. and said Motion being seconded by Alderman William Fairclough the Question thereon was put from the Chair and the same was unanimously agreed to

Charlotte Ruxton granted £2.

As regards Charlotte Ruxton. It is ordered that the Treasurer do pay to her the Sum of £2 to relieve her present Wants and the further Consideration of her petition for relief is postponed till the State of the Commons Funds is ascertained

The petition of Margaret Warren was not moved on

Petition of Walter Robinson

The petition of Walter Robinson being read stating that petitioner was a Freeman since 1758 and being nearly 80 years old was unable to Work and prayed for some annual relief from the Commons Fund. It is ordered that the Consideration thereof be referred to the next General Assembly and that in the interim enquiry should be made and the State of the Funds ascertained

Referred

Petition of Proprietors of Drogheda Conservative Journal for support

The petition of the Proprietors of the Drogheda Conservative Journal signed on their behalf by Mr. Samuel Weedon being read stating they had established a Loyal publication in the Town for the protection support and defence of the protestant Institutions of the Country and Confidently appealing for encouragement referring to the situation of Protestant affairs previously to the encouragement of their paper. the Established Church assailed and its Ministers reviled. the Corporation stigmatised as oppressors and thinking the Spirit of Protestanism overpowered Calumny was unresisted dicted and found a ready and Convenient Vehicle in the supposed protestant

Protestant Spirit of the Town and then Contrasting the present State of things and that the Protestants were no longer without a Journal able and willing to defend their Rights and Characters against all oppressors. petitioners alleged an exclusive System was pursued towards them for advocating their principles Referring to the particular Circumstances therein Stated and assuming that they had a Claim upon the Corporation they proposed to execute the printing of the Corporation and publish their advertizements for the Sum of Thirty Pounds per annum. Mr. Darbey moved that the prayer of the foregoing petition do receive the favorable Consideration of the assembly and the same having been seconded by Mr. Bagnall the Mayor was about to put the Question from the Chair when Alderman Evans requested a reference to the result of a Motion made on a Similar occasion on the 14th July 1837. whereby his right as Printer to the Corporation was fully recognized and thereby Confirmed and having under such Circumstances submitted that entertaining the prayer of the petition would be an interference with his appointment the further Consideration thereof was abandoned. And it was then ordered on the Motion of Mr. Atkinson Seconded by Alderman Anderson with a View to the encouragement of the Conservative publication that in future the Several advertizements published by the Corporation in the Drogheda Journal be also published in the Drogheda Conservative Journal and that the Treasurer be authorised to pay the accounts for same when they shall have passed the Examination of the Committee of accounts

ordered that the Several advertizements in the Drogheda Journal be also published in the Drogheda Conservative Journal

Notice of Motion Alder. H.B. Fairclough

Alderman H.B. Fairclough gives notice that he will at the next Quarterly assembly move that the Treasurer be directed to allow to the Several Tenants the benefit of the £25 per Cent given under the late Act to the Corporation as the persons having the first Estate in the Lands

Petition of Members of the Drogheda Mechanics Institute for the use of premises formerly used as a Tenement

The petition of the Members of the Drogheda Mechanics Institute signed on their behalf by his late Worship Henry Smith Esqre being read stating the object of the Institution to the improvement of the Mechanics Apprentices and of the lower Class of well disposed persons in Drogheda. that the Members were in want of a suitable place of Meeting and Lecturing and the Building heretofore occupied as a Tenement being now vacant they prayed the Corporation to place same at the disposal of the Directors of the Mechanics Institute on Terms to be approved of and it being moved by Mr. Darbey that the prayer of the petition be granted which being seconded by Alderman Robert Portland and the Matter having undergone discussion It was ordered that the house used as the Tenement Asylum with the Area in front be allowed to the use of the Members of the Mechanics Institute for one year. Alderman Henry Smith hereby undertaking in his place to surrender the possession thereof at the termination

Granted to Alderm.n Henry Smith for one year a portion of &c.

of

of the year if required and he hereby becomes Tenant for Same for said period at a rent of six pence

Bridge Committee produced plans of Bridge.

The Bridge Committee having produced to the assembly the two plans for the new Bridge of which they had approved It was ordered that the Treasurer do pay the first premium to Mr. John Mr. John Morris and the second premium to Mr. Thomas Hammond. and it is requested that the Bridge Committee do examine the Minutes of Assembly and the different resolutions which have been entered into in reference to the Building of a Bridge previously to 1836 and that they do report the purport of same and the suggestions from time to time which were recommended for raising funds for that purpose, with a View to that the Law agent should prepare a Case to be submitted to Mr. Pemberton and the Recorder to ascertain whether notwithstanding the act of the 1st & 2nd Victoria Chap 103 Security could be given on the Corporate Estate for the amount of the required Loan

Treasurer to pay Mr John Morris first prem.m and Mr. Hammond Second premium

Thanks Voted to the late Mayor

The Thanks of the Corporation are unanimously voted to the late Mayor for the efficient discharge of the duties of his office for the past year

Assembly adjourned to 26th instant

The assembly is adjourned to the 26th instant and to be then further adjourned if necessary

Drogheda 4th Oct.r 1838

William Thomas Smith sworn Freeman

This day William Thomas Smith of Annesbrook in the County of Meath Son of Henry Smith of the same place Esqr was Sworn a Freeman of this Corporation before Patrick Tomas Esqre J.P. pursuant to his admission by Birth on the 14th July 1837

Drogheda 13th Oct.r 1838

Edward Reay sworn Freeman

This Day Edward Reay of the Town of Drogheda Gentleman was Sworn a Freeman of this Corporation before Thomas North Esqre Mayor pursuant to his admission in right of his Marriage 5th October 1838

Drogheda 20th Oct.r 1838

Thomas Warren sworn Freeman

This day Thomas Warren of the Town of Drogheda painter and Glazier was Sworn a Freeman of this Corporation before Thomas North Esqre Mayor pursuant to his admission in right of Marriage on the 5th day of October 1838

22nd October 1838

Robert Hardman sworn Freeman

This day Robert Hardman of Drogheda second Son of Alderman Townley Blackwood Hardman was Sworn a Freeman of this Corporation before Henry Blacker Fairclough Esqre Chief Justice pursuant to his admission by Birth on the 5th day of October 1838

Adjournment of Assembly 26th Oct.r 1838.

At an adjournment of the last Quarterly assembly held this 26th day of October 1838 held before the said Mayor and Mr. Sheriff Brodigan the Aldermen and Common Council being present

Accounts passed

The following accounts having passed the Committee of accounts on the 26th instant were laid by their Secretary before the assembly for Examination and being enquired into were ordered to be paid Viz

Mr.	Charles P. Collins Stationary from Michaelmas 1837 to Michaelmas 1838	11	5	9
2	Austin Nichols Sundry Works from 29th Dec.r 1837 and 1/2 years Salary & allowance for taking Care of the Town pumps from January 1837 to July 1838	37	6	6½
3	Charles J.t Barry the 2.d Years for Roller	..	12	0
4	Peter Verdon Repairs for Town Clock	1	1	10
5	Thomas Warren. Glazing and Brushes in Town Clerks office	8	17	7
6	Thomas Warren painting and Repairing Windows &c in Thos and Mayoralty House 5th October 1838	12	10	0
7	James Davis. Town Serjeants Clothing Sept.r 1838	5.5	8	7
8	Mess.rs Codd and Stanage Service of Ejectment at Mandeford's Alley and other places	9	14	6
	£	136.	18	4½

Alder.n Henry Smith brings to the Notice of the Assembly Certain supposed encroachments

Alderman Henry Smith being, by the Notice of the assembly Certain Ornaments Now in progress of Building without Dundays Gate upon the opening commonly Called Butchers Lane, the Cattle Fair Green and Such being in his opinion an encroachment upon the public right and way he requested attention would be given to the Subject. Whereupon Alderman Henry B. Fairclough stated that the buildings referred to were made by and under his Sanction and that the ground was held by him under Lease and Counted enquiry with his right Suggesting that previously to any proceeding being taken a Committee should be appointed to investigate the matter and that they might at the same time extend the enquiry as to whether or not a Space which was ordered to be left open upon the South Marsh for a Street or passage to the River was not built upon, and that they should also enquire and report upon Such other supposed encroachments as had been made upon Corporate property and the Subject having undergone discussion in which it was relied upon that the Title of a Lessee would not bar the public right against the assumed Title of a

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Committee to enquire if such be the Case and report thereon

a Sessor. It was ordered upon Alderman Fairlough's proposition being seconded by Alderman Henry Smith that a Committee to Consist of the Mayor Alderman Gleckland & Mr Sheriff Brodigan Aldermen Evans and Robert Pentland do make the necessary investigation and enquiry into the several matters above Stated and Report their opinion thereon three of the said Committee to be a Sufficient Number at any Meeting

Commons Funds account

The agent and Treasurer of the Commons Fund Submitted his account of the rents due up to the 25th of March last and the application of the receipts thereof the yearly rental amounted to ——— £384 9 2½

The Sum accounted for as received amounted to ——— 384 5 4

The payments and disbursements amounted to ——— 419. 9. 1¾

Balance arrears available Fund

Leaving a Balance due to the Treasurer of ——— 35. 0. 9¾

The arrears returned due by the Tenants to March 1838 amounted to ——— 368 19 1

The available fund of this charity as returned amounts to yearly ——— £23. 5. 0

Thus by the death of Jane Jones ——— £10. 0. 0

By the Marriage of Mrs Clavendon ——— 10. 0. 0

By the death of one of the Miss Collins ——— 3 5. 0

£23. 5. 0

Account of Proctor of Poor of Saint Johns

The accounts of the Proctor of the Funds of the poor of Saint John up to the 29th September 1837 inclusive were also submitted for examination. The yearly rental of this Charity amounts to ——— £247. 16. 10½

The Sum accounted for as received amounted to ——— 613. 10. 9

payments Balance Arrears

The payments and disbursements amounted to ——— 561 0 7

Leaving a Balance due by the Proctor on foot of the acct of — 52 10 2

The arrears returned due at Sept 1837 amt to £111. 11. 3½

Alderman Henry Smith moves that his Worship the Mayor be authorised to give the use of the Heraldry Room to the Deputation which waited upon him for the purpose of entertaining therein at Dinner Sir William Somerville Bart M.P. and said Motion being seconded by Alderman Robert Pentland the Question thereon was about to be put from the Chair when Mr Wisdom objected to the Motion urging that the permission by the Corporation would be Considered as a Sanction and approval by them of the political Conduct of Sir William Somerville and questioned the Consistency of entertaining the Question, there not being a Council and having required the assembly to be Counted and there appearing upon a Scrutiny to be but 10 Council present the meeting was thereupon declared by the Mayor to be dissolved

Alderman Henry Smith's Motion to give the Mayoralty Room to entertain Sir Wm Somerville Bart M.P.

objected to

assembly dissolved

Drogheda

Drogheda 29th Octr 1838

Thos T. Fogarty Sworn Coroner

This day Thomas Timothy Fogarty who was elected Coroner at the last General Quarterly Assembly was Sworn before his Worship the Mayor and took the oath of office

Quarterly Assembly 18th January 1839

At a Quarterly post assembly held before Thomas North Esqre Mayor Mr Sheriff Smith and the aldermen being present on Friday the 18th January 1839

Petition of Thomas S. Murphy Freedom Referred

The petition of Thomas Shephard Murphy of Collon in the County of Louth Surgeon for his Freedom of this Corporation by Servitude as an apprentice to Surgeon Pentland being presented and read the Same was referred for Consideration to the General Quarterly Assembly and it was ordered on the Motion of Alderman Gleckland Seconded by Alderman Fairlough that Petitioners Indenture of apprentice ship be then produced for examination

There was not any other business for Consideration of the assembly

Gen Qua Assembly 15th Jan 1839

At a General Quarterly assembly of the said Corporation held before the Right Worshipful Mayor and Mr Sheriff Smith the Aldermen and Common Council being present on Friday the 15th of Jan 1839

Thomas D. Fogarty Sworn Common Council Grand Dept Assembly to 15th Febry & 15th March

Thomas D. Fogarty Esqre took the oath of a Common Council man and his seat at the Board accordingly

Ordered. That this assembly at its rising do Stand adjourned to the 15th February and 15th March next

Petition of Alfred Cowdrey Admitted Freeman

The Petition of Alfred Cowdrey Merchant for his Freedom by Special favor which was referred for further Consideration from the last General Quarterly assembly being now read It was moved by Alderman Shegog Seconded by Mr Darbey that same be granted and the Question thereon having been about to be put from the Chair the Same was unanimously agreed to and he was thereupon admitted to his Freedom of this Corporation by Special favor on the usual terms

Petition of Thomas Shephard Murphy Admitted Freeman

The petition of Thomas Shephard Murphy for his Freedom by Servitude which was referred from the post assembly being read and it appearing upon enquiry that his Indenture of apprenticeship Could not be produced the Same having been according to Custom lodged in the Royal College of Surgeons It was moved by Alderman Shegog and Seconded by Mr Reardon that the Freedom of the Corporation be granted to petitioner as prayed and

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and the question thereon being about to be put from the Chair. It was moved as an amendment by Alderman Gackland Seconded by Mr. Garvey that the right Claimed be referred to a Committee to enquire and report whether the apprenticeship served by Petitioner being only 5 years would entitle him to the right Claimed the accustomed term hitherto recognised by the Corporation being for a Term of 7 years and such amendment being objected to a Ballot was demanded upon the Motion that the freedom be granted and upon a Scrutiny there appeared for the Motion, and for granting the Freedom 16 11. B.
and against being granted 10 B. B.
and the Motion being thus Carried in the affirmative, petitioner was thereupon admitted to his Freedom on the usual Terms

Petition of Walter Robinson for relief

granted an annuity of £6 out of the Commons fund

The petition of Walter Robinson being read stating that he was a Freeman by Service 1783 and being nearly 70 years of age he was unable to Work sufficiently to earn a livelihood and praying to be placed as a Pensioner on the Commons Fund for some annual relief. It was moved by Mr. Bagnall Seconded by Mr. Samuel Wisdom that Petitioner be granted an annual pension of £10 out of the Commons Fund and Alderman H. B. Fairbrough having objected to the amount he moved as an amendment that the annual sum of £6 upon which the original Motion was Withdrawn and the amendment unanimously agreed to, whereby Petitioner was ordered to be placed on the Commons Fund as a pensioner for the annual amount of £6 to Commence from 29th September last.

Petition of Charlotte Ruxton for Relief

granted an annuity of £6 out of Commons fund

The petition of Charlotte Ruxton Spinster being read stating that she was a member of the Church of England Daughter of the late Mathew Ruxton who was a Freeman by and Grand Daughter of Thomas Ruxton deceased who had been one of the Common Council. That Petitioner was without friends and by reason of Lameness with which she was afflicted at a very early period she was unable to support herself and for that reason prayed to be placed on the Commons fund

Ordered. That petitioner be granted an annual pension from the Commons fund of £6 to Commence

Petition of John Cook for Relief

Treasurer to pay him £2.

The petition of John Cooke of the Parish of Saint Mary Weaver being read stating that he was a Protestant and at present in such distressed Circumstances with a Wife and four helpless Children as to be unable to make the necessary repairs to his House which had been much injured by the late Storm and therefore sought for assistance It is ordered on the Motion of Alderman H. B. Blacker Fairbrough Seconded by Alderman Hardiman that the Treasurer pay to Petitioner the sum of £2. to assist in repairing his house

After

Memorial of Henry Fairbrough for Relief

Treasurer to pay Memorialist £20.

The memorial of Henry Fairbrough of the City of Dublin Gentleman being read whereby it appeared that memorialist was the son of John Fairbrough deceased who had been a Sheriffs Peer and had died in distressed Circumstances. That memorialist had previous by to his Fathers death been apprenticed to an Apothecary and having served his apprenticeship he has since maintained himself by engagements in the Metropolis and has endeavoured to avail himself of all means within his reach to acquire a Knowledge of his profession but that he was unable by reason of his Circumstances to renew the necessary expenses of attending Lectures his individual means though limited being partly appropriated for the support of his Sisters and for those reasons Memorialist seeks assistance to accomplish his object.

Ordered. upon the Motion of Alderman Hardiman Seconded by Mr. George Richard Clarke that the Treasurer do pay to Memorialist the Sum of £20 to be applied for the Purposes and for the attainment of the object stated in his memorial

Petition of Ralph Smyth for a new Lease of premises at the yearly rent of £3. 7. 6 instead of £10. 15. 0 formerly Charged in the Lease which he now prays to be Cancelled

Town Clerk to make out new Lease at the yearly rent of £3. 7. 6.

The petition of Ralph Smyth Alderman being read by which it appeared that by Lease of 1760 Certain premises were demised to the late George Nicholas Smyth at the yearly rent of £16. 2. 6 and £91. 7. 6 Pine late Currency and by order of Assembly of the 17th January 1817 the then Lessee with other Tenants were allowed to fine down one Quarter of their rent to set 10 years from which fine be paid and by a further order of Assembly of 17th January 1823 the said George Nicholas Smith with other Tenants were allowed to Fine down one other Quarter at the same rate that the said George Nicholas Smith shortly afterwards died and his interest vested in Memorialist who Complied with the last mentioned order and paid the requisite fine thereby reducing the yearly rent of £3. 7. 6 late Currency and by order of Assembly of 17th July 1835 the several Tenants who had fined down their rents having been allowed to take out new Leases at the reduced rents petitioner procured a new Lease accordingly which passed the Corporate Seal and by which he is erroneously Charged with the yearly rent of £10. 15. 0 instead of £3. 7. 6 having omitted to inform the Town Clerk of the Fine paid in 1817 and from which no benefit was derived, and therefore prayed that the Town Clerk might be directed to prepare a further Lease at petitioners expense at said reduced rent of £3. 7. 6 late Currency and that the Lease so erroneously executed may be Cancelled.

Ordered. Upon the Motion of Alderman Hardiman Seconded by Alderman Henry Blacker Fairbrough that the prayer of the Petition be granted and that the Town Clerk be directed to make out new Leases accordingly and that the error stated be Notified in the White Parchment Book

Ordered

Renewal of Palace St ground. Referred to Auditors & Viewers

Ordered. That the Subject of a Renewal of the Palace Street ground which is held by Lease from the Representatives of the late alderm. William Holmes under a Duties Duties Covenant for renewal be referred for Consideration to the Auditors & Viewers and that they Confer with the Law agent respecting same and if a renewal be necessary that same may be renewed and that the Treasurer do pay the renewal Fines with interest which are due together with the Costs of procuring such renewal

Adjournt Qua Assembly 15th February 1839

At an adjournment of the last Quarterly assembly held this 15th day of February 1839 before the said Mayor and Mr. Sheriff Smith the aldermen and Common Council being present

Treasurer to give £30 to the Drogheda Meath & South Farming Society

Ordered. Upon the Motion of Alderman Henry Smith Seconded by alderman Evans that the Sum of £30 be given to assist in encouraging and promoting the Drogheda Meath and South farming Society which has been formed and that the Treasurer do pay same to their proper officer

Old Timber of Market house to be Sold

Ordered That the old Timber of the Market house which is now under repair be Sold by Public Auction on Saturday the 23rd instant

Memorial of Thomas Grendon Respecting the opening at the Iron Foundry and Engineering Establishment to the River

The memorial of Thomas Grendon Esqre one of the Sheriffs Peers being read whereby it appeared that memorialist in Conjunction with other Capitalists had Established an Iron Engineering and Metal Trade upon premises on the South side of the River Called the old Hall Works where a Considerable Sum has been Expended and Stating that a passage or public way leading to an opening of the River adjoining their Concerns formerly used as a Watering place has fallen into disuse and was now a Nuisance from the accumulation of filth and manure and being the resort of persons of dissolute Character and requesting that to prevent such Nuisance direction would be given to build a Wall across at the entrance Gate at their Concerns or that the matter might be referred to the Auditors and Viewers to place a Valuation thereon which he and his Copartners if Reasonable would pay

Referred to Auditors & Viewers

Ordered. Upon the motion of Mr. Saml. Wisdom Seconded by Mr. Samuel Crawford that the Matter of the foregoing memorial be referred to the Consideration of the auditors & Viewers who will report thereon

Committee to prepare petitions to both Houses of Parliament against Irish Municipal Corpn. Bill

It is resolved upon the Motion of Alderman Henry Thacker Pairtlough seconded by Alderman Hugo. That this Corporation do forward petitions to both Houses of Parliament against the Municipal Reform Bill which has been introduced and that Alderman John Hugo Henry Thacker Pairtlough Towley Hardman Graves Ackland Saint George Smith and John Ackland together with Patk. Darbey Samuel Wisdom and Thomas Timothy Fogarty do form a Committee for the foregoing purpose five of whom to be a Quorum and when said petitions are prepared that the Town Clerk under the directions of the Committee do affix thereto the Common Seal and forward same for presentation

Auditors & Viewers to ascertain whether the passage at present in possession of Mr. Jas. Wood belongs to the Corporation

Ordered. Upon the Motion of Thomas Timothy Fogarty Esqre Seconded by alderman Evans that it be referred to the Auditors & Viewers to ascertain whether the passage at present in possession of Mr. James Wood the elder Victualler between his Salt house and the property of the Representatives of the late William Blacker Hamlin and Leading from Dyer street to the River Boyne belongs to the Corporation if so that measures be taken to have it opened for public accommodation

Motion of Saml. Wisdom that £3 be paid Walter Robinson Objected to.

Moved by Samuel Wisdom Seconded by Mr. Henry Bagnall that the Treasurer of the Corporation be ordered to pay Walter Robinson a Sum of £3 to relieve him in his present necessitous Circumstances which on discussion was objected to and a ballot demanded but previously to entering upon same Alderman William Pairtlough required that the house be Counted and there not appearing to be a Sufficient Number of Common Council to Constitute an assembly the same was Counted out

House Counted out

Wednesday 6th March 1839

Petition as prepared by Committee against Irish Municipal Reform Bill Read and agreed to

This day Alderman Hardman John Ackland and Graves Ackland with Messrs. Darbey and Samuel Wisdom being a Sufficient Number of the Committee appointed at the last adjourned Assembly to prepare petitions to both Houses of Parliament against the Irish Municipal Reform Bill now pending met when the Draft of a petition which had been previously considered by a Majority of the Committee was submitted for adoption and Alderman Hardman having been requested to take the Chair, the same was read and unanimously agreed to, and it was then ordered that the same be entered in the assembly Book and that the Engrossment thereof be forwarded by the Town Clerk to Mr. Serjeant Jackson for presentation to the House of Commons and it was further ordered that the petition to the House of Lords be transmitted to The Right Honble Lord Fitz Gerald and Vesey and that the Right Honble the Earl of Roden be respectfully requested to support same

Petition to the House of Commons

The following is a Copy of the petition to the House of Commons

"To The Right Honorable and Honorable the Knights Citizens and Burgesses of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland in Parliament Assembled"

The

"The petition of the Mayor Sheriffs Aldermen and
Common Council of the County of the Town of Drogheda

"Sheweth

"That petitioners again observe with much Concern the introduction into your Honorable House of a Bill for the Reform of Municipal Corporations in Ireland by which it is proposed to deprive petitioners of property rights and privileges in the possession of which they and their Ancestors have been for Centuries. That Petitioners under such Circumstances feel Called upon to renew the expression of their strongest dissent and opposition to the adoption of such measure being Calculated not only to injure their peculiar rights but to lead to Consequences most disastrous to the Country at large"

"That petitioners submit to your Honorable House that the Irish Corporations were originally established for preserving the Connexion between Great Britain and Ireland and for encouraging and protecting the Spread of Protestantism in this Country to which purposes they have been hitherto eminently serviceable and at no period of time have these objects required their support more than at the present moment when the Union so happily established between these Countries is openly denounced and Church despoiled of her property and all other Protestant Establishments threatened with utter destruction"

"Petitioners Conscientiously believe that should this Bill become Law the effect will be to transfer from the Protestant to the Roman Catholic portion of the Community all the powers and privileges hitherto exercised by the former and it Cannot be doubted from the use which has been made of each and every Concession granted to the Roman Catholics that the Municipal Corporations would in their hands be Converted to the worst purposes and become Nurseries for the overthrow of the Established Church and finally for the dismemberment of the Empire"

"Petitioners beg most respectfully to Complain of the unfair Construction which to their prejudice has been put on the offer formerly made by them to relinquish their Corporate rights and privileges which in point of fact was but a Choice of two evils at that time presenting themselves to their View and not as has been alleged arising from a Consciousness on their part of Corruption or of a departure from the principles and purposes for which the purposes were originally granted and petitioners Confidently hope your Honorable House will not upon the report of the Commissioners of Corporate enquiry unsupported by Evidence adopt a measure fraught with danger to British Connexion which the proposed Bill in the hands of your Petitioners is Calculated to realize"

"Petitioners also observe with regret that Statements have been made in your Honorable House on the introduction of the present measure which have been permitted to pass without Contradiction that the Conduct of the Corporations and the management of the trusts Committed to their Charge have been and are attended with such abuses and Corrupt practices as to Justify and require the proposed Change and Reform which Charges your petitioners do for as respects themselves most positively deny and Confident by Court Examination and enquiry previously to any Judicial decision being made by your Honorable House will permit them to be heard by Counsel at your Bar against Charges not Warrantable by evidence and as they respectfully Submit resulting from a biassed and prejudiced source.

Examined by
Joseph Holmes Town Clk

And they will pray
In Testimony whereof we
Seal

Drogheda 6th March 1839

Alfred Cowdroy Sworn Freeman

This day Alfred Cowdroy of Stellifont Abbey Mills in the County of Louth Merchant was Sworn a Freeman of this Corporation before Henry Blacker Pairtlough Esquire Charter Justice pursuant to his admission by special favour the 18th January 1839

Dro. Post Assembly 12th April 1839

At a Quarterly post assembly held before Thomas North Esqre Mayor Mr. Sheriff Smith and the Aldermen being present on Friday the 12th April 1839

There was not any business for the Consideration of the assembly

On Post Assembly 12 April 1839.

At a General Quarterly assembly of the said Corporation held before the said Mayor and Mr. Sheriff Smith the Aldermen and Common Council being present on Friday 12th April 1839

Proceedings of 2 previous assemblies Read.

The proceedings of the two previous assemblies were read

William Rodger Sworn Comn. Council

William Rodger Sworn Coroner

William Rodger Esqre was Sworn a Common Council man and took his Seat at the Board accordingly

The said William Rodger also took the oath of Coroner to which office he was elected at the Quarterly assembly held on the 5th of October last

Alderman Shegog Mayor elect

Alderman Latham Pairtlough proposed that Alderman Shegog be elected Mayor for the ensuing year and such Nomination being seconded by Alderman Henry Smith and the question the same having been put from the Chair Alderman Shegog was thereupon unanimously elected

Saint Geo Smith Jr. proposed as Sheriff

Saint George Smith the younger Esqre a Freeman is proposed by Alderman Haraman to serve the office of Sheriff for the ensuing year which proposition is seconded by Alderman Hoey

Alfred Cowdroy proposed as Sheriff

Alfred Cowdroy Esqre a Freeman is proposed by Mr. Atkinson to be one of the Sheriffs for the ensuing year in which Nominatn he is seconded by Mr. Darley

Frederick Fogarty proposed as Sheriff

Frederick Fogarty Esqre a Freeman is proposed by Alderman Hoey to be one of the Sheriffs for the ensuing year in which Nomination he is seconded by Alderman Latham Fairtlough

Saint George Smith Sheriff elect Ballot

The question on the election of Messrs. Cowdroy and Fogarty having been severally put a Ballott was demanded when there appeared upon a Scrutiny for Mr. Fogarty 26

and for Mr. Cowdroy 5

Frederick Fogarty Sheriff elect

Whereupon Mr. Fogarty was duly declared duly elected by a Majority of 21

To be Certified to Govern.t for approval

Ordered. That the said Election of Alderman Shegog to be Mayor and of Saint George Smith and Frederick Wm. Fogarty Esqrs to be Sheriffs be Certified to Government for approval

Town Clk reads a Notice from the Secretary of the Boyne Comrs. Four Vacancies in that Board to be filled

The Town Clerk Reads a Notice from the Secretary of the Boyne Commissioners

That four Vacancies in that Board are to be filled one occasioned by the death of the late Alderman Edward Fairtlough another upon Mr. John Shegog having been elected Aldn. who had sat at the Board as one of the Common Council the third in place of His Worship who had ex officio sat at the Board and had been previously a member also as one of the Common Council and the fourth on the election of Henry Smith Esqre to be Alderman who had sat therein also as one of the Common Council

Alderm. Henry Smith Elected a Boyne Comrs.

Upon the Motion of Alderman Saint George Smith Seconded by Alderman Haraman Alderman Henry Smith is as such elected to serve as a Boyne Commissioner in the room of the late Alderman Fairtlough

William Rodger elected a Boyne Comrs.

William Rodger Esqre as one of the Common Council is elected to serve as a Boyne Commissioner upon the Motion of Alderman Henry Smith Seconded by Alderman Shegog

George Harpur elected a Boyne Comr.

George Harpur Esqre also as one of the Common Council is elected a Boyne Commissioner upon the Motion of Mr. Atkinson Seconded by Alderman Robert Pentland

Sheriff Smith proposed a Boyne Comr. Withdrawn

Sheriff Smith was then proposed by Francis William Leland Esqre and seconded by Alderman William Fairtlough but this Nomination was withdrawn as until his office of Sheriff of Sheriff was served Mr. Smith did not become a member of the Common Council

Thomas Grenden elected a Boyne Commr.

Thomas Grenden Esqre also one of the Common Council is then elected a Boyne Commissioner upon the Nomination of Alderman Robert Pentland Seconded by Mr. Thompson

Treasurers acct. for one year

The Treasurers account of receipt and disbursements for one year Commencing at Easter 1838 and ending at Easter 1839 was laid before the Assembly for Examination and the particulars thereof including the arrears to Easter 1838 were read aloud

The following were the particulars Comprising said account. The Corporation are Charged therein for the Balance due to the Treasurer at Easter 1838

Hamer D. Dowd one years rent including his rental and account for 16th April 1837	39	18	4
	7	17	5½
Arrears due by Tenants at Easter 1838	1029	3	9½
Disbursements from Easter 1838 to Easter 1839	4365	13	9½
	5442	13	4½

Cr. By arrears due by Tenants at Easter 1837	1097	14	11
One years rent due at Easter and May 1838	2862	18	4½
Gate Customs from July 1838 to April 1839	804	0	0
Cranage for same period	126	7	6
Amount over payment to Mr. Hoveden on account of Sythes		7	6
From Mr. Cairnes difference of one years rent of Haggery park	2	5	10
From Edward Atkinson in full of fine for Lease of Culver house park	75	15	0
Fine from Thomas Fogarty fine for Lease of same place	475	0	0
Fine from Thos. North deprived of fine for Lease of same place	28	15	0
Francis Wm. Leland Fine one rent of Lease No. 1049	32	7	5
Francis Ford for like ——— No. 1052	7	10	0
Same person for like ——— No. 1053	30	0	0
James Greene fine one Lease ——— No. 1056	48	18	8½
	5312	2	3

Leaving a Balance due to the Treasurer of £. 130 - 11 - 1½

Adjournt. to be held 3 and 24th May

Ordered That adjournments of this Assembly be held on Friday the 3rd of May and on Friday the 24th of May next

£30 granted to the Drogheda Meath and South Farming Society

Ordered On the Motion of Alderman Latham Fairtlough Seconded by Mr. Thompson that £30 be granted to assist the funds of the Drogheda Meath and South Farming Society for the ensuing year and the Treasurer is directed to pay same to their proper officer when required

Alderm.

Alderman Henry Smith brings to the Notice of the Assembly the gallant heroic and humane Conduct of Lieutenant Thompson in charge of the Coast Guard at Clogher in having on the 28th of last month under providence with the assistance of the Men under his Command been the means of Rescuing the Captain and Crew of the Ship Minerva of Liverpool which was Wrecked on the North Bull and in Consideration being entertained of the meritorious Services of this officer and his men as well upon the present as upon previous occasions

Freedom Plate with Gold Box presented to Lieutenant Thompson

It was Moved by Alderman Henry Smith Seconded by Alderman Saint George Smith that the Freedom of this Corporation to be accompanied by a Gold Box be presented to Lieutenant Thompson as a Mark of the approbation of this Corporation of the praiseworthy and proper Conduct of that Officer in the Service to which he belongs. And that a Sum of Ten Guineas be handed to Lieutenant Thompson to be distributed by him among the Men who accompanied him upon that occasion and the question upon said Motion being put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed

Account Book prepared by Mr Patrick McKenna

The Treasurer having laid before the Assembly the Account Book which was ordered to be provided at the General Quarterly Assembly held on the 6th October 1837 and which had been prepared by Mr Patrick McKenna who had been employed by the Treasurer for that purpose and which Contains the receipts and application for the last 10 years of the Funds arising from the Pontage and Gate Customs in order that the Paving Committee should have at their disposal the nett proceeds thereof after deducting thereout the public charges to which said fund is properly liable

Treasurer to pay Mr Patrick McKenna for his trouble

Ordered, That the Treasurer do pay to said Patrick McKenna the Sum of £10 for his trouble in the preparation of said account Book

Paving Committee to have foot way made from Corner of James's Street

Ordered, That the Paving Committee have a foot way made from the Corner of James's Street to Saint James's Gate

The several Members Constituting the present Board of Auditors & Viewers are upon the Motion of Alderman Henry Smith Seconded by Mr Darbey with the exception of His Worship the Mayor re-elected Auditors and Viewers for the ensuing year and Mr M'Kinnon is elected to the office in the room and in place of His Worship

Notice Motion Alderman H. Smith

Alderman Henry Smith gives Notice that at the next General Quarterly Assembly he will move that the Sum of £50 be granted towards making the new Street through the Marsh at Saint James's which was approved of and laid out by order of the Corporation and that the Pipe Commissioners be requested to give the use of the Dredge the wages of the Men to be paid from and out of the grant

Memorial of the Inhabitants of the South Marsh Footway made Mead

A Memorial Signed by several Inhabitants who are principally Residents and proprietors of property in the Neighbourhood of the South marsh leading to Saint James's being read Stating that the Road Communicating from the Town to that locality was almost impassible and that a foot way for the Convenience of the Inhabitants was necessary to enable them with safety and Comfort to enjoy that outlet which had now become important from the very extensive buildings and improvements which have been erected and also from the great increase of residents and the urgent necessity of the application and the accuracy of the Circumstances detailed being manifested to the assembly

Paving Committee to have foot way Constructed from James's Street to Saint James's

It was ordered that a Sufficient and Convenient foot way be Constructed under the Superintendance of the Paving Committee to extend from James's Street to Saint James's and in order to assist the Work Alderman Henry Smith and Edward Wilkinson Esqre Members of the Corporation have most Kindly and generously offered the use of their respective Stone quarries wherein the Committee are at liberty to take the necessary supply of Stone

Notice Motion Alde. Henry Smith

Alderman Henry Smith gives Notice that at the next General Quarterly Assembly he will move that a Committee to Consist of the Mayor Sheriffs with Aldermen George William Evans Robert Pentland and George Hoogell and Messrs Darbey William Rodger and Charles Nicholls be appointed to inspect the premises in Lawrence Street in his possession with a View of Considering the practicability of Establishing therein a Public Market for the Sale of Fowl Eggs Butter &c the place at present used at the top of Peter Street being not only unfit for such purpose but the public Comprising the Sellers and Buyers are thereby exposed to the Inclemency of the Weather

Paving Committee to inspect Foot ways on North Road a Return of the Names of persons to whom Renewals had been granted

The Paving Committee are requested to inspect the foot way which was ordered to be Constructed on the North Road and to report whether the order made in reference thereto has been Complied with

Messrs Shaw Sheggog and John Crawford Members of a Committee appointed to ascertain the persons to whom Renewals had been granted in order that a Seating Dinner should be given as usual on such occasions having on the 18th July 1838 Reported that

On the 28th of March 1835 Lease No 654 was renewed to Alderman Wm Pinkerton for the 9th of February 1857. Leases were Renewed to James Porter Esqre and to The Revd Samuel Sandiford on the 7th of February 1837. Francis Wm Leland Esq procured a Renewal. That on the 15th of August 1837 a Renewal was granted to Wm Cairnes Esqre. & on the 15th of August 1837 another Renewal was granted to said Francis William Leland and two Renewals to Alderman Townley Hardman of Tenements at Sundays Gate and the Yellow Water all which said

Renewals

Renewals were subject to the usual Sealing Business fees

Treasurer to Collect the usual Sealing dinner Fees

Ordered. Upon the motion of alderman Gregg seconded by Alderman Latham Fairclough. that the Treasurer do Collect from the before named persons the Fees with which they are Chargeable and that the Mayor do appoint a day in the ensuing month for a Sealing Dinner and if the Fees to be Collected do not produce a fund sufficient for the purpose the deficiency to be paid by the Treasurer of the Corporate Funds

Memorial of the Mechanics Institute for a grant

A Memorial from the members of the Drogheda Mechanics Institute Signed on their behalf by Henry Smith Esqr President being read expressing their grateful thanks for the very liberal grant lately made of the use of the house and premises then occupied by them which evinced a Sincere desire to forward the best interests of the Town by supporting the first Established Institution of the Kind in Drogheda for diffusing Knowledge among the Working Classes of the Community. That a Considerable Sum had been expended in fitting up a Lecture room and other improvements and that means were required for liquidating a debt due for payment of which they hoped for assistance as they were desirous of appropriating the Subscriptions to the purchase of Books He was then moved that a Sum of £25 be granted to the Institution towards the liquidation of the debt incurred which was objected to by Mr. Clarke as Contrary to the Standing orders of the Corporation and upon discussion of the subject. It was ordered that a Sum of £30 be granted to a Committee to Consist of the Mayor Alderman Saint George Smith and John Shegog with Mr. Allison the Same to be applied by them in having the necessary damages Repaired which has been sustained during the late storm by the premises which are the property of the Corporation and the Treasurer is directed to pay said Sum upon the Receipt of the Majority of said Committee

Treasurer to pay £30 to Committee of Mechanics Institute

Memorial of James M Cartney & Others praying that the Reduction

The Memorial of James M Cartney Chief Constable being read Stating his appointment at a yearly Salary of £84. which was reduced on the 29th May 1829 to £60 and upon the 1st of January 1834 Same was again restored to the original Amount. That the effect of such Changes in memorialists Salary was in the aggregate a loss of £98 and upon the 15th of July last memorialist applied upon the Subject he was ordered a Sum of £30 leaving a deduction still of £38 and memorialist therefore hopes that having a large Family to support and having performed his Duty at all times and by his exertions apprehended and Convicted notorious offenders. That the said deductions of his Salary would be restored him

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Motion of Latham Fairclough objected to

Alderman Latham Fairclough then moved which which he was seconded by Mr. James Wisdom that the prayer of the memorial be granted which upon discussion was objected to inasmuch as there was not any balance of Salary due and the reduction of Salary in 1829 was by a General order which affected the Salaries of the other Officers equally with memorialist who had been liberally Considered in July 1836 and as the Question could not be put from the Chair in the form of a grant to memorialist without three months previous notice being given pursuant to the Standing Rules

Notice Motion (Alderman Latham Fairclough

Alderman Latham Fairclough then gave Notice that he would at the next General Quarter Assembly move that a Sum of £38 be granted to James M.Cartney Chief Constable for the Reasons stated in his memorial

Memorial of the Dublin & Drogheda Railway Company

The memorial of the Dublin and Drogheda Railway Company being read Stating that in endeavouring to Carry out the great National work in which they were engaged they had met with unexampled difficulties from various parties adverse to the undertaking notwithstanding which to the Company are prosecuting the work with as much Vigour as their present moderate means will allow. That the very limited period allowed by their act of incorporation for settling all claims of Compensation for Land renders it an imperative duty to effect as much Vigour as their present moderate means will allow thereof by private Contract as possible and memorialists therefore wished that the Corporation would fix as moderate a Value on that part of their estate lying between the Lands of Newtown and the Ballybrigan Road about three acres of plantation measure where the line is intended to pass as might be Consistent with their rights and interests and also that the Corporation would be pleased to give time for payment thereof till the line is Completed

Referred to Auditors & Viewers

Ordered. That the matter of said memorial be referred for Consideration to the Auditors and Viewers to report to the adjournment of this Assembly the Value of that portion of Land which is necessary for the purpose of the line and that the time required by the Company for payment of the Sum to be agreed upon be Complied with

Law agent to Submit a Statement to the Recorder in reference to Security by Debentures for his opinion

Ordered. That the Law agent do Submit a Statement to the Recorder in reference to the Security by Debentures which is issued by the Corporation on affecting loans whether such Debenture Security is sufficiently Satisfactory to any holder thereof not being the Executor or administrator of the original Grantee and should the Recorder be of opinion that the Security is not from its terms assignable and that any proceedings for Recovery must be of necessity in the name of the personal Representative of the original Grantee. It is ordered that all persons in this Circumstance be at liberty to have new Debentures issued immediately to themselves on

Cancelling

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Cancelling the Securities which they hold

Petition to the Lords

"To The Right Honorable and Honorable the Lords Spiritual and Temporal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain & Ireland in Parliament Assembled"

"The petition of the Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses and Commons of the Town and County of the Town of Drogheda"

"Humbly Sheweth

"That petitioners observe with much Concern "that a Bill for the Reform of Municipal Corporations in Ireland has "been again introduced into your Lordships House by which it is proposed "to deprive petitioners of property rights and privileges in the possession of "which they and their Ancestors have been for Centuries. That petitioners "under such Circumstances feel Called upon to renew the expressions of "their Strongest dissent and of opposition to the adoption of such Measure "being Calculated not only to injure their peculiar rights but to lead to "Consequences most disastrous to the Country at large"

"That petitioners submit to your Lordships that "the Irish Corporations were originally Established for preserving the "Connexion between Great Britain and Ireland and for encouraging "and protecting the Spreads of Protestantism in this Country to which "purposes they have been hitherto eminently serviceable and at no period of "time have those objects required support more than at the present moment "when the Union so happily Established between these Countries is openly "denounced our Church despoiled of her property and all other protestant "Establishments threatened with utter destruction"

"Petitioners Conscientiously believe that should this "Bill become Law the effect will be to transfer from the Protestant to the "Roman Catholic portion of the Community all the powers and privileges "hitherto exercised by the former and it cannot be doubted from the use "which has been made of each and every Concession hitherto granted to the "Roman Catholics that the Municipal Corporations will in their hands "be Converted to the worst purposes and become Theatres for the overthrow "of the Established Church the destruction of protestantism and finally "for the dismemberment of the Empire

Petitioners beg most respectfully to Complain of the unfair Construction which to their prejudice has been put on the offer formerly made by them to relinquish their Corporate rights and

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and privileges which in point of fact was but a Choice of two evils at that time presenting themselves to their View and not one has been alleged arising from a Consciousness on their part of Corruption or of a departure from the principles and purposes for which the Charters were originally granted and petitioners Confidently hope your Lordships will not upon the report of the Commissioners of Corporate enquiry unsupported by evidence adopt a measure fraught with danger to British Connexion which to the proposed Bill to the friends of your petitioners is Calculated to realise

"Petitioners therefore pray that previously to any "decision your Lordships will permit them to be heard by Counsel at the "Bar of your house against Charges not Warranted as they submit by evidence "and resulting in their Conviction from a biassed and prejudiced source"

"Examined by Joseph Holmes. Town Clk. And your petitioners will pray &c. &c. Testimony &c"

Special Gen. Assembly 9th August 1837.

At a special General assembly of the Corporation of Drogheda Convened by requisition to the right Worshipful Thomas North Esqre Mayor and held before him & 10. Sheriffs Bridgan the Aldermen and Common Council being present at the Tholsel of Drogheda on Friday the 9th day of August 1837 for the purpose of transacting and disposing of all matters and things which were to have come under the Consideration of the General assembly on Friday the 19th of July last preceding

Proceedings of the last assembly read

The Treasurers quarterly account

The Treasurers account for the Quarter Commencing 12th April and ending 19th July last was laid before the assembly for examination by which it appeared that there was expended a sum of £ 880 - 19 - 3½
and that there was received within the Quarter the sum of 797 - 1 - 6½
The arrears returned due " " £ 83 - 17 - 9¼
The arrears returned due at Easter 1837 amounted to " £ 807 11 8
Arrears by representatives of Wilm Filgate lease expired at Easter 3 years 3 1 7¾
and arrears due out of premises the Leases whereof have long since expired " " " " " 141 16 1½
Do by representatives of Denis Read lease expired Easter 1833 3½ years 6 19 7½
£ 759 9 3¾

The agent of the Commons Fund account

The account is furnished by the agent of the Commons Fund for receipt of the Funds and the application thereof up to 19th July last by which it appears the yearly rental is £ 377 - 15 - 0

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The amount of the Receipts up to Easter 1839 " " £353-15-5
and the expenditure and application amounted to " £380-2-03¼
Leaving a Balance due to the agent of £27-6-7¼
The arrears returned at Easter 1839 amounted to " £438-1-11
The accounts of the funds under the Management of the Proctor of the poor of Saint Johns is furnished by the agent to the 27th of September 1838 by which it appears that the yearly rental amounts to £247-16-10½
The sum accounted for as received with the balances due and a former acct. amounts to " " " 287-11-1
and the Payments and disbursements amount to " 237-6-1½
Leaving a Balance in the hands of the proctor amounting to £49-4-10½
The arrears due at the Easter 1838 amount to " £134-7-7

Law agent to apply to Tenants in arrear

The Law agent is directed to apply to the different Tenants for payment of the arrears returned due by them respectively on the foregoing several accounts and in Case of Non payment he is to proceed for Recovery

His Worship lays before the assembly a letter written by the Treasurer stating that the Revd. John Smyth has occasion for the debt due to him by the

His Worship the Mayor lays before the assembly a letter written to him by the Treasurer stating that the Revd. John Smyth has occasion for the debt due to him by the Corporation and Secured by Debentures amounting to £2,500 for payment of which he requests the necessary measures will be taken as soon as possible

Town Clk to have an advertizement inserted in the Drogheda papers for a Loan of £2,500

The Town Clerk is directed to have an advertizement inserted in the Drogheda papers for a Loan to the amount of £2,500 to be secured by Debentures for the purpose of paying off and Cancelling the Debentures held by the Revd. John Smyth

Motion of Alderman Fairclough that £30 be granted to James M.Cartney Chief Constable in Consideration of his services

Alderman Fathum Fairclough moves upon the Notice given by him at the last General Quarterly assembly that a Sum of £30 be granted to James M.Cartney Chief Constable in Consideration of his services and under the Circumstances stated in his memorial which was read at said assembly which Motion was Seconded by Alderman Heavyside and the question thereon being about to be put from the Chair Alderman Graves Ackland objected to the grant Considering that this officer was not entitled to a greater Consideration in this respect than the Several other officers and servants of the Corporation whose Salaries were reduced by the Committee of Economy in 1829 and the subject having undergone discussion a Ballot was demanded

Ballot

when upon a Scrutiny there appeared for the Motion 11 Votes
and against same 6 Votes.

Carried

Whereupon the Motion for the grant was Carried by a Majority of 5,
and it was ordered that the Treasurer should pay same

Notice Motion Alderman Ackland

Alderman Graves Ackland gives Notice that he will at the next General Quarterly Assembly move that inasmuch as James M.Cartney Chief Constable has been granted a Sum of £30 upon the grounds that same was due by reasons of the reduction of his Salary in 1829 That the different other officers of the Corporation be paid in future their Several Salaries in the same amount as they were prior to 1829 and also that such of said officers as have not already received the amount of the reductions in their Salaries which has accrued since 1829 be entitled to receive same

Mr Cairnes name to be omitted in the returns of the persons who are to Contribute to Dealing Dinner

ordered That Mr Cairnes name be omitted in the returns of the persons who are to Contribute to the Dealing Dinner the same having been erroneously included therein as the Lease which was granted to him was not made in pursuance of or under the rules which regulate the granting of Renewals

Law agent to examine Title Deeds under which Mary Bowden holds the Tenement and premises & that a Surrender be accepted of said premises as proposed by her

ordered That the Law agent do examine the Title Deeds under which Mary Bowden widow and representative of the late Edward Bowden holds the Tenement and premises on the East side of Magdalene Street which are demised to Anne Callan widow by Lease dated 29th July 1793 for 61 years from Easter 1793 at the yearly rent of £8 of the late Currency 11o. 1773. and that a Surrender be accepted of said premises as proposed by said Mary Bowden in her memorial dated 15th January 1839 in Case she is legally enabled to execute same, and if not that possession be proceeded by Ejectment for non payment of rent, and the Law agent is also directed to proceed for the arrears of rent due amounting to £35-7-6 if same be recoverable

Motion of Alderman Henry Smith that £30 be granted towards making the new Street thro the Marsh at Saint Johns

The Law agent is also directed to proceed by Ejectment for non payment of rent the possession of the 13th lot of the North Commons which is demised by Lease No 790 Dated 4th July 1796 to the late Alderman William Jones for 61 years from Easter 1797 and that he do also proceed for payment of the arrears which are returned due amounting to £48-7 against the person liable to the payment thereof if same is recoverable.

£30 granted for said purpose

Mr Alderson brings to the Consideration of the assembly the Notice given by Alderman Henry Smith at the last General Quarterly assembly that £30 be granted towards making the new Street thro the Marsh of Saint Johns which street was approved of and laid out by order of the Corporation.

Whereupon it was ordered, That a Sum of £30 be paid by the Treasurer to the Commissioners for improving the port and harbour of Drogheda to be expended by them towards the formation and making of the said Street which is now called Ship Street at the Marsh in the plot of ground Cato by taken by Alderm.

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Law agent informs assembly of the answer given to his applicn for widening road to Monington

The Law agent having been required to inform the Assembly of the answer given to his application for the widening the road to Monington at or near Saint James's Gate to the performance of which the representatives of the late Alderman Henry Meade Ogle were bound by Covenant under their Lease No. 887 Dated 18th Dec.r 1818 and it having been stated that Mr. Balfour to whom application had been made had referred the Law agent to Mr. Caines as the present assignee of the premises who had promised a Compliance with the Covenant

Law agent to repeat application

It is ordered That the Law agent repeat the application to Mr. Caines to whom a Copy of the order made on the Subject at Easter Assembly 1833 is to be furnished and in case Mr. is not immediately attended to that the proceedings there directed be enforced

Law agent informs Alderman Graves Ackland of state of proceedings against John Chester Esqre

Enquiry having been made from the Law agent by Alderman Graves Ackland agent to the Commons funds of the state of the proceedings which had been recommended by Counsel to be taken against John Chester Esqre for the arrear of rent due by him and two letters from Mr. Richard Archbold Sol.r of Mr. Chester having been read dated 2nd May and 15th July last in reply to the application of the Law agent on the subject in the latter of which Mr. Archbold promised immediately to procure the opinion of Mr. Hogarth and to act at once in the matter as should be advised

Law agent to proceed against Mr. Chester

It is ordered That the Law agent do adopt the proceedings against Mr. Chester which are recommended to be taken by Counsel unless the matter be settled by payment of the arrear sought within a Month

Mr. Mayor to write to Lord Morpeth on the subject of the alienation Clause

Resolved upon the Motion of Mr. Sheriff Prodigan seconded by Alderman Evans That the Mayor do write to The Right Honorable Lord Morpeth to request His Lordship to consider the propriety of introducing into the Bill for restraining the alienation of Corporate property in Ireland a Clause authorising the Corporation of this Town to raise on the Corporate Estate the sum of £6000 for the purpose of Building a Bridge over the Boyne the execution of said Work to be entrusted to the Board of Works

Mr. Mayor do also write to Lord Morpeth to ascertain from the Sol.r General whether the said Bill as passed will prevent the Corporation from obtaining a grant of land to the poor Law Commissioners

And that the Mayor do also request that Lord Morpeth will be pleased to ascertain from the Solicitor General Mr. Pigot whether the said Bill for restraining the alienation of Corporate property in Ireland as hitherto prepared & passed will prevent the Corporation from legally transferring Land to the poor Law Commissioners for the erection of a Work house in this Town and if so that His Lordship will be pleased by a sufficient Clause in said Bill to provide for the legal transfer of property for that purpose

Motion of Alderman Latham seconded by Mr. Fairclough

Ordered. Upon the motion of Alderman Latham seconded by Mr. Fairclough that the Auditors and Viewers be requested to report on the several petitions referred to them from this Assembly and for that purpose that the Mayor direct Summonses to be issued for an early day when it is requested the auditors and Viewers will also take into their Consideration and report on the Memorials for relief which are presented to the present Assembly from

Frances Elliott for relief

Frances Elliott of Peter Street widow of the late James Elliott a freeman for temporary relief until a Vacancy shall occur in the poor house

Bridget Anne Magee & Mary Anne Coulter

Bridget Anne Magee of Fair Street widow for relief

Mary Anne Coulter of 33 South Frederick Street Dublin widow of Peter Coulter who was a Freeman who being now in distressed Circumst.s and requesting Consideration of her Claim

Elizabeth Robinson

Elizabeth Robinson of Drogheda widow of the late Walter Robinson who had been a Freeman 9 years and also in distressed Circumstances and seeking an annuity from the Common Fund

Thomas Flanagan for Compensation

Also of Thomas Flanagan of Shop Street the public Examiner for some allowance or Compensation by reason of the dilapidated State of his Store Connected with the Weigh house or Crane by which he was deprived of any benefit to be derived from letting the loft

Town Clerk to make tenders of land to poor Law Commissioners

Resolved upon the motion of Mr. Sheriff Prodigan seconded by Alderman Evans that the Town Clerk do make a tender to the poor Law Commissioners of the piece of Land at Dublin Gate on the South side of the Road leading to Ballybiggan now in the occupation of Mr. Austin Nicholls which is part of the estate of this Corporation Containing 1a. 2r. 25p. or thereabouts for the purpose of having erected thereon a Work House for the Drogheda Union

Committee to examine premises in Lawrence's Street

Alderman Rogers moved as which he is seconded by Alderman Evans that a Committee to Consist of the Mayor Sheriffs Alderman George William Evans Pentland and Howell with Messrs. Darley William Rodger and Austin Nicholls do examine the premises in Lawrence's Street in possession of Alderman Henry Smith and Report to the next General Assembly upon the propriety of the Corporation becoming Tenants to them for the purpose of Establishing therein a Market for the Sale of Fowl Eggs Butter and Vegetables in as much as the place now used as Markets for the Sale of these articles necessaries are ill adapted and inconvenient to the public

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public. And the Mayor having put the question from the Chair the same was objected to by Alderman Latham Fairclough who demanded a Ballot whereupon a Scrutiny the Motion was lost by a Majority of 6 there having only appeared for same 9 & 3 B.
and against same 13 & 3 B.

Ballot

Lost

Committee to erect a Fountain on New Quay

Resolved upon the Motion of Mr. Atkinson that a Committee to Consist of the Mayor Mr. Sheriff Brodigan and Aldermen Graves & Holland be authorised to erect at the expence of this Corporation and not to exceed £30 a Fountain on the new Quay and the Committee are required to advertize for tenders for the execution by Contract of said work the person making the lowest tender to have a preference and to be bound with sufficient sureties to the due and faithful performance of his Contract which is to be lodged in the Town Clks office

Memorial of William Codd for Compensation for making by the rent Charge Table

The Memorial of William Codd being read stating that some time since at the request of the Treasurer he furnished an account of the Tythe upon all holdings in the parish of Saint Peter and Saint Mary in the County of the Town of Drogheda for which the Corporation are accountable under the provisions of the act 1st & 2nd Victoria Cap 109 in order to enable the Treasurer to Collect same with the rent from the different Tenants

That memorialist had to trace the several holdings from their present occupiers to the original lessees of the Corporation in order to ascertain and fix the amount for Tythe Chargeable to each Lease and in the performance of this duty memorialist spent Considerable time and in many instances he was obliged to trace and Compare Maps to have same Correct.

That he has prepared two Copies or Parchment of the Table of account one to be enrolled with the Records of the Corporation the other for the Treasurer, and he hopes that his services will be taken into Consideration and that he will be granted such Compensation as it may be thought he is entitled to

£20 granted

It was then moved by Alderman William Fairclough and seconded by Alderman Hoggy that a sum of £20 be paid by the Treasurer to the memorialist as Remuneration for preparing the accounts or Tables of Tithe rent charges which are now submitted for examination and approved of and the question thereon having been put from the Chair the same after some discussion was agreed to, without dissentient

Memorial of Alderman William Fairclough as personal representative of the late Revd Thomas Fairclough

The Memorial of Alderman William Fairclough as personal representative of the late Revd Thomas Fairclough who was surviving Trustee in a Certain Settlement executed by the late Alderman Oliver Fairclough on the Marriage of his Daughter Margaret

Fairclough for a renewal of a plot of ground in Dullek Street

Fairclough having been read stating that part of the premises Conveyed by said Settlement are now about to expire and memorialist in order to preserve the Interest in said premises to the persons entitled who are Freemen seeks a Renewal of a plot of ground in Dullek Street which had been granted by Lease bearing date the 1st day of March 1780 from the said Corporation to the said Oliver Fairclough for 61 years from Easter 1779 at the yearly rent of £0 5 6 of the then Currency

Also of a plot of ground in Helens Meadow

and also of A. R. P. 25 of ground a part of in Helens Meadow of which a Lease was also granted to the late Alderman Donagh bearing date the 5th of June 1775 for 61 years from the then Easter preceding at the yearly rent of £1 2 6 which Lease was taken in trust by the said Alderman Donagh for said Oliver Fairclough

Ordered upon the motion of Alderman Latham Fairclough seconded by the Revd Edward Fairclough that said memorial be referred to the Auditors and Viewers to Consider same and report thereon

Petition of James Lyons to be appointed Serjeant at Mace

The petition of James Lyons who is eldest son of the late George Lyons deceased for many years a Town Serjeant being read by which it appeared that petitioners Mother and four other Children were three Sons and one Daughter are reduced by said death to Very distressing Circumstances Considerably heightened by the melancholy fact of the almost total blindness of petitioners Brother upon whom and petitioner their said Mother depended for support

That a Vacancy being now in the offices of Serjeant at Mace petitioner humbly offers himself to fulfill his duties and promises if successful to Contribute as far as in him lies to the Maintenance of his Mother and her destitute Family. That petitioner served for several years as Gunner and for his general Conduct during that Service he begs to refer to the Governor of the Gaol

James Lyons appointed Serjeant at Mace

The said Memorial having been taken into Consideration, It is ordered that the Vacancy in the Serjeants at Mace occasioned by the death of George Lyons be filled by the memorialist James Lyons

His Worship the Mayor is requested to appoint an early day for affixing the Corporate Seal to the Leases now ready for Execution

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Special Gen.l Assembly 20th Sept.r 1839.

At a Special General Assembly of the Corporation of Drogheda Convened by the Right Worshipful Thomas North Esqre Mayor and held before him the Sheriffs Aldermen and Common Council being present at the Thelsel of Drogheda on Friday the 20th day of September 1839 for the purpose of Submitting for Consideration a Communication dated the 3rd Instant from Denis Phelan Esqre assistant poor Law Commissioner in reference to obtaining a Site for the Work house for the Drogheda Union

The Mayor having read the letter referred to

The Mayor reads a letter from the assistant Poor Law Commissioner

expressing anxiety that no time should be lost in obtaining a Site for the Work house and in making a Contract for its erection the Writer requested His Worship to take any steps he should deem expedient to obtain the decision of the Corporation as to the terms on which the two fields in the Mr. Nicholls possession could be had by the poor Law Commissioners for that purpose and he stated that so soon as the decision was Communicated to him if favorable and possession given of the Site he would advise the Commissioners without delay to advertize for a Contract

It was then moved by Alderman Evans seconded by Mr. Darley that the ground particularized in Mr. Phelans

Ground be granted to poor Law Commissioners for £250.

Letter and required by the poor Law Commissioners be granted to them for a Sum of £250 and the question thereon after discussion being about to be put from the Chair

Alder.n Graves Ackland objected

Alderman Graves Ackland moved that Conformably with the usage and practice adopted by the Corporation upon granting and demising Lands it be referred to the Auditors and Viewers to examine the premises in question and report the yearly acreable rent of said Lands to be demised for a term of years and also the fair price and Consideration thereof in Case a grant for ever should be made thereof, and the assembly having divided upon the Subject of the amendment the Mayor upon view declared the amendment Carried.

Amendment Carried

It was thereupon ordered that the Auditors & Viewers be Summoned for the 24th Instant and that they report upon the property in the manner directed to a special Assembly to be Convened by His Worship

Special Gen.l Assembly 24th Sept.r 1839.

At a Special General assembly of the Corporation of Drogheda pursuant to Summons held before the Mayor and Sheriffs the aldermen and Common Council being present at the Thelsel of Drogheda on Tuesday the 24th of Sept.r 1839 for the purpose of receiving the report of the Auditors and Viewers relative to the Land required for the erection of a poor house and Confirming said report or making such alterations as might be deemed advisable and for fixing the terms on which the said ground should be offered to the poor Law Commissioners

Report of Auditors & Viewers

The following report of auditors & Viewers made in pursuance of the Resolution entered into at the Special Assembly held the 20th instant having been read

"24 Sept.r 1839. At a meeting of the Auditors and Viewers pursuant "to appointment of Special Assembly held 20th instant)

Members present

Alder.n { Saint George Smith, Grave Ackland, William Pack Lough } Mess.rs { John Crawford, S. W. Crawford, Martin Nicholls, Henry Hogan, Edward Rinson } Common Council

"Resolved that Saint George Smith Esqre be "appointed Chairman for the Current year"

"Resolved that we proceed to View the property "required by the Poor Law Commissioners, as Leased by the Corporation to "Alderman William Holmes for 61 years from Easter 1779 Containing "as per map thereto annexed 4-2-28. said Lease being numbered "C46 and which terms expires at Easter 1840"

"Resolved that we are of opinion that the property "in question is of the Value between two and three pounds per "acre per annum amounting in the whole to an annual rent of "£32-14-6

"Resolved that we recommend an offer of this "property be made to the said Commissioners by Lease for 999 years "at said Rent of £32-14-6 per annum from Easter next 1840 and "that if in the power of the Corporation so to do we recommend "that they sell the property to the Commissioners for the Sum of "£818-2-6 being at the rate of 25 years purchase on the said "annual rent"

Saint George Smith Chairman"

Report adopted

It was moved by Mr. Sheriff Brodigan that the report read be adopted and said motion being seconded by Alderman Latham Pack Lough the question thereupon was put from the Chair and unanimously agreed to

His Worship the Mayor was then requested to inform Mr. Phelan the assistant Poor Law Commissioner of the decision of the Corporation in reference to the terms proposed for

granting

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granting a Seite for the Work house

Drogheda 28th September 1837

Leases Sealed — The following Leases passed the Seal of this Corporate before Thomas North Esqre Mayor the Sheriffs Aldermen and Common Council being present

Francis Wm Leland — A Lease of premises and Tenement thereon
11o 1069. — Containing 27 feet 6 inches situate without West Gate was sealed unto Francis William Leland at £8-0-0 per annum and £100 fine for 99 years from 29th September 1837

Ralph Smyth — A Lease of land at Dubek Gate Containing
11o 1070 — 3a-3r-5p for 75 years from 25th March 1839 was sealed unto Ralph Smyth at £4-19-3 per annum and a Fine of £7-10-0

Revd Arthur Coyne — A Lease of a Tenement and Premises in
11o 1071 — Magdalene Street intended for a Sunday School was sealed unto the Revd Arthur Coyne at 6 per annum for 8 years from 25th March 1838

This Day the foregoing acts of Assembly were read and Confirmed before us and ordered to be entered in the large Assembly Book as usual

Jos. Holmes, Town Clerk

Thomas North Mayor
Ralph Smith, Thomas Brodigan } Sheriffs
W. Fairclough
J. Donough
R. Pentland } Aldermen
Edward Fairclough
John Mayne
Henry Garvey } Common Council

Drogheda 1st Monday 30th September 1839

Michaelmas Day — The Feast of Saint Michael the Archangel having fallen upon Sunday the Swearing in of the Mayor and 11o Sheriff Pogarty took place this day at the Tholsel after having attended Divine Service at Saint Peters Church 11o Sheriff Elect Saint George Smith the younger being abroad on the Continent

Swearing of John Shegog Esq Mayor and St. George Smith 9r and Fredk Wm Pogarty Esqrs Sheriffs — The Town Clerk having produced to Thomas North Esquire Mayor the approbation of His Excellency Lord Viscount Ebrington Lord Lieutenant General and General Governor of Ireland Dated at Dublin Castle 30th May 1839 approving of John Shegog Esquire to be Mayor and of Saint George Smith Junior and Frederick William Pogarty Esquires to be Sheriffs and same having been read aloud in open Court by the Town Clerk

The said John Shegog was thereupon accordingly Sworn and took the oaths prescribed by the act of the 16th year of the reign of George the 4th Capt and also took the oaths appertaining to the office of Mayor and Justice of the peace

And the said Frederick Pogarty was also Sworn and took the oaths prescribed by the said Statute of the 16th George the 4th and also took the oaths appertaining to the office of Sheriff

Qua Post Assembly 11 Octr 1839 — At a Quarterly Post Assembly held before John Shegog Esquire Mayor 11o Sheriff Pogarty and the Aldermen being present on Friday the 11th day of October 1839

Petition of Townley Wm Hardman for freedom Referred — The petition of Townley William Hardman of Drogheda Gentleman third Son of Townley Blackwood Hardman of the same place Alderman for his Freedom of this Corporation by Birth being presented and read the same was referred to the next General Quarterly Assembly

Like of Stephen Hy Smith Referred — The petition of Stephen Henry Smith of Annebrook in the County of Meath Esqre third Son of Henry Smith of the same place Esqre for his Freedom of this Corporation by Birth being presented and read the same was likewise referred to the same Assembly

Like of Richd Smith — The petition of Richard Smith of Annebrook in the County of Meath Esqre Seventh Son of Henry Smith of the same place

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place Esqre for his Freedom of this Corporation by Birth being
Referred presented and read the same was likewise Referred to the
same Assembly

Petn of James Simpson Referred

The petition of James Simpson of Drogheda Shopkeeper Eldest Son of William Simpson late of Mallock Lodge in the County of Meath Farmer for his Freedom of this Corporation by Birth being presented and read the same was likewise referred to the same Assembly

There was no other business for the Consideration of the Assembly

Gen. Qua. Assembly 11th Octr. 1839

At a General Quarterly Assembly of the Corporation held before the said Mayor and Mrs. Sheriffs, Deputy the Aldermen and Common Council being present on Friday the 11th day of October 1839

Reading of past Years proceedings dispensed with

The proceedings of the past year having been read and Compared on the 28th of September last the reading of the proceedings of the last Assembly was dispensed with

Mayor of the Staple

Alderman Thomas Forth late Mayor is elected Mayor of the Staple and also Master of the Guild of Merchants for the ensuing year and he took the oaths of Justice of the Peace and of Mayor of the Staple respectively

Common Council

Ralph Smith and Thomas Brodigan Esqrs are Elected Common Council men

Coroners

The said Ralph Smith and Thomas Brodigan are Elected Coroners for the ensuing year and are also elected Constables of the Staple for the like period

Wardens

Messrs. Thomas Timothy Fogarty and William Rodger the late Coroners are Elected Wardens of the Guild of Merchants for the ensuing year

Offices of Sword Mace & Marshall Treasurer

The offices of Sword Mace and Marshall are re-elected and to Continue during the pleasure of this Corporation

Alderman Ralph Smith is elected Treasurer for the ensuing year

Townley Wm. Hardman admitted Freeman

The petition of Townley William Hardman of Drogheda Gentleman third Son of Townley Blackwood Hardman of the same place Alderman for his Freedom of this Corporation by Birth being presented and read. It was moved by Alderman Henry Smith Seconded by Mr. John Crawford that the prayer of the petition be granted and the question thereon having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to and he was thereupon admitted to his Freedom of this Corporation on the usual terms

Stephen Hy Smith admitted Freeman

The petition of Stephen Henry Smith of Annesbrook in the County of Meath Esqre third Son of Henry Smith of the same place Esqre for his Freedom of this Corporation by birth being read. It was Moved by Alderman Hardman Seconded by Alderman Forth that the prayer of the petition be granted and the question thereon having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to and he was thereupon admitted to the Freedom of this Corporation on the usual Terms

Richard Smith admitted Freeman

The petition of Richard Smith of Annesbrook in the County of Meath Esqre Seventh Son of the before named Henry Smith for his Freedom of this Corporation by Birth being read. It was Moved by Alderman Hardman Seconded by Alderman Forth that the prayer of the petition be granted and the question thereon having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to and he was thereupon admitted to the Freedom of this Corporation on the usual terms.

James Simpson admitted Freeman

James Simpson admitted

Treasurers account

The Treasurers account of receipts and disbursements Commencing the 19th of July and ending the 11th of October instant was laid before the assembly for Examination by which it appeared that he had received a sum of ——— £905-0-3½
and that he had paid and disbursed within the same period a sum of ——— £618-12-5¾
Leaving a Balance due to the Treasr £286-12-9¼
£618-12-5¾ £618-12-5¾

The arrears returned due by the Tenants at Easter 1839 amounted to the sum of ——— £736-10-0¾
and old arrears due by Tenants whose Leases have long since expired to the amount of ——— 141-16-4½
Making together the sum of ——— £878-6-5¼

Cranes set up to auction

Gate Customs set up to auction

ordered That the Cranes be set up to auction for one year from the 26th instant And that the pontage and Gate Customs be set up to auction for one year to Commence from the 28th instant and that it be stated in the advertisements to be inserted in the different papers that pontage is the only Collection that will be allowed to be made at the Bridge

The usual Security to be entered into by the respective parties who are declared Tenants to the Cranes and Gate Customs

Petition of Rose Anna & Mary Tighe for an Increase of Pension

The several petitions of Rose Anna and Mary Tighe a Deceased Freeman for an increase of their pension

also

Also of Mary Emerson for relief

Also of Mary Emerson widow of John Emerson deceased Freeman to be admitted into the Poorhouse or for some pecuniary relief

Also of William Tepson a Freeman for relief being unable to follow his Trade as a Sailor from Weakness of sight

Case of Wm. Tepson for relief

And also of James Gill a Native of Drogheda stating that he was now in the 103rd year of his age and hoping his destitute Case would be taken into Consideration

Case of James Gill for relief

Ordered on the reading of the foregoing petitions that the same be severally referred to the Auditors and Viewers for Consideration and that they will be pleased not only to report on the same respectively but that they will also report on the several other Memorials and Matters which remain under reference and for their report.

for Consideration Referred to Auditors & Viewers for Consideration

Ared upon the Motion of Mr. H. Bagnall seconded by Mr. Wisdom it is requested that Messrs. Edward Fairclough, P. Darley, Henry Gervey, John Mayne, Saml. Wisdom, Michael Daly and Charles Robinson do assist the Auditors and Viewers in the Consideration of the several petitions and Matters which are to them referred and that they will also assist in Auditing and Examining the different accounts which shall be submitted to them

A Memorial from the Watchmen of Drogheda being read stating that they are Employed for the protection of the property of the Inhabitants of Drogheda and that four Months wages are due to them by which their Families are subject to great destitution. that owing to the exhausted state of the funds there is not any Money in the hands of the Treasurer to pay their wages and therefore hoping under such Circumstances that an order would be made directing the Treasurer to pay the amount of the wages due

Memorial of Watchmen for their Wages

Alderman North moved that the prayer of the foregoing Memorial be granted and being Seconded by Alderman Henry Smith the question was about to be put from the Chair when Mr. Clarke objected to same being entertained it being Contrary to one of the Standing Rules that an order for Money should be made without three Months previous Notice having been given by reason whereof the Motion was not put

Motion not put

The Memorial of the Serjeants at Mace being read Stating that by order of the Corporation Memorialists are every third year directed to be provided with great Coats for the Winter and the present year being the third since such were given

Memorial of Serjeants at Mace for great Coats

granted

to Memorialists they trusted that same would be supplied to them

Ordered. That the Serjeants at Mace be supplied with great Coats in the usual Manner.

Committee appointed to investigate Certain Supposed encroachments

The Committee appointed on the 26th of October 1838 which was an adjournment of the previous Quarterly Assembly to make the necessary investigation and enquiry into the several Matters which had been then brought to the Consideration of the Assembly by Alderman Henry Smith as Supposed encroachments upon the ground on Street out Sundays Gate used as a Cattle Fair Green, and also whether or not a Space which was ordered to be left open on the South Marsh for a Street or passage to the River was not built up. Having made the following Report.

Report of Committee

"Your Committee in laying before the Corporation their report are desirous to state that the delay in its presentation appears to have arisen partly from non attendance of the Members of the Committee and partly by the proper authorities not having Summoned them more frequently. Your Committee proceeded in the first place to investigate the latter part of the order as to whether or not a Space ordered to be left open upon the South Marsh has been built up and they are clearly of opinion that all the Conditions as "to right and way" set forth in the Lease lately made of said South Marsh have been fully Complied with, and that no Encroachments has been made in this instance with reference to the other part of the order to investigate "an encroachment upon the public right and way" stated to have been made by Alderman Henry B. Fairclough on the Cattle Fair Green out Side Sundays Gate

"Your Committee have taken much pains to ascertain the facts Connected with this business and although the several members of the Committee individually are aware that the ground stated to have been encroached upon had been used as a Cattle Fair Green during their recollections Nevertheless several persons residing in and about the Vicinity of the Fair Green were Called on to state their Knowledge of the same and their Testimony all Concur clearly that from time immemorial the ground out side Sunday's Gate on which Alderman H. B. Fairclough is now Building Tenements as set forth in said order has been invariably used as a Fair Green and the Building thereon are an encroachment. and therefore your Committee are of opinion that the Corporation are Called on to take such proceedings as will prevent such Encroachment progressing, and also to recover whatever ground has been latterly possession of under such encroachment"

Signed - Thomas North
Graves Aetland
G. W. Evans

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Report read and adopted

The foregoing report having been read. It was moved by Alderman Graves McKeland that the same be received and adopted and Alderman Saint George Smith having Seconded said Motion the question thereon was put from the Chair, and unanimously agreed to

Law Agent do take proceedings

And it was further ordered on the Motion of Alderman Graves McKeland which was Seconded by Alderman Headman that the Law Agent do take such proceedings as may be necessary to Carry the Recommendations suggested in the foregoing Report into effect

New Debentures issued upon Cancelling the present outstanding Securities

Resolved that in as much as it appears the Security by Debenture passed and given by the Corporation to Creditors by Loan or otherwise is not assignable, and that in Case of necessity for any proceeding the Creditors might be inconvenienced It is ordered that any Creditors of the Corporation now Holding Debentures by purchase or entitled to the benefit thereof as the representative of any deceased original holder are at Liberty to take out new Debentures in their own names upon Cancelling the present outstanding Securities, and that such new securities shall be provided at the expence of the Corporation, and the interest payable on each Debenture is to be at the same rate as is mentioned and Contained in the former Securities

Treasurer to pay Debenture holders Six per Cent interest

Resolved, that as the Corporation have not been enabled to raise wherewith to pay off the Debenture holders who applied for payment that the Treasurer be directed from and after the next Gale day of each Debenture to pay the several Creditors at the rate of Six per Cent interest

Assembly adjourned

This Assembly at its rising is adjourned to the 15th of November

£30 given Paving Committee to make a pap to Saint James's Road

Ordered, That a Sum not exceeding £30 be placed in the hands of the paving Committee to be expended in removing portions of the Wall at the Dublin Road as may be necessary to make a sufficient pass to the Saint James's road

Notice Motion Alderman Smith

Alderman Henry Smith gives Notice that he will at the next Assembly move that a Committee to Consist of the Mayor Aldermen North, Evans, Pentland and Hy Hoozell with Messrs Darby, Rodger, Nicholls and Edwd Atkinson be appointed to inspect premises in Lawrence's Street and to report upon the propriety of opening there a Market for the sale of Fowl Butter &c

Notice Motion Ald.n Hy Smith

Alderman Henry Smith gives Notice that he will at the next Assembly move that the sum of £30 be granted to pay the expence of Working the Steam Dredge for 3 Weeks in setting up and forming Ships Street on the Marrow near Saint James's which sum with the Balance in hands it is expected will be sufficient to Complete the formation of said Street and enable Ships to take in Ballast at the South side of the River

Drogheda 24th October 1839

Saint Geo Smith Jr. Esq. Sworn Sheriff

On this Day Saint George Smith the younger was Sworn Before His Worship the Mayor at the Tholsel and took the oath prescribed by the Statute of the 10th George the 4th and also took the oath appertaining to the office of Sheriff

15th November 1839

Setting by Auction of two parcels of Land

On this Day the following premises were respectively set for 99 years from the 29th of September last (1839) from which period the Rent Commenced. One fourth part of the Rent at which the Land and premises described in No 1 were set was to be fixed down at 17 years purchase and one fourth part of the rent at which the premises described in No 2 was let was to be fixed down at 10 years purchase, one fourth part of which said several Rates to be paid so soon as the Tenant to each Number was declared and the remaining three fourth in one Month from the day of letting.

Lot No 1.

A parcel of Land Containing together 6-3-10 Cafe Irish plantation measure situate at Blackbush Lane without Dulcek Gate in the Parish of Saint Mary heretofore demised to the late Alderman William Gibbon at present in the occupation of Lawrence Crawley was Struck down to John Greene at £3 per acre upon the foregoing Terms

John Greene Tenant

Lot No 2

A Lot or parcel of Land with the Tenements or houses thereon Situate on the West side of the Road or Street Called Crooked Street without Dulcek Gate in the parish of Saint Mary also heretofore demised to the late Alderman William Gibbon Containing 3 roods and 30 perches Cafe Irish plantation measure and at present in the occupation of Simon Roe was Struck down to Thomas Flanagan at £11-11-0 per annum upon the foregoing terms

Thomas Flanagan Tenant

Selling by Auction of one Lot or parcel of ground

There was also advertized for letting on the same day one lot or parcel of Land with the Tenements thereon Containing 1 rood and 19 perches and a quarter Cafe Irish plantation measure situate without Sundays Gate on the West Side of the road leading to Ballymakenny in the parish of Saint Peter heretofore demised to the late

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William Meade Ogle Esqre in the occupation of Patrick Moore

Sale adjourned at the request of John Crawford who handed in a Memorial

And one same being about to be Sold a memorial was handed in from John Crawford as the Land agent of Henry Smith Esqre as the representative of the late Henry Meade Ogle claiming under the Bye Laws of the Corporation for the said Henry Smith the right of Renewal to the foregoing premises which had been omitted to be applied for and that Memorialist had only one that day been apprised by letter from the said Henry Smith that his right of Renewal existed and under such Circumstances the said John Crawford requested that an adjournment of the same would be made to give the opportunity of applying for Renewal

Sale Adjourned

Whereupon the letting of the said premises was adjourned and it was directed that the memorial of John Crawford should be laid before the Corporation at their next Assembly

2nd Post Assembly

At a Quarterly Post Assembly held before John Skegog Esqre Mayor &c. Sheriff Fogarty and the Aldermen being present on Friday the 17th day of January 1840

Petition of Pitzherbert Coddington for freedom referred

The petition of Pitzherbert Coddington of Old Bridge in the County of Meath Esqre Captain in Her Majesty's 40th Regiment of Foot 3rd Son of Nicholas Coddington late of the same place Esqre deceased for his Freedom of this Corporation by Birth being presented and read the same was referred to the General Quarterly Assembly

Petition of Thomas Gerrard Jr for freedom Rejected

The petition of Thomas Gerrard Junior of Newtown in the County of Meath Esqre 2nd Son of Thos. Gerrard of Viscarstard Castle in the said County of Meath Esqre for his Freedom of this Corporation by Birth being presented and read. It was required that the Freemans Book should be examined and it appearing upon such Examination that petitioners Father was not admitted to the Freedom of the Corporation until the 17th of July 1818 and that petitioners Elder Brother had been admitted to his Freedom by a special favour on the 15th of April 1831 the Claim of petitioner by Birth was thereupon rejected

There was not any other business for the Consideration of the Assembly

1st Quart Assembly 17 January 1840

At a General Quarterly Assembly of the Corporation held before the said Mayor and Sheriff Fogarty the Aldermen and Common Council being present on Friday 17 January 1840

The proceedings of the former Assembly were read

Pitzherbert Coddington Esq admitted Freeman

The petition of Pitzherbert Coddington of Old Bridge in the County of Meath Esqre Captain in Her Majesty's 40th Regiment of Foot third Son of Nicholas Coddington Late of the same place Esqre deceased for his Freedom of this Corporation by Birth being presented and read It was Moved by Alderman Hardman Seconded by Alderman Robert Pentland that the prayer of the petition be granted and the question thereon having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to and he was thereupon admitted to his Freedom of this Corporation on the usual terms

Thomas Brodigan Coroner & Common Council

Thomas Brodigan Esqre took the oath of Coroner to which office he was elected at the last Assembly and he also took the oath of a Common Council Man and his Seat at the Board accordingly

Memorial of Henry Smith for renewal

The Memorial of Henry Smith of Saunton in the County of Devonshire Esqre being read stating that by Indenture of Lease 11th 62 the Corporation demised to William Meade Ogle Esqre a Lot of ground with Tenements thereon out Sunday Gate Containing one rood and 19 ¼ perches for 61 years from Easter 1776 at the reserved rent of 2s 5d per annum

That this Lease expired at Easter 1837 without the Knowledge of memorialist and memorialist having become entitled to the Interest in said Lease and Lot of ground as Representative of said William Meade Ogle he therefore prays that as a Freeman and entitled to a renewal that your Worships will grant him a Renewal on the usual Terms

Referred to Auditors & Viewers

Ordered upon the Motion of Alderman Hardman Seconded by Mr. John Crawford that the said Memorial be referred to the Consideration of the Auditors and Viewers for their report

Memorial of Harvey L. Brabazon for reduction in rent

The Memorial of Harvey Lambart Brabazon late of Seafield in the County of South Esqre but now of New South Wales being read stating that by Lease Dated the 25th day of December 1815 the Corporation in Consideration of the sum of £46-13-7 demised unto Wallop Harvey Brabazon late of the Town of Drogheda deceased for the Term of 99 years that part or parcel of land Commonly called the Hayes park Containing 1-3 ½ Irish plantation measure situate without Duleek Gate in the parish of Saint Mary and County of the Town of Drogheda aforesaid at the yearly rent of £3-4-9 Irish Currency being £3 12 1½ present Currency

That all the interest of the said Wallop

Henry Bradyford thereon is now legally vested in the Memorialist
That in addition to the said rent of £7-12-4p the Memorialist pays
for rent Charge thereon the yearly sum of 5/3¼ making in all
the sum of £7-17-3¼

That all said land is set to one Patrick
M^c^Nally at a sum less than your Memorialist prays for same
independantly of the Fine paid on procuring the Lease from
your Worships. Memorialist has paid all rent up to Easter
last and hopes for the reasons stated a reduction will be made
in the rent paid by him

Referred to Auditors & Viewers

Ordered. Upon the Motion of M^r^
Crawford seconded by Mr Thompson that said Memorial be
referred to the Consideration of the Auditors and Viewers for
their Report.

Report of Auditors & Viewers on the petitions of Edward Latimer Elizh Robinson Frances Elliott & Mary Coulter for relief

The Auditors and Viewers with the
assistance of the persons named at the last Assembly having on
the 1st of November last Reported on the petitions for relief of
Edward Latimer Elizabeth Robinson Frances Elliott and Mary
Coulter and said Report having been read wherein
Edward Latimer is recommended as having first Claim for relief
Elizabeth Robinson _____ 2nd Claim
Frances Elliott _____ 3rd Claim
Mary Coulter _____ 4th Claim

And it being ascertained upon reference to
the Agent of the Commons fund that there was an annual sum of £15
applicable to the relief of the petitioners

Edwd Latimer Eliz^th^ Robinson and Frances Elliott grants an annuity of £5 each out of the Commons Fund

It was ordered upon the motion of Alderman
Hardiman Seconded by Mr T. Crawford that the said Edward
Latimer Elizabeth Robinson and Frances Elliott be allowed annuitants
on the Commons fund to the amount of £5 each the said Several
annuities to Commence on the last half yearly gale day

Thos Flanagan for Compensation £8 granted

And the said Auditors and Viewers
with the assistance aforesaid having reported that Thomas Flanagan
late Tenant to the Crown was by reason of the losses stated in his
petition & he will be Compensated to the Amount of £8

Treasurers account

The Treasurers account for the Quarter Commencing
the 11th of October last and ending the 16th of January instant was laid
before the Assembly for Examination by which it appeared that the
Treasurer had received funds within that period amounting to £1711-0-9¼
and the payments and disbursements amounted to £1863-9-0¼
Leaving a Balance due to the Treasurer of £152-8-3

Arrears returned at Easter 1839 as then due and still remaining unpaid amount to _____ £568-9-1½ old

old arrears due by Tenants whose Leases have long since expired amount returned £141-6-4½

Petition of Anne Chambers for relief

The petition of Anne Chambers Daughter of William
Chambers late of Saint Peters Church yard deceased being read stating that
Petitioners Father and all her Family were free members of the Corporation
and that in Consequence of the death of her Father and Lately of her Brother
who was their only support she is left a destitute orphan and under the
Circumstances petitioner hopes that her Case would be taken into Considera-
tion and allow her some small annual or other assistance

It was moved by Mr Samuel Hendron Seconded
by Mr Nicholls that the prayer of the petition be taken into Consideration.
And it appearing that there were not any Common funds applicable to the
relief of petitioner

Treasurer to give petitioner £5-

It was ordered. That the Treasurer do pay to
petitioner for the period of one year the sum of £5 the same to be
given to her by Weekly payments through the medium of Serjeant
Manage

Petition of Peter Avey for relief

The petition of Peter Avey being read stating
that petitioner heretofore had a small property which enabled
him to live in a state of Comfortable independence of which he
became deprived on the death of His Most Gracious Majesty King
William the Fourth.

That since that event petitioner has had nothing
to support him, and has lived on the Kindness of Friends and he now
Ventures respectfully to request that his Case would be taken into
Consideration and upon discussion it was ordered that petitioner be paid
by the Treasurer from the Corporate funds during one year the sum of
£5 the same to be paid to petitioner Weekly by Serjeant Manage

Petition of Nicholas Berford for relief

The petition of Nicholas Berford a Freeman
being read stating that owing to a variety of unforward events petitioner
is Compelled to seek Relief for himself and Family (seven in Number)
who are reduced to a state of destitution. that petitioner has tried
Stamp Dublin &c in order to obtain employment at his Trade but
Could not succeed; and praying for an annual Stipend however small
or even a Sum of Money to relieve his present Wants and discharge his
Debts

Treasurer to give Petitioner £5

It having been moved and seconded that the
petition read be taken into Consideration and it having been ascertained
upon enquiry being made from a Member of the Assembly that petitioner
was then engaged (temporary) in his Trade as a printer. It was objected
that petitioner from the amount of wages received by him was a
sufficiently proper object for relief. and the question generally having
undergone discussion a Ballot was demanded and there appeared upon

Objected to

Ballot demanded

upon a Scrutiny of Vote upon the Motion that petitioner be ordered
the sum of £5 for one year. for granting same 17 M. 13.
and against the grant ——— 12 B. 13
leaving a Majority of 5 in favour of the grant which it was ordered

Motion Carried

Treasurer to pay petitr £5

should be paid by the Treasurer for one years to Serjeant Stanage to be given by him to petitioner Weekly

Town Clerk informs Assembly of the application of Mr. W.m Bedy requiring payment for his two Debentures

The Assembly is informed by the Town Clerk of an application by letter Dated 15th instant from Mr. W.m M. Bedy requiring payment on the 7th of February next of his two Debentures amount £184-12-3½ with the interest thereon

Accounts passed

The following accounts having passed the Committee of accounts on this day the same were laid by their Secretary before the assembly for Examination and being enquired into were ordered to be paid

No.1	Francis Murphy Stone Cutters Work at Pumps and various places " " "	£	13	13 7
2	The Town Clerk amount Stamps and Writings provided by him for one years Commencing 29th September 1838 & ending 29th September 1839 " "		64	11 7
3	The Town Clerk amount of Costs and Charges for preparing Surrender and Lease of Sunday Schools in Magdalene		14	3 4
4	Thomas Connelly repairing Engine House and Gates of Market House " " " "		15	4 5
5	George Knaggs Repairs of Water Closet at Tholsel and Sunday Works there and at Mayoralty House and Chief Constables House		8	18 1
6	Henry Garvey furnishing Coats for Town Serjeants Waterproof and Leatherwood Belts " " "		31	4 0
		£	146	11 9

And it was ordered that the accounts passed on the 3rd of May last amounting to £63-7-3 and on the 1st of November last amounting to £328-3-6 be entered on the minutes the same having been at the times aforesaid approved of and ordered to be paid

Accounts passed on the 3rd of May 1839

No.1	Proprietors of Conservative Journal advertizing for Loan of £5000 to Build a Bridge over the Boyne " "	£	5	4 0
2	Henry Garvey expenses & Crimson Cloth Cushions and Stools for Mayors Seat in Peters Church " "		7	12 9
3	The Town Clerk Stamps and Expenditure for year ended 29th September 1838 " " " "		14	7 9
4	Dwyer Grogan expenses of Slating and Repairing Watch house and Chief Constables House " "		2	3 9
		£	63	7 3

Accounts passed on the 1st November 1839

No.1	Henry Garvey for Clothing for Town Serjeants &c. to April 1839	£	52	8 6
2	Peter Allen and Company Ironmongery for Tholsel Mayoralty house and Chief Constables house from 2nd October 1838 to 7th September 1839 " " " "		18	11 11
3	Charles Francis Collins Stationary from 15th October 1838 to 4th May 1839 " " " "		3	0 8
4	Thomas Warren painting at Tholsel and Mayoralty house Oct.r 1839 " " "		30	3 1½
5	Proprietors of Conservative Journal for printing and advertizing from 12th October 1838 to 5th October 1839 "		30	12 6
6	Austin Nicholls Carpenters Work performed at Tholsel Mayoralty Chief Constables House and Fire Engine for the Years Commencing Oct.r 1838 and ending October 1839 "		77	11 ½
7	Proprietors of Drogheda Argus advertizing Building of Bridge		4	1 0
8	Austin & Nicholls expenses of Survey and Maps of Culver house park " " " "		10	0 0
9	Peter Allen and Company articles Supplied to the Mayoralty house and Mayors Office October 1839 " "		2	1 1
		£	228	3 0

Memorial of Grand Jury to grant a Sum of Money to the Watch Establishment or for a Nightly patrol

A memorial of the Grand Jury assembled at the Quarter Sessions held on the Sixteenth of January instant being read Stating that being anxious for the preservation of the public peace & the Town and of the property of its Inhabitants they beg to call attention to the fact that in Consequence of the Money levied for the support of the Watch Establishment being all expended this large and populous Town is now and has been for some time past without any nightly Watch and Considering the evil Consequences arising from such a State of things they would earnestly entreat that the Corporation would be pleased to grant a sum of Money to the Watch Establishment or for a Patrol so that the Town might have protection at Night

£50 granted

ordered upon the Motion of Alderman Robert Pentland Seconded by Alderman Hardman that the Treasurer do hand over to His Worship the Mayor the sum of £50 to be applied by him in defraying the expense of providing a Nightly patrol for the protection of the Town during the Winter Months and it is requested that His Worship will Continue an assistance to the said Patrol the Services of the Serjeants at Mace who it appears have been lately Employed on such Duty

Alderman R. Pentland informs Assembly that provision for 1 of the Debts passed to the City Infirmary is required

Alderman Robert Pentland Surgeon of the County Infirmary and acting Treasurer thereof having informed the Assembly by direction of the Governors that provision for four of the Corporation Debentures passed to the Institution was required for necessary Repairs and other purposes and that the Treasurer of the Corporation upon his Application

application had paid there the Corporate Funds one of said Debentures and that he was prepared to advance the Money required for the other three on getting new Debentures issued in his own name

Town Clerk to prepare 3 new Debentures for Ald.r Robt. Pentland

Ordered, On the Motion of Alderman Hendmare Seconded by Mr. Thompson That the Town Clerk do make an entry in the White parchment Book of the Cancellation of the Debentures passed by the Treasurer And that he do also prepare at the expense of Alderman Robert Pentland three new Debentures to bear an Interest of six per Cent. and that entries of Cancellations be made in the White parchment Book of the three Debentures for which others are to issue.

Memorial of Edward Atkinson Esqr respecting 9 Debentures which were Cancelled to be allowed the expense thereof which he had paid to the former Town Clerk

The Memorial of Edward Atkinson Esqr being read Stating that Some Years ago the Late Peter Van Horwick Esqr in Consideration of the Sum of £900 Claim in hand paid did assign to Memorialist Nine Debentures of the Value of £100 each that Soon afterwards memorialist ascertained that said Debentures Could not be legally transferred or assigned, and he therefore applied that the Bonds might be Cancelled and new ones issued in his own name and after repeated applications, It was ordered that the Debentures Should be Cancelled and new ones given to be prepared by the Town Clerk but at the Cost of memorialist and which amounted to the Sum of £12.

That Memorialist begs to observe that at the last Quarterly Assembly it was ordered that new Debentures Should be issued to Individuals circumstanced as Memorialist Was at the expense of the Corporation, and memorialist therefore hoped that the Sum of £12 will be refunded to him and thus place Memorialist on the same footing as others

Ballot demanded

It was moved by Alderman Forth and said Motion was seconded by Mr. Darley that the prayer of the Memorial be granted and that the Treasurer be directed for the Reasons stated to pay to Memorialist the Sum of £12 which being objected to by Alderman Graves Ackland and Mr. Clarke the Circumstances in Connexion with the application underwent discussion and a Ballot being demanded and proceeded upon there appeared upon a Scrutiny of Votes for granting the application 14 Whites. and against granting same 7 Blacks.

Motion Carried £12 granted

Whereupon the Motion was Carried by a Majority of 7 that the Treasurer do pay to memorialist the Sum of £12 as sought for by him.

The Memorial of Stephen Stanage

The Memorial of Stephen Stanage Serjeant at Mace being read stating that on the 30th of June 1818

praying that the Reduction in his pension would be taken into Consideration

Memorialist received a Gun Shot Wound while in the discharge of his duty whereby he Sustained great Bodily injury from the effects of which he is still Suffering, in Consequence whereof at an Assembly held April 1819 Memorialist was granted an annual Pension of £15. 15. 0 which he Continued to receive till the year 1829 when a Committee of Economy reduced the said Pension to the Sum of £5. 5. 0 per annum

That Memorialist Continued to receive the pension so reduced till the year 1837 when his pension was restored to the original Sum granted in the Year 1819.

That by said Reduction Memorialist has sustained a Loss of £84 and understanding that the Salaries of Certain Officers which were also reduced in the years 1829 have not only been restored to their original amount but that they have been also subsequently paid the Sums lost by reduction. Memorialist respectfully submits that his Claim to like Compensation is not second to any Officers and therefore humbly prayed that his Case would be taken into Consideration and that he will be ordered the amount he has lost by the reduction of his pension

It was moved by Alderman Robert Pentland and said Motion Seconded by Mr. Thompson that the Claim of memorialist be taken into Consideration, and that the Sum sought for by memorialist be paid by the Treasurer, and on the question thereon being put from the Chair an objection was made to the payment not only that the state of the Corporate Funds was not now such in reference to Debts due and other Charges as to Warrant the grant and as further objection that since the Reduction was made in memorialists pension he had in Consequence of there been appointed to other offices in the Corporation the benefits of which he still enjoyed and therefore the Claim for alleged Loss was not in fact founded on good faith and for such reasons the request ought not to be Complied with and the merits of the Claim and objections having been discussed at length a Ballot was demanded and same being proceeded upon there appeared upon a Scrutiny for the Motion that Memorialist be paid by the Treasurer the Sum of £84 as sought for ——— 18 Whites Beans

Ballot demanded

Motion Carried

and against same ——— 11 Blacks Beans

Whereupon the Motion was Carried by a majority of 7.

Assembly adjourned

This Assembly at its rising is adjourned to this Day four Weeks

His Worship is requested to have the Pump and Apparatus on the Stock Bridge removed

It is requested that His Worship the Mayor will Cause to be removed the Pump and Apparatus which have been for Some time on the South Side and the same having been left in an unfinished state and wholly useless, and it being stated that there is not a Sufficient Supply of Water where said Pump was placed. His

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Worship the Mayor is requested to ascertain if Water can by means of a Pipe be Conveyed to a Suitable place on the Strand from the Well at Catherine's Lane and if so that he will have Water provided in the most Convenient Situation for the Inhabitants in that locality and if the Pump and apparatus on the Strand Cannot be made use of that same be disposed of by public Auction

Paving Committee to be instructed to make foot way in Thomas st

ordered - That the Paving Committee be instructed to proceed in making the foot way in Thomas Street

Notice Motion Mr Fogarty

Mr. Fogarty gives Notice that he will at the next General Quarterly Assembly move that a grant of money to the amount of £40 be made for the purpose of Making a proper and Safe foot way in Catherine's Lane

Notice Motion Mr Brodigan

Mr. Brodigan gives Notice that at the next General Quarterly Assembly he will move that the sum of 200 Guineas be granted for the purpose of defraying the expenses of Compiling and publishing a History of the ancient Town of Drogheda the said Sum to be Vested in Trustees to be there nominated and to be paid to the Author of the Work when Completed -

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Adjt Gen Qua Assembly 14 February 1840

At an adjournment of the last Quarterly Assembly held on Friday the 14th day of February 1840 before John Shegog Esqre Mayor and Mr. Sheriff Fogarty the Aldermen and Common Council being present

Report of Auditors Viewers on Renewal Lease to Mr. Nathaniel Hill

The following Report of Auditors Viewers made in pursuance of the Resolution entered into at a General Quarterly Assembly on the 13th July 1838 which had reference to a Report by them made on the 6th of February 1833 and which was laid at an Assembly held on the 8th of said Month when the result of several subsequent Meetings upon the same Subject was duly Considered - 13th Feby 1840

At a Meeting of the Committee of Auditors and Viewers held this day to View the premises in possession of Mr. Hill and again report thereon pursuant to Summons for that purpose - Present

John Shegog Esqre Mayor, Frederick Fogarty Esqre Sheriff,
Townley B. Handmaid
Graves Ackland
John Ackland
Wm. Fairlough
Aldermen
Samuel H. Crawford
Obediah Weedon
Robert Thompson
Henry Bagnall
Rev. C. Fairlough
John Mayne
John Crawford
Francis Wm. Seland
Common Council

"Resolved. That having reconsidered the memorial "heretofore presented by Mr. Nathaniel Hill and he having Submitted to this "Committee the Original Lease from the Corporation of Drogheda 11th 1685 "and an Assignment thereof to him made. Dated 30th November 1824"

"Resolved therefore that we are of opinion that the interest "thereof is now Vested in the said Nathaniel Hill and that he is lawfully "entitled to Surrender & same"

"Resolved That we proceeded to View that part of the "premises at present in possession of Mr. Hand alias Weir and having "ascertained that they are part of the premises demised by said Lease to "Graves Charney Esqre for 61 Years from Easter 1758. We are of opinion "that in Consideration of the Surrender of said Lease by Mr. Hill that a "new Lease be made to him thereof for 99 Years from Easter 1833 at "the annual rent of £90 to Commence at said period in Furtherance of "the Resolution entered into at a General Quarterly Assembly held the 8th "February 1833 Confirming the Report of the Auditors and Viewers of 6th of "same Month"

"Resolved that there be reserved in said new Lease a "passage of 8 feet round Lawrence's Gate on the South side for the free use "of the public" Signed. John Shegog Chairman"

Report of Auditors & Viewers adopted

It was Moved by Mr. John Crawford that the Report read be adopted and said Motion being Seconded by the Rev. Edward Fairlough the question was thereupon put from the Chair and unanimously agreed to

Agent of the Common Fund account

The Account of the Agent of the Commons fund Dated the 7th of January last for the Rents up to the 29th September 1839 were laid before the Assembly for Examination from which it appeared that the sum received amounted to ——— £230-9-8
(including £2-1-11 by the Years)
and that the payments and Charges amounted to ——— 210-8-0¾
Leaving a Balance due by the Treasurer of £ 20-1-7¾

The yearly amount of the rents appears to be ——— £408-8-2
and the arrears returned amounted to ——— £413-8-3½
of which £292-8-6½ being upwards of two years rent was stated to be due by the Representatives of the late Oliver Fairlough now in the Tenancy of Alderman Henry Smith.

Law agent to apply to Alderman Smith for arrears of rent

And it was ordered that the Law Agent do immediately apply to him for payment and that if same was not paid proceedings by Ejectment should be resorted to

Agent of the poor of Saint Johns account

The Account of the rents of the Poor of Saint Johns Dated the 3rd of February instant up to the said 29th day of September last were also presented for Examination by which it appeared that there had been Received for Rent and on Acct. of rent ——— £128-17-1

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£ 128-7-1
with a Balance on hands on foot of last account of 42-11-10½
Making together £171-2-0½
That the Disbursements to the date of said account amount to £179 11 10½
Making a Balance in favor of the Proctors of ——— 8-9-10½
£179-11-10½ £179-11-10½

The Yearly Amount of the Rents as Returned appeared to be — £297-15-4
and the Amount of the Arrears due by Tenants ——— 189-16-9½

Memorial of Mich.l Macklin praying that the Pontage & Gate Customs would be either taken off his hands or reduction made in the amount of the Bonds passed

The Memorial of Michael Macklin of peter Street being read it appeared he had become Tenant to the Pontage & Gate Customs at £67 per Month and had with Sureties entered into Security that by his accounts for the first Quarter ending the 28th of January last he had only received ——— £187-10-6
and had paid to his Assistants ——— 24-2-6
Making the Nett proceeds only ——— £163-8-0
and having paid to the Treasurer a Sum of £81 Memorialist Cost within the Quarter £37-12-0 which he attributed to the failure of the Crops, Stating that the receipts of the first Quarter are always more than any Succeeding Quarter unless in the instance of an early Harvest which seldom occurs that Memorialist had by Industry and Economy Realised his present Means and if obliged to pay the extent of his remaining Bonds his ruin would be inevitable as his losses would exceed his Capital and Stock in Trade. That Memorl. admits his legal liability but he humbly hopes that as the Employment of his time will not only be without Remuneration but be attended with actual loss that his Case will as is usually the Course be taken into Consideration. And that the Pontage and Gate Customs will be either taken off his hands or Reduction made in the amount of the Bonds passed -

Referred to Auditors & Viewers

It was moved by Wm. Bagnall Seconded by Wm. S. Hoodard that the Matter of said Memorial be referred for Consideration to the Auditors and Viewers which was objected to by Alderman Graves Ackland and upon further discussion of the Subject the Reference as moved was agreed to

Memorial of Jas. Watson Francis M.c Gauley Moses Staar Jas. Syms Wm. Sharples and Thos. M.c Caul for Remuneration No Motion made

The Memorial of James Watson Francis M.c Gauley Moses Staar James Syms William Sharpless and Thomas M.c Caul Constables being read by which it appeared they had performed the Duty of a Night patrol from the 6th to the 27th January and that they had also attended Nightly at the Watch house and seeking some Remuneration for their Services - There was not any Motion made on this Memorial

Ordered

Committee to prepare Address to the House of Lords against the Municipal Corporation Bill

Ordered, on the Motion of Alderman Graves Ackland Seconded by Alderman Hardman that His Worship the Mayor with the Sheriffs and also Townley B. Hardman William Fairclough George Wm. Evans and Graves Ackland and Messrs. Edward Fairclough Samuel Wisdom Henry Bagnall Thomas T. Pogarty and Thomas Greerson be requested to meet as a Committee from time to time during the progress of the Bill in the House of Commons for Reform of the Irish Municipal Corporations and the said Committee are hereby authorised to prepare and forward a petition against the passing of said Bill without further reference to the Corporation and generally to adopt such further measures on the Subject as may to them appear to be expedient

Notice of Motion Ald.n G. Ackland

Alderman Graves Ackland gives Notice that he will at the next Assembly require the Law Agent to inform the Corporation the dates of the first and Subsequent orders received by him directing proceedings to be taken against John Chester Esqre for recovery of Certain arrears of Rents due for part of the Commons Land and the names of the Lawyers who have been Consulted and the opinions given on the Subject

Saturday 14th March 1840

Committee prepares petition to the House of Lords against the Irish Municipal Bill

This day the Committee appointed at the last adjourned Assembly to prepare a Petition to the House of Lords against the Irish Municipal Reform Bill met when the following petition was agreed to and it was ordered that the same be entered in the Assembly Book and that the Engrossment thereof be forwarded by the Town Clerk to some Noble Lord for presentation -

Petition to the House of Lords -

The following is a Copy of the Petition

"To the Right Honorable the Lords Spiritual
" and Temporal of the United Kingdom of Great
" Britain and Ireland Queen Defender of the
" Faith and so forth"

"The Petition of the Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses and
"Commons of the Town and County of the Town of Drogheda

"Humbly Sheweth"

"That petitioners view with undiminished
" apprehension and alarm the renewed introduction into your
" Lordships House of Commons for the professed purpose of Reforming
" the Municipal Corporations of Ireland and which as petitioners humbly
" submit is not a Bill for their Reform as at present Constituted but for the
" total annihilation so far as petitioners are Concerned of their Corporate
" rights privileges immunities and Vested Interests in property and otherwise
" and for the transferring of the same without just Cause to others
" in Violation as petitioners respectfully submit of the trusts and purposes

"for which they were originally granted"

"That the Cause assigned for the intended Change
"of the Municipal Institutions is the substance of a report made by the
"Commissioners of Corporate Enquiry in which Conclusions are drawn
"and Charges in general terms made which are not only —
"unwarranted as Petitioners submit by the Evidence taken but in many
"instances in direct Contradiction to it, and against which report
"petitioners respectfully yet earnestly repeat their protest as being
"the result of a prejudiced and illiberal View of the Case as far as
"respects your petitioners"

"That as regards the exclusion of Roman Catholics
"from the Corporations of Ireland now made one of the pretexts for
"the introduction of said Bill Petitioners beg to remind your
"Honorable House that such exclusion was in strict accordance
"with the purpose and design of their original Establishment. the Object of
"which was to encourage the Protestant Religion in Ireland and to
"assist in maintaining the Connection with Great Britain.
"That although such exclusion has been made the Cause of Complaint
"against them but which since the Legislature thought fit to sanction
"their admission has not been universal in this Corporation and
"doubtless would have been much less so but for the decided hostility
"uniformally evinced by them to all Protestant Establishments / yet there is
"little doubt if the Bill now before your Honorable House shall become
"the Law that the exclusion of Protestants will be equally if not more
"rigidly acted on by the successors of petitioners and that the future
"Corporations will consist wholly of Roman Catholics"

"That should Your Lordships enter upon Consideration
"of the Measure and introduce such alterations and amendments as
"may serve to ensure the Protestant trusts and purposes which it was
"the object and intention of the original Framers of Corporations to perpetuate
"and also endeavour to Continue and preserve British Connection —
"Your petitioners respectfully hope and trust you will be graciously
"pleased to make such enactments as will clearly and indisputably
"ascertain and declare the rights privileges and interests of petitioners
"and their successors to the charitable trusts political Franchises and
"vested Estate in the Corporate property to which they are entitled by
"immemorial Usage and Bye Laws as Petitioners are fully and
"Conscientiously convinced from experience of the facility with which
"enactments and every Securities for their observance are defeated and
"perverted unless expressly defined that through political hostility and
"jealousy every means which ingenuity can devise will be used to harrass
"petitioners and impede the acquisition of their rights and which will be
"the more necessary to be guarded against when those privileges franchises
"and Vested rights are to be sought for and required from an adverse body
"and who instead of assisting to Carry out the just intentions of the Legislature
"towards petitioners and their Successors would more probably obstruct
"and frustrate them"

"Relying therefore as petitioners do with perfect
"Confidence on the justice of Your Lordships they trust that if it shall
"appear expedient to pass the Bill your Lordships will introduce such
"restrictions and provisions as may effectually secure to your petitioners
"all the rights privileges and immunities to which they are at present
"entitled. And Petitioners will pray"

"Certified by Jos.h Holmes T. Clk — In Testimony &c (seal)

Town Clerk forwards memorial to Lord Fitzgerald accompanied by the following Note

The Town Clerk forwarded the memorial to the Right Honorable Lord Fitzgerald & Vesey accompanied by the following Note

"My Lord.

"I am authorised by the Corporation of Drogheda
"to forward to Your Lordships for presentation to the House of Lords a Petition
"from that Body against the Irish Municipal Reform Bill which is
"now pending in that House. Your Lordships has been pleased hitherto
"to take Charge of the greater Number of Petitions which have been sent by
"the Corporation of Drogheda against Irish Municipal Reform and
"the Corporation hope your Lordships will have the Kindness to Consider of
"the present petition to ensure them through me whether your Valuable
"Co-operation and assistance will be afforded on their Behalf — I
"have directed the petition to your Lordships at the House of Lords
"Town Clerks office" I have the Honor to be

"Drogheda 11th March 1840 Your Lordships Most Obt. Humble Servant

"Right Honorable Lord Fitzgerald & Vesie Joseph Holmes Town Clk"

And on the 17th of March the following answer was
received by the Town Clerk from Lord Fitzgerald

"White hall Place
17th March

Answer from Lord Fitzgerald & Vesie

"Sir

"I have the Honor to acknowledge the letter
"which you have addressed to me on the part of the Corporation of
"Drogheda and I shall not fail to submit to the Consideration
"of the House of Lords the Petition which the members of that Body
"have done me the Honor to confide to me. And I remain Sir

Your Very Obt. Servant

Fitzgerald & Vesie"

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Qua Post Assembly 17 April 1840

At a Quarterly Post Assembly held before John Shegog Esquire Mayor &c. & Sheriffs Fogarty and the Aldermen being present on Friday the 17th day of April 1840.

Petition of George North for Freedom Referred

The petition of George North of the Town of Drogheda Watchmaker for his Freedom of this Corporation by Birth being presented and read the same was Referred to the General Quarterly Assembly on the Motion of Alderman Ralph Smyth Seconded by Alderman G. Ackland

There was not any other Business for this Assembly

Gen Qua Assembly 17 April 1840

At a General Quarterly Assembly of the Corporation held before the said Mayor and &c. Sheriffs Fogarty the Aldermen and Common Council being present on Friday the 17th of April 1840

Aldermen Francis Ball and William Murray excused Serving the office of Mayor

Aldermen Francis Ball and William Murray severally upon their Request being excused Serving the office of Mayor for the ensuing year Alderman William Pairl Clough proposed that Alderman Ball Hacklett be Elected Mayor for the ensuing year and such Nomination being Seconded by Alderman Robert Pentland and the question thereon being about to be put from the Chair Alderman Ball Hacklett was thereupon unanimously elected

Alderman Robert Ball Hacklett Elected Mayor

John Cooper Esqre proposed Sheriff

John Cooper of Beamore Esqre a Freeman is proposed by Alderman Donagh to serve the office of Sheriff for the ensuing year which proposition is Seconded by

Wm Alfred Cowdroy proposed Sheriff

Wm Alfred Cowdroy a Freeman is proposed by Wm Darbey to be one of the Sheriffs for the ensuing year in which Nomination he is Seconded by Wm Garvey

Messrs Cooper & Cowdroy Sheriffs Elect

The question was then put from the Chair that Messrs Cooper and Cowdroy be Elected Sheriffs for the ensuing year from the 29th of Septr next and the same was unanimously agreed to

To be Certified to Government for approval

Ordered That the said Election of Alderman Ball Hacklett to be Mayor and of John Cooper and Alfred Cowdroy Esqrs to be Sheriffs be Certified to Government for approval

George North Admitted Freeman

The petition of George North of the Town of Drogheda Watchmaker for his Freedom of this Corporation by Birth being presented and read and which was referred from the Post Assembly It was Moved by Alderman Robert Pentland and Seconded by Wm Garvey that the prayer of the petition be granted and the Question thereon having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to and he was thereupon admitted to the Freedom of this Corporation on the usual Terms

Assembly adjourned to 22nd of May next

This Day being Grove Friday Alderman Saint George Smith moved that the Assembly do now adjourn to Friday the 22nd of May next then to proceed to the Consideration of the Matters Now Submitted and if not then disposed of that a further Adjournment do take place to the day of

Drogheda 17th April 1840

Leases Sealed

The following Leases passed the Seal of this Corporation before John Shegog Esqre Mayor the Sheriffs Aldermen and Common Council being present

John Greene No 1072

A Lease of a plot of ground at Blackbush Lane without Duleck Gate Containing A. 2. P. 10 was Sealed unto John Greene at £5-6-7 per annum and £86-17-2 Fine for 99 years from 29th September 1839

Thos Flanagan No 1073

A Lease of a plot of Ground with Tenements or Houses thereon without Duleck Gate for 99 years was Sealed unto Thomas Flanagan at £8-12-6 per Annum and £28-15 Fine

Poor Law Commissioners No 1074

A Lease of a plot of Ground without Saint James's Gate Containing A. 2. P. 28 was Sealed unto The Poor Law Commissioners at £32-14-6 per annum for 999 years from the 25th March 1840

Special Post Assembly 22nd of May 1840 to Elect an Alderman in the room of Wm Henry Esqre deceased

At a Special Post Assembly held pursuant to Notice before John Shegog Esqre Mayor and Wm Sheriff Fogarty the Aldermen being present on the 22nd day of May 1840 for the purpose of Electing an Alderman in the room of the late Alderman Henry deceased

Thomas Timothy Fogarty unanimously Elected

Moved by Alderman Anderson Seconded by Alderm Evans That Thomas Timothy Fogarty Esqre one of the Sheriffs be Elected Alderman in the room of the late Alderman William Henry deceased and no other person having been proposed the question was put from the Chair and Wm Fogarty unanimously Elected

Adjd Qua Assembly 22 of May 1840

A new adjournment of the last Quarterly Assembly held before the said Mayor and Wm Sheriff Fogarty the Aldermen and Common Council being present on the said 22nd day of May 1840

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His Worship Submits an account of the application of the Sum of £50 which had been granted to defray the expense of a patrol and a further Sum of £50 granted — Report of Auditors & Viewers on Memorial of Michael MacKin

His Worship the Mayor Submits an account of the application of the Sum of £50 which had been granted on the 17th day of January Last to defray the expense of providing a Nightly patrol for the protection of the Town, and a further Sum of £50 was granted to Continue the Patrol —

The following Report of the Auditors & Viewers on the Memorial of Michael MacKin the Tenant of the Bell and Customs made in pursuance of the Resolution entered into at a General Quarterly Assembly held on the 14th day of February Last having been read

10th April 1840 — At a Meeting of the Committee of Auditors and Viewers held this day to Consider Mr. MacKin's Claim Concerning the Customs — Present —

John Shego Esqr Mayor
Thos Booth Alderman
Abdiah Wisdom
Robert Thompson
Austin Nicholls
Henry Bagnall
John Hayne
Samuel Wisdom
Chs Robinson
Michl Daly
Patk Darby
Henry Garvey
John Crawford
Sam'l W. Crawford

Common Council

"Having taken into Consideration the Memorial of
"Michael MacKin Referred to us from the General Assembly"

"Resolved, That before taking Mr. MacKins Memorial
"into Consideration we Recommend to the next Quarterly Assembly that
"the Tolls and Customs be Reset by public Auction for the remainder of
"Mr. MacKin term in order to take public opinion upon their present
"Value it appearing from his Statement that they have much depreciated"

"John Shego — Mayor"

upon the Statement made in the Memorial of Michael MacKin being Verified by Affidavit the Treasurer is to pay the amount of the deficiency

It was ordered upon the Motion of Alderman Saint George Smith which was Seconded by Alderman Willm Fairbrough that upon the Statement Made in the Memorial being Verified by the Affidavit of the Memorialist the Treasurer be authorised to pay to Memorialist the Amount of the deficiency incurred in the Collection of the Tolls and Customs the said Affidavit to Contain an explicit averment by Memorialist that the deficiency mentioned was really and truly incurred and to the best of his belief and knowledge every diligence and exertion had been used by the persons Employed by Memorialist to act as his Assistants in Collecting the Tolls and Customs. Also that to the best of his Knowledge and belief there was not any fraud or deception practised. the said

Mr. Brodigan brings to the Consideration of the Assembly the Notice given by him at the last General Assembly for a Sum of 200 Guineas towards defraying the expenses of publishing a History of Drogheda &c.

affidavit to be lodged in the Town Clerks office) —

The Notice given by Mr. Brodigan at the General Quarterly Assembly held the 17th of January last that he would move that the Sum of 200 Guineas be granted for the purpose of defraying the expense of Compiling and publishing a History of the ancient Town of Drogheda the said Sum to be Vested in Trustees to be Nominated, and to be paid to the Author of the Work when Completed being Read

Mr. Brodigan Reads a letter he had received from John D'Alton Esqr Barrister the Author of the proposed History Dated the 6th April last as a Satisfactory mode of informing the Assembly of the Stile and Manner in which the Work was promised to be undertaken Compiled and printed, and as Conveying the Writers ideas in Reference to expected Remuneration it appeared that Mr. D'Alton was acquainted with the terms of the Notice which had been given, and in anticipation of the grant he had them ready for inspection in Short Manuscript Notes Chronologically arranged Sufficient for a Small Volume. he then explicitly repeated the offer to Compile the History of Drogheda provided the 200 Guineas were granted towards the Charge of Compiling and publishing the Volumes the Money to be Vested in Mutual Trustees and when the Work was Complete in Manuscript and ready for inspection, he would upon the Money being paid to him with the Interest or dividends thereon have the Work printed in the Stile of the History of the County of Dublin the whole of the Work to be from present Calculations between 400 and 500 pages and undertaking to have the whole Completed within one year from the Appropriation Vote and to be as full and fair as possible. The Writer referred to a Communication which had been made to him by Messrs Hodges & Smith of College Green Dublin Publishers Dated the 6th of February 1840 by which they Stated they would not undertake to publish the Work unless in the best manner and that it might be desireable to have a Map of the Town and possibly one or two Views, and that much would depend on the Support to be received anticipating the Sale of 400 Copies at between 15s and 15s and unless such Number was Secured they would decline the publication Mr. D'Altons object in referring to this letter was to Shew that the Vote of 200 Guineas would not indemnify him from the Chance of Loss by the Work Notwithstanding which he stated he would not Recede from his proposal but that no Copies of the Work were to be given and to be without Maps and Views intending to open a Subscription List on his own account. The Work to Contain the full Statistics of the Town and its Liberties, population, Harbour River, Trade, Market, Manufacture, Fishery, ample Notes of the Churches Chapels and other places of Worship and their Chief Sepulchral Monuments. The History and Charters of the Corporation the Succession of the Mayors and Parliamentary Representatives, Remains of Ecclesiastical and Military

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architecture and their annals Schools Hospitals and Charitable Institutions and Charity funds. the Gaol. Court house or Bridewell and the legal and historic Annals of these Various localities with notices of Eminent persons Connected therewith by Birth or otherwise — hoping to be allowed access in the Course of the Compilation to the Corporate Books

If being proposed that the foregoing Communication Should be taken into Consideration for the purpose of Confirming a grant of 200 Guineas to enable Mr. D'Alton to proceed with the Work in the Manner detailed in his letter the Subject then underwent general discussion particularly in reference to the state of the Corporate Funds and the likelihood of the Treasurer having means available for the Expenditure having regard to the existing Claims of Several Creditors whose demands are unpaid. and also having regard to the sums of Money necessary to be provided to meet the Charges for Works ordered and in progress. it was distinctly expressed and the Treasurer was so instructed that demands thus Circumstanced Should be the first Charges on the Surplus funds of the Corporation and under these Circumstances there was not a probability of funds being available for Some time to meet the proposed object.

200 Guineas granted towards defraying the expenses to be incurred in publishing a History of Drogheda

It was Resolved upon the Motion of Thos Brodigan Esqre Seconded by Alderman Anderson that a Sum of 200 Guineas be granted by this Corporation from the first available funds in the hands of the Treasurer to be applied towards defraying the expense to be incurred by John D'Alton Esqre Barrister in Compiling and publishing a full and ample history of the Ancient Town of Drogheda on the out line or proposition Contained in his letter of the 6th of April last to said Thomas Brodigan as before particularly detailed. and it was also further Resolved that should Mr. D'Alton be disposed to undertake the Completion of the proposed History on the Terms and under the Circumstances on which the foregoing Resolution was proposed that he Should have access to the Archives of the Corporation and that every facility be afforded him in the Course of his Enquiries

Petition of Alderman Thos Fogarty for Reduction in rent and an additional 15 years for Completing the terms of his Lease

The petition of Alderman Thomas Fogarty being read Stating that in the year 1837 he became Tenant for a plot of ground for which he paid a Fine of £3 3s 7½ and an annual Rent of £32-10-0 and is bound under his Lease in a penalty to build Certain description of Houses or enclose the plot of ground with a Wall. that from the manner in which the new Street is Made petitioner Suffers Serious injury the Road being so Cut down as to leave one entire Side of this plot of Ground 150 Feet in length or an Elevation in Some places of 15 feet that he never Contemplated that in making a new Street it was intended to Cut down the ascent such not having been mentioned at the Setting. petitr. Complains that the Cabins at present on the ground are reduced in Value and many tenants have left them. that before he Can Commence Building he will have to Cut down and Cart away the Hill left at his side of the Street in length 150 feet and in depth 40 to make a Sufficient Space for a house and yard the expense of which together with Building a Wall to Support the Bank in the rere will Cost a Sum of £400 petitioner therefore Seeks Compensation by a reduction in Rent and an additional 15 years for Completing the terms of his Lease the latter he Solicits in Consequence of recent experience proving that the demands for such houses as the Lease Specifies not being as was anticipated and to have an Alteration in the Building Clause to enable houses to be built of Stone and Mud and to be Slated and of the height Stated in his Lease.

Mr. Fogarty then rose and requested leave to withdraw So Much of the Memorial as sought for any alteration to be Made in the Character and Style of the Buildings

It was then Moved by Alderman Evans who was Seconded by Mr. Samuel Woodcock that it be referred to the Consideration of the Auditors and Viewers to report whether any and what Injury had been Sustained by Memorialist from the Causes Stated and whether any and what Compensation Should be Made and that the extension of time required by Memorialist for Complying with the Building Terms of his Lease be given upon which objections were Strongly urged by several members against the different branches of the petition and among others against granting any extension of time in building by the Tenants of the other Lots of ground as the Continuance of the Cabins would prevent respectable persons becoming Tenants to the new Houses already built. upon which Alderman Evans on the part of Memorialist obtained leave to withdraw that part of the application and the Matter having then undergone much discussion and enquiry as to the Claim by Compensation for alleged Injury a Ballot was demanded and proceeded upon and there appeared upon a Scrutiny of Votes for granting the required Reference to the Auditors and Viewers 12 M. 15 B.

Ballot demanded

and against Such Reference ——— 15 B.

Motion negatived

whereupon the Motion was Negatived by a Majority of ——— 3

Petition of the President & Managing Committee of the Total abstinence Society for a donation

The petition of the President and Managing Committee of the Drogheda Total abstinence Society Signed by the president and Secretary being read Referring to the Salutary effects in the recovery of Numbers of their Townsmen from Drunkenness to becoming useful Members of the Community and diffusing Comfort in their Families and the more to Establish habits of Sobriety a Large Room in Fair Street had been taken

which

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which was Supplied with Books and that from the want of Funds their Stock of Books was very limitted and they were unable to supply the encreasing demands made upon the Library and praying a Donation in aid thereof,

It was Moved by Alderman North that the petition be taken into Consideration and a grant made to assist the useful and meritorious Objects of the Society and said motion being Seconded by Wm. Bagnall it was ordered that the Treasurer do pay upon the receipt of the President and Secretary of the original Pectotal Society the Sum of £10 to be applied in the purchase of Books to be deposited in the Library of the Society for the use of the Members of that Body

To Granted

Petition of Edward Atkinson for a foot path in front of the houses built at Culver house park

The petition of Edward Atkinson Esqre being read Stating that about two years ago he became Tenant for that plot of ground Known as lot No 1 of Culver house Park and by the Terms of the Lease he is bound to rebuild the Houses on said property within five years. That being anxious to improve the property he has this year built Six houses which are in many respects superior to those he was bound to build and in no respect inferior, and he now begs leave respectfully to Request that the Paving Committee do form a foot path in front of said houses.

Foot paths to be made in front of the houses at Culver house Park

Ordered. upon the Motion of Wm. Darley Seconded by Wm. J. Crawford that the Paving Committee do make a foot path in front of the houses built at Culver House Park by Wm. Atkinson and that Same be proceeded with at the earliest Convenience of the Committee.

Motion of Alds. Fogarty that £30 be granted for Making a Foot way in Catherines Lane

Alderman Fogarty brings to the Consideration of the Assembly the Notice given by him at the last General Quarter Assembly for a grant to the Amount of £40 for the purpose of making a foot way in Catherines Lane.

Foot way to be proceeded with.

Ordered upon the Motion of Wm. Fogarty which was Seconded by Alderman North that the Foot way at Catherines Lane be proceeded with. the expense to be incurred in said Work not to exceed £40.

Treasurers Account

The Treasurer produces his account of receipts and Expenditure commencing 10th April last and ending the 22nd instant by which it appeared that the expenditure amounted to the Sum of £171 15 10¼
and the receipts amounted only to the Sum of —— £140 2 0½
Leaving a Balance due to the Treasurer of —— £ 31 13 10¼

Accounts passed and ordered to be paid

The following accounts having passed the Committee of accounts on the 10th day of April last and on this day the Same were laid by their Secretary before the Assembly for Examination and being enquired into they were Severally ordered to be paid

Accounts passed on the 10th April 1840

1839	Austin & Nicholls Repairing the new Quay Wall and Removing the Privy in October 1839 " " "	£	13	6 3
2	Austin & Nicholls expenses of Illuminations on the Occasion of Her Majesty's Marriage " " "		21	16 8
3	Austin & Nicholls erecting a Fountain on the New Quay "		40	4 2
4	Peter Fallon and Co Sundry Articles for use of Corporation "		2	17 3
5	Chs. P. Collins Stationary Bibles &c for use of Corporation "		2	19 4
6	Thos. North Repairing and Cleaning the Town Clocks " "		7	10 0
		£	88	13 8

Accounts passed 22nd May 1840

1839	Charles P. Collins Stationary for use of Lights patrol	£	2	17 6
2	Francis Murphy Stonecutters Work at Fountain on the North Strand		3	14 8
3	Thos. Grendon and Co expenses of Conveying and Laying pipes &c from Distillery to the Fountain and also at Catherine's Lane		26	13 5
4	Thos. Grendon expenses of Pumps at Bachelors Lane Gates at Rose Mary Lane and Various Ironmongery Work at Harbour Places		43	7 4
5	George Knaggs expenses of Fountain at Catherines west Lane		9	17 1
6	George Knaggs expenses of Illuminations on the marriage of Her Majesty " " "		11	13 2
		£	106	15 2

The account of Austin & Nicholls for Supplying Centry Boxes by order of Robert Pentland Esqre when Mayor was also ordered to be paid the balance due on said account being £13-6-4½ the Amount of the account being £23-6-4½ on account of which a Sum of £10 had been paid. Also ordered to be paid the balance due on the account of George Knaggs Plumber for repairing Leaden Pipe and Pump in the Pholsey in the Months of January February and March 1840 as under. Amt. account £3-7-4½
By 11 Feet 6 pipe — 5-0
£3-2-4½

No Repairs to be in future made without the order of His Worship

Ordered. That in future no repairs be made to the Leaden Pipe or to the Pump in the Pholsey without the order of His Worship the Mayor.

Mary Coulter Grantes an annuity of £7 out of the Commons Fund

Ordered that Mrs. Mary Coulter the Widow of the late John Coulter who was a Pressman be placed as an annuitant on the Commons Fund to the amount of £7 if the Funds of the Institution will admit the same to Commence from the 25th of March last

Petition of Malcolm Thornton for Relief

The petition of Malcolm Thornton of Palace Row Tailor being read Stating that he is a Protestant and has been a Freemember for the last 20 Years and upwards. That he had heretofore been enabled to Support himself and Family Comfortably by his Trade

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until by a Series of Misfortunes over which he had no Controul his Circumstances became Embarrassed.

That Notwithstanding, he had been endeavouring to provide by his Trade for the Wants of his Family without being troublesome to any, but for some time back his health has been in such a precarious State as appeared by the Certificate of Surgeon Fentland that he is not now able to follow his trade as heretofore and Consequently is placed in very distressing Circumstances having a Sickly wife and six helpless Children depending on him for Support. and therefore humbly begs that his pitiable Case would be taken into Consideration, and that he would be admitted a pensioner on the Commons Fund or grant him some Small relief.

Granted an annuity of £10 out of the Commons fund

and also

£3 to be paid by the Treasurer

Ordered on the Motion of Mr. Bagnall Seconded by Alderman Hardman that Petitioner and wife be placed on the list of Pensioners of the Commons Funds for an annuity of £10 provided the present funds are sufficient for the purpose: and if not to that extent for such Sum as the funds will admit of the deficiency (if any) to be a first lien on the Funds when available. Said Annuity to Commence from the 25th day of March And that the Treasurer of the Corporation do pay petitioner a Sum of £5 to relieve him in his present distressed Situation.

The petition of Christopher May for relief

The petition of Christopher May of the Town of Drogheda Yeoman being read Stating that he has been a Resident of Drogheda for the last 40 years and has been up to the last Six years in Comfortable Circumstances until a System of Excessive dealing had been entered into against him which he regretted to state has left him reduced to the necessity of Soliciting some Small pecuniary aid to assist him in purchasing Seed Potatoes

Treasurer to pay petitioner £5

Ordered on the Motion of Mr. Woodcock Seconded by Mr. Grendon that the Treasurer do pay to petitioner the Sum of £5 out of the Corporate funds to be applied to the purposes Stated in his Petition.

Petition of Pat Christy for relief

The Petition of Pat Christy being read Stating that as one of the oldest Inhabitants of this Town now reduced to a State of great distress he most respectfully Ventured to take the liberty of Stating his destitute Situation in the humble but earnest hope that some relief would be extended to him.

That he had been ejected for Non payment of rent and has since been without any regular Employment living on his Friends and occasionally endeavouring to follow a little dealing. But being now reduced to such direful distress that he Could not follow any line of dealing, and as he never learned any Trade he is unable to obtain a Subsistence except from the bounty of the Charitable and humane. and was not even able to pay for his Lodging only for the Kindness of a few Charitable Neighbours.

That he is now about 70 years of age and has a Wife to Support. that during his life he has resided in Drogheda and lived on friendly and amicable terms with every Man and therefore Ventures under the Circumstances to Solicit some Small pecuniary Relief.

£5 Granted

It was ordered that the Treasurer do pay to petitioner the Sum of £5 from the Corporate funds to be given to him from time to time at the discretion of the Treasurer or should the payment of the whole Sum to petitioner to enable him to plant potatoes be thought advisable then Treasurer is authorised to pay same.

Petition of Mary Emerson for Support

The petition of Mary Emerson being read stating that she is the Widow of John Emerson who was for many Years a Freemember. that petitioner had been amply provided for when admitted to the poor of Saint Johns and she acknowledges that through her Misconduct she was dismissed from that Institution since then Petitioner has Suffered extreme distress and is now in absolute need and therefore once more throws herself on your Wonted Kindness to allow her some Small Support

Referred to Auditors Viewers

Ordered. That the said petition be referred to the Auditors and Viewers who will be pleased to examine and investigate the Circumstances Stated and report particularly whether any and what assistance should be given to petitioner.

Memorial of Lathum Pairlough Peter Mc. Evoy and Mrs. Anne Markey

The Memorial of Lathum Pairlough Peter Mc. Evoy and Mrs. Anne Markey widow of the late Peter Markey being read stating that they are Tenants of Saint George Smith Esqre for premises Situate on the North Side of Fair Street for which he became Tenant to the Corporation at a Sale by Auction in or about the year 1814 at a Rent of £98 per Annum one fourth part whereof he as usual fined down at 10 years purchase, and Subsequently to the underletting to Memorialists about the Year 1829 he the said Saint George Smith Considering the Solvency of Memorialists as Tenants agreed to further fine down £160 of the reserved Rent of said premises at 13 years purchase thereby reducing the rent payable by him for the entire of said premises to £13-15-0 per annum.

That William Rodger Esqre was after this occasion made a reduction in the rent of premises let to him by him at the same Sale at the rate of 10 years purchase his premises being nearly opposite to and much better Circumstanced than are those of Memorialists thereby disabling Mr. Smith to make that reduction to Memorialists as his Tenants which the depreciation in the Value of this Species of property

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property evidently Calls upon him Conscientiously to make

That Memorialist Mrs Anne Markey who pays a rent of 30 Guineas a year for her House has been obliged after the death of her husband which happened in 1833 to underlet the same at £25 being to her an annual loss of £6 10 0. and Memorialists Fairclough and Mr Ivory anticipate a greater loss were they to underlet in like manner and Memorialists rest Satisfied that the rents by them respectively payable to Mr Smith is barely remunerative for the outlay of his Capital in the purchases and expenditure aforesaid and the Memorialist Mr Ivory Submits that his late Uncle had in their life time expended a large Capital amounting to £1000 and upwards in the improvement of these premises during the former demise, Memorialists therefore hope that the matter will be taken into Consideration and apply such Remedy in relief of Memorialists as shall seem meet by enabling Mr Smith without any pecuniary loss to himself to make to them respectively such deduction in their respective Rents as may be deemed fair and Reasonable he having agreed to give to them the full benefit of the result of this application

Referred to Auditors Viewers. Ordered. That the Matter of the foregoing memorial be referred to the Auditors and Viewers for their Consideration and to report thereon

Auditors & Viewers re-elected The Auditors and Viewers of the past year are now Re-elected and the persons before them to give assistance are requested to Continue their Services

Special Gen Assembly 19 June 1840. to address Her Majesty & Prince Albert on their Providential escape

At a Special General Assembly of the Corporation Convened by Requisition to The Right Worshipful John Shegog Esqre Mayor and held before him the Sheriffs Aldermen and Common Council being present on Friday the 19th day of June 1840 for the purpose of taking into Consideration the propriety of addressing her Majesty on the Providential escape of Her Majesty and of Her Consort His Royal Highness Prince Albert from the late traitorous attempt upon their lives.

The requisition and Notice having been read by His Worship the Mayor and the assembly having been addressed thereon by Alderman Hardman. It was then Moved by him and Seconded by Alderman Anderson that in Consequence of the late attempt upon the lives of Her Majesty and of Her Royal Consort that this Corporation do address our beloved Sovereign on the Subject and said resolution having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to

Committee appointed to prepare Suitable address

Alderman Saint George Smith 1st Moved and he was Seconded by Alderman William Fairbrough that a Committee to Consist of Aldermen Hardman Saint George Smith Anderson and Mr P. Fogarty with Thomas Brodigan Esqre be requested to prepare the address and having retired for the purpose the Committee returned and Alderman Hardman on their part read the following

Address prepared & Read

Address

"To the Queens Most Excellent Majesty

"May it please Your Majesty

"We Your Majesty's most dutiful and Loyal Subjects the " Mayor Sheriffs Aldermen and Commons Council of the County of the Town of " Drogheda beg leave to approach Your Majesty with the assurances of our Warmest " attachment to Your Majesty's person and of the Deepest Respect for the illustrious " Prince whom Your Majesty has selected for your Royal Consort"

"We have learned with feelings of Horror and Indignation that " a treasonable and nefarious attempt has lately been made on the lives of Your " Majesty and that Royal Prince and we Shudder at the Contemplation of " what might have been the result of it but Glory be to the Almighty Disposer " of all events the blow has been turned aside and Your Majesty and your " beloved Consort have been Spared to the Wishes of a Devoted and grateful " people"

"That the same gracious providence which has thus " Mercifully interposed to Shield your Majesty in a Case of such extreme " Peril may Continue to afford his powerful protection through every Circumstance " of Your Majesty's life is the Sincere and Ardent prayer of your " Majesty's Most attached and Faithful Subjects. In Testimony " whereof we have Caused to be hereunto affixed our Common Seal at a " Special Assembly held at the Tholsel of Drogheda this 19th day of June " in the Year of our Lord 1840."

Address adopted It was then moved by Alderman Robert Eastland Seconded by Alderman Graves Ackland that the foregoing address be adopted and the Mayor having put the question thereon the same was agreed to.

Address to be forwarded by His Worship to the Duke of Wellington for presentation Alderman Saint George Smith moved and Mr Brodigan Seconded the Motion that His Worship do forward the address to His Grace the Duke of Wellington for presentation to Her Majesty

Qua Cost Assembly At a Quarterly Post Assembly held before John Shegog Esqre Mayor Mr Sheriff Fogarty and the Aldermen being present on Friday the 17th of July 1840

There was not any business for the Consideration of this

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this Assembly

Gen.l Ass.y 17.o July 1840.

At a General Quarterly Assembly of the Corporation held before the said Mayor and Wm.s Sheriffs Poynty the Aldermen and Common Council being present on Friday the 17th. of July 1840.

Proceedings of former Ass.y read

The proceedings of the former Assembly were read

Answer to Addresses of Congratulation to the Queen and Prince Albert

His Worship the Mayor laid before the assembly the Answer received by him from the Most Noble the Marquiss of Normanby Secretary of State for the Home Department to the address of Congratulation to Her Most Gracious Majesty and His Royal Highness Prince Albert upon their Providential escape from the Traiterous Attempt made on their Lives and the same being read

It is ordered upon the Motion of Alderman Hardman Seconded by Wm. Darley that said Answer be entered on the Minutes.

Answer

"Sir

"White hall 16th July 1840

"I have had the Honor to lay before the Queen "the Loyal and Dutiful address from the Mayor Sheriffs "Aldermen and Common Council of the County of the Town of "Drogheda. And I have it in Command to assure you that "Her Majesty is deeply Sensible of the Loyalty and affection of "Her faithful Subjects. "I have the Honor to be Sir "Your obedient Servant "Normanby"

"The Mayor of Drogheda"

If Vacancy having occurred in the Municipal Constabulary -

Moves that said Vacancy be not filled up

If Vacancy having occurred in the Municipal Constabulary by the deaths of the late Stephen Stanage

It was Moved by Alderman Robert Penkland and said Motion was Seconded by the Rev.d Edward Fairclough that the Vacancy in the Situation of Town Serjeant be not filled up for the present. Whereupon Wm. Darley moved that the Vacancy be filled by the appointment of William Stanage son of the deceased and the propriety of filling the Vacancy having undergone general discussion a Ballot was demanded and proceeded upon and upon a

Ballot demanded

Scrutiny of Votes there appeared in favor of the Motion, and against appointing to the Vacancy generally ——— 4 11. 15.

and against the Motion and in favor of making an appointment 15 15. 15

Whereupon the Motion was negatived by a Majority of one

Rent Bailiff not to be filled up for the present

ordered. That the Situation of Rent Bailiff Vacant by the death of Stephen Stanage be not for the present filled up the Treasurer having informed the Assembly that he will be enabled to Collect the Rents and have notice given to the Tenantry with the assistance of one of the Town Serjeants and with which assistance he is to be provided whenever required

Assembly adjourned

The Assembly at its rising is adjourned to this day 11 Weeks -

Wm. Stanage proposed to be Serjeant at Mace in room of his late Father

Alderman Robert Penkland proposes that the office of Serjeant at Mace Vacant by the death of Stephen Stanage be filled up by the appointment of William Stanage son of the deceased which proposition is Seconded by Wm. Darley

John Dogherty proposed

Alderman Graves Penkland proposes that John Dogherty be appointed having heretofore filled that office and whose Conduct since his dismissal he understood was Correct and proper as deserving of encouragement and this Nomination is Seconded by Alderman Nathan Fairclough

John Stewart proposed

John Stewart is proposed by Alderman William Fairclough which nomination is not Seconded

Wm.m Leonard proposed

Wm. George Richard Clarke proposes William Leonard and he is Seconded by Wm. Samuel M. Crawford

Ballot demanded

A Ballot being then demanded for the Selection of one from among William Stanage John Dogherty and William Leonard there appeared upon a Scrutiny of Votes

For William Stanage 15

For John Dogherty 4

and For William Leonard 5

William Stanage Elected Town Serjeant

Whereupon William Stanage was declared to be Town Serjeant in the room of his late Father Stephen Stanage deceased

Treasurers account

The Treasurer Submits his account of receipts and disbursements Commencing 16th. April last and ending 17th. July instant by which it appeared that the expenditure amounted to £ 39 - 16 - 8¼

and the receipts amounted to the sum of ——— 749 - 16 - 8¼

Leaving a balance due to the Treasurer of £ 90 - 0 - 0¼

The arrears of rent returned by the Treasurer being in amount £ 1322 - 5 7¼

Law agent to apply to Tenants for arrears of Rent

It is ordered that the Law agent do apply to the several Tenants for payment of the arrears of rent returned due by them respectively in the Treasurers account and in Case of Nonpayment he is to proceed for recovery.

Town Clerk reads a Notice from Boyne Comm.rs

The Town Clerk read a Notice received from the Secretary of the Boyne Commissioners

Two Vacancies in that Board to be filled one

That two Vacancies in that Board are to be filled by Members of the Corporation one having been occasioned by the appointm.t of

as Alderman the Office of a Common Council

of Alderman William Fairtlough to be Treasurer to the Board and who had Sat therein as one of the Aldermen. and the other in room of His Worship the Mayor whose Seat at the Board as one of the Common Council became Vacant on being Elected an Alderman and who since Sat at the Board by Virtue of his office of Mayor

Alderman Graves Ackland proposed

It was Moved by Mr. Edward Fairtlough Seconded by Mr. Darbey that Alderman Graves Ackland be Elected the Boyne Commissioner in the room of Alderman William Fairtlough which office Mr. Ackland requested to be allowed to decline Stating that however inconvenient he felt he was bound to serve if Elected.

Alderman North proposed

Alderman then Moved that Alderman North be Elected and said Motion being Seconded by Alderman Wm. Fairtlough.

Ballot demanded

A Ballot was demanded and proceeded upon when there appeared upon a Scrutiny of Votes.

For Alderman Ackland 14

and For Alderman North 13

Alds. Graves Ackland Elected

Whereupon Alderman Ackland was declared to be Elected

Mr. Thompson elected Boyne Commissr.

Upon the Motion of Alderman Hardiman Seconded by Alderman William Fairtlough. Mr. Thompson one of the Common Council is unanimously Elected a Boyne Commissioner

Petition of Mary Stanage to be appointed Caretaker of the Corn Market

The Petition of Mary Stanage relict of the late Stephen Stanage Serjeant at Mace being read Stating that by the death of her late husband a Vacancy has occurred in the Situation of Caretaker of the Corn Market and that during her late husbands Tenure of that office the actual duties thereof had been principally executed by herself and by the experience thus acquired she feels herself fully Competent to the discharge of the duties of the office and seeking to be appointed for the purpose of enabling her to support her aged Father and Infant helpless Family.

Elected

It was Moved by Alderman Wm. Fairtlough Seconded by Alderman Hardiman that the said Vacancy occasioned by the death of the late Serjeant Stanage be filled up by his Widow Mary Stanage and the Question thereon having been put from the Chair she was unanimously Elected to the office of Caretaker of the Market House with the Salary and Residence attached thereto

Ordered that the Treasurer do not for future receive from Tenants in payment of their Rents the accounts passed by the Corporation under six Months due this practice having frequently operated to the prejudice of prior Creditors and prevented the Treasurer paying interest due to Bond holders and Salaries to officers & Stewards

Petition of Pat M.c Kenna to be appointed Auctioneer

The Petition of Patrick M.c Kenna Marshall of the Tholsel Court being read stating that there being a Vacancy in the office of Auctioneer by the death of the late Stephen Stanage petitioner respectfully offers himself as a Candidate. The Situation of Auctioneer being in a great Measure Connected with Petitioners office of Marshall whose duty it is to sell by Auction all goods Condemned under proceeding in the Tholsel Court and which Sales by a late Regulation of the Excise Laws Cannot now be had without the expence of a License amounting to Nearly the Salary allowed to the office of Auctioneer

Appointed

Moved by Alderman Hardiman and Seconded by Mr. Harvey that Patrick M.c Kenna be Elected to fill the Situation of Auctioneer and the question thereon having been put from the Chair he was unanimously appointed with same Amount of Salary as paid to the late Stephen Stanage

Petition of Jas. M.c Cartney Chief Constable to be appointed Fire Engine Keeper to the Corporation

The petition of James M.c Cartney Chief Constable and late Fire Engine Keeper to the Parishes of Saint Peter being read Stating that he had been Fire Engine Keeper to the parish of Saint Peters for a Number of years at a Salary of £25 per annum and faithfully and diligently performed the Duties required whenever Called upon

That Notwithstanding having faithfully executed the duties he has been deprived of his Situation by the Roman Catholic and Radical portion of the Parishioners on the 1st day of June last at the Vestry held for the annual appointment of Fire Engine Keeper

That the Sole Cause Assigned at said Meeting for such Tyrannical and despotic Conduct towards petitioner was having the hardihood to Sign a petition in favor of Lord Stanleys Registration Bill for Ireland.

That petitioner is in Charge of the Corporation Fire Engine and respectfully entreats that he will be appointed Fire Engine Keeper by the Corporation at whatever Salary may be thought fit or for some Compensation for the Injury Sustained for Exercising his Right as a British and Loyal Subject

Appointed for one Year

Moved by Alderman William Fairtlough Seconded by Alderman G. Ackland that Petitioner be appointed Fire Engine Keeper to the Corporation for one year from 1st June last at a Salary of £15 per annum and the question thereon having been put from the Chair he was unanimously Elected

Petition of Michael M.c Glashin for Compensation

The petition of Michael M.c Glashin of Peter Street Droghed a being read wherein he begged to return his Sincere and heartfelt Thanks to the Corporation for the Consideration given to his petition at the Easter Assembly and for the Very Satisfactory order made thereon

That in said petition was specified the Loss sustained by the Pontage and Gate Customs during the Quarter ending January 28th 1840 and that Considerable loss was anticipated in the

the Succeeding Quarters in which he regrets to State he was not to
dis appointed. On the 25th day of June instant the 3rd Quarter of this year
will be Concluded and for the Six Months then ending his rent will
amount to £402 one Moiety whereof has been paid. The expense of
Collecting for the said period of Six Months will amount to £42-13-11
and his Receipts during the period from the 25th day of January last to
up to the 16th of July instant only amounted to £301-7-4 and supposing
the days yet to Come to Complete this half year will be equally
productive with a Corresponding Number of days previous to this
day then the amount of his Receipts for the half year will be
£318-8-4 making a Loss for that period of £125-5-7 exclusive of
his own time and Labour

That Petitioner is an already Stated a young
Man setting out in life and who has raised himself from Comparative
Indigence to his present Circumstances by industry and frugality, and
Should he be required to pay the amount of his Bonds without any
reduction for the Loss Sustained Nothing Can save him from ruin
Petitioner humbly hoped as heretofore that his Case would be taken
into Consideration and as the Circumstances Causing the Loss were
Such as he had no Control over being the failure in the Crops he
hopes an order Similar to the last in reference to his Loss for the half
year ending the 25th Instant would be made

No Motion made on the foregoing petitions

There was not any Motion Made on the foregoing
petition there being a general feeling in the Assembly that the
Considerations of the Circumstances detailed Could not be satisfactorily
entered upon until the expiration of the October Quarter when all Receipts
and disbursements would be ascertained

Petitions of Messrs Thos North and Edwd Atkinson for Reduction in Rents

The Petition of Messrs Thomas North and
Edward Atkinson being read Stating That they became Tenants in
the year 1838 for that portion of property Known as Lots Nos 1 and 3 of the
Culver House farm at a rent Much beyond its Value and under
Conditions Necessarily involving a large outlay of Capital

Petitioners begged to observe that they were
induced to offer said rent and agreed to said outlay of Capital in
building houses on their lots of ground agreeable to the Conditions
Contained in their Leases with the full hope and expectation that such
outlay would be productive of a fair remuneration and in this hope
they were encouraged by the fact that Mills and Manufactories of various
Kinds were increasing in this Town to such an extent as fully to warrant
the expectation that a Class of persons requiring such houses would
greatly increase.

That having now expended a large sum of
Money

Money in erecting a portion of said houses Petitioners are enabled to form the pretty
Correct opinions as to the probability of such hopes being realized and the result of their
experience is they regret to say a firm Conviction that the money they have
already expended and must hereafter expend on said Lots will be almost totally
unproductive for some years to Come under which Circumstances they appeal
in the Confident hope that their Case would be taken into Consideration
with a View to grant them such reduction in the rent as may be thought right

No Motion made upon the foregoing petition

There was not any Motion made on the petition of
Messrs North and Atkinson

Petition of Williams Oliver Fairbrough Mrs Jane Eliza Smith & Harriet Fairbrough for relief

The petition of William Oliver Fairbrough Mrs Jane
Eliza Smith and Harriet Fairbrough of the Town of Drogheda Spinster being
read Stating that petitioners are the Children of the late John Fairbrough who
was a Sheriff Peer of the Corporation

That petitioners are reduced to great distress and
therefore hope that their Case will be taken into Consideration and grant
them Some small relief in their distressed State to procure the
necessaries of life and the means of Clothing

Granted an annuity of £20

Ordered That the petitioners be placed on the
Commons Funds to the Yearly amount of £20 to be equally divided
between them and to Commence from the 25th day of March last

Petition of Mary Tighe for an increase of pension

The petition of Mary Tighe being read Stating
that Petitioner is the only Surviving Daughter of Hugh Tighe and
who had been for many years a Freeman that a Sum of £20 per annum
had been granted petitioners and her late Sister out of the Commons Funds
who died in the Month of May last and petitioner is in Debt by reason thereof
being old and unable to Work and without any means of support except her
said Annuity and therefore begs that an Addition of the former Sum of £20
granted to herself and Sister will be taken off as in your Clemency may seem
meet

Granted an annuity of £15

Ordered. That under the Circumstances in addition
to petitioners present annuity of £10 received from the Commons Funds a
Sum of £5 Yearly be paid to petitioner out of the Common Funds said
additional annuity of £5 to Commence from the 25th of March last (making
petitioners annuity in future £15)

Petition of Isabella Coulston for assistance

The petition of Isabella Coulston of the Town of
Drogheda widow being read stating that she is the Widow of John Coulston
for many years a free Freemen. That she has two Children and has not any
means of support being in ill health and in debt and has been advised to
apply for assistance.

Granted an annuity of £5. and Treasurer to give her £5

Ordered. That petitioner be placed on the
List of pensioners of the Commons Fund for an annual Sum of £5.
said Annuity to Commence from the 25th of March last and that the
Treasurer do pay petitioner from the Corporate funds a Sum of £5 to

relieve her present Wants

Petition of John W.m Cann for Relief

The petition of John W.m Cann of this Town of Drogheda being read Stating that he is and has been a Resident of Drogheda Since his Birth and has lived on Friendly and amicable Terms with every Man that being upwards of 70 years of age he is totally unable to provide for the Wants of himself and Family and under these Circumstances he humbly hoped that his Situation would be taken into Consideration and that Some Small Relief would be extended him having been heretofore in Comfortable Independence and by a Series of Misfortunes his Circumstances became Embarrassed and is now reduced to the greatest distress

Granted 5/- a Week out of the Corporate Funds

Ordered That the Treasurer of the Corporation do pay Weekly from the Corporate funds to M.r Charles Francis Collins a Sum of four Shillings to be applied to the use of Petitioner and his Family the Same to Commence from this 15th instant

15th August 1840

Setting by auction of two parcels of Land

On this day the following parcels of Land were respectively set by public Auction for 99 years from the 29th of September next from which period the Rent to Commence and two years Rent was required to be paid as a Fine so soon as the Tenant to each lot was declared

Lot N.o 1 Mary Kelly Tenant

A plot or parcel of land Containing 3-3-15 or thereabouts late Irish plantation measure Situate at Black-bush lane Without Dublin Gate in the parish of Saint Mary heretofore demised to the late Alderman William Gibbons and late in the possession of W.m S. Waters was Struck down to Mary Kelly at £3 per acre upon the foregoing terms

Lot N.o 3 Will.m Warren Tenant

A parcel of land Containing 4-2-15 or thereabouts late Irish plantation Measure being the 13th lot of the lands Called "the North Commons" as heretofore demised to the late Alderman William Jones and late in the possession of Michael Chester Farmer was Struck down to William Warren at £3-17 per acre upon the foregoing terms

Drogheda 25th Sept.r 1840

This Day the foregoing acts of Assembly were read and Compared the same and ordered to be entered in the large Assembly Book as usual

John Shegog Mayor
Saint George Smith Esq.r } Sheriffs
Fred.k W.m Fogarty }
John Ackland } Aldermen
Tho.s D. Fogarty
G.H. Evans
Geo.y Copland

Sam.l Weldon } Common
John Hoey } Council
H. Garvey

A Test
Joseph Holmes Town Clerk

Michaelmas Day

Drogheda 29th Sept.r 1840.

This day being the Feast of Saint Michael the Archangel the Sweaning of the Mayor and Sheriffs took place at the Tholsel after having attended Divine Service at Saint Peters Church

Sweaning in of

The Town Clerk having produced to John Shegog Esq.re Mayor the approbation of His Excellency Lord Viscount Hardinge Lord Lieutenant General and General Governor of Ireland Dated at Dublin Castle 23rd May 1840 approving of Robert Ball Hackett Esq.re to be Mayor and John Cooper and Alfred Cowdrey Esqrs to be Sheriffs and Same having been read aloud in open Court by the Town Clerk

Rob.t Ball Hackett Esquire Mayor

The said Robert Ball Hackett was thereupon accordingly Sworn and took the oath prescribed by the act of the 10th year of the Reign of George the 4th Cap.r 7. and also took the oaths appertaining to the office of Mayor and Justice of the peace

and

John Cooper and Alfred Cowdrey Esquires Sheriffs

And the said John Cooper and Alfred Cowdrey were also Respectively Sworn and took the oaths prescribed by the said Statute of the 10th George the 4th and also Severally took the oath appertaining to the office of Sheriff

Quar.y Ass.d Assembly 7 Oct.r 1840

At a Quarterly Post Assembly held before Robert Ball Hackett Esq.re Mayor the Sheriffs and Aldermen being present on Friday the 9th day of October 1840

Petition of Rev.d W.m Brabazon for his Freedom

The petition of The Reverend William Brabazon of Syddan Glebe House in the County of Meath Clerk Son of Wallop Brabazon late of Rath House in the County of Louth Esq.re for his Freedom of this Corporation by Birth being presented and read the Same was Referred to the General Quarterly Assembly on the Motion of Alderman Hoey Seconded by Alderman Shegog

Referred

There was not any other Business for the Consideration of the Assembly

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Gen.l Quar.l Assembly 9 Oct.r 1840

At a General Quarterly Assembly of the Corporation held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present on Friday the 9th day of October 1840

Reading of Last Assembly dispensed with

The proceedings of the past year having been read and Compared on the 25th of September last the reading of the proceedings of the Last Assembly was dispensed with

Mayor of the Staple Elected

Alderman Shegog late Mayor is Elected Mayor of the Staple for the ensuing year and Sworn and he likewise took the Oath of Justice of the peace and is Elected Master of the Guild of Merchants

Common Council Elected

Saint George Smith the Younger and Frederick William Fogarty Esqrs are Elected Common Council Men

Coroners and Constables of the Staple. Elected

The said Saint George Smith the younger and Frederick William Fogarty are Elected Coroners for the ensuing year and also Constables of the Staple

Wardens Elected

Ralph Smith and Thomas Brodigan Esqrs the late Coroners are Elected Wardens of the Guild of Merchants for the ensuing year

Officers of Sword Mace and Marshall Re Elected

The officers of Sword Mace and Marshall are Re Elected and to Continue during the pleasure of this Corporation

Treasurer - Elected

Alderman Ralph Smythe is elected Treasurer for the ensuing year

Rev.d Wm Brabazon admitted Freedom

The petition of the Rev.d William Brabazon of Syddan Glebe House in the County of Meath Clerk Son of Wallop Brabazon of Rath House in the County of ~~Dublin~~ Louth Esqre for his Freedom of this Corporation by Birth Referred from the Quarterly Last Assembly being read It was Moved by Alderman Shegog seconded by Reverend Edward Fairtlough that the prayer of the petition be granted and the question thereon having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to. and he was thereupon admitted to his freedom of this Corporation on the usual terms

Cranes to be set up to Auction - also Gate Customs

Ordered. That the Cranes be set up to Auction for one year from the 26th instant and that the pontage and Gate Customs be also set up to Auction for one year to Commence from the 28th instant. and that the dates in the advertisements to be inserted in the different papers that "pontage is the only Collection which will be allowed to be made at the Bridge"

Security to be entered into

The usual Security to be entered into by the respective parties who shall be declared Tenants to the Cranes and Gate Customs

Mr Brodigan reads letter received from the Secretary of the Drogheda Railroad Company on the Subject of a Conveyance in fee of part of the Lands of Saint James's

Mr Brodigan reads to the Assembly a letter received by him from the Secretary of the Drogheda Railway Company requesting he would intimate their Anxiety to procure from the Corporation a Conveyance in fee of that part of the Lands of Saint James's which Mr Brodigan described as being in the immediate occupation of Mr Nicholls where it was proposed to form the Drogheda Terminus of the Railway and Mr M.Neil the Engineer having been introduced and having afforded such information as was required upon the Subject and the general feeling of the Assembly being to encourage the project and grant every Assistance for attaining an object so desirable and likely to lend to the general advantage of the Town and its Inhabitants

Lease granted to the Drogheda Railway Co.y at the Rate of 17 years purchase

It was then moved by Mr Atkinson that the Corporation do grant in fee that portion of their Estate being part of the West division of the Lands of Saint James's demised to Peter Burton Carter and John Allen as Executors of the late James Davis which is required by the Drogheda Railway Company to form their Terminus at this Town at the Rate of 17 years purchase of the Rent reserved under the Lease thereof Dated the 18th of October 1822 and which motion being seconded by Mr Grendon the question thereon was put from the Chair and unanimously agreed to

Assembly adjourned

Ordered that the Assembly at its rising be adjourned to Friday the 30th of October instant

Piece of plate Voted to Alderman Shegog late Mayor

Mr Samuel Wisdom Moves that a piece of Plate Value twenty Guineas be presented to Alderman Shegog late Mayor to be accompanied with a Suitable address in testimony of approbation of his straightforward and truly independant Conduct while acting as Chief Magistrate of Drogheda and that

Committee appointed to Carry same into Effect

Alderman Anderson with Messrs John Crawford
" Pentland " Patrick Danby
" Hardman " Robt Thompson
" L. Fairtlough " Thomas Beddy
" W. Fairtlough and The Sheriffs do
" J.W. Evans Compose the Committee to
and T.F. Fogarty Carry the objects into effect
which

which Motion was Seconded by Mr. Sheriff Cowdroy and the question thereon being put from the Chair the same was agreed to

Memorial of Mary Bashford widow

The Memorial of Mary Bashford of Fair Street in the Town of Drogheda Widow being read stating that she is the only surviving Child and heiress at Law of the late Isaac Norman Esqre deceased who was Seized in fee of Certain property in the Town of Drogheda one lot of which is situated on the North side of the Corn Market hill and East side of Magdalen street and is bounded on the North side by Tenements the property of the Poor of Saint Johns which said Tenements were demised by the Corporation for 61 years from Easter 1792 to Mrs Anne Callan since deceased from whom the said Isaac Norman purchased her interest in the said holding on which there were some houses and he afterwards re-built some of them

That after the decease of the said Isaac Norman his property got into Confusion and the Title Deeds of some portions thereof were lost, and among the rest the Title Deeds of that part which were purchased from the late Anne Callan

That after the decease of Memorialists Father by family arrangement that part of his property situate on the Corn Market hill and Magdalen Street including that part purchased from Mrs Callan were among others allocated to Memorialists Sister the late Anne Norman who was married to the late Mr. Edward Bowden deceased and upon her said Sisters decease the fee Simple property came into the possession of Memorialist and the portion which was Chattel held under the Corporation by the late Anne Callan was retained by Edward Bowden Claiming as personal Representative of his late Wife

That when Mr. Edward Bowden surrendered to Memorialist that portion of the property which is fee he also gave a house which now clearly appears to belong to the holding formerly purchased from the said Anne Callan and which was always Considered by the family as far as Memorialist Could learn to be part of their Estate, and so conscious was Memorialist that this was really the Case that at the time Mrs Callans holding was advertized for sale she was getting this house into thorough repair, and which repair was actually Completed before it was ascertained that the house was part of Mrs Callans holding

It appears that a Considerable arrear of rent accrued due upon the holding which has been demised to Anne Callan, and an Ejectment for Recovery of the possession was brought and served upon that portion of the premises not in Memorialists possession, and also upon the Representatives of the late Edward Bowden and upon those acting for the Widow in this County and an Habere issued and possession of the premises was delivered to the Corporation and as it was not known to any person not even to Memorialist that she had any part of Anne Callans holding as the house in Memorialists possession had become intermixed with the fee Simple portion Memorialist was not served with an Ejectment

That it is now Clearly manifest to Memorialist that this house is not part of her Estate but belongs to the Poor of Saint Johns as part of Anne Callans holding, and such being the true Circumstances she now waives any effect which may arise from not having been served with the ejectment and for the purpose of enabling the Corporation to have the whole of Anne Callans holding set by advantagement she is ready and willing to surrender any right or interest she may have in the same at any time that may be thought fit, and will execute any Deed prepared for the more effectually surrendering same, and therefore prayed that the necessary measures would be taken for procuring possession of the house which she had been accustomed to Consider part of the fee Simple property of her Father

Law Agent to prepare at the expense of the Corporation a Deed of Surrender for the execution of Mrs Bashford of the premises mentioned in Lease made to Mrs Anne Callan and then advertized for Letting

It was moved by Alderman Shegog that every facility and assistance be afforded Memorialist to Carry into effect her wishes and intentions as expressed in her Memorial, and that the Law Agent do prepare at the expense of the Corporation the necessary Deed of Surrender of the premises Mentioned in her Memorial for the execution of Mrs Bashford and when executed that the whole of the premises mentioned in the Lease Made to Mrs Anne Callan be advertized for letting and said Motion being seconded by Alderman William Fairclough the question thereon was then put from the Chair and agreed to

Treasurers Account

The Treasurers account of Receipts and disbursements Commencing the 17th of July last, and ending the 9th of October instant was laid before the Assembly for examination by which it appeared he has received a sum of £398-1-2¾ and that he had paid & disbursed within the same period a sum of £373-0-3

Leaving a Balance due to the Treasurer of £24-19-0¼

Arrears

The arrears returned due by the Tenants at Easter 1839 amounted to the Sum of £147.19.8½

By representatives of Wm Fitzgate Lease expires A. 1833 £3-1-7½
Do of Denis Read do do 6-19-7½ } 10-1-3¼

and do do arrears due by Tenants whose Leases has long since expired to the Amt of £111-16-4½

Making together the sum of £899 17 4¼

Law agent to require payment from Tenants in arrear

Ordered, That the Law agent do require payment from the several Tenants of the arrear returned due by them

Accounts passed

The following Accounts having passed the Committee of Accounts on this day the same were laid by their Secretary before the Assembly for examination and being enquired into were ordered to be paid &c

"9th October 1840"

"At a Meeting of the Committee of Accounts held this day the "following accounts were examined and ordered to be paid Viz.

Members present

Present. Rob.t Hall Hackett Esq.r Mayor John Ackland alder.n
Edw.d Allinson
Robert Thompson
Rev.d E. Fairclough
Samuel Wisdom
John Mayne
John Crawford
Henry Bagnall
Patrick Darbey
Henry Garvey
Austin Nicholls
} Common Council

Accounts

No 1	Thomas Warren painting Account for the Chief Constables house Tholsel and Mayoralty house	19	16	7
2	Peter Verdin Rope and Line for Town Clerk	"	"	"
3	Peter Allen and Company Ironmongery	2	6	2
4	Joseph Holmes Esqre Town Clerk Stamps and expenditure for one year ending 29th Sept.r 1840	43	7	3½
5	Joseph Holmes Esqre Town Clerk expenses of issuing Debentures to the Creditors of the Corporation	50	11	9
6	The proprietors of the Dioghedal Conservative Journal for advertizing expenses ending 9 October 1840	33	3	6
	£	149	5	3½

Accounts passed 17 July last ordered to be paid

And it was also ordered, That the accounts passed on the 17th of July last amounting to £65-2-1½ be entered on the Minutes the same having been enquired into and approved of they were also ordered to be paid — Present —

John Shegog Esqre Mayor John Ackland Esq Alderman
Robert Thompson
Austin Nicholls
John Mayne
Samuel Wisdom
John Crawford
} Common Council

Accounts

No 1	Austin Nicholls expenses of erection of a Fountain on the North Strand and Superintendance	40	18	10½
2	Thomas Hammond Cut Stone Work performed at said fountain	10	2	9
3	William Todd Surveying & Mapping since 1838	13	10	6
	£	65	2	1½

Report of Auditors & Viewers on petition 2nd Aug.t 1840

The following Reports of the Auditors and Viewers on the several petitions and other Matters which had been referred to them for Consideration having been read — "2nd August 1841.

"At a Meeting of the Auditors and Viewers held this day pursuant to Summons — Present John Shegog Esq.r Mayor & J. B. Hardman Esqre Alderman & Patrick Darbey
2 Henry Garvey
3 John Mayne
4 Samuel Wisdom
5 John Crawford
6 Austin Nicholls
} Common Council

Report

"Resolved, That the petitions of the following "persons for relief having been referred to us for Report. We find as "follows: That James Holes
Marg.t Warren
Bridget A Magee
} Do not as far as we are able to learn now reside within our Jurisdiction

Do "That Malcolm Thornton
Anne Ellis
Mary Whilton
Priscella Warren
& Anna Mary Tighe
Samuel Allinson
} Have had their Cases already disposed of by the General Assembly

Do "That Edward Bagnall
Frances Ashe
} Have already their petitions reported on by this Committee

Do "That We Recommend James Gee be paid a Weekly pension "of one Shilling and Mary Emerson a like pension of one Shilling per "Week both off the General Funds, and William Stevens also a pension "of two Shillings per Week from same fund until a Vacancy arise "on the Common fund to which we recommend him to be then "transferred"

Do "Resolved That the late Mendicity Establishment "having been for some time past in possession of the Corporation We

"We do not therefore think it necessary to enter on the enquiry ordered 9th
"October 1835"

The foregoing Reports were adopted & confirmed

It was Moved by Alderman William Fairtlough that the foregoing Reports be severally adopted and Confirmed, and said Motion having been Seconded by Mr. John Crawford the several question on same respectively was put from the Chair and agreed to

The following Report being also read as follows

Report of Auditors & Viewers on the petition of Edward Lee Sandiford for Renewal

"Resolved, That Edward Lee Sandiford and
"Thomas Power whose petition for Renewal was referred to us for our
"Report the 15th of April 1836 are not in our opinions entitled thereto -
"the original Lease having become the undivided property of a Male
"and Female Children as appears by the Report already indorsed on
"petition".

Auditors & Viewers to Re-consider their Report

It was ordered on the Motion of Alderman William Fairtlough Seconded by the Rev.d Edward Fairtlough that the Auditors and Viewers be requested to re-consider the Reasons stated in their Report for the petitioners not being entitled to Renewal, and that they be pleased to report the Circumstances respecting the subject Matter of said petition and more particularly in reference to the Tenants right of Renewal under the general resolution establishing that right, the Cause given for rejection of said petition without further explanation being objectionable

Four Reports of Aud.rs & Viewers Reports

The four next reports being then severally read and being as follows

Report

"Resolved That the petition of Mr. Francis Forde
"referred to us for Report on the 8th June 1838 for Renewal be passed
"over he having stated to our Secretary that he did not intend to
"proceed with his Claim

Report

"Resolved that we are of opinion that Mrs.
"Elizabeth Waters whose petition was referred to us for Report
"on the 27th April 1838 is not entitled to the Renewal sought as it
"appears from the statement of the petition itself that the
"property referred to has come into the possession of Non Freemen"

Report

"Resolved, that there is not any necessity for
"Report on the petition of the Dublin and Drogheda Railway
"Company referred to us on the 12th April 1839 Mr. Henry Smith
"having stated that they would not proceed with the Claim"

Report

"Resolved, that we are of opinion that the
"Memorial of Messrs. Fairtlough and Mc Evoy & Mrs. Ashley
"referred to us for Report on the day of last cannot be
"entertained, the Memorialists not being the immediate Tenants
"to the Corporation"

Reports read & confirmed

It was Moved by Alderman Mr.s Fairtlough seconded by Mr. John Crawford that said Reports be respectively Confirmed and the question thereon being severally put from the Chair they were agreed to

The next Report being read as follows

Report of Auditors and Viewers relative to a passage in possession of Mr. Jos. Flood

"Resolved, That having taken into Consideration
"the order of Assembly of 15th February 1839 to enquire and report
"relative to a passage at present in possession of Mr. James Flood
"the elder leading from Dyer Street to the River Boyne, We are of
"opinion that the Records of the Corporation should be searched to
"ascertain whether this passage had not been closed by order of
"Assembly"

Auditors & Viewers to Report further on same

It was Moved by Alderman Fogarty seconded by Alderman William Fairtlough that the Auditors and Viewers be requested to Report further on said order of Assembly of the 15th of February 1839 and as Assistance and instruction in Considering the subject Matter thereof they are referred to a report of the Auditors and Viewers dated 26th March 1827 and the Measures taken in pursuance thereof

Report of Aud.rs & Viewers on the Memorial of Mr. L. Brabazon for abatement of rent

The next Report being read as follows

"Resolved, that having taken into ~~Report~~ Consideration
"the Memorial of Henry Lambert Brabazon Esqre referred to us for
"report of 6th January 1840 praying for abatement of Rent. We are
"of opinion that the rent should be reduced to the sum of £5 per
"Annum the abatement to take place from the Gale day now last
"past"

Report Confirmed & abatement allowed

Ordered on the Motion of Alderman William Fairtlough Seconded by Mr. John Crawford that said Report be Confirmed and that Henry Lambert Brabazon Esqre do accordingly take out a new Lease at the reserved yearly rent of £5

Further reports of Auditors & Viewers 28 Aug.t 1840

The following further report of the Auditors and Viewers being read as follows

"28th August 1840"

"At an adjourned Meeting of the Auditors and
Viewers held this day to Complete the Reports - Present

Members present

John Shegog Esq Mayor
J. B. Hardman Esq Alderman
Austin Nicholls
Patrick Darbey
Henry Garvey
John Mayne
John Crawford
Samuel Weedon
Robt. Thompson

Report of Auditors &

"Resolved that having taken into Consideration
that

Viewers on Memorial of Mrs Mary Bowden for abatement of Rent

"the memorial of Mrs Mary Bowden praying for an abatement of "Rent or a New Lease to be granted. We are of opinion that "Memorialist has no Claim being Since evicted for non payment "of Rent by the Corporation"

Report on Memorial of Henry Smythe for renewal of Lease

"Resolved. that we proceed to View the "premises detailed in the memorial of Henry Smythe Esqre for "renewal of Lease No 627 Referred to us for Report. and are of "opinion that the same is Worth between Man and Man the "Sum of $16 per Annum and that a New Lease be granted "to the Representatives of the late Henry Meade Ogle Esqre for "a term of 99 years from the expiration of said Lease at the "Reserved Rent of £2-10-0 and payment of a Fine of $42-10 being "at the rate of 7 years purchase. and one fourth of the Rent as "above stated"

Report on Memorial of Alderman Thos Worthy

"Resolved. that we proceed to View that "part of Culver House park Lately demised to Alderman Thos "Worth Referred to us for report. and are of opinion that he has not "Complied with the terms and Conditions imposed upon him at "the letting in as much as we find upon View that he has Rebuilt "some of the houses with mud Walls. and that he has also "recently built two Cabins on the Street or Road with mud "Walls. and Covered same with Thatch. but on inspection of the "Lease to him. We find that 5 years were granted to Complete the "Conditions. which term of 5 years are not yet expired. that the "Street we find is of the Width required by the Lease"

Report on Memorial of Christine Nicholls

"Resolved. That we proceed to View the "plot of ground detailed in the Memorial of Mrs Nicholls "Referred to us for report and we are of opinion that the same "is worth between Man and Man the Rent of five pounds per "annum. and we recommend that a Lease thereof at that "Rent be granted him for the unexpired term of the Lease "under which he holds the adjoining premises in front of said "lot of ground" Signed — John Shegog"

Reports read and Confirmed

The foregoing Repots and the different matters therein referred to being read. It was Moved by Alderman William Fairclough Seconded by Mr John Crawford that the same be received and Confirmed and the question thereon being put on same Severally from the Chair they were respectively agreed to.

Alderman Shegog's Notice on the Subject of a Sealing Dinner

Alderman Shegog brings to the Notice of the Assembly the order made at the General Quarter Assembly held the 11th of April 1839 directing that the Treasurer should not Collect Collect Certain fees from persons obtaining Renewals towards defraying the expence of a Sealing Dinner. and if the Amount of fees should not be sufficient for the purpose that the deficiency should be paid by the Treasurer from the Corporation funds

Sealing Dinner day fixed. and any additional funds required to be provided by the Treasurer

Ordered. Upon the Motion of Alderman Shegog Seconded by Mr John Crawford that His Worship the Mayor do appoint Friday the 30th instant for the Sealing Dinner. and that the funds in addition to the fees received which may be necessary for the purpose be provided by the Treasurer

Petitions for Relief

The several petitions for relief of Nicholas Benford. Samuel Atkinson. William Pugsley. Hugh Shiel. James Brogan. Elizabeth Robinson. Mary Whitton. Jane Lyons and Margaret Grogan being laid before the Assembly. It was ordered. that said petitions be referred to the Auditors and Viewers and their Assistants for Consideration and enquiry into the Circumstances and Claims of the petitioners respectively with a request that they would make their Report previously to the next General Quarter Assembly

Referred to Auditors & Viewers

Memorial of Wm Meade Smythe & Henry Smythe for Renewal of Lease

The Memorial of William Meade Smythe and Henry Smith Esqrs and the Revd John Smythe Clerk for renewal of Lease being read stating that by Indenture of Lease No 698 bearing date the 6th day of September 1784 the then Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses and Commons demised unto William Meade Ogle four perches of land lying together at Black Rock in the parish of Saint Mary and County of the Town aforesaid for the term of 61 years from the 25th of March 1784 at the Reserved yearly rent of £6-15-Irish and Containing 6-3½ p

That the said William Meade Ogle by his last Will and Testament in Writing devised said Lands to his Son Alderman Henry Meade Ogle a Freeman of this Corporation with Remainder to Memorialists also Freemen of same. That at said Lease would expire at Easter 1845 and therefore sought a renewal of these Lands on the usual Terms

Referred to the Auditors & Viewers

It was Moved by Mr Atkinson Seconded by Mr John Crawford that the Matter of the foregoing Memorial be referred for Consideration to the Auditors and Viewers. and the question thereon being put from the Chair the said Reference was agreed to

Memorial of Revd Saml Sandiford for Renewal on surrendering his interest in the residue

The Memorial of the Revd Samuel Sandiford of Clapton Coachford in the County of Cork Clerk being read stating that by Lease No 691 bearing date the 6th of September 1784 the Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses and Commons demised unto Samuel

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of the term of his Lease

Sandiford then of the Town of Drogheda Gentleman since deceased two parks or parcels of land one situate on the North side of the Town of Drogheda called Brides Park which lies between Manimore and the Tenters containing 4-2-14 the other lot situate in the Green Ballow without Sundays Gate Containing Seven acres making in the whole 11-2-14 for the term of 61 years from Easter 1784 at the yearly rent of £14-10-0 of the New Currency

That the said James Sandiford was a Freeman of the Corporation, and before his death by his Will devised his interest in the foregoing Lease to his Son the Reverend Samuel Sandiford Father of Memorialist who was also a freeman and since deceased, and by the Will of Memorialists said Father all the interest in and to the said premises was devised to Memorialist then and now a Freeman

That as the term in said Lease would expire at Easter 1845 Memorialist hoped for a Renewal thereof upon the usual terms undertaking to surrender his interest in the residue of the Term upon the Value thereof being taken into Consideration and due allowance for same being made to Memorialist

Referred for Consideration to the Aud.r & Viewers

It was Moved and Seconded by the before named Gentlemen that the Matter of said Memorial be also Referred for Consideration to the Auditors and Viewers, and the question thereon being put from the Chair the said Reference was agreed to.

Memorial of the Ministers Stewards and Congregation of the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel for a Site for a Sunday and Day School

The Memorial of the Ministers Stewards and Congregation of the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel Saint Laurence Street Drogheda being read Stating that in the year 1794 a demise was made by Mrs Margaret Markey the Widow and Administratrix of the late Nicholas Markey to the persons then acting as Trustees to the Methodist Society of Certain premises in Freeschool Lane in this Town which said premises are part of premises demised by the Corporation to one Patrick Mc Colgan for 61 years from Easter 1782

That upon the premises so demised to the said Trustees a Small Chapel was erected and also a Residence of the Minister of the Congregation, and were so occupied until the erection of the present Chapel in Saint Laurence's Street when the premises in Freeschool Lane were divided into Tenements and let as their interest in same would not justify a disposal of same in any other way

That the want of a Suitable place for a Sunday and Day School in Connexion with said Society has long been

been sensibly felt and to obtain a Site for same has been watched for with Anxious Solicitude

That as the Lease by which the premises in Freeschool Lane are held will expire Very soon and in the opinion of Memorialists those premises with a Small addition to the South Side thereof would be a most eligible Site on which to build the School House from its Contiguity to the premises which they occupy in Saint Laurence Street. Memorialists would most respectfully beg that a Lease of said premises would be granted with the addition before referred to on such terms as may seem fit and in making this request Memorialists deem it superfluous to Notice the religious and political principles which govern their Society being Convinced that they would yield to None in their Attachment to the principles which placed the House of Brunswick on the Throne of these Realms and No people has been more Zealous in Supporting the Protestant Ascendancy in Church and State from the Conviction that it is to those principles under the Divine Benediction they are indebted for all the National and Domestic Blessings they enjoy

That Memorialists have been the Conscientious opposers of every innovation on those Glorious Constitutions and it is believed the History of their Society would furnish Very few instances of any of every individual Members being forgetful of that precept of an inspired Apostle "earnestly Contend for the Faith once delivered to the Saints" they therefore humbly hoped that their Request would be taken into Consideration and by a Compliance therewith enable them to transmit those principles to their Children and their Children's Children

Referred for Consideration to the Auditors & Viewers

ordered on the Motion of Alderman Forth Seconded by Alderman William Shiell Keugh that the Matter of said Memorial be referred to the Auditors and Viewers to examine the premises referred to in the foregoing Memorial and report what portion thereof would be sufficient and necessary for the proposed Sunday and Day School with a Yard at the rear, and the Surveyor of the Corporation is directed to Make a Map and Survey of the premises to accompany the report until the return of which any further Consideration for a grant of the premises is deferred

Town Clerk reads

The Town Clerk reads a Notice served upon him by the Secretary to the Boyne Commissioners dated the 1st inst.

Notice from Secretary of Boyne Commissrs. three Vacancies in the Board to be filled up

instant Stating that 3 Vacancies in that Board were to be filled by Members of the Corporation in the room of Wm. Robert Thompson as a Common Council Man who had declined to qualify, also in the room of Wm. William Rodger as a Common Council Man who had resigned, and in the room of Alderman Graves Ackland who had left Drogheda for Templemore in the County of Tipperary

Alderman Coath Elected Boyne Commr.

It was moved by that Alderman Coath be elected a Boyne Commissioner to fill the Vacancy occasioned at that Board by the Removal of Alderman Graves Ackland from Drogheda, and that Wm. Ralph Smith be elected a Boyne Commissioner in the room of Wm. Thompson and said Motion being Seconded by

Mr. Ralph Smyth Elected Boyne Commr.

the question on Said two Elections was then put from the Chair and agreed to, and the Nomination of a Common Council Man to fill Mr. Rogers Vacancy was postponed

Petition of Mary Allen to be appointed House-Keeper of the Mayoralty house

The petition of Mary Allen, Widow of Joseph Allen late Governor of the Gaol of Drogheda being read Stating that by the death of the late Miss Elizabeth Smith a Vacancy had taken place in the Situation of House Keeper of the Mayoralty house, and petitioner was induced to offer to Supply said Vacancy, the duties of which she trusted upon trial she would be found fully Competent to discharge

That petitioner did not seek the full amount of Salary paid to the late House Keeper being already in the enjoyment of a pension of £13-16-11 off the Commons Fund which pension under the anticipated Chance of Removal by the new Corporation petitioner would gladly by no means relinquish but she submitted that in the event of appointment of Such small addition of Salary would be made as would be deemed sufficient to enable her the more efficiently to discharge the duties of said office

Elizabeth Open proposed

It was moved by Mr. John Crawford Seconded by Mr. Samuel Woodcock that petitioner be appointed the House Keeper of the Mayoralty house in the room of the late Elizabeth Smith deceased, and the Rev.d Edward Fairclough moved that Elizabeth Open widow be appointed to fill that Vacancy proposing that the duties of the office would be performed by her without Salary as she was also a pensioner on the Funds and having Seconded said Motion, it was then stated by Mr. Samuel Crawford that Mrs. Allen being a pensioner on the Commons fund she

Ballot demanded

would not require any Salary and a Ballot having been demanded and same having been proceeded upon there appeared upon a Scrutiny of Votes — For Mrs. Allen 11 Votes

and for Mrs. Elizabeth Open 8 Votes

Mrs. Allen Elected House Keeper

whereupon Mrs. Allen was Elected House Keeper without a Salary by a Majority of 3

Ald.n Fairclough objects to any further business being entertained

Alderman Latham & Fairclough objects to any further business being entertained as there was not a Sufficient Number of Common Council present to Constitute an Assembly and having required that the Common Council should be Counted and twelve not being present the Assembly was dissolved

Drogheda 19th Sept.r 1840

Jas. Simpson Sworn Freeman

This Day James Simpson of Mallock Lodge in the County of Meath eldest Son of William Simpson late of the same place Farmer deceased was sworn a Freeman of this Corporation before John Shego Esqre Mayor of the Staple pursuant to his Admission by Birth on the 11th of October 1839

Same day

George Coath Sworn Freeman

George Coath of Drogheda Watchmaker Son of George Coath late of the said Town deceased was sworn a freeman of this Corporation before the said John Shego pursuant to his Admission by Birth on the 17th of April 1840

Special Post Assembly 30 Sept.r 1840 to Elect an Alderman in the Room of the late George Henzell Esqre

This a Special Post Assembly held pursuant to Notice before Robert Ball Hackett Esqre Mayor, Wm. Sheriff Cooper and the Aldermen being present on the 30th day of October 1840 for the purpose of Electing an Alderman in the room of the late Georges Henzell Esqre deceased

Fras. Wm. Leland Esq unanimously elected

Moved by Alderman William Fairclough Seconded by Alderman Saint George Smith that Francis William Leland Esqre one of the Sheriffs Peers be elected Alderman in the room of the late Alderman Georges Henzell deceased, and no other person having been proposed the question was put from the Chair and the said Francis William Leland was unanimously Elected

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Qua Post Assembly 8th January 1841

At a Quarterly Post Assembly held before Robert Ball Hackett Esquire Mayor Mr. Sheriff Cowdroy the Aldermen and Common Council being present on Friday the 8th of January 1841

There was not any business for the Consideration of this Assembly

Genl Qua Assembly 8 Janry 1841

At a General Quarterly Assembly of the Corporation held before the said Mayor Mr. Sheriff, Cowdroy the Aldermen and Common Council being present on Friday the 8th day of January 1841

proceedings read

The proceedings of the former Assembly were read and approved

Memorial from the Guild of Smiths

The following Memorial from the Master Wardens and Brethren of the Guild of Smiths being presented the same was read.

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

Memorial

"The Memorial of the Master Wardens and
"Brethren of the Corporation of Smiths or Guild of Saint Loy"

Sheweth

"That by the decease of the late Mr. Thos Reddy
"one of our Representatives in your Corporation a Vacancy has occurred
"therein"

"That Memorialists propose the three following
"Members of their Guild to your Consideration for the purpose of
"selecting one of them to fill up that Vacancy Viz.t "Mr. Geo Storth"
"Mr. Edwd Dowling"
"Drogheda 8th January 1841" "Mr. John Jones"

"John Crawford - Master"
"Thomas Storth
"Samuel M.Crawford } "Wardens"

George Storth elected representative in room of Mr. Thos Reddy

Mr. George Storth was proposed by Mr. Nicholls and seconded by Alderman Shegog to fill the foregoing Vacancy and no other person he was Elected. Whereupon he was introduced and sworn as a Common Council Man. and took his Seat at the Board

Treasurers Account Submitted

The Treasurers account of Receipts and Disbursements Commencing 10th October 1840 and ending the 7th of January instant was laid before the Assembly for examination by which it appeared he had received a Sum of ——— £1614 19 7¾
and that he had paid and disbursed within the same period a Sum of ——— £1359 11 5
Whereby there remained due to the Treasurer on foot of his account the Sum of ——— 244 11 9¾
£1859 11 5 £1859 11 5

Arrears due by Tenants

The arrears returned due by the Tenants at Easter and May 1840 amounted to the Sum of ——— £2034 15 3½
Old arrears due by Tenants whose Leases had long since expired to the amount of ——— £141 16 4½
Representatives of D. Read 6 19 7¾
Do of Wm Pilgate 3 1 7¾ 151 17 3¾
Making together the Sum of ——— £2186 12 11¾

and upon explanation being given respecting the Arrears returned due by many of the Tenants it appeared that several of said Tenants were Creditors of the Corporation for accounts due to them. Whereupon it was Ordered that the Tenants owing one years rent and upwards be applied to by the Law agent for payment of same and that any Tenants having accounts against this Corporation are requested forthwith to arrange same with the Treasurer

The destitute Situation of Anne Smith brought to the Consideration of the Assembly for an encrease to her annuity

The destitute situation of Anne Smith who was now deprived of sight and nearly ninety years of age was brought to the Consideration of the Assembly by Alderman Shegog by whom it was also stated that by reason of the death of her last surviving Sister Elizabeth Smith who was Housekeeper of the Mayoralty house she not only lost some pecuniary Assistance but also a residence and her Care and protection and being most helpless and in the greatest distress from age and infirmity he sought some increase to the annuity already granted for her services as Housekeeper from which situation she had been obliged to retire. Alderman Shegog therefore moved that the Treasurer of the Corporation do pay to the said Anne Smith during her life an increased Income or annuity to the amount of £15 to be paid to her Weekly and to Commence from the 29th of September last. and which motion being seconded by Alderman Fogarty the Question thereon was put from the Chair and unanimously agreed to

£15 granted her

Ordered. That the Treasurer do pay Captain Bell his account when furnished for Coals supplied to the Mayoralty house

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account of the Treasurer of the Commons Funds furnished

The account of the Treasurer of the Commons Fund is laid before the Assembly for examination containing the Receipt of the Funds and the application thereof from the 8th of August 1840 to the 7th of January instant by which it appeared that the sum received amounted to £328-4-2
and that the payments and charges amounted to 209-5-8¼
Leaving a Balance in the Treasurers hands of £118-18-5¾

A Rental of the Rents received from the lands was also furnished. the yearly Amount of which was returned to be £395-6-8

The yearly pension payable thereout was returned as amounting to £356-2-3

The yearly Tythe Rent Charge to the amount of 4-2-6½
and the charges for Collection &c to the amount of 20-8-4
£380-13-1½

Leaving a yearly surplus fund at the disposal of the Corp.n amounting to £17-13-6½

The arrears returned due by the Tenants at Sept.r 1840 amounted to £330-7-3½

account of the Proctor of the poor of Saint Johns Funds furnished

The account of the Funds under the Management of the Proctor of the Poor of Saint Johns is also furnished by the Agent from the 15th of February 1840 to the 7th of January instant by which it appears that the sum received amounted to £243-9-7½
and the payments and disbursements to the Same of 242-5-2
Leaving a Balance in the hands of the Proctor amounting to £1-4-5½

A Rental of this fund was also furnished by which the yearly Rents was returned as amounting to ——— £243-6-1
and the arrears at Sept.r 1840 returned to the amount of —— 193-5-6½

Town Clerk lays before the assembly the notices served upon him by the Solicitor for the Bill for the further improvement of the port & Harbour of Drogheda

The Town Clerk lays before the Assembly the Notices Served upon him by the Solicitor for the Bill in progress for the further improvement of the Port and Harbour of Drogheda to which it was required that the Corporation should either Assent Dissent or be Neuter

Town Clerk to notify that the Corp.n assent to the progress of the Bill

Ordered, That the Town Clerk do Notify to the Solicitor that the Corporation Assent to the progress of the Bill

Memorial of Isabella Wynne for relief

The Memorial of Isabella Wynne of Church Lane being read stating that memorialist is Daughter of the late John Wynne who had been for many years a Freemember of the Corporation

That memorialist altho now far advanced in years and suffering from the infirmities of old age heretofore always endeavoured to provide for herself by her industry without being burdensome to any, and hoped in this way to have passed through life

That in Consequence of several persons having failed to pay Memorialist the amounts which they agreed to give her for the Board and education of their Children. Memorialist had Contracted Debts to a Considerable Amount her affairs have become embarrassed and her Rent has got into arrear. the Consequence of which is that memorialist is obliged by the exigency of her Case to depart from her original intention of getting thro life independantly and throwing herself on the Clemency of Your Worships humbly hoping that in as much as hitherto under the Divine Blessing on her honest efforts she has been enabled to procure what was necessary to supply her necessities and that her present Embarrassment is not attributable to any imprudence on her part (unless in being too Confiding) but to the Causes before alluded to. the Corporation will be graciously pleased to take the Circumstances of her Case into Consideration and grant such pecuniary and other Relief as may seem meet

Memorialist to be placed as an annuitant on the Commons Fund to the amount of £15

It was moved by Alderman William Fairbrough that under the Circumstances detailed, and of the truth of which in every particular there was not any doubt Petitioner be placed as an annuitant on the Commons Fund, and to receive therefrom for her life an annuity of £15 to Commence from the 29th of September last and said Motion being Seconded by Alderman Donagh the question thereon was put from the Chair and unanimously agreed to

Assembly adjourned

The Assembly at its rising adjourned to Friday the 19th day of February next

His Worship informs the Assembly that he had been obliged to suspend Jas Lyons but which Suspension he had subsequently Withdrawn

Moved that he be dismissed

objected to

His Worship the Mayor informs the assembly that he had been obliged to Suspend James Lyons one of the Serjeants at Mace, and which Suspension he had subsequently withdrawn, and Alderman North Spelings himself Called upon to State from his general Conduct should not be Continued in office

It was moved by Alderman Donagh that he be dismissed from the office of Serjeant at Mace to which an objection was made that previously to his being dismissed he should have an opportunity of meeting a Committee of this Body for the purpose of defending himself against the Charges preferred

Committee appointed to enquire into his Conduct generally

It was thereupon ordered that the Revd Edward Fairbrough Messrs Edward Atkinson and Robert Thompson be a Committee to enquire into the Conduct generally of James Lyons and that they do meet on Monday next to enter upon the Enquiry and investigation and report thereon in writing forthwith to the Mayor who will lay said report before the Assembly at its adjournment and in the interim His Worship

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may according to the result of said Report act thereon either by dismissing said James Lyons or Continue him in office

Petition of Jane Lyons Widow for some small annuity

The petition of Jane Lyons of Drogheda being read stating that she is relict of the late George Lyons who for a period of twenty years served as Town Serjeant. That on the decease of the said George Lyons, James Lyons the eldest son of deceased and petitioner was appointed to the situation held by his Father on Condition that he should reside with Petitioner and assist her and her Daughter who is a delicate little Girl about ten years old

That the said James Lyons since his appointment has not been of any advantage to petitioner or her Daughter and petitioner has been obliged to leave her former residence and is reduced to great distress having no support for herself and Child. That under these Circumstances petitioner humbly begs you will be graciously pleased to grant her some small annuity to assist in supporting herself and her fatherless little Girl

Consideration of said petition deferred till report of Commee on Conduct of Jas Lyons be laid before the Assembly

Ordered, That the Consideration of said Petition be deferred till the report of the Committee appointed to enquire into the Conduct of James Lyons son of petitioner is laid before the Assembly

Accounts passed the Committee of accounts and ordered to be paid

The following accounts having passed the Committee of Accounts on the 6th instant the same were submitted by their Secretary to the Assembly for examination and being enquired into they were ordered to be paid

At a Meeting of the Committee held this day pursuant to Summons the following accounts were examined and ordered to be paid Viz.t Present Robert Ball Hackett Mayor

Robert Thompson
Revd E. Trantlough
Valuck Darbey — Common Council
Austin Nicholls
Saml M. Crawford
John Magee
John Crawford

1	James Davis Calling for a Town Serjeants at Michaelmas 1840	£	64	15 / 1
2	Peter Verdon for Rope and Line for Town Clock		3	0 0
3	Austin Nicholls for Repairs of pipe for Supplying the Fountain with Water	Paid	9	4 0
4	Austin Nicholls for Repairs in the Shelsea Market house se and his Salary for Attendance on the Pumps		33	3 5
5	Geo Raggs for erecting the Weathercock on the Shelsea pr specification new Copper Ball & Repairing Vane of the Cupola		30	9 1½
		£	140	12 8½

R Ball Hackett Mayor

Committee of accts report to the Consideration of the Assembly the amount of Remuneration to be given to Mr Nicholls for a Survey & plan made by him at the suggestion of the Paving Committee in January 1839

The Committee of accounts having referred to the Consideration of the Assembly the Amount of Remuneration to be given to Mr Austin Nicholls Architect for a Survey and plan made by him in January 1839 at the suggestion of the Paving Committee for an entrance to the Town by James's Street, and which were submitted to the Trustees of the Turnpike Board, also of a plan of addition to the Corn Market place for the purpose of attaching thereto a Fowl and Butter Market, and which plans were laid before the Assembly and approved of, and the latter improvement was acted upon and found to be most useful to the public

Treasurer to pay Mr Nicholls £5 for preparing said plans & for his expenses going to Ballyuggan

Ordered, That the Treasurer do pay Mr Austin Nicholls the sum of £5 for preparing said plans and improvements and for his expenses going to Ballyuggan and attending there before the Trustees of the Turnpike Board

Petitions for relief

Petitions for relief from the under mentioned persons were read, from Mechanical and Ethanyl. Collins for increase of pension

From Loftus Todd for relief by annuity

From Harriet Browne for some assistance being in delicate health

Referred to the Aud.r & Viewers

Ordered, That the said several petitions be referred to the Auditors & Viewers and their Assistants to enquire into the Circumstances of each person's Case and to Report thereon particularly to the next Easter Assembly and it is requested that a Report be also laid before the said Assembly of the several petitions which are still under order of Reference and not yet Considered

Memorial of Mary McCann for Continuance of pension which had been granted her late Father

The Memorial of Mary McCann being read stating that she is the Daughter of the late John McCann of this Town to whom it was thought proper to grant the sum of Ten pounds per Annum sometime previous to his death. That memorialist is the only surviving Child of the said John McCann unprovided for and she is from ill health rendered unable to follow her usual avocation and therefore most humbly prayed that her pitiable Case would be taken into Consideration and grant her a Continuance of said sum for whatever time that may be thought proper

5/- a Week to be Continued to her

Ordered, That for the Reasons stated and of the destitute and unprotected Condition of the Memorialist the Treasurer do Continue to her the Weekly payment of four Shillings which had been granted to her late Father

Petition of Frances Elliott to be

The petition of Frances Elliott widow being read stating that she is the Widow of James Elliott

Admitted an Inmate of Saint Johns poor house

who for several years was a Freemember of the Corporation of Drogheda that she is a Widow about four years has one child affected with Continual fits which prevents her from earning her own Bread. and that on a former occasion petitioner applied to your Worships and was granted five pounds per annum but learning that a Vacancy had occurred in Saint Johns Widow House she begged your Worships to grant her the Vacancy

Petition of Charlotte Ruxton to be admitted

Also the petition of Charlotte Ruxton being read stating that she is the Daughter of Mathew Ruxton who was a Freemember of the Corporation and Grand Daughter of Mathew Ruxton who was one of the Common Council. that she is now in the enjoyment of your Worships bounty of six pounds per annum for which she gratefully thanks your Worships and as a Vacancy has occurred in Saint Johns Poor house she would prefer that place as she has no relation or protector

Frances Elliott Admitted

It is ordered that Frances Elliott having as the Widow of a deceased Freeman a prior right she be accordingly admitted an Inmate of Saint Johns Poor house thereby surrendering her pension of £5 per annum on the Commons fund

Petition of William Roy to be refunded £6 which he has deposited at the selling of the Cranes

The petition of William Roy being read stating that on Tuesday the 20th of October last he bid at the Auction of Cranes the sum of £6 which he then paid. That on Tuesday the 27th petitioner applied for possession according to agreement. that there was then a Written oath tendered to him which he refused to take he not having had time to Consider it and which oath was neither written shewed or tendered to him at the time he purchased the Cranes that in Consequence of such refusal the Cranes were put up and sold to another person. he therefore prayed that you will order him to be refunded the said six pounds as he has not derived any emolument in law thereof

Treasurer to refund him the sum of £6

Ordered on the Motion of Alderman William Stirlough in which he was seconded by Mr Patrick Darley that the Treasurer do refund petitioner the sum of Six pounds deposited by him on the 20th of October last on becoming the Tenant of the Public Cranes as stated in his petition it appearing that altho every information respecting the terms and Conditions was given to petitioner and the public at the selling he may not have sufficiently understood same and as petitioner had not entered upon the

duties of the office

Alderman North lays before the Assembly the detailed particulars

Alderman North lays before the Assembly the detailed particulars of the outlay and expenditure upon Catherines Lane for which a grant of £10 was made, and which had been exceeded by a Sum of £6-3-3 The payments being to Labourers £10-17-2

Mason	14-0-3
Horse Cart & Tow at 2pp per	9-16-8
for Lime, Sand, Water, Gravel, Cartage	11-9-2
	£46-3-3

Treasurer to pay Alderman North £6-3-3 which he advanced on the Work at Catherines Lane

Ordered. Upon the Motion of Alderman North seconded by Alderman Shego that the Treasurer do pay Alderman North the Sum of £6-3-3 which he had advanced upon the Work at Catherines Lane, and the question thereon having been then put from the Chair the same was agreed to

Memorial of Jas M.Cartney Chief Constable praying that the Law agent be directed to appear for him to a Law proces which had been served on him

The Memorial of James Mc.Cartney Chief Constable being read stating that on the night of the 23rd of March last, Mr Isaiah Donoghoe of Magdalen Street in this Town applied to him stating that his Brother James Donoghoe had Come from Dublin, and was in his house in a Riotous and disorderly State, and threatened to Murder himself and his family in Consequence of which he proceeded to the house and found the said James Donoghoe with a Knife in his hand stating that he would Commit Murder, his Brother Isaiah Donoghoe having Charged him. he was taken to the Watch House, and taken before Thomas North Esqr next Morning, and ordered to find Bail two Sureties in Each and himself in Ten pounds to Keep the Peace as Alderman North Can explain. that in Consequence of which memorialist had been served with a Law Process which is returnable this day, and hopes that you will be pleased to direct your Law Agent to defend him in this Case having done nothing but his duty in removing this man who might have Committed Murder if he was not taken into Custody

Law Agent to appear for him at the expense of the Corporation

Ordered. Upon the Motion of Alderman William Stirlough which was seconded by Alderman North that the Law agent do appear for James Mc.Cartney to the Law proces served upon him, and that he do defend him at the expense of the Corporation against such proceeding as may be taken

Thos. Flanagan Causes a Receipt for 10ff which he had been obliged to pay for a Civil Bill Decree to be laid before Assembly

Thomas Flanagan Causes to be laid before the Assembly a receipt for 10ff which he had been obliged to pay to one Patrick Mc.Keown for a Civil Bill Decree obtained against him for having demanded and taken as Tenant to the public Cranes greater fees for Weighing goods than were

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obtained against him for having taken as Tenant to the public Cranes greater fees than were allowed by the Statute

allowed by the Statute. and it appearing that by the introduction and use of the newly invented Weighing Machine charges for Weighing loads exceeding one hundred Weight were in many places sanctioned at the rate of one penny each hundred. yet in this Town altho' the goods Weighed might be a Ton and upwards the charge was limited to four pence the Draught and the Craner having been Countenanced in making the Charge of four pence for the Draught under the impression that such Charge was less in amount than might under the Circumstances be demanded. and such impression having been subsequently found to be erroneous

It is therefore ordered. that under the Circumstances the Treasurer do pay to said Thomas Hanaway the said sum of £5 being the amount of the Decree and the Plaintiffs Costs together with the legal Costs paid by him to his own Attorney for appearing upon the Trial of the Civil Bill, such Costs to be previously Vouched by the Town Clerk

Treasurer to pay him £5 being the amount of the Decree the pltfs Costs

Memorial of John Hawkins to have his Services taken into Consideration

The Memorial of John Hawkins Serjeant at Mace being read stating that the late Stephen Stanage and his Predecessor received an annual Salary for discharging the duties of Bailiff to the Treasurer in addition to the other Salaries and Emoluments which he enjoyed

That since the decease of the said Stephen Stanage which took place on the 24th of June last Memorialist has according to the best of his abilities discharged the duties Connected with said situation and now begs Respectfully that his Services may be taken into Consideration

Consideration of said Memorial deferred till an explanation is given by the Treasurer

ordered. That the Consideration of this Memorial be deferred till an explanation on the subject is given by the Treasurer who is this day prevented attending by illness

Petition of John Kelly to have £22-14-4p which he had advanced John Keeran paid him

The petition of John Kelly of Laurence's street being read stating that petitioner on the 13th of June last advanced the sum of £22-14-4p to John Kieran a Slater on his giving petitioner a Receipt or order on Graves Ackland Esqre for the sum of £177-1-3p for work which the said John Kieran executed at the Request of your Worships and which said sum the said Graves Ackland told petitioner that he was perfectly safe in advancing on getting the receipt of the said John Kieran and which receipt with an account of the Admeasurement of the Work done respectfully submitted to your Worships and therefore petitioned advanced the said sum of £22-14-4p being under the impression of getting paid the Amount at any time he would present it for that purpose. Petitioner therefore hopes you will be so good as to make an order authorizing your Treasurer to pay petitioner the Amount due him for his advance on said Receipt

Treasurer to pay pet.r £22-14-4p which he had advanced to John Kieran

ordered That under the Circumstances the Treasurer do pay to Mr. John Kelly the sum of £22-14-4p advanced by him to John Kieran Slater on account of his demand for Work done for the Corporation provided it appear that after crediting for all payments made to said John Kieran there still remains so much due upon foot of his Account. and Mr. Kelly is to hand to the Treasurer John Kieran's receipt for the full amount of his demand. and also his own receipt for the said balance of the account paid to him

Mr. Nicholls to examine the Fountains at Catherines Well Lane

Mr. Nicholls as Inspector of Pumps and Fountains is directed to examine the Fountain at Catherines Well Lane and so soon as the Cause of the deficiency in the supply of Water is ascertained he is to do what is necessary to put the Fountain in proper order

Treasurer to pay Mr. George Storth 20 Guineas for a piece of plate which had been Voted to Ald.n Shegog on the Receipt of his Worship the Mayor

Mr. Sheriff Cowdroy moves that in as much as the piece of Plate Voted to Alderman Shegog at the last Assembly has been furnished by Mr. George Storth that the Treasurer do pay to Mr. Storth on the Receipt of His Worship the Mayor as the Chairman of the Committee appointed upon that occasion the Sum of Twenty Guineas being the sum granted. and said Motion being seconded by Mr. Samuel Wisdom the question thereon was put from the Chair and agreed to

Notice of Motion Mr. S. W. Crawford

Mr. Samuel W. Crawford gives Notice that he will at the next Assembly move that a sum of £7 be granted to Mrs. Mary Allen as Compensation to her for not having had the use of the Mayoralty House and for other advantages appurtenant to the office of House Keeper of which she has not had the benefit

Memorial of Michael Mackin offering to place the balance in his hands at the disposal of the Corporation

The Memorial of Michael Mackin of Peter Street in the Town of Drogheda being read stating that at the lettings of the Gate Customs and Pontage of the Corporation of Drogheda held in October 1839 memorialist became the Tenant

That memorialist finding from the failure in the Crops in said year that the Keeping of said Tolls at the rent which he agreed to pay would be ruinous to himself and family presented a Memorial to your Worships at an Assembly held in January 1840 praying for relief under the Circumstances

That memorialist returns his sincere thanks for the Kindness in entertaining the prayer of said petition and for

for the order made in reference thereto. That Memorialist now respectfully lays before your Worships the annexed Statement of his Accounts of Receipts and disbursements for said year the accuracy of which he will Verify in any way your Worships think proper. Whereby it appears that during the 12 months ending October 28th last he received at the Gates and Bridge £870-0-2 and by a grant from your Honorable Body ——— 37-12-0 Making together ——— 907-12-2

out of which he paid for expense of Collecting &c £89-18-1
and to the Treasurer of your Honorable Body 804-0-0
Making the Total disbursements to be £893-18-1 £893-18-1
whereby it appears he has now in his hands the sum of, — £13-14-1
after paying the expenses and rent as aforesaid. That Memorialist begs particularly to impress upon your Worships mind that in the account of expenditure above stated he has not included one farthing for his own expense or trouble notwithstanding that during the entire year he gave unremitting attention to the Collection of the said Tolls. and on one occasion was Confined by indisposition for several Weeks from Cold received while Watching the Gate by night. and had to Employ a Medical Gentleman to attend him. That under the Circumstances of your former kindness Memorialist would place the Balance now in his hands entirely at the disposal of your Worships. The Collecting the Tolls during the year under Consideration has Cost him Considerable fatigue and trouble. but feeling as he does the obligation he is under for past favours he Cannot do more than throw himself on your Clemency. either to allow him any remuneration for his services or otherwise and therefore begs that his Case may be Considered. and make such order in reference to him as your Worships may think he is entitled to

Messrs H. Bagnall & Henry Gawey both states that his only object in presenting the Memorial was to have the Sanction of the Corp^n for Retaining the balance on foot of his account

Messrs H. Bagnall and H. Garvey having in the Course of the discussion upon said Memorial stated on the part of Michael Macklin that his only object in presenting the Memorial was by Reason of the grant made to him to give a true Statement of the Receipts and disbursements and to have the Sanction of the Corporation for Retaining in his hands the Balance on foot of his account.

allowed to make what ever uses he pleases of the profits fairly Realized by him

It is therefore ordered that it be notified to Memorialist that the profits fairly realized by him as Tenant to the Tolls and Customs for the year ending October last are Considered to be his exclusive property and he is entitled to make such use thereof as he may think proper.

Petition of Alexander Milten Pavier to have his Case taken into Consideration

The petition of Alexander Milten Pavier being read stating that he was Employed about the 1st of May 1839 by the Paving Committee at a Salary of £30 per Annum. and that he has been informed his services are not further required. Petitioner therefore humbly begs leave to submit to your Worships that prior to his being employed here. he had been in a permanent Employment under the Commiss^rs of the Paving Board of the City of Dublin for the space of 22 years during which time he maintained a good Character, and begs leave to State that he left that Employment in Consequence of the encouragement held out to him by your Paving Committee. as petitioner was under the impression of getting a permanent situation petitioner therefore hopes that your Worships will take his Case into Consideration.

Alexander Milten to be Continued in his Employment and to get at least 6 Months notice of any intention to dispense with his services

Ordered. That as it appears upon the information afforded by Mr John Crawford Secretary to the Paving Committee that Memorialist was Employed as Pavier at a yearly Salary it would be most unreasonable without proper notice to discharge him from his Employment. and as there is not any impropriety or inability imputed to memorialist and as the Paving business must be proceeded with that memorialist be accordingly Continued in his situation. and it is thought right that memorialist should get at least six Months previous Notice of any intention to dispense with his services

Drogheda 9th March 1841

William Moore Sworn Freeman

This day William Moore of Killincor in the County of the Town of Drogheda Gentleman third Son of Josiah Moore of the same place was Sworn a Freeman of this Corporation before R. Ball Hackett Esqre Mayor pursuant to his admission by Birth on the 5th of October 1838

1st April 1841

Selling by Auction of three Houses or Tenements

This day was set up to Auction to the highest Bidder for 99 years from the 1st of May next three houses or Tenements situate at Magdalen Street in the parish of Saint Peter heretofore demised to Mrs Anne Callan Widow and late in the possession of Mrs Anne Bowden Widow and Mrs Mary Basford Widow or their undertenants two years rent was required to

George Knaggs declared Tenant (1)

to be paid down as a Fine so soon as the Tenant would be declared

Mr. George Knaggs was declared tenant to the foregoing Houses or Tenements at the yearly Rent of £10-5-0 one paying a Fine of £20-10-0 being two years rent

2nd Post Assembly 9th April 1841

At a Quarterly Post Assembly held before Robert Ball Hackett Esqre Mayor the Sheriffs and Aldermen being present on Friday the 9th of April 1841

Petition of Revd H. J. Woodroffe for his Freedom Referred

The petition of the Revd Henry Joseph Woodroffe of Carragaline in the County of Cork Clerk for his Freedom of this Corporation by Birth being presented and read the same was referred to the General Quarterly Assembly on the Motion of Alderman Latham Fairtlough seconded by Alderman Robert Pentland

There was not any other business for the Consideration of this Assembly

Gen.l Qua Assembly 7 April 1841

At a General Quarterly Assembly of the Corporation held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present on Friday the 9th day of April 1841

Alderman Fogarty Elected Mayor

Alderman William Fairtlough Moved that Alderman Fogarty be Elected Mayor for the ensuing year and Alderman Shego having seconded the Nomination the question thereon was put from the Chair and Alderman Fogarty was unanimously Elected

Mr. Thos. Beddy proposed to be one of the Sheriffs

Mr. Thomas Beddy one of the Common Council is proposed by Alderman Donagh to serve the office of Sheriff for the ensuing year and the proposition is seconded by Mr. Darbey

Mr. Geo North proposed Sheriff

Mr. George North also one of the Common Council is proposed by Alderman William Fairlough to be one of the Sheriffs for the ensuing year and the Nomination is seconded by Alderman Robert Pentland

Mr. Wm Moore proposed Sheriff

Mr. Atkinson proposes Mr. William Moore a Freeman to be one of the Sheriffs for the ensuing year and Mr. Mayne Seconds the proposition

Mr. Robt Thompson proposed Sheriff

Mr. Robert Thompson one of the Sheriffs peers is proposed by Alderman Latham Fairtlough to serve the office of Sheriff for the ensuing year and he is seconded by Alderman Shego

Mr. Richd R. Hill proposed Sheriff

Alderman North proposes that Mr. Richard Raisin Hill a Freeman be one of the Sheriffs for the ensuing year and Alderman Henry Smith seconds the Nomination

Mr. John Crawford proposed Sheriff

Mr. John Crawford one of the Common Council is proposed by Mr. George Richard Clarke to be one of the Sheriffs for the ensuing year and the Nomination is seconded by Mr. Thompson

Ballot demanded

A Ballott being demanded for the election of two persons there appeared upon a Scrutiny

For Mr. Thomas Beddy 12 Votes
Mr. George North 13 "
Mr. William Moore 10 "
Mr. Robt Thompson 3 "
Mr. Richd Raisin Hill 3 "
Mr. John Crawford 18 "

Messrs John Crawford and George North Elected Sheriffs

Whereupon Messrs John Crawford and George North were declared to be elected Sheriffs for the ensuing year

To be Certified to Government for Approval

Ordered, That the Election of Aldermare Fogarty to be Mayor and of Messrs John Crawford and George North to be Sheriffs be Certified to Government for approval

Rev.d H. J. Woodroffe Admitted Freeman

The petition of the Revd Henry Joseph Woodroffe of Carragaline in the County of Cork Clerk for his Freedom of this Corporation by Birth which was referred from the Post Assembly being presented and read

It was moved by Alderman Latham Fairtlough and seconded by Alderman Robert Pentland that the prayer of the petition be granted and the question thereon was put from the Chair and unanimously agreed to, and petitioner was thereupon admitted to his Freedom by Birth on the usual terms

Assembly adjourned

This day being Good Friday the Assembly adjourned the Consideration of all further business to Friday the 21st of May next

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adjt. Gen. Qua. Assembly
21 May 1841

proceedings read

Memorial of Charles Robinson to be appointed Mace Bearer and Register of the Court of Conscience

At an adjournment of the General Quarterly Assembly held this 21st of May 1841 before Robert Ball Hackett Esqr Mayor the Sheriffs Aldermen and Common Council being present

The proceedings of the last Assembly were read

The Memorial of Charles Robinson one of the Common Council to be appointed to the offices of Mace Bearer and Register of the Court of Conscience Vacant by the death of the late Mr. William Dawson being read stating that by the decease of the late Mr. William Dawson Father in law of Memorialist the offices of Mace Bearer and Register of the Court of Conscience has become Vacant

That the affairs of the said William Dawson having been for some time Embarrassed he had left his family unprovided for and taking this into Consideration and the short time that any person who might be appointed to fill the Vacancy could enjoy it, as also the loss the Family had sustained by the decease of the said William Dawson before the Corporate Reform act came into operation when he would have been entitled to Compensation and with a View to relieve the distressed survivors of their respected friend His Worship the Mayor with a Kindness which demands sincere gratitude appointed memorialist pro Tem to the Vacant Situation he having undertaken to apply the proceeds thereof to their use and benefit. Memorialist therefore humbly begged that these Circumstances would be taken into Consideration, and that you would be pleased to appoint Memorialist to the Vacancy

appointed

It was proposed by the Revd Edward Fairtlough that this Vacancy in the Situations of Mace Bearer and Register of the Court of Conscience be filled by the appointment of Charles Robinson which proposition Alderman William Fairtlough seconded, and the question thereon having been put from the Chair, Charles Robinson was thereupon unanimously elected and his Seat at the Board as one of the Common Council became Vacant. The Salary to Commence from the 25th of March last & the appointment by His Worship since the decease of the late Mr. Dawson is hereby ratified.

Petitions from Charlotte Ruxton, Mary Emerson & Mary Horan to be admitted into Saint John's Poor House

Petitions from Charlotte Ruxton Spinster the Daughter of a Freeman, Mary Emerson the Widow of a Freeman and Mary Horan Widow the Daughter of a Freeman being severally read praying to be admitted into Saint John's Poor House in which a Vacancy was occasioned by the death of Mary Fitzpatrick.

Charlotte Ruxton proposed

Alderman Fogarty proposes that Charlotte Ruxton be admitted and the proposition is seconded by Mr. Henry Bagnall

Mary Horan proposed

Mary Horan is proposed by Mr. John Crawford in which he is seconded by Mr. Beddy and the Claim of the petitioner having been enquired into and Considered Mr. Crawford Withdrew his proposition Whereupon Charlotte Ruxton was admitted whereby her pension of £6 per annum on the Commons fund Ceased from this day

Charlotte Ruxton admitted

The prayer of the petition of Mary Emerson was not moved

Petitions for relief from Josiah Shaw Anne Fagan Richd Cassidy R. Williamson Anne Bagnall Elizth Chambers and Mary A Robinson

Petitions for relief were read from Josiah Shaw a distressed Freeman, Anne Fagan Widow of the late Peter Fagan who was one of the Common Council, Richard Cassidy, Rogers Williamson a Freeman, Jane Bagnall Widow of the late Alexander Bagnall who was a Freeman, Elizabeth Chambers Spinster Daughter of Edward Chambers deceased who was a Freeman and of Mary Anne Robinson now an Inmate of Saint John's Poor House and Widow of Robinson who was a Freeman

Referred to the Aud.r & Viewers

Ordered, That the said several petitions be referred to the Consideration of the Auditors and Viewers who are requested if possible to report on same, and also on the several other petitions remaining for their enquiry and Consideration to the next Assembly

Petition of John O'Farrell for relief

The petition of John O'Farrell being read stating that he had been once a Tradesman in respectable basiness in Drogheda and Carried on a large Ironmongery Establishment but through the Vicissitudes of life he regretted to have to seek from the Corporation some pecuniary Relief. That petitioner Would not now thus approach the Corporation if he Could in any way obtain any Situation that would enable him to procure the most humble livelihood

Treasurer to pay Mrs J. O'Farrell £12 per annum by Monthly payments

Mr. Darley moved that the prayer of the petition be taken into Consideration and being seconded by Mr. Brodigan and the question thereon having been put from the Chair it was unanimously agreed to and ordered that the Treasurer do pay to the petitioner the sum of £12 per annum by Monthly payments to Commence from the 25th day of March last

Memorial of Elizth Dawson to be placed as an annuitant on the Commons fund

The Memorial of Elizabeth Dawson of Laurence's Court being read stating that she is the widow of the late William Dawson who had been for many years a Freemember of Drogheda and for the last seven years filled the office of Mace Bearer.

That

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That owing to Circumstances not necessary to mention the affairs of her late husband became embarrassed which so powerfully effected his mind as to induce Complaints which accelerated his death

That by his decease Memorialist with two Daughters have been left unprovided for and humbly begged that your Worships according to your Wonted Kindness will place her as an annuitant on the Commons fund

The Circumstances Connected with Mrs Dawson's peculiar Situation and the loss sustained by herself and family of the Compensation to which her late husband would have been entitled had he lived until the Municipal Reform Bill would take effect having been Considered

Mrs Dawson and her 2 daughters placed as annuitants on the Commons fund to the amount of £10 per annum with right of survivorship

It was Moved by Alderman North seconded by Alderman William Fairclough that Memorialist and her two Daughters be placed as Annuitants on the Commons fund to the amount of £10 per annum with right of survivorship to Commence from the 25th of March last. and the question thereon having been put from the Chair. an amendment was moved by Alderman Latham Fairclough that the petition of Elizabeth Dawson be referred with the several others to the Auditors and Viewers for their report upon which under the directions of the Chair a division took place and the original Motion was Carried by a large Majority

A letter from John D'Alton Esq Barrister referring to the Resolution on the subject of the History of Drogheda

A letter from John D'Alton Esqre Barrister to the Mayor dated 7th of April last referring to the resolution of the Corporation on the subject of the History of the Town of Drogheda to be Compiled by Mr D'Alton which History the writer announced was ready for inspection and requesting that the letter should be laid before the Assembly. that the two hundred Guineas should be provided that the writer might advertize for subscribers. The Resolution referred to having also been read

Committee formed to inspect the Accounts of the Treasurer to ascertain whether there are any funds available under the terms of the Resolution passed in reference to the History of Drogheda

It was moved by Mr Brodigan, seconded by Alderman Donagh. that Aldermen Saint George Smith and Latham Fairclough with Mr Obediah Wisdom and the mover and Seconder do form a Committee to inspect the accounts of the Treasurer with a View to Ascertain whether there are now any and what funds available under the terms of the Resolution passed in Reference to the History of the Town of Drogheda having Consideration to all Claims upon the Corporation Remaining unpaid for the Works and business done ordered. or in progress on the 22nd of May 1840 and the Committee will be pleased to report the Result of their Enquiry to the next General Quarterly Assembly which Motion having been put from the Chair the same was agreed to

Treasurers Account for one year

The Treasurer produced his Account of Receipts and disbursements Commencing Easter 1840 and ending Easter 1841 by which it appeared that the expenditure amounted to the sum of £388-10 1/2 and the receipts amounted to the sum of —— 385-17-1

Leaving a Balance due to the Treasurer of —— £197-13-0 1/2

The arrears of Rent returned due by the Tenants named in the Accountbar amounted to the sum of

Memorial of Alderman Jos Holmes for Renewal of Lease

The memorial of Joseph Holmes of the Town of Drogheda Alderman being read stating that by Lease No 582 bearing date the 13th August 1770 the then Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses and Commons demised unto Alderman William Gibbons since deceased one house or Tenement situate on the South side of West street in the parish of Saint peter and County of the Town for the term of 61 years from Easter 1784 at the yearly rent of £0-12-0

That the said Alderman William Gibbons by Deed duly executed assigned all his interest in said Lease and the premises thereby demised to the late Alderman William Holmes who by his will devised same to memorialist then and now a Freemember of your Corporation

That as the term in said Lease expires at Easter 1845 Memorialist seeks a renewal upon the usual terms undertaking to surrender his interest in the residue of the term upon the Value thereof being taken into Consideration. and due allowance for same being made of Memorialist

Referred to the Auditors Viewers for their report

It was moved by Mr John Crawford seconded by Mr Darbey that the matter of the foregoing memorial be referred for Consideration to the Auditors and Viewers for their report. and the question thereon having been put from the Chair the reference was accordingly ordered

Mr Saml H. Crawford's Notice that £5 be granted Mrs Allen as Compensation for not having had the use of the Mayorally House

The notice given by Mr Samuel H. Crawford at the last Assembly being read that he would at this Assembly move that a Sum of £7. be granted to Mrs Mary Allen as Compensation to her for not having had the use of the Mayorally House and for other advantages appurtenant to the office of Housekeeper of which she had not had the benefit

Treasurer to pay Mrs Allen £7 as Compensation

It was moved by Mr Samuel Wisdom seconded by Mr Beddy that Mrs Allen the Housekeeper of the

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the Mayoralty house be paid by the Treasurer out of the Corporate funds the sum of Seven pounds for the reasons Stated in the foregoing Notice. and the Question on said Motion having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to

a letter from Mary McCann directed to the Treasurer being read Requesting that her Weekly allowance would be paid Mr. Wisdom in liquidation of an arrear of rent due by her

Mr. Obediah Wisdom brings before the Assembly a letter from Mary McCann directed to the Treasurer requesting that he would pay Mr. Wisdom her Weekly allowance of four Shillings in liquidation of an arrear of rent due by her. And Mr. Wisdom having stated that the Treasurer required an order from the Corporation authorizing such application

Treasurer to pay Mr. Wisdom 4s. p. a Week

It was therefore ordered that the Treasurer do pay to Mr. Obediah Wisdom in accordance with the request of the Misses McCann the amount of their Weekly pension in payment of rent due by them to Mr. Wisdom

Auditors & Viewers re-elected

This being the period for the Election of Auditors and Viewers for the ensuing year. It was unanimously Resolved. that. the Auditors and Viewers now in office do remain and Continue to act for the ensuing year

An application for assistance towards making a new road at the foot of Stubbs hill

An application signed by several Land-holders of the County of Meath desirous for the improvement of the approach to the Town at Duleek Gate by the Stad road having been laid before the Assembly Shewing Subscriptions to the amount of £27. 5. 0 towards making 32 perches of a new road at the foot of Stubbs hill within the County of the Town of Drogheda for which a presentment had passed; and a Nominal sum of two Shillings was only granted by reason of the heavy County taxation and Seeking from the Corporation a grant of £10 to Complete the undertaking.

It was Moved by Alderman Latham Fairclough Seconded by Mr. John Crawford that the sum applied for be granted. and it appearing that the Work proposed would be of general utility and much required

£10 granted

It was ordered that the Treasurer do pay to Mr. Sheriff Cooper the Sum of £10 to be applied in Completing the proposed improvement

Memorial of Jas. McCartney Chief Constable to be appointed Fire Engine Keeper for one year at a Salary of £25

The Memorial from James McCartney Chief Constable having been read. Stating that he had been Fire Engine Keeper to Saint Peters parish for a Number of years at a Salary of £25 per Annum and had faithfully and diligently performed the duties of the situation Notwithstanding which he had been deprived of his Situation on the 1st day of June 1840 at a Vestry held for the annual appointment of Fire Engine Keeper

That the Sole Cause assigned at said Vestry for such Conduct towards Memorialist was his having the hardihood to Sign a petition in favour of Lord Stanleys Registration Bill for Ireland

That Memorialist sent a memorial to your Worshipful Body on the 17th of July 1840 where he was appointed Fire Engine Keeper for one year ending the 1st day of June 1841 at a Salary of £25 per annum. and as the period will expire on the 1st day of June next and memorialist being in Charge of the Corporation Engine respectfully entreats that he would be reappointed to the said office of Fire Engine Keeper for the ensuing year and at the same Salary he having on that occasion exercised his right as a British and Loyal Subject

Objected to. there not being a sufficient Number of Common Council present

It was objected by the Rt. Edward Fairclough that the prayer of the foregoing memorial be then Considered there not being present a sufficient Number of Common Council to Constitute an Assembly. and it having appeared on Examination that such was the Case the Assembly was dissolved

Quarterly Post Assembly 23rd July 1841

At a Quarterly Post Assembly held before Robert Bass Hackett Esqre Mayor the Sheriffs and Aldermen being present on Friday the 23rd day of July 1841

There was not any business for Consideration

Gen. Qua. Assembly 23rd July 1841.

At a General Quarterly Assembly of the Corporation held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present on Friday the 23rd day of July 1841

Alder. Leland lays before Assembly an account of Carpenters. Masons & Smiths Work done by Thos. Connelly under the Superintendance of the Market House Committee amounting

Alderman Leland laid before the Assembly an account of Carpenters. Masons. and Smiths Work done by Thomas Connelly under the Superintendance and directions of the Market House Committee which Work had been duly examined

to £298-8-9 leaving a balance of £140 still due)

and Certified by Austin & Nicholls Architect amounting to £298-8-9 on account of which payments had been made by Alderman Graves Ackland Treasurer and Secretary of the Market House Committee to the amount of £258-8-9 leaving a balance of £40 still due and it appearing that Alderman Leland had allowed Thomas Connelly the Amount of said Bill of £40 in account with him and that the Treasurer upon application had declined without an order directing him to do so -

Treasurer to pay Ald^{n} Leland said balance and getting a receipt for £298-8-9

It was moved by Alderman North & seconded by Revd Edward Fairclough that the Treasurer do pay Alderman Leland the said sum of £40 the balance of said Thomas Connelly's account on a receipt for the full sum of £298-8-9 being given, and the question that payment be accordingly made by the Treasurer to Alderman Leland being put from the Chair the same was agreed to

Memorial of Jas^{s} McCartney to be appointed Fire Engine Keeper referred to

The Memorial of James McCartney Chief Constable to be appointed the Keeper of the Fire Engine belonging to the Corporation and which had been partially Considered at the last Assembly having been referred to

appointed at a salary of £15 per Annum

It was moved by Mr Samuel Weedon seconded by Mr Samuel W. Crawford that a James McCartney be appointed Keeper of the Corporation Fire Engine at £15 per annum and the subject having undergone general discussion It was ordered that the said appointment at the Salary of £15 a year be made and to Commence from the day of last and the Treasurer is particularly directed not to pay the Salary without the production to him from henceforward of a Certificate from the Mayor that the Engine has been efficiently worked once in every Month

A letter from M^{r} D'Alton to the Town Clerk read on the subject of the History of Drogheda

A letter from M^{r} D'Alton to the Town Clerk dated 9th instant referring to the appointment by the Corporation of the Committee to ascertain if any demands which were due when the Resolution for procuring the History of Drogheda was made in May 1840 remained unpaid and wishing to be informed the result of such enquiry and what should be resolved upon at the present meeting being read and the following report being also read

Report of the Committee appointed with reference to the History of Drogheda

The Report of the Committee appointed at the last adjourned Assembly in reference to the Sum to be provided to meet the Vote passed for procuring a History of the Town of Drogheda

Report

"The Committee appointed at the last adjourned Assembly to "inspect the Treasurers account and to examine the unpaid Claims "on the Corporation which existed on the 22nd of May 1840 with a "View of ascertaining the funds available to the payment of the Sum "Voted for procuring a History of the Town of Drogheda having in "Consideration the terms of the Resolution passed on that occasion "having made the necessary examination of accounts, and "having also made enquiry from the Treasurer on the State of "the Corporate liabilities do Report"

"That demands to which the order of reference applies "appear to have been made amounting to the sum of £175-17-3½ "and that unpaid claims yet exist to the amount of about £160

"That the said unpaid demands to the amount of £160. "can with facility be discharged from the funds receivable by "the Treasurer in the month of October next and that after "that period there will be funds available to discharge the "Sum of £210 Voted for procuring the History of Drogheda "which was undertaken to be Compiled by M^{r} D'Alton" "Barrister at Law) - Signed. Saint George Smith Thomas Brodigan" July 1841 -

Report received

Treasurer to pay over the 1st of January to the Recorder and John McDonnell Esqr £210 as Trustees until the History of Drogheda is printed

It was thereupon moved by Alderman Saint George Smith seconded by Thomas Brodigan Esquire that the foregoing Report of the Committee as now read be received and that the Treasurer be authorized to pay over on the 1st of January next to Francis Ball Esquire Recorder and John Mac Donnell Esqre a Director of the Bank of Ireland the sum of £210 to be held by them as Trustees for all parties interested until the History of the Town of Drogheda is printed and published by John D'Alton Esquire Barrister pursuant to his proposition and agreeably to the Vote of this Corporation at their Assembly of the 22nd of May 1840 and the question that said Motion on the foregoing terms do pass having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to

An application from George Knaggs for payment of a balance of £10-12-2 for Work done to Market House

An application from George Knaggs Brazier being laid before the Assembly for payment of a Balance of £10-12-2 due to him for Work done to the Market House under the direction of the Committee appointed to Conduct the Repairs of that building and it appearing that the general account of Mr Knaggs to the amount of £80-12-2 had been inspected by Mr Austin Nicholls and approved of and Certified by him, and that a payment of £70 had been made on account on the 5th of August 1840 by

by Alderman Graves Ackland as Secretary to the Market House Committee leaving said balance of £10-12-2 due

Treasurer to pay said balance of £10-12-2 on getting a Stamped receipt for £10-12-2

It was Moved by Mr Garvey Seconded by Mr Samuel W. Crawford that said balance of £10-12-2 be paid by the Treasurer to George Knaggs and the question that said Motion do pass having been put from the Chair the same was agreed to. And it was accordingly ordered that the Treasurer do pay said balance of £10-12-2 to Mr George Knaggs on getting a Stamped Receipt for the full amount of his Account

Treasurers Account

The account of the Treasurer is laid before the Assembly of Receipts and Disbursements Commencing 9th of April last and ending the 23rd day of July instant (1841) by which it appeared he had received a Sum of £1119-17-8½ and that he had paid and Disbursed within the same period a Sum of £1228-5-3½ whereby there Remained due to the Treasurer on foot of this account the Sum of £108-7-6½

£1228-5-3½ £1228-5-3½

Town Clk reads an application from the Rev. J. Smyth for payment of his Debentures

The Town Clerk Submits to the Assembly a Letter to him from the Treasurer enclosing an application from the Revd John Smyth for payment of his several Debentures

It was moved by Alderman Saint George Smith that the Town Clerk do advertize for the loan of a Sum sufficient to pay the amount of the Debentures held by the Revd John Smyth to be secured to the Lenders by the issue of new Debentures and said Motion being Seconded by Alderman Robert Pentland and the question thereon put from the Chair the same was agreed to

John Hawkins since the decease of S. Stanage acted as Rent Bailiff

The Treasurer having notified to the Assembly that John Hawkins Serjeant at Mace had since the decease of Stephen Stanage acted as Rent Bailiff

John Hawkins to receive £5 a year as Rent Bailiff

It was ordered on the Motion of Alderman Saint George Smith Seconded by Alderman L. Fairlough that John Hawkins be Continued in the office of Rent Bailiff at a Salary of five pounds per Annum the same to be paid to him from the decease of Stephen Stanage

Anne Warren Widow

Mr William Codd acting for the agent of the funds of Saint John's Poor house having reported to the Assembly that Anne Warren widow one of the Inmates was deranged in her mind, and that her Violent and disorderly Conduct was such that for the proper Government and Management of the Establishment and for the Comfort of the other Inmates she should be removed

Application to be made to the Governor of the Richmond D. L. Asylum to receive Anne Warren

It was thereupon Resolved on the Motion of Alderman M. Garty Seconded by Mr John Crawford that an application be made to the Governor of the Richmond District Lunatic Asylum or to such person as may be authorized to receive such applications to receive the said Anne Warren and that the Proctors of Saint John's Poor House be authorized to pay from time to time to the Treasurer of this County or to such other person as may be the proper Medium to effect the proposed object such Sum as will amount to the Salary and Emoluments to which the said Anne Warren is entitled as an Inmate of Saint John's poor house to be applied towards the expenses of the Maintenance and Support of said Anne Warren in the Richmond District Lunatic Asylum in Case she is admitted therein

The Mayor reads a Letter from Mr Jordan on the subject of some Manure which he has purchased

The Mayor lays before the Assembly a Letter from Mr Christopher Jordan dated 21st May 1841 in which he refers to a purchase made by him at Auction of a quantity of Manure for the Sum of £8 and alleging that the heap not having been fairly made up it had decreased in Value and seeking to be made a Reasonable allowance in Consequence, and it appearing upon enquiry that Mr Jordan's Statement was substantially Correct

Paving Committee to pay Mr Jordan £2 as Compensation

It was ordered that the Paving Committee do pay to Mr Jordan the Sum of £2 as Compensation for the reduction in Value of the Manure purchased by him, and it is suggested that to prevent the accumulation of Manure in different parts of the Town of which some of the Inhabitants justly Complain that His Worship the Mayor direct that the public Sales of Manure be more frequent and that under the terms of Sale the purchasers be obliged to take away the Manure with the least possible delay under the forfeiture of their deposits, and in Case the Manure purchased be not taken away within the time Limited for that purpose at Auction that same be again set up for Sale

Alderman Latham Fairlough Elected Auditor Viewer

Alderman Latham Fairlough on the motion of the Revd Edward Fairlough is appointed one of the Auditors and Viewers in the room of Alderman Graves Ackland, and Mr Beddy one of the Common Council is appointed on the motion of Mr John Crawford to fill the Vacancy in that Committee occasioned by the decease of his late Father

Treasurer to pay Aldermen North & Fogarty & Mr Atkinson £3 expended by them in Repairing top of Lane & part of Road leading to the Chord

The Treasurer is ordered to pay to Aldermen North and Fogarty and Mr Atkinson the Sum of £3 to be by them expended in Repairing the top of the Lane, and that part of the road leading to the Chord of provide to Crosbies yard and the account of such expenditure is to be submitted to the

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by Alderman Graves Ackland as Secretary to the Market House Committee leaving said balance of £10-12-2 due

Treasurer to pay said balance of £10-12-2 on getting a Stamped Receipt for £10-12-2

It was moved by Mr Garvey seconded by Mr Samuel W. Crawford that said balance of £10-12-2 be paid by the Treasurer to George Knaggs and the question that said Motion do pass having been put from the Chair the same was agreed to. and it was accordingly ordered that the Treasurer do pay said balance of £10-12-2 to Mr George Knaggs on getting a Stamped Receipt for the full amount of his Account

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John Hawkins to receive £5 a year as Rent Bailiff

It was ordered on the Motion of Alderman Saint George Smith seconded by Alderman L. Fairtlough that John Hawkins be Continued in the office of Rent Bailiff at a Salary of Five pounds per Annum the same to be paid to him from the decease of Stephen Stanage

Anne Warren Widow

Mr William Todd acting for the agent of the funds of Saint John's Poor house having reported to the Assembly that Anne Warren widow. one of the Inmates was deranged in her mind. and that her Violent and disorderly Conduct was such that for the proper Government and Management of the Establishment and for the Comfort of the other Inmates she should be Removed

Application to be made to the Governor of the Richmond D.L. Asylum to receive Anne Warren

It was thereupon Resolved on the Motion of Alderman Hegarty seconded by Mr John Crawford that an application be made to the Governor of the Richmond District Lunatic Asylum or to such person as may be authorized to receive such applications to receive the said Anne Warren and that the Directors of Saint John's Poor House be authorized to pay from time to time to the Treasurer of this County or to such other person as may be the proper Medium to effect the proposed object such Sum as will amount to the Salary and Emoluments to which the said Anne Warren is entitled as an Inmate of Saint John's poor house to be applied towards the expenses of the Maintenance and Support of said Anne Warren in the Richmond District Lunatic Asylum in Case she is admitted therein

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The Treasurer is ordered to pay to Aldermen North and Hegarty and Mr Atkinson the Sum of £3 to be by them expended in Repairing the top of the Lane. and that part of the Road leading to the Chord of private to Crosbies yard and the account of such expenditure is to be submitted to the

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by Alderman Graves Ackland as Secretary to the Market House Committee leaving said balance of £10-12-2 due

Treasurer to pay said balance of £10-12-2 on getting a Stamped receipt for £80-12-2

It was moved by Mr Garvey seconded by Mr Samuel W. Crawford that said balance of £10-12-2 be paid by the Treasurer to George Knaggs and the question that said Motion do pass having been put from the Chair the same was agreed to. And it was accordingly ordered that the Treasurer do pay said balance of £10-12-2 to Mr George Knaggs on getting a Stamped Receipt for the full amount of his Account

Treasurers Account

The account of the Treasurer is laid before the Assembly of Receipts and Disbursements Commencing 9th of April last and ending the 23rd day of July instant (1841) by which it appeared he had received a sum of £1119-17-8¾ and that he had paid and Disbursed within the same period a sum of £1228-5-3¾ whereby there remained due to the Treasurer on foot of his account the sum of £108-7-6¾

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Town Clk reads an application from the Revd W. Smyth for payment of his Debentures

The Town Clerk submits to the Assembly a letter to him from the Treasurer enclosing an application from the Revd John Smyth for payment of his several Debentures

It was moved by Alderman Saint George Smith that the Town Clerk do advertize for the loan of a Sum sufficient to pay the amount of the Debentures held by the Revd John Smyth to be secured to the Lenders by the issue of new Debentures and said Motion being seconded by Alderman Robert Pentland and the question thereon put from the Chair the same was agreed to

John Hawkins since the decease of S. Stanage acted as Rent Bailiff

The Treasurer having notified to the Assembly that John Hawkins Serjeant at Mace had since the decease of Stephen Stanage acted as Rent Bailiff

John Hawkins to receive £5 a year as Rent Bailiff

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Corporation for examination

Petition of Peter Hoey for Relief

The petition of Peter Hoey of Drogheda being read stating that he returned a grateful sense of the Kindness that he had lately received from the Corporation and for which he would ever feel thankful — That petitioner being far advanced in years and having no means whatever of support begged that a small annuity might be granted him merely to support nature — That he is so far advanced in life that its duration must be very limited and to prevent him from becoming a Mendicant prayed for some small annuity —

That his Father built two rows of Houses one on the North road opposite the Swan Inn the other in Patrick Street which were in petitioners possession yielding a profit rent of £35 which fell to the Corporation on the expiration of the Lease —

Treasurer to pay him an annuity of £10 —

It was moved by Alderman L. Fairclough that in Consideration of Petitioners distressed situation and being once in respectable Circumstances the Treasurer do pay to petitioner an annuity of £10 from the Corporate funds to Commence from Easter last and said Motion having been seconded by Mr. Clarke the question that same do pass was put from the Chair and was unanimously agreed to

Report of Auditors & Viewers

The following report of the Auditors and Viewers dated 22nd July 1841 read

Present John Ackland Alderman
1 Samuel Crawford
2 Obediah Wisdom
3 Henry Bagnall
4 John Maynes
5 Samuel Wisdom
6 John Crawford
7 Henry Garvey
8 Edw.d M.Kinsey
Common Council
Alfred Cowdroy Sheriff

" The following Memorials having been taken into Consideration
" the same are recommended to be rejected Viz.t from Sept.r
" Codd. Isaiah Shaw. Richard Cassidy Rodger Williamson
" Jane Bagnall. Nicholas Berford. William Pugsley
" Hugh Sheils. James Corrigan. Mary Whitten. Marg.t
" Grogan and Elizabeth Robinson".

" Resolved that Maria and Mary Anne Robinson

" be recommended an increase in their pension of £3 each per Annum

" That a gratuity of £5 be recommended to buy School
" Furniture to the Memorialist Harriet Browne"

" That Anne Regan be recommended as a pensioner for the
" sum of £10 per annum on the Commons fund"

" That Elizabeth Chamber be recommended to fill
" the first Vacancy which may arise in the poor house"

" That Mary Anne Robinson be recommended to obtain
" a grant of £3 -

" That Samuel M.K Kinsey be recommended to receive a grant of £5 -
" and That Jane Lyons be recommended as a pensioner on
" the General funds her son having been dismissed the office of
" Town Serjeant"

" Resolved that the memorial of Tho.s Grendon be rejected

" Resolved that we recommend the Town Clerk be
" authorized to take the necessary Steps to obtain a renewal
" of the Palace Street grounds"

" Resolved that we have re-considered the order of
" Assembly of 15th February 1839 "to enquire and report relative to
" a passage in possession of Mr. James Flood the elder
" leading from Dyer street to the River Boyne" and our report
" thereon of 21st August 1840. and on reference to the report of
" the Auditors and Viewers of 26th March 1827 We find that
" a Lease was recommended to be made of same to Mr. Flood
" under Certain restrictions which upon enquiry at the Town Clerks
" office we find he afterwards declined to take. and We therefore
" recommend that directions be given to your Law agent to take
" the necessary Steps to recover possession of the passage for the
" use of the public"

" Resolved. that with reference to the memorial of the
" Ministers Stewards and Congregation of the Wesleyan Methodist
" Chapel referred to our Consideration on the 9th of October 1840
" We recommend that the Corporation do grant a Reversionary
" Lease to the Wesleyan Methodists of the premises required
" by them according to the map of said plots of ground at
" the rent of 5/- per annum"

Signed Samuel Wisdom Chairman"

Report Confirmed

It was moved by Alderman North seconded by Mr. John Crawford that said Report now read be received and that same be Confirmed Whereupon the several particulars of the said Report became the subject of different discussion. And in reference to the recommendation of an

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increase of pension to Maria and Mary Anne Collins same was received without prejudice to the right of any future Claimant on the Commons fund when any Surplus thereof should become available having in Consideration that the said Maria and Mary Anne Collins are already annuitants thereon

The recommendation that Elizabeth Chambers be admitted into the poor House was also received without prejudice to the right of any person to be hereafter admitted therein having a prior Claim founded on the trusts and Bye Laws of the Institution

Treasurer to pay to Harriett Browne 20/

The Treasurer is directed to pay to Harriet Browne the sum of One pound to enable her to purchase some School Furniture pursuant to the recommendation of the Auditors and Viewers

Treasurer to pay to Anne Regan an annuity of £8

It is ordered, That the Treasurer do pay from the Corporate funds an annuity of Eight pounds to Anne Regan to Commence from the 25th of March last as the recommendation of the Auditors and Viewers that said Anne Regan be placed on the Commons fund Cannot be Complied with, she not having any right to claim the benefit thereof, and the annuity as recommended to the Amount of Ten pounds is also Reduced

Treasurer to pay to Mary Anne Robinson £3

It is ordered that the Treasurer do pay to Mary Anne Robinson a sum of Three pounds pursuant to the recommendation of the Auditors and Viewers

Treasurer to pay to Alderman North £5 for the use of Sam. Atkinson

The Treasurer is authorized to pay to Alderman North a sum of Five pounds for the use of Samuel Atkinson as recommended by the Auditors and Viewers and this grant is made upon the understanding that the Money is to be applied in the purchase of some Articles to assist Samuel Atkinson in pursuing some industrious undertaking with which and the Annuity of which he is in the receipt it is hoped he will be enabled to obtain a livelihood

Jane Lyons recommended to be placed as a pensioner on the Corporate funds

In reference to the recommendation that Jane Lyons the widow of George Lyons who was one of the Serjeants at Mace be admitted a pensioner on the Corporate funds the order made at the last Assembly is referred to whereby the Consideration of this petition is referred to whereby the Consideration of this petition was postponed till a report should be made upon an enquiry directed into the Conduct of her son James Lyons who was one of the Serjeants at Mace and had been suspended, and it

it appearing that James Lyons had been afterwards dismissed for subsequent improper Conduct and had been tried at the last Assizes for Robbery on John Hawkins Serjeant at Mace and the appointment of a James Lyons to succeed his late Father having been made to assist in supporting his Mother and Family who from the Circumstance stated and loss thereby sustained are in great distress, and Considering her situation as the Widow of a person who had been long in the service of the Corporation and by whose decease the family are deprived of the expected Compensation under the Municipal Reform Bill

Treasurer to pay Jane Lyons Widow an annuity of £10

It was ordered upon the motion of Alderman Robert Pentland seconded by Alderman Anderson that the Treasurer do pay from the Corporate funds to the said Jane Lyons the widow of a deceased Servant of the Corporation towards the support of herself and family an annuity of Ten pounds to be paid quarterly and to Commence from the Gale day preceding the dismissal of James Lyons late one of the Serjeants at Mace

The other parts of the Report Acquiesced in

The other parts of the Report Containing the rejection of Thomas Grendons Memorial and that the Renewal of the ground at Palace Street be procured by the Town Clerk from the Representatives of the late Alderman William Holmes, also that the Law Agent do take the necessary Steps for procuring possession for the use of the public of the passage leading from Dyer Street to the River Boyne as in possession of James Flood and also that a Reversionary Lease at 3/ per annum be made to the Ministers, Stewards and Congregation of the Wesleyan Methodists of the premises Contained in their Memorial for the uses and purposes therein stated were respectively acquiesced in, and the question that said report as altered and amended be received and stand Confirmed having been put from the Chair the same was agreed to

Petition of Mary Horan for relief

The petition of Mary Horan being read stating that she is the Daughter of Nicholas Bergin who was for many years a Freeman, that she has been reduced to very great poverty by the death of her husband Edward Horan and left to struggle without means with three Children her late husband not having left any provision whatever and praying for some small relief or an Asylum in the Widows house

Treasurer to pay Mary Horan Widow £3 by Weekly payments

It was moved by Mr Samuel Weedon that the Treasurer do pay to said Mary Horan a Sum of Five pounds by Weekly payments of two shillings to Commence from this day and said Motion being seconded by Mr Beddy and the

the question that same do pass being put from the Chair the same was agreed to

Report of Mary Stanage Widow Caretaker of the Corn market

The following Report of Mary Stanage Widow Caretaker of the Corn Market read

"To the Worshipful the Corporation of Drogheda

"Gentlemen Mary Stanage Caretaker of the Corn market "humbly begs to make the following report of the State of the "Corn market house thinking it her duty to do so

"1st That from the bad State of the roof over the office the "rain gets in by reason of which some of the plaistering has "fallen off the Ceiling and Walls

"2nd That from the Wet having penetrated through the "plaister to the Doors and Doorcases it has put them out of "repair

"3rd That the Stoves are so much out of repair that they will "not burn any fire

"I am Gentlemen

July 23rd 1841 "Your Most grateful Humble Servant

"Mary Stanage"

Mayor to direct Summonses to be served on Market House Committee to examine Market house and Sheds

ordered. Upon the motion of Alderman Saint George Smith Seconded by Mr Samuel W. Crawford that the Mayor do direct Summonses to be served on the members of the Market House Committee to meet at an early day. and that Mr Brodigan be added to the Committee to examine the Market House and Sheds in order to have the several necessary Repairs made during the present Season

Assembly Adjourned

on the Motion of Mr Atkinson it is ordered that the Assembly do adjourn to this day four Weeks

Town Clk reads order of Assembly on the Memorial of the late Alderman Edwd Fairtlough

on the Motion of Alderman Latham Fairtlough the Town Clerk reads an order Made the 18th of August 1837 being at an adjournment of the General Quarter Assembly which was held the 21st of July immediately preceding Confirming the Report of the Auditors and Viewers on the Memorial of the late Alderman Edward Fairtlough by which order he was permitted to fine down the rent of the lot of ground lying Contiguous to the Lands of Collage Containing 4-1-20 demised by Lease No 912 at a rate of ten years purchase on a third quarter or portion of the original Rent

Town Clk to have the Necessary new Lease prepared at the rent to which same would be subject upon payment of the fine to the Representatives of the late Alds E. Fairtlough

It was Moved by Alderman Latham Fairtlough seconded by Mr S. Crawford that in as much as the late Alderman Edward Fairtlough did not in his life time obtain the benefit of said order that his representative be entitled to avail himself of the terms thereof and that upon Request for that purpose the Town Clerk be authorized to have the necessary new Lease of said Lands prepared and sealed at the rent to which same would be subject upon payment of the necessary fine in Compliance with said order and the question upon said Motion having been put from the Chair the same was agreed to

Mr Sheriff Cowdroy's Statement submitted and read

Mr Sheriff Cowdroy submits to the Assembly a Statement that as acting Sheriff he had delivered to him two Writs of execution against the goods of Patrick and Terence Grimes of Gilbert Gate upon which in performance of his duty he issued Warrants directed to John Hamill Samuel Kelly and Edward Doherty as Bailiffs that subsequently additional Bailiffs were appointed to protect the property seized that John Hamill and the last appointed Bailiffs Committed a Trespass without side the Bailiwick on the property of Widow Grimes and seized Cattle on Sunday of which Circumstance he was ignorant until proceedings were Commenced against him. and upon enquiry he was advised that he was legally responsible for the Conduct of the Bailiffs and was obliged to Compromise the actions by giving £32 exclusive of his own Costs. and that having been made subject to these Consequences by the fraudulent Contrivances of the Bailiffs he hoped the Corporation would under the Circumstances indemnify him from the loss Sustained

Referred to Aldermen Latham Fairtlough Voth & Mr Atkinson for their Report

It was Moved by Alderman Saint George Smith Seconded by Mr Samuel W. Crawford that previously to Considering the Statement with the intention of Making any order in favour of Mr Sheriff Cowdroy thereon the matter be Referred to Aldermen Latham Fairtlough and Voth with Mr Atkinson to enquire into the several particulars by the examination of such persons as may appear before them for that purpose and that they Report to the Assembly thereon and the further Consideration of the Statement is reserved until the return of said Report

Adjourned Assembly 20th Augt 1841

At an adjournment of the last General Quarterly Assembly held on Friday the 20th day of August 1841 before Robert Ball Hackett Esqre Mayor the Sheriffs Aldermen and Common Council being present

The

proceedings read

Report on the Statement of Mr. Sheriff Cowdroy

The proceedings of the last Assembly were read

The following Report of the Committee appointed at the last Assembly to enquire into the Circumstances detailed in the Statement which had been submitted by Mr. Sheriff Cowdroy was read

Report

"With respect to the memorial of Mr. Sheriff Cowdroy "presented to the Corporation at the last July Assembly "Complaining of the improper Conduct of John Hamill a "Bailiff appointed by him to execute a Warrant against "the goods of Patrick and Peter Grimes by which Misconduct "of said Hamill actions were brought against him and "his Co Sheriff, and memorialist was obliged to settle said "actions at the expense of £32 and Costs By order of said "Corporation at said Assembly it was Referred to us to ascertain the facts "Contained and setforth in said memorial, We have "investigated all the Matters so to us Referred We have "examined Witnesses in the presence of the Sheriffs and "said John Hamill. We find that Memorialist was "not sufficiently informed of the acts done by Hamill "the Bailiff in the Warrant. We Consider there was not "any seizure made on Sunday but the Cattle were Voluntarily "given up by Dillon to the Pl in presence of Hamill on "being paid the Claim he had on them for grass. We "Cannot Conclude this our report without expressing our "opinion that the Conduct of the Sheriff throughout the "entire business was not Marked with that Caution which "he ought to have adopted. and we find that several of the "imputations against the Character of John Hamill have "not been sustained by the evidence laid before us"

Signed "Latham Bairdlough
"Thomas North
"Edward Atkinson"

Statement also read

The Town Clerk also read to the Assembly the Statement to which the report referred

Report received

It was moved by Mr. Samuel M. Crawford seconded by Mr. George North. and thereupon ordered that the Report now read be received and entered on the Minutes

Mr. Sheriff Cowdroy to be reimbursed the money which he had paid for arranging the Law proceedings instituted against him

Mr. Samuel Wisdom then moved that the Corporation accede to the request with which the Statement of Mr. Sheriff Cowdroy Concluded and that for the reasons therein he be reimbursed the money which he had paid for arranging the law proceedings which had been instituted against him. and said Motion having been Seconded by Mr. Samuel M. Crawford. Alderman Latham Bairdlough then. previously to the question being Submitted from the Chair

Alderman L. Bairdlough Called attention to one of the General Rules Regulating Motions for payment of Money

called attention to one of the general rules regulating Motions for payment of Money which Requires that three months previous Notice should be given of the application.

Notice of Motion Mr. Sam.l Wisdom

Whereupon Mr. Samuel Wisdom gives Notice that he will at the next Quarter Assembly or within three Months from this date move that by Reason of the Circumstances detailed in Connexion with the report made on the Statement Submitted by Mr. Sheriff Cowdroy that the Treasurer be directed to pay him the Sum of £36-10-0 to indemnify him for the Sum paid on Compromising the actions which had been brought against him by Terence and Patrick Grimes of Dulcett Gate, and for the Costs by the appearances entered to the Writs which had been served on him and his Co-Sheriff

Accounts passed

The following accounts having passed the Committee of accounts on the 30th of July last the same were Submitted by their Secretary to the Assembly for examination and being severally read aloud and enquired into the same Respectively were ordered to be paid - 30th July 1841

Members present

At a Meeting of the Committee of accounts held this day pursuant to Summons the following accounts were examined and ordered to be paid - Viz

Present Robert Ball Hackett Mayor Latham Bairdlough
Henry B. Bairdlough
Obediah Wisdom
Thomas Beddy
John Crawford
Rev.d Edw.d Bairdlough
Patrick Darbey
Henry Gawey
John Hayne

101	George Knaggs Repairing the Wholsee Roof and Water Closet and Sundry Works " " "	6	13	4
2	George Knaggs Repairing Roof of Mayoralty House	3	0	7
3	Austin Nicholls amount account for repairs of Corporation Buildings, and for erecting new Stall Boards and painting Lettering same Commencing Nov.r 1840 & ending July 1841	101	16	3
4	The Proprietors of Conservative Journal Sundry advertisements from 17th Oct.r 1840 to 4 April 1841 - "	26	6	4
	The proprietors of Drogheda Argus &c.c for advertizing from 24 Aug.t 1839 to 27 March 1841	7	9	6
	Signed. Edw.d Bairdlough Chairman	145	5	6

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Petition of Town Serjeants for Great Coats

The petition of the Town Serjeants for Great Coats having been read stating that they were in want of great Coats for the approaching Winter in Consequence of having been obliged during the Winter of Alderman Shegog's Mayoralty to patrol the Street during night from the want of funds to pay a Nightly Watch

Mr Garvey to provide Town Serjeants & Bellman with new Great Coats & Mr M.Cartney with same

It was moved by Alderman Latham Seconded by Haughey that as it appear the Great Coats which had been furnished to the Serjeants at Mace were worn out in the service mentioned in their petition that Mr Garvey do provide them and the Bellman with new Great Coats for the approaching Winter, and that Mr M.Cartney Chief Constable be also provided with a Great Coat in the same manner as heretofore and Mr Grendon having Seconded said Motion and the question thereon having been put from the Chair the same was agreed to

Memorial of Thos Warren to have Shoot and Cave drop put on Mr M.Cartney's house

The Memorial of Thomas Warren being read stating that he had become Tenant to the Revd Mr Sandiford by Lease to the House Situate in Peter Street which adjoins that of Mr M.Cartney Chief Constable

That in Consequence of there being no Shoot and Cave drop to the House of Mr M.Cartney Memorialists house had been very much injured by the late rains That he expended a Considerable Sum of money in the repairing and Setting up of said house and if there is not a Shoot and Cave drop put on Mr M.Cartney's house his house will be Completely ruined

Mr Nicholls to examine same and Cause what is necessary to be done

Ordered. That it be referred to Mr Austin Nicholls Architect and Builder to examine Mr M.Cartney's House and if it requires a Shoot and Cave Drop that he do supply such, and Cause what is necessary to be done to prevent the injury Complained of by Thomas Warren

Mr Harpur's Notice that he will require payment of his Debs with Interest within six Months after next Oct.r

Mr Harpur Complains of not being paid by the Treasurer the last Gale of interest due on his Debentures and he gives Notice that he will require payment of his several Debentures with interest within six Months after October next

Petition of William Patterson Serjeant at Mace to be appointed to the emolument of the "Serjeants Stang" as Senior Serjeant

The petition of William Patterson being read stating that he had been appointed Serjeant at Mace in the year 1814 by his then Worship Saint George Smith Esqre and for the due and faithful discharge of his duty as such officer and for good Conduct generally he then entered into the usual Security

That from said year 1814 up to the present time he has maintained good Character and discharged his duty perseveringly and impartially to the best of his ability whenever his assistance was required

That Thomas Warren who had been Senior Serjeant at Mace received up to the time of his death which occurred on the 11th day of February 1835 in addition to his Salary as Serjeant at Mace in lieu of "the Serjeants Stang" a yearly Sum of 18/5p which the said Thomas Warren was in the habit of receiving as such Senior Serjeant and upon his death petitioner became the Senior Serjeant and therefore became entitled to the said Sum of 18/5p yearly as he humbly Conceived but which he has never received

That as petitioner is at present and has been the Senior Serjeant since the decease of the said Thomas Warren he respectfully submitted he was entitled to the said Sum of 18/5p since the said year 1835

No Motion made on the foregoing as the Emolument referred to has been always received by the Serjeant who acts as Rent Bailiff

There was not any Motion made on the foregoing petition it appearing upon explanation that the benefit or Emolument referred to by the petitioner has been uniformly received by the Serjeant at Mace who acted as Rent Bailiff and that same is appertenant to that Situation, and in Virtue thereof the emolument is at present received by John Hawkins as the Rent Bailiff appointed in the room of the late Stephen Manage deceased

Proceedings Compared

Drogheda 21th Sept.r 1841

This Day the foregoing acts of Assembly were read and Compared before us and ordered to be entered in the large Assembly Book as usual

Jos Holmes Town Clerk

H. Ball Hact Roll — Mayor

Council Chamber

John Cooper	Sheriffs
Alfred Cowdroy	
G. W. Evans	
John Shegog	
A. Ackland	Aldermen
Thos. D. Fogarty	
Abediah Wisdom	
P. Darbey	
John Hayne	Common Council
Sam.l W. Crawford	
Geo North	
Jno Crawford	

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Michaelmas Day

Swearing in of

Thos. J. Fogarty Esq Mayor
and
Messrs. John Crawford and George North Sheriffs

Drogheda Wednesday 29th September 1841

This day being the Feast of Saint Michael the Archangel the Swearing in of the Mayor and Sheriffs took place at the Tholsel after having attended Divine Service at Saint peters Church

The Town Clerk having produced to Robert Ball Hackett Esq Mayor the approbation of His Excellency Lord Viscount Ebrington Lord Lieutenant General and General Governor of Ireland Dated at Dublin Castle the 30th of April last 1841 approving of Thomas J. Fogarty Esqre to be Mayor and Messrs. John Crawford and George North to be Sheriffs, and same having been read aloud in open Court by the Town Clerk

The said Thomas J. Fogarty was thereupon accordingly sworn and took the oath prescribed by the act of the 10th year of the Reign of George the 4th Cap 7. and also took the oaths appertaining to the office of Mayor and Justice of the peace

And the said John Crawford and George North were also respectively Sworn and took the oaths prescribed by the said Statute of the 10th George 4th and also severally took the oath appertaining to the office of Sheriff

Quarterly Post Assembly 5th Octr 1841

At a Quarterly Post Assembly held before Thomas J. Fogarty Esqre Mayor the Sheriffs and Aldermen being present on Friday the 8th of October 1841

There was not any business for the Consideration of this Assembly

Genl Qua Assembly 8th October 1841

At a General Quarterly Assembly of the Corporation held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present on Friday the 8th of October 1841

Reading of past Assembly dispensed with

The reading of the proceedings of the last Assembly was dispensed with by reason of the proceedings of the past year having been read and Compared on the 27th of September last

Mayor of the Staple Elected

Alderman Robert Ball Hackett late Mayor is Elected Mayor of the Staple for the ensuing Year and is Sworn, and he likewise took the oath of Justice of the Peace, and is Elected Master of the Guild of Merchants

Common Council Elected

John Cooper and Alfred Cowdroy Esqrs are Elected Common Council Men

Coroners Elected

The said John Cooper and Alfred Cowdroy are Elected Coroners for the ensuing year and also Constables of the Staple

Wardens Elected

Saint George Smith the Younger and Frederick William Fogarty Esqrs the late Coroners are Elected Wardens of the Guild of Merchants for the ensuing year

Officers of Sword Mace & Marshall Elected

The officers of Sword Mace and Marshall are re-elected and are to Continue during the pleasure of this Corporation

Treasurer Elected

Alderman Ralph Smyth is Elected Treasurer for the ensuing year

Cranes to be set up to Auction

Ordered, That the Cranes be set up to Auction for one year Commencing from the 26th instant and that the Pontage and

Gate Customs to be set up to Auction

Gate Customs be also set up to Auction for one year Commencing from the 28th instant and that it be Stated in the advertisements to be inserted in the different papers that "pontage is the only Collection which will be allowed to be made at the Bridge" The usual

Security

Security to be entered into by the persons who shall be declared Tenants to the Cranes and Gate Customs

Treasurers Account

The Treasurers Account of receipts and disbursements for the Quarter Commencing the 23rd of July last and ending this 8th day of October instant was laid before the Assembly for examination by which it appeared he had received a Sum of £358-10-1

and that he had paid and disbursed within the same period a Sum of £206-15-2½

Leaving a Balance due to the Treasurer of £148-5-1½

Arrears due

The arrears returned due by the Tenants at Easter 1840 amounted to the Sum of

"arrears due upon expired Leases"	"	£092-15-2½
Revd William Power for Sandfords alley	"	2-7-9¼
Repts of William Filgate Lease expired Easter 1833	"	3-1-7½
Do Denis Read do do	"	6-19-7½

and old arrear due by Tenants whose Leases had long since expired to the amount of 141-16-4½

Malting the Sum of £1247-0-7½

Together with arrears of Tythe Rent Charges amount " 12-3-0½

In the Whole " £1259-3-8

Law Agent to apply to Tenants for payment of arrears

The Law Agent is directed to apply to the several Tenants for payment of the arrear returned in the Treasurers account due by them and if not paid he is to proceed against the defaulters

The propriety of addressing Earl De Grey on his appointment of Lord Lieutenant of Ireland entertained

Alderman Hardman Submits to the Consideration of the Assembly the propriety of presenting an address of Congratulation to His Excellency Earl De Grey on his appointment of Lord Lieutenant of Ireland and the proposition being unanimously acceded to with an expressed desire that every possible respect

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and

and duty should be Manifested by the Corporation to the exalted Nobleman selected by Her Majesty for that important office

agreed to

It was then moved by Alderman Hardman that this Corporation do present to His Excellency Earl De Grey a Suitable address Congratulating His Excellency on his appointment to the high and distinguished office of Lord Lieutenant of this Country and Alderman Saint George Smith having seconded said Motion the Resolution was then put from the Chair and was unanimously agreed to

Committee appointed to prepare the address

Alderman William Fairtlough then moved that a Committee to Consist of the Mover and Seconder with the Revd Edward Fairtlough be appointed to prepare a Suitable address and said Motion having been seconded by Alderman Shegog the question thereon was put from the Chair and agreed to. and the Committee thereupon retired from the Assembly for that purpose

Mr. Wisdom moves that a piece of plate be presented Alderman Robert Ball Hackett Late Mayor

Mr. Samuel Wisdom moved that a piece of plate Value Thirty Guineas be presented by the Corporation to Alderman Robert Ball Hackett Late Mayor in Testimony of their approbation of his Manly Straight Forward and independant Conduct while acting as Chief Magistrate of this Town and that a Suitable address be presented with same and that Aldermen Hardman Anderson Murray and Shegog with the Late and present Sheriffs and Mr. Darbey be appointed a Committee to Carry the object into effect

Mr. Darbey seconds said Motion

and said Motion being seconded by Mr. Darbey the question was about to be put from the Chair when it was submitted that the Motion be deferred 'til the return to the Assembly of the Committee appointed to prepare the address to His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant as without the attendance of one of the Members of that Committee there would not be a Sufficient Number of Common Council present to enable the Mover to submit the motion

deferred 'till the return of the Committee appointed to prepare Address to His Excellency

Committee returns and discussion on Mr. Wisdoms Motion resumed proposition objected to

The Committee having returned to the Assembly the discussion of Mr. Wisdoms Motion was resumed and the proposition was objected to upon principle by Alderman Saint George Smith also by Mr. Clarke and by Alderman North being Contrary to one of the general Rules which requires three Months Notice to be given previously to any Motion being made for a grant of Money and the subject having undergone general discussion Mr. Wisdom begged leave by reason of the feelings of the Assembly being apparently opposed to the Motion to withdraw Same

Thanks Voted to Alderman Ball Hackett Late Mayor

The Revd Edward Fairtlough then moved the thanks of the Corporation to Alderman Robert Ball Hackett for the efficient manner in which he discharged the duties of Chief Magistrate during his year of office and said Motion being seconded by Alderman Saint George Smith the question was put from the Chair and unanimously agreed to

Address to His Excellcy read and adopted

The address to His Excellency Earl De Grey as prepared by the Committee was then read to the Assembly by Alderman Hardman and there not being any alteration or amendment suggested. It was moved by Alderman Hardman that the address as read be adopted and entered upon the Minutes of the Assembly and that an Engrossment thereof under seal be forwarded to the Chief Secretary for presentation by His Worship the Mayor and said Motion having been seconded by Alderman Saint George Smith the question to the foregoing effect was then put from the Chair and unanimously agreed to

Address

The following is a Copy of the Address

"To His Excellency the Right Honorable the Earl
"De Grey Lord Lieutenant General and General Governor
"of Ireland"

"May it please Your Excellency"

"We the Mayor Sheriffs Aldermen and Common
"Council of the County of the Town of Drogheda beg leave to offer to
"Your Excellency our Sincere Congratulations on your Appointment to
"the high and distinguished office of Lord Lieutenant of Ireland an
"appointment for which we feel deeply indebted to Her Most
"Gracious Majesty who in the Selection of your Excellency for the
"discharge of its important Functions has not only exhibited a
"Correct discrimination of Character but has also evinced her most
"anxious desire to Reconcile Conflicting parties in this hitherto
"distracted Country and to unite in Bonds of Amity the Various
"Elements of which it is Composed That such may be
"the Result of your Excellencys Government we do most ardently
"desire and we Confidently anticipate that by a Firm administration
"of the Laws and an impartial distribution of Justice to all
"descriptions of Her Majestys Subjects your Excellency will be
"enabled to realize her Majestys most sanguine expectations for the
"peace and harmony of Ireland. We feel assured that under
"the Auspices of Your Excellency such public works as tend to
"National improvement and which whilst they afford employment
"to the Labouring Classes tend also to Unite in a Communion of
"interest persons of every different party and persuasion and thus
"Conducing in no small degree to the Removal of narrow and
"unsocial feelings will be supported and encouraged and we

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"doubt not that your Excellency will perceive which must result
"to the Country at Large, from preserving in their full efficiency the
"long established Institutions from which such essential advantages
"have hitherto been derived to the arts Manufactures and agriculture
"of Ireland – In Testimony whereof we have Caused to be hereunto
"affixed our Common Seal at a General Quarter Assembly held
"at the Tholsel of Drogheda the 18th day of October in the year
"of our Lord 1841" Seal

Examined by Joseph Holmes Town Clerk

Memorial of Fras Forde for Renewal of Lease

The Memorial of Francis Forde of Carnally in the County of Armagh Gentleman for Renewal of Lease having been read stating that by Lease bearing date the 11th of August 1783 the Mayor Sheriffs Burgesses and Commons did demise and let to James Forde then late of the Town of Drogheda but then of Dundalk in the County of South Esqre all that and those several Tenements and Gardens situate on the West side of the Hill Called Castle street, and on the South side of the Upper Barrack lane otherwise Dulcek street in the parish of Saint Mary in the said Town of Drogheda Containing about Thirty perches and an half plantation Measure More or Less for the term of 61 years from Easter 1782 at the Yearly rent of £3-6-6- That said James Forde is long since dead, but previous to his death he Made his last will and Testament in writing and thereby bequeathed said Lease and property to Memorialist which he has Continued ever since to enjoy – That the said Lease will expire at Easter 1843 and therefore prayed that a Renewal of same would be granted him on the usual terms

Referred to the Auditors and Viewers

It was Moved by Alderman Hardman Seconded by Alderman North that the Matter of the foregoing Memorial be Referred for Consideration to the Auditors and Viewers and the Question thereon being put From the Chair the Reference was accordingly ordered

Petition of Alderman Townley B. Hardman for Renewal

The Petition of Townley Blackwood Hardman of the Town of Drogheda Alderman being read stating that he is in possession of a Lease Made by this Corporation to his late Father of one lot of the Lands of Tournath Containing 5A. 2R. 12P. for the term of 61 years from the 29th of September 1785 at the Yearly rent of £32-14-10 late Currency – That said Lease being now within the Regulations prescribed by this Corporation for the Renewal of Leases petitioner is desirous of Renewing same and therefore prayed that a Renewal or New Lease thereof would be granted making him Reasonable allowance for the interest now to be Surrendered and upon such other terms as Should Seem Meet

Referred to the Auditors and Viewers

On the Motion of Alderman North Seconded by Mr Clarke the question was put From the Chair that the Matter of said Memorial be Referred for Consideration to the Auditors and Viewers for their Report and the reference was unanimously agreed to

Memorial of Alderman J. Holmes for Renewal

The Memorial of Joseph Holmes of the Town of Drogheda Alderman having been read setting forth that by Lease bearing date the 7th of November 1785 the Corporation granted unto William Holmes then of the Town of Drogheda Alderman since deceased in Consideration of a Sum of £87-11-3 to them paid by way of fine two Lots or parcels of the Lands of Tournath lying together Containing 10A. 1R. 28P. plantation Measure be the same More or Less situate in the parish of Saint Peter in the County of the Town of Drogheda bounded as set forth in a Map to said Lease annexed and as then in the possession of said William Holmes and his Under tenants – To hold to him his Executors Admors and Assigns for 61 years from Michaelmas then last past (1785) at the Yearly rent of £62-7-4 payable as therein mentioned – That the said William Holmes Continued possessed of said lands and premises till his decease and by his Will he bequeathed his interest therein with other property to the late Samuel Forster and Samuel Ball both since deceased and to memorialist whom he appointed his Executors and Residuary Legatees and who were all at the time Free-members of this Corporation – That said property was publickly advertized for sale, and the late Reverend Robert Shanly a Free-member became the purchaser thereof for the Sum of £1000 In trust for Memorialist and accordingly an Assignment was Executed to the said Robert Shanly dated the 12th of January 1820 who in furtherance of the trust on behalf of Memorialist executed to him a Deed of Declaration of Trust and Assignment dated the 15th of June 1821 – Memorialist therefore prayed that under the foregoing Circumstances and there being only five years of the original Lease to Come at Michaelmas last that a Renewal of said Lease would be granted upon the usual terms making Reasonable allowance for the term which he proposes to Surrender

Referred to the Auditors and Viewers

It was moved by Alderman Hardman and Seconded by Alderman North that the Matter of the foregoing be also Referred to the Auditors and Viewers for their Consideration and Report, and the question thereon having been put From the Chair the Reference was unanimously agreed to

Memorials for Relief Referred to the Auditors and Viewers

Memorials from Mary Hobson Widow, James Williamson a distressed Freeman, George Budges a distressed Freeman

Freeman. George Bridges a distressed Freeman. Thomas Leech a distressed Protestant. and Charlotte Blogg the Daughter of a deceased Town Serjeant in distress were severally read. and were referred to the Auditors and Viewers and their Assistants to enquire particularly into the Circumstances of each Case and whether any and which of them have already received pecuniary assistance from the Corporation and to report particulars as to the Character and Conduct of the different applicants. and their State of distress in Comparison with each other –

Memorial of Mary Emerson to be admitted into Poor house

The Memorial of Mary Emerson Widow to be admitted an Inmate of the poor house being read

Referred to Aldn North for his Report

It was ordered. That the Memorial be referred to Alderman Nath who will be pleased to enquire into the Circumstances therein stated and ascertain whether Memorialist is entitled to a character for Sobriety. the result of the Enquiry and examination to be reported in writing and to be lodged in the office of the Town Clerk. and if the report be favorable to Memorialist she is thereupon to be admitted into the poor House

Letter of Managing Director of Railway Coy Read –

The Letter of Mr. Peter Ecklersley Managing Director of the Dublin and Drogheda Railway Company to the Treasurer Dated 15th of September 1841 was read by the Town Clerk

Said Letter and Statement of Claim to be entered

Ordered. That said letter with the Statement of the account of the Claim of the Company on the Corporation be entered on the Minutes –

Copy Letter and account

Letter

"Dublin & Drogheda Railway
"office Marlborough Street
15th day of September 1841

"Sir

"I beg to hand you a Statement of the account
" between this Company and the Corporation of Drogheda as the arrears
" have been accumulating some time on the understanding that they
" are to be discharged when the Directors deal with the Corporation
" for their interest in Certain Lands required for the Railway. and it is
" proposed to take said lands in a short time. I thought it only
" right to apprize you of the amount owing by the Corporation to
" this Company" – I am. Very respectfully yours
" The Treasurer of the Peter Ecklersley
" Corporation of Drogheda" Managing Director"

account

"The Corporation of Drogheda
To – The Dublin & Drogheda Railway Coy Dr.

"1841 June 25th	To 6 Calls on 40 Shares amounting	to £17-10 per Share	£100-0-0
" " Sept. 15th	Interest "	"	£70-18-10
" " " 27th	The 8th Call becomes due this day		£170-18-10
			100 –

Memorial of Messrs Walsh Morlow Bellew and Galbraith –

Paving Committee to Examine Sewer in Bessexwell Lane

The Memorial of Messrs Michael Walsh John Morlen James Bellew Hugh Galbraith and Robert Morlen Inhabitants of the Neighbourhood of Bessexwell Lane having been read It is Requested that the Paving Committee do enquire into the Circumstances stated in said Memorial with the View to remedy in every possible Manner the Nuisance Complained of. and that the Sewer be examined. and if faulty that they direct that all necessary Repairs be made to same –

Qua Post Assembly 7th January 1842

At a Quarterly Post Assembly held before Thomas F. Fegan Esquire Mayor and Mr. Sheriff Crawford the Aldermen being present on Friday the 7th day of January 1842

Petition of Hugh Lyons Montgomery for Freedom Referred

The petition of Hugh Lyons Montgomery of Mullafin Son of the late Hugh Lyons Montgomery for his Freedom by Birth being presented and read the same was on the motion of Alderman Latham Fairtlough seconded by Alderman Anderson Referred to the General Quarter Assembly

Genl Qud Assembly 7th January 1842

At a General Quarter Assembly of the Corporation held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present on Friday the 7th of January 1842

proceedings read

The proceedings of the last Assembly were read

Hugh Lyons Montgomery admitted Freeman

The petition of Hugh Lyons Montgomery of Mullafin son of the late Hugh Lyons Montgomery for his Freedom by Birth which was referred from the Quarterly Post Assembly being read

It was moved by the Rev. Edward Fairtlough seconded by Mr. Darbey that the prayer of the petition be granted and the question thereon having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to. and petitioner was thereupon admitted to his Freedom on the usual terms

John Cooper and Alfred Cowdroy Esqrs who were elected Coroners for the ensuing Year severally took the oaths appertaining to said office and also to that of a Common Councilman –

John Cooper and Alfred Cowdroy Esqrs Sworn

Return from the Smiths or Guild of Saint Loy

The following Return from the Smiths or Guild of Saint Loy was read

"To The Right Worshipful the Mayor
"Sheriffs Burgesses and Commons of the
"County of the Town of Drogheda"

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Memorial

"The Memorial of the Master Wardens and
"Brethren of the Corporation of Smiths or Guild of
"Saint Loy

"Sheweth — "That a Vacancy has occurred in the Representation of this
"Guild by the Election of Mr George North to the office of Sheriff"

"That the three following persons being Members of
"this Guild are eligible to be elected as Representative in room of said
"George North — Viz.t

"George Ball
"Edward Dowling
"John Jones

"Memorial is therefore pray Your Worships will elect
"one of these persons as Representative of this Guild to fill
"up said Vacancy —

"Jn.o Crawford - Master
"Thomas Leath
"Sam.l W. Crawford } Wardens"

"Drogheda
1.st January 1842"

Referred back to the Guild to be amended by the Nomination of other Members

It was Moved by Alderman Latham Fairlough that the Return now made be referred back to the Guild that some other members be Returned to the Assembly for Consideration in as much as Mr George Ball had already been elected Sheriff and had paid the fine imposed on being excused serving that office: that Mr Edward Dowling was resident in Dublin, and Mr John Jones resided at too great a distance from Drogheda and said Motion for the Reasons assigned being seconded by the Rev.d Edward Fairlough the question thereon was put from the Chair, and it was agreed that the Return be sent back to be amended by the Nomination of other members —

Alderman North's Communication respecting the Conduct of Mary Emerson Read

The following written Communication was made by Alderman North as to the enquiry by him respecting the Conduct of Mary Emerson who had applied to be admitted an Inmate of Saint John's Poor House was read and ordered to be inserted on the Minutes —

Communication

"I have in Compliance with the Resolution passed
"at last Assembly relative to Mrs Emerson made the necessary
"enquiry from which as well as from the personal Observation I am
"enabled to state that the said Mrs Emerson is not by any means a
"proper person to be admitted to the benefits of the poor of Saint
"John" Signed — "Thomas North"

Eliza Chambers admitted an Inmate of Saint John's Poor House

It was moved by the Rev.d Edward Fairlough that Eliza Chambers be admitted as an Inmate to the Poor House to fill the present Vacancy and said Motion having been seconded by Mr Sheriff North the Question thereon was put from the Chair, and she was unanimously admitted —

Treasurers Account

The Treasurers Quarterly account of Receipts and Disbursements Commencing 8.th of October last and ending the 6.th of January instant is laid before the Assembly for examination by which it appeared he had received a Sum of " " " " £1243-16-4
and that he had paid and disbursed within the same period a Sum of 1354-15-9½
Leaving a Balance due to the Treasurer of £110-17-5½

Arrears

The arrears returned due at Easter and May 1841 amounted to £2110-16-9¼
also 6 Outstanding arrears to the amount of " " 154-5-3¼
Making in the whole £2265-2-3

With arrears of Ivy the Rent charge to the amount of £50-

Two Resolutions of Paving Committee Read

The Secretary of the Paving Committee brought to the Notice of the Assembly the two following Resolutions Dated the 3.rd of December which were Read by the Town Clerk —

Resolution

"Resolved That we have taken into Consideration the
"Memorial of Mess.rs Walsh and others Inhabitants of the Neighbourhood
"of Bessaxwell Lane and We are of opinion that the Nuisance Complained
"of is of a Very bad and unhealthy Nature, and that it should be
"removed, but Considering that we were only authorized to Repair the
"Sewer if found faulty, We find that no defect exists therein" —

Resolution

"Resolved That application having been made to this
"Committee to open the passage reserved to the use of the public
"round the Southern Tower of Laurences Gate, We recommend that
"power be given to us for that purpose" —

Signed "Henry B. Fairlough"

No Motion on the first of said Resolutions and the second Resolution is agreed to —

There was not any Motion made in Reference to the first of said Resolutions, and as to the Suggestion or Recommendation of the Paving Committee to open the passage reserved for the use of the public round the Southern Tower at Saint Laurences Gate —

Paving Committee to make Footway round the Southern Tower of Laurences Gate —

It was Moved by Alderman Robert Pentland that the Suggestions of the Paving Committee be attended to, and that they be authorized to Carry the proposed improvement into effect as far as practicable by making a Footway round the Southern Tower for the use of the public, and Alderman North having Seconded said Motion the question thereon was put from the Chair and same was agreed to by the several Members of the Assembly with the exception of Mr Barby —

Accounts passed

The following accounts having been enquired into and passed by the Committee of Accounts on the 7.th of January instant the same were laid before the Assembly for examination and being severally read aloud they were ordered to be paid — "7.th Jan.y 1842"

"At a Meeting of the Committee of Accounts held this day the
"following accounts were examined and ordered to be paid"

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Accounts

No 1	Henry Garvey furnishing Clothing for Town Serjeants Hats &c at Michaelmas 1841	£65-9-3
No 2	Representatives of Wm Dawson Stationary supplied the Corpn from January to July 1841	2-0-9
No 3	Proprietor of the Drogheda Argus advertizing from March 1840 to Decr 1841	11-16-0
No 4	Proprietor of Conservative Journal advertizing from Octr 1841 to January 1842	10-11-6
No 5	Thos Warren Painting and Glazing at Court House & Meal Crean	10-11-6
	Signed Thomas F. Fogarty Mayor	£ 100-8-6

Memorial of John Stuart Patrick Maguire John Wilson and Michl Mathews for payment of their Wages as Watchmen for 81 nights

The Memorial of John Stuart Patrick Maguire John Wilson and Michael Mathews Seeking payment of a sum of £18-4-6 wages earned by them as Watchmen employed by the Watch Directors was read stating that they were placed on duty as a nightly Watch by the Watch Directors of this Town at a time when the Town was without any protection whatever by night and that they Continued on Watch for 81 nights during which period they discharged their duty diligently and no injury happened to either the property or persons of the Inhabitants. They were given to understand that the Watch Tax Cannot be legally assessed on the Town for the past year and on this account they remain unpaid. That they are informed that the Corporation have allowed a sum of Twenty pounds annually towards the Watch Establishment of the Town and therefore they humbly pray that the Corporation will be pleased to direct that this annual grant may be applied to the payment of their Wages £18-4-6 as Memorialists are Very poor men entirely depending on their Labour and have Large families to support —

The foregoing Statement Certified by Watch Directors

and the accuracy of the Statement Contained in said memorial having been Certified by Thomas Ennis Esqre J.P. and by William Cairnes Esqre two of the Directors

Treasurer is to pay the said John Stewart Patk Maguire John Wilson & Michl Mathews £18-4-6 as due to them —

It was moved by Alderman Hardman that the Treasurer of the Corporation be directed under the Circumstances stated in said Memorial to pay to the Memorialists the said sum of £18-4-6 and said Motion being seconded by Alderman Robert Pentland the question thereon was put from the Chair and unanimously agreed to

Treasurer to pay over to His Worship £50 for Watchmen during the Winter months

And it was further ordered That in as much as the Town is not provided with Watchmen for the ensuing Winter, and as the Inhabitants and their property require protection at night the Treasurer is directed to pay over to His Worship the Mayor the sum of £50 to be applied by him in providing trust worthy persons to act as Watchmen during the ensuing Winter Months, and John Stuart is Recommended to be Continued in Employment as the Superintendant

Memorial of Alderman Henry B. Fairtlough to be allowed payment of Cholera Tax which he had paid

The Memorial of Alderman Henry Blacker Fairtlough was read praying that the Corporation would direct the Treasurer to allow to him as Tenant the payment of the several Instalments of Cholera Tax which he had paid for the portions of land demised to him on which that particular Tax was a Charge imposed previously to the Commencement of his Tenancy

Referred to the Auditors & Viewers

It was moved that the Matter of the foregoing memorial be referred to the Auditors and Viewers for their enquiry Consideration and Report

Reports of the Auditors & Viewers

The following reports of the Auditors and Viewers dated 2nd of August 1841 made on the two memorials of the Revd Samuel Sandiford and Alderman Joseph Holmes which had been referred to them for Consideration having been read

"2nd August 1841

Members present

" At a Meeting of the Auditors and Viewers held this day pursuant to " adjournment — Present Robert Ball Hackett Mayor

1 John Crawford
2 Austin Nicholls
3 Thomas Beddy
4 Revd Edwd Fairtlough
5 Henry Garvey
6 John Mayne
7 Saml M Crawford

Common Council

Report

" Having taken into Consideration the Memorial of the Revd Samuel " Sandiford a Freeman of this Corporation praying for Renewal of Lease " No 691 bearing date the 6th of September 1784 for 61 years from Easter " 1784 at the yearly rent of £11-16-0 Irish and having had the several " Documents Connected therewith laid before us. We find that the full and " Complete interest and title therein is Vested in said Memorialist and " having proceeded to View the Lands therein named, the original Lease " and Map having been laid before us & Resolved, that we are of " opinion that one of the Parks therein referred to Called Bides Park " which lies between Hannimore and the Twenties Containing 4-2-14 " plantation Measure and is of the Value between Nine and Ten of Three " pounds by the said plantation acre, and we recommend that a Renewal " thereof should be granted to Memorialist for 99 years from Easter last " 1841 on the terms following he surrendering his interest in the residue of the " term. That the annual rent thereof at said Valuation amounts to £13-15-3 " To a Moiety whereof the Memorialist to be subject agreeable to " the Custom of the Corporation amounting to £6-17-8

" one half of which to be fined down at a rate of 17 years purchase
" agreeable to said Custom " " " — £3-8-10
" The fine is therefore at a rate of 17 years purchase on this rent £58-10-2
" But finding that the rent now payable under the existing is British £4-3-1
" and that the Rent to which Memorialist is hereafter to be subject will be £3-8-10
" The Memorialist is therefore to pay less per annum for the 4 years now unexpired by " 14-3
" and the purchase of this deficient rent for 4 years amounts to 2½ years purchase to
" £1-15-7 which we Consider should be added to the Fine agreable to the
" Rules of this Committee acted upon the 1st of May 1835 " — " — 1-15-7
" The Gross fine to be £60-5-9

Report

" and Resolved that we are of opinion that the other
" park or parcel of Land described in said Memorial as being situate
" at the Green Batter Without Sundays Gate and Containing 7 acres
" plantation measure is of the Value between Man and Man of Three
" pounds by the said acre, and we recommend that a Renewal thereof
" shall be granted to Memorialist for 99 years from Easter last (1841) on
" the terms following - He surrendering his interest in the residue of the
" term of his present Lease. Viz.t That the annual rent thereof at said
" Valuation amounts to — £21-0-0
" To a Moiety whereof memorialist is to be subject agreable to the
" Custom of the Corporation amounting to " " — £10-10-0
" one half of which to be fined down at a rate of 17 years purchase
" leaving the reserved rent which memorialist is to pay hereafter £5-5-0
" The fine is therefore at a rate of 17 years purchase on this rent £89-5-0
" But finding that the rent now payable is " " — £6-7-3
" and the reserved rent hereafter payable as above " — 5-5-0
" The Memorialist will therefore pay less per annum for the 4 years now unexpired by £1-4-3
" and the purchase of this deficient rent for 4 years at 2½ years purchase amounts
" to £3-0-7 which we Consider should be added to the fine agreeable to
" said Rule of " " " " 3-0-7
" Leaving the Gross Fine to be paid " " " " £92-5-7

Report

" Having taken into Consideration the Memorial of Alderman
" Joseph Holmes a Freeman of this Corporation praying for Renewal of
" Lease N°582 bearing date the 13th August 1770 for a term of 61 years
" from Easter 1784 at the yearly rent of 12s/ We find that the full
" and Complete interest therein is now Vested in said Memorialist and
" having proceeded to View the House in West street therein referred to
" and marked on the Map annexed to the Lease of"

" Resolved that we are of opinion that the said house and
" Tenements are of the Value between Man and Man of Thirty two pounds
" per annum, and we recommend that a New Lease thereof shall be granted
" to Memorialist for 99 years from Easter last (1841) on the following terms

" He surrendering his interest therein for the residue of the term namely four
" years from said period. The annual Value thereof is " " — £32-0-0
" To a Moiety whereof Memorialist is to be subject agreable to the Custom
" of the Corporation " " " £16-0-0
" one half of which to be paid down at a rate of 10 years purchase leaving
" the Reserved Rent which memorialist will hereafter pay " — " £8-0-0
" The Fine is therefore at this Rate of ten years purchase on said Moiety £80-0-0
" But finding that the reserved rent hereafter to be paid as above amounts to £8-0-0
" and that the rent heretofore payable is only " " 11-1
" The Memorialist will therefore have to pay more per annum
" for the 4 years unexpired by " " " £7-8-11
" and the purchase of this Surplus rent for the said term of 4 years
" at 2½ years purchase amounts to £18-12-4 which we Consider
" should be deducted from the Fine agreable to said Rule of 1st of
" May 1835 " " " " 18-12-4
" Leaving the Fine to be paid " — £161-17-8

Signed - "R Bale Hackett Mayor"

Reports on Memorial of the Revd Samd Sandiford for Renewal of Lease Confirmed

It was moved by Alderman Robert Pentland that the Reports made by the Auditors and Viewers as Read on the Memorial of the Revd Samuel Sandiford for Renewal of Lease of the Parks of Land at Brides Park and the Park of Land situate at the Green Batter be Confirmed and said Motion having been seconded by John Cooper Esq the question that said Motion be agreed to was put from the Chair. when Mr. Grendon questioned whether the Regulations of the Corporation in respect to Renewals would Warrant the terms as Contained in the Reports on which the Renewal was to be granted. and explanation on the Subject generally having been afforded and the Resolutions of the Corporation which govern the Auditors and Viewers in making their Reports having been Referred to. it was thereupon Considered that all requisites had been fully Complied with and that the Reports were made Conformable to the Resolutions. and the question was then put that said Reports do Stand Confirmed and the Motion was agreed to without any dissentient

Report on Memorial of Aldn Joseph Holmes for Renewal of Lease Confirmed

It was also moved by Alderman Robert Pentland that the Report as Read which was made by the Auditors and Viewers on the Memorial of Alderman Joseph Holmes for Renewal of Lease of 13th of August 1770 of a House in West street be also Confirmed. and said Motion having been Seconded by Alderman Storth the question that said Report do Stand Confirmed accordingly was put from the Chair and unanimously agreed to

Reports of Auditors & Viewers Dated 3rd inst Read

The following Reports of the Auditors and Viewers dated the 3rd of January instant were severally read

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Members present

Present William Fairlough Alderman
Samuel H. Crawford
Thomas Beddy
Revd Edwd Fairlough
John Kaynes
Michael Daly
John Crawford
} Common Council

"William Fairlough Esqr in the Chair"

Report

"Having taken into Consideration the Memorial of Joseph Holmes Esq
"referred to us at last Assembly praying for Renewal of Lease (No 714)
"bearing date the 7th November 1785 for 61 years from Michaelmas 1785 at
"the yearly rent of £62-9-4 Irish and having had the several
"documents Connected therewith laid before us. We find that the full
"interest and title therein is now Vested in said Memorialist"
"and having proceeded to View the lands therein Named as marked
"upon the Map to the original Lease Annexed produced to us"

Report

"Resolved that we are of opinion that the lot marked on the
"Map to the original Lease annexed as "4th lot" Containing 54-1-0
"plantation Measure is of the Value between Man and Man of
"30s- per said plantation acre" And that the lot marked
"on said Map as "5th lot" and Containing a 52 r 2 p 0-28 plantation
"measure is of the Value between Man and Man of 25s- per said
"plantation acre" We find also that these Lands are situate in
"the Townland of Townath, and that the term of said Lease will
"expire at Michaelmas 1846 and We recommend that a new Lease
"of these Lands be made Memorialist for 99 years from Michaelmas
"last 1841 on the following terms. He surrendering his existing
"interest of 5 years from said period in the same
"The annual Value thereof is at the said rates of 30s and 25s per acre £146-11-10
"one fourth of this according to the rules of the Corporation to form
"the reserved rent amounting to per annum ——— £36-12-11
"and the other or second fourth to be paid or fined down at a rate of
"17 years purchase which amounts to " " " £622-9-7
"But finding that the rent under the present Lease is £103-4-0 or £37-13-3
"——— and that the reserved rent under the proposed Renewal will be only per annum £36-12-11
"The Memorialist will therefore have to pay £ as per ann for the 5 yrs unexpired by Fine £1-0-4
"which we Consider worth 4 years purchase, and being a deficient rent
"for that period should be added to the Fine amounting to — £4-1-4
"Leaving the whole sum to be paid by the Representative of Alder Holmes £706-10-11

"Resolved that we recommend a new Survey to be made of these lands

Report

"And having on the same day taken into Consideration
"the Memorial of Joun ley Blackwood Hardman Esq praying for
"Renewal of Lease (No 715) of Lands Situate in the Townland of Townrath
"Containing 54-2-12 Irish plantation Measure for 61 years from
"Michaelmas 1785 dated 7th November 1785 and made between
"Alderman Edward Hardman, and having had the several documents
"Connected therewith laid before us. We find that the full and
"Complete interest and title therein is now Vested in said Memorialist
"and having had the Map thereof annexed to the original Lease laid before
"us. We proceeded to View the said Lands, and Resolved that we are
"of opinion that the said Lands are of the Value between Man and Man
"of £2 per annum by the said plantation acre. We find that the term
"of said Lease will expire at Michaelmas 1846 and Recommend that
"a new Lease of said Lands be made to Memorialist for 99 years from
"Michaelmas 1841 on the following terms. he surrendering his
"existing interest therein of 5 years from said period — The full
"annual Value thereof is at the said rent " " £109-3-0
"one fourth of this according to the rules of the Corporation to form the
"reserved rent amounting to per annum " " £27-5-9
"and the other or second fourth to be paid or fined down at a rate
"of 17 years purchase which amounts to " " £463-17-9
"But finding that the Rent under the present Lease is £32-14-0 or £30-4-5
"and that the reserved rent under the proposed Renewal will be only per ann 27-5-9
"The Memorialist will therefore pay less per ann for the 5 yrs unexpired by Fine 2-18-8
"which period we Consider worth 4 years purchase and being a
"deficient Rent for that period should be added to the Fine amounting to 11-14-10
"Leaving the whole sum to be paid by the Repre of Alder Edward Hardman £475-12-7

"Resolved that we recommend a new Survey to be made of these
"Lands — Resolved that we adjourn this Meeting till to-morrow
"at 12 O'Clock — W. Fairlough — Chairman

Report of Auditors & Viewers on Memorial of Jos. Holmes Esq for Renewal of Lease Confirmed

Alderman Robert Pentland moved that the Report as read made by the Auditors and Viewers on the memorial of Joseph Holmes for Renewal of the Lease of the 7th of November 1785 of two lots of land at Townath be Confirmed, and said Motion having been seconded by Alderman Shegog the question that said Report do Stand Confirmed was put from the Chair and same was unanimously agreed to —

Report on Memorial of J. B. Hardman Esq for Renewal Confirmed

It was also moved by Alderman Robert Pentland that the Report as read made by the Auditors and Viewers on the memorial of Joun ley B. Hardman Esqre for Renewal of Lease of 7th November 1785 for a lot of land at Townath be also Confirmed and said Motion having been seconded by Alderman Shegog the question that said Report do Stand Confirmed was also put from the

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the Chair and unanimously agreed to -

The following Reports of the Auditors and Viewers dated the 4th of January 1842 were severally read

Members present

Present - Gathum Fairtlough Esq Aldern
Robert Thompson
Thomas Beddy
Sam[l] W. Crawford
Rev[d] Edw[d] Fairtlough
John Mayne
Mich[l] Daly
John Crawford
} Common Council

"Robert Thompson Esq in the Chair"

Report (1)

"Having taken into Consideration the Memorial of William Meade
"Smythe and Henry Smythe and the Rev[d] John Smythe referred
"to us at October Assembly 1840 praying for Renewal of Lease
"N[o] 690 of Lands situate near Blackbush in the Parish of Saint
"Mary Containing 6-3-9 Irish plantation Measure for 61
"years from Easter 1781 dated 6th September 1784 and made to
"William Meade Ogle Esq. We find that the term in said Lease
"will expire at Easter 1845 and having had the original Lease of
"said lands and the Map of same thereto annexed, and having received
"other information on the subject. We are of opinion that the full and
"Complete interest and title therein is now Vested in the Memorialist
"and having proceeded to View the said Lands - Resolved that we
"are of opinion that the same are of the Value between Man and Man of
"£4 per annum by said plantation acres, and recommend that a new
"Lease thereof be made to Memorialist for 99 years from Michaelmas
"last (1841) they surrendering their existing interest of 37 years therein
"from said period - The full annual Value thereof is at the said
"Rent " " " " " £27-4-6
"one fourth of this according to the Rules of the Corporation to form
"the reserved rent amounting to per Annum " " £6-16-1½
"and the other or Second fourth to be paid or fined down at a rate of
"17 years purchase which amounts to " " " £115-14-1½
"But finding that the above reserved rent under the proposed
"Renewal will be per annum " " - £6-16-1½
"and that the rent payable under the present Lease is Reserved only 6-4-7½
"The Memorialists will therefore have to pay more per annum for the 37 yrs
"which period we Consider with 3 years purchase unexpired by and being a Surplus
"Rent payable for said 37 years should be we Consider deducted
"from the Fine and amounts to " " - 1-14-6
"Leaving the whole sum to be paid by the Repr[es] of said Wm Meade Ogle 113-19-8

Report

"Resolved - That we recommend a new Survey to be made of these Lands

"Having on the same day taken into Consideration the Memorial
"of William Fairtlough Esqre praying for Renewal of Lease (N[o]) of Land
"situate at the Twenties Saint Helens Meadow Containing 1-0-25 for 61 years
"from Easter 1775 made to Philip Donaghy Esq In trust for Alderman
"Oliver Fairtlough. We find that the term in said Lease expired at
"Easter 1836 and having a Certain Indenture made between the said
"Oliver Fairtlough and the other parties therein mentioned dated 19th
"December 1801 on the Intermarriage of Joseph Woodroffe Esq and
"Margaret Daughter of the said Oliver Fairtlough in which said Lease is
"detailed, but the said Lease not being now forthcoming, We are of opinion
"that the interest in said Lands is Vested in said Memorialist as personal
"Representative of the late Rev[d] Thomas Fairtlough who was Surviving
"Trustee in said Deed" And having had a Map of this field
"executed by William Codd Surveyor and marked by the Chairman and
"Secretary of this Committee laid before us. We proceeded to View the same
"and therefore, Resolve that we are of opinion that the said Lands is of
"the Value between Man and Man of per annum by said planta-
"-tion acre, and recommend that a New Lease thereof be made to the
"said Joseph Woodroffe and Japhet Alley Esqrs as Trustees for themselves
"and the other parties entitled thereto under said Deed of 19th December
"1801 the Memorialist William Fairtlough disclaiming any beneficial
"interest therein being only nominally a party as before stated) for 99
"years from the - expiration of said Lease at Easter 1836 on the following
"terms - The full annual Value is therefore at this rent £2-17-10
"one fourth of this according to the Rules of the Corporation to form the
"reserved rent amounting to " " " - 14-6
"and the other or second fourth to be paid or fined down at a rate of 17
"years purchase which amounts to " " " £12-6-6
"But finding that the rent payable under the expired Lease
"is £1-2-6 or " " " - £1-0-9½
"and that the reserved rent under the proposed Renewal will
"be as above only " " " - 14-6
"The parties will therefore have paid more per annum from the
"expiration of the Lease by " " " - 3-6-3½
"and this sum, or so much thereof as may have been paid to the Treasurer
"We recommend that authority may be given to deduct same from the said
"fine"

Report

"Having also taken into Consideration the said Memorial of
"the said William Fairtlough praying for Renewal of a second Lease -
"N[o] 647 of a Slip of Ground on West side of Dukes Street Containing
"246 feet in the length of the figure as marked on the Map to the

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"original Lease annexed now laid before us for 61 years from Easter
"1779 dated the 1st of March 1780 and made to the said Oliver
"Fairlough which with a Map of said Slip of Ground executed by the
"said Surveyor and marked with the names and handwriting of
"our said Chairman and Secretary are the only documents relating
"thereto laid before us — And having proceeded to View the same
"we are of opinion that the said Slip of ground with the several
"Cabins now erected thereon is of the Value between Man and Man
"of four pounds per Annum (subject to the Regulations and terms
"hereafter named) and recommend that a new Lease thereof be
"made to the said Joseph Woodroffe and Japhet Alley the
"Trustees in the last Case for similar reasons to those in said Case
"stated for 99 years from Easter 1840 at which time we find the
"said Lease expired on the following terms"

"The full annual Value as stated ——— £4-0-0

"one fourth of this according to the Rules of the Corporation to form the
"reserved rent amounting to per Annum " " 1-0-0

"and the other or Second Fourth to be paid or fined down at a
"rate of 10 years purchase which amounts to — £10-0-0

Report "Resolved, That with a View to the improvement of that
"Quarter of the Town and to avoid blocking up the passage to the
"Gate of the Barrack we Recommend that the Corporation do
"reserve to its own use for the public advantage a Space of 75 feet 10
"inches at the narrow or Northern extremity as Marked on said
"Surveyors Map — That the Cabins or Houses now built on said
"Ground be Slated within 5 years from the present period and
"that all building hereafter erected or now in Course of erection thereon
"be built with Brick or Stone and Mortar and that they be
"Slated and Raised to eight feet high at least to the Eve Course
"in front to the street

Report "Having also on the same day taken into Consideration
"the Memorial of Francis Forde Esq praying for Renewal of Lease No 669
"of Tenements and Garden on North side of Upper Barrack Lane
"Containing 30p perches situate in the parish of Saint Mary for 61
"years from Easter 1782 dated 11th of August 1783 and made to
"Alderman James Forde and having the original Lease thereof
"and a Map of the premises annexed thereto laid before us we
"proceeded to View the same and Resolved that the said premises
"are worth between Man and Man subject to the Conditions and
"Regulations hereafter detailed the Sum of four pounds per annum
"and We Recommend if the Memorialist proves himself fully
"entitled thereto that a new Lease (Mem.) be made to Memorialist for
"99 years from Michaelmas last (1841) he surrendering his interest of 1p
"year in same from said period on the following terms — The full
"annual Value as stated is ——— £4-0-0

"one fourth of this sum is according to the Rules of the Corpora-
"tion to form the reserved rent amounting to per annum — 1-0-0

"and the other or second fourth to be paid or fined down at a
"rate of 10 years purchase which amounts to £10-0-0

"But finding that the rent under the present Lease
"is £3-6-6 Irish or Stg 3-1-4½

"and that the reserved rent under the proposed Renl
"will be only per annum as above 1-0-0

"The Memorialist will therefore have to pay less per
"annum for the period of 1p year unexpired by 2-1-4½

"which period we Consider worth one years purchase and being a
"deficient rent for that period should be added to the Fine £2-1-4½

"Leaving the above sum to be paid by the Repr of Alderman James Forde

Report "Resolved, That the original Lease before stated being the only
"document laid before us we Cannot report that the full and
"Complete interest in these premises is Vested in Memorialist
"but should he Satisfy the Corporation in this point we recommend
"a Confirmation of our report on the following terms

"That any buildings erected thereon hereafter be built
"of Stone or Brick and Mortar and raised to the height of Ten
"feet at least to the Eve Course in front to the said Street or Lane and
"that the buildings to be erected thereon shall be built within five
"years from the present period and that with a further View to
"the improvement of said part of the Town the buildings should
"form a direct line in front between each extremity or point and a direct
"line also observed in building or enclosing the line in Castle Street which
"should also form a direct line from the Southern to the Eastern Angles
"in said Street Resolved also that a new Map and Survey of these
"premises be made pointing out the improvements suggested

Report of Auditors & Viewers on Memorial of Wm Meade Smythe and Henry Smythe and Rev.d John Smythe for Renewal of Lease Confirmed

Alderman Robert Benland moved that the report
as read made on the memorial of William Meade Smythe and Henry
Smythe Esqrs and the Rev.d John Smythe for Renewal of Lease dated 4th
September 1784 made to William Meade Ogle Esqre of a parcel of land
at Blackbush be Confirmed and said Motion having been seconded by
John Cooper Esqre the question that said report do Stand Confirmed
was put from the Chair and same was unanimously agreed to

Report on Memorial of Alderman William Fairlough as personal Representative of the Rev.d Thos Fairlough for Renewal of Lease Confd

Mr Cowdray moved that the report as read made
on the memorial of Alderman William Fairlough the personal Represenla-
-tive of the Rev.d Thomas Fairlough who was surviving Trustee in a

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Deed of Settlement dated the 19th December 1801 for a Renewal of a Lease of Land near the Iwenlas Containing 1 acre and 25 perches being part of the property Conveyed in Trust by said Settlement be Confirmed and that a Renewal thereof be made to Joseph Woodroffe and Japhet Alley Esqrs as Trustees for themselves and for such other persons as should be entitled as Cestui que Trusts under the limitations and trusts of said Settlements the said William Fairlough having disclaimed any interest in the premises and Mr Cooper having seconded said Motion the question that said Report do accordingly stand Confirmed, and also that the Renewal be made to the said Joseph Woodroffe and Japhet Alley as Trustees as aforesaid was put from the Chair and the Motion in the terms stated was unanimously agreed to

Report of Auditors & Viewers on a further Memorial of Alderm. William Fairlough as personal Representative of the Revd Thos. Fairlough for Lease Confirmed

It is ordered on the Motion of Mr Darley seconded by Mr Samuel Wisdom that the Report of the Auditors and Viewers made on a further Memorial of Alderman William Fairlough as personal Representative as aforesaid for Renewal of a Lease dated the 1st of March 1780 of a Strip of ground on the West side of Dulcek street to be made to said Joseph Woodroffe and Japhet Alley as Trustees as aforesaid be referred back to the Auditors and Viewers with instructions to View examine and Value the said Strip of Ground without taking into their Consideration and Calculation the Tenements which had been recently built thereon such building having been made by the under tenant of said Joseph Woodroffe and Japhet Alley since the 9th of August 1809 when the memorial for Renewal was submited to the Corporation on their behalf and immediately after which time the View of the premises should have been made, and that the Auditors and Viewers be informed that the Resolutions regulating the terms for granting Renewals do not authorize the Auditors and Viewers to impose upon tenants entitled to renewals particular Conditions for building altho' the Auditors and Viewers are empowered to submit to the Corporation for their Consideration in Assembly suggestions for reserving any portion of premises which they may think requisite for the improvement and Widening of the streets of the Town

Francis Forde's Lease

Report of Auditors & Viewers on Memorial of Francis Forde for Renewal of Lease — Confirmed

It also ordered on the Motion of Samuel Wisdom which was seconded by Alderman Shegog that the Report as read made on the Memorial of Francis Forde for Renewal of the Lease dated 11th August 1782 of Tenements and Garden on the North side of Upper Barrack Street be also referred back to the Auditors and Viewers for further Consideration and enquiry, and that they may may be enabled to Report on the right of said Francis Forde to said Renewal he is to be required to shew that the interest in said premises is now legally Vested in him from the original Lessee without forfeiture or without having passed out of the possession of a Freeman and that the Auditors and Viewers be instructed that in making their future Report they are to be governed by the last preceding order made on the Memorial of Alderman William Fairlough to limit their Report to such suggestions for the Assembly as may be necessary for Reserving such portion of the premises as may be required for the improvement and widening of the streets without imposing on the Tenant entitled to Renewal any Conditions for building not Warranted by the Resolutions Regulating the terms on which Renewals to Freemen are made

Further Reports of Auditors and Viewers dated 4th Jany 1842 read

The following Report of the Auditors and Viewers dated said 4th of January 1842 on the petitions for Relief therein specified which had been referred to them for enquiry and their Report

Report

"Resolved, That we do not see Cause to recommend the "petitions for Relief of Thomas Leech and James Williamson to be "taken into the Consideration of the Assembly" "Resolved that "we learn George Bridges is an Inmate of the Poor house —

Report

"Resolved That we recommend Mary Hobson and Charlotte "Blogg both in great distress to receive one pound each, the latter to "release her Clothes from the Pawn Broker

Signed Robert Thompson — Chairman

Report of Auditors & Viewers Confirmed save that part which Relates to Jas Williamson who is to be paid £5 by the Treasr to relieve his present Wants —

It was moved by Alderman Robert Pentland that said Report as read be Confirmed in its several particulars save and except that part thereof which relates to James Williamson. respecting which part he moved as an amendment that the Treasurer be directed to pay to said James Williamson a Sum of £5 to relieve his present distress. and Mr Samuel Wisdom having seconded the Motion. and also the said Amendment the question that the Report as read with the exception of that part thereof relating to James Williamson be Confirmed was put from the Chair and was unanimously agreed to. and the question on the said Amendment that the Treasurer do pay to said James Williamson the Sum of £5 to relieve his present distress was also put from the Chair and was unanimously agreed to —

Treasurer to allow Tenants Poor Rates on full years Rent at which the several Holdings were let to them and also on Fines paid by them

Alderman Latham Fairlough moved that as the poor Law rate is in force and in Course of Collection the Treasurer of the Corporation be directed in making the allowance for Poor Rates to the Tenants of the Corporation on payment of their Rents, that said allowances be Calculated and made on the full years rent at which

which the several holdings were taken and agreed for at the public Settings previously to the Fining down of any portions of said Rents and that said allowance be not Confined and limited to the Yearly Rents as Reduced and lessened on payment of Fines. and as same are Reserved and mentioned in the several Leases after the Reduction made therein by the payment of Fines to the intent and meaning that the several Tenants in the allowance to be made for Poor Rates be given the benefit of such allowance on the several fines paid by them to which it is Considered they are justly entitled and said Motion having been Seconded by Mr. Sheriff Crawford the question thereon was put From the Chair and unanimously agreed to

Treasurer to pay Treas.r of Paving Committee £100.

It is ordered on the Motion of Mr. Sheriff Crawford which was Seconded by Mr. Thompson that the Corporation Treasurer do pay to the Treasurer of the Paving Committee the sum of one hundred pounds to enable him to settle with alderman Henry Blacker Fairtlough and to discharge such demand as he may have upon the Paving Committee

Petition of Town Serjeants for Remuneration for their Services as Watchmen read

The petition of the Town Serjeants for Remuneration of their Services as Watchmen being read stating that from the 23rd day of October 1840 there were two of them up every night and that there are only four Men for duty and in Consequence of this extra duty petitioners were put to much extra expense, and therefore prayed that their Case would be taken into Consideration and grant them some Remuneration

Treasurer to place in hands of Mr. Mayor such sum as will enable him to remunerate the Town Serjeants

It was ordered that the Treasurer do place in the hands of His Worship the Mayor such sum of money as will enable him to remunerate the Town Serjeants who were employed on the duty stated in the petition being two each night at the rate of one Shilling each Commencing 29th September last up to the present time

Alderman North moves that a Committee be appointed to inspect Ground adjoining Laurence's Gate and to Report the practicability of opening a Foot way for the use of the public on the North side -

Alderman North moved that a Committee be appointed to inspect the ground and premises immediately adjoining Saint Laurence's Gate to the North and to enquire and Report to the adjournment of this Assembly the practicability of opening a foot way for the use of the public on the North side of said Gate and said Motion having been seconded by Alderman Robert Pentland the question thereon was put from the Chair and unanimously agreed to. and it was ordered that said Committee for the purposes aforesaid do Consist of the mover and Seconder with the Reverend Edward Fairtlough

Mr. Wisdom brings to the Consideration of the Assembly the Notice given by him on the 20th Aug.t last

Mr. Samuel Wisdom moved that the notice given by him at the adjournment of the Assembly held on the 20th of August last be read that by reason of the Circumstances in Connexion with the Report made on the Statement of Mr. Cowdroy he would at the next Assembly or within three Months from said day move that the Treasurer be directed to pay Mr. Cowdroy the sum of £36 10 0 to indemnify him for the sum paid on Compromising the action which had been brought against him by Patrick and Terence Grimes of Dulek Gate and for the Costs incurred by the appearances entered to the Writs which has been served on him and his Co. Sheriff

Town Clk. reads Report made on the Statement submitted by Mr. Cowdroy -

and the Town Clerk having read same Alderman Fathum - Fairtlough then required that the said Report of the Committee who were appointed to enquire into the Circumstances be also read and said Request having been also Complied with -

Ald.n L. Fairtlough argues impropriety of making any grant to Mr. Cowdroy -

Alderman Fathum Fairtlough then addressed the Assembly and urged the impropriety of making any grant to Mr. Cowdroy Consistent with said Report. and he urged that Mr. Cowdroy having as he Conceived acted indiscreetly and without proper precaution he was not entitled to be indemnified in the Loss sustained and for which as Sheriff he was Responsible. and Alderman Shegog having from facts stated Contended that it was most prudent to settling the actions without having expense incurred by useless and unnecessary Litigation without reference to the Consideration of whether or not Mr. Cowdroy would succeed. and that Mr. Cowdroy had been made the dupe of artifice by misrepresentation and deception and the matter having undergone much discussion during which Mr. Atkinson one of the Committee who were appointed to enquire into Mr. Cowdroy's Statement and who had signed the Report explained that from Circumstances which had since transpired he was Clearly Convinced the Committee had been imposed upon by misrepresentation. and that the truth had been Suppressed

Treasurer authorized to reimburse Mr. Cowdroy £36-10 which was paid by him under the direction of his Legal adviser

It was therefore moved by Mr. Garvey that under all the Circumstances the Treasurer be authorized to reimburse Mr. Cowdroy late Sheriff the sum of £36-10-0 which was paid by him on arranging under the directions of his Legal adviser two actions which had been Commenced against him which arose out of proceedings taken in executing a Writ of Fieri Facias at the suit of one Edward Reilly against the goods of Patrick and Terence Grimes and it appears to this Assembly that Mr. Cowdroy was by Collusion and Confederacy of the Bailiffs and others employed made the subject of deception and fraud of the particulars and extent of which he was not Cognizant when the Committee enquired into the Circumstances of his

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Statement and made their Report and More particularly as Mr
Atkinson one of the Members of the Committee this day in
Assembly informed the Corporation that if he Knew Certain
facts which are since distinctly ascertained and admitted (
respecting the Conduct of John Hamill one of the Bailiffs who
was examined by the Committee he would not only not have
signed the Report but on the Contrary he would have felt
bound to Report that Mr Cowdroy had been by designing
persons made the innocent Victim of fraudulent Contrivance
and deceit and Mr Samuel Hudson having Seconded said
Motion the question that an order in the foregoing terms be
made was put from the Chair and unanimously agreed to

Assembly dissolved

It having been moved by a Member that the
Assembly be Counted and it appearing that twelve Common
Council men were not present the Assembly was thereupon
dissolved

Special Assembly 13th Jany 1842

At a Special General Assembly of the Corporation Convened
by The Right Worshipful Thomas J. Fogarty Esqre Mayor pursuant
to Requisition and held before him the Sheriffs Aldermen and
Common Council being present on the 13th of January 1842 for the
purpose of taking into Consideration the propriety of addressing
Her Majesty the Queen on the Birth of an heir apparent to the
Throne of these Realms. The requisition having been read

Alderman Hardman moves that an address of Congratulation be prepared for presentation to the Queen on the Birth of an heir to the Crown

Alderman Hardman thereupon moved
that an address of Congratulation be prepared for presentation from
this Corporation to Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen on the
Birth of an heir apparent to the Crown of these Realms, and
Alderman Anderson having seconded said Motion the Question
thereon was put from the Chair and it was unanimously Resolved
that an address on the auspicious and happy event be accordingly
prepared -

agreed to

Committee named to prepare said Address -

And it was further Resolved that Aldermen
Hardman —— Anderson and Robert Ball Hackett with Mssrs
Thompson and Saint George Smith Junior and the Revd Edward
Fairclough be a Committee to prepare same who thereupon retired

for that purpose and shortly after returned with a draft of an address
for the adoption of the Meeting which Alderman Hardman on behalf
of the Committee read and the same having been fully approved
of It was ordered to be inserted on the Minutes

Copy Address

The following is a Copy of the address
"To the Queens Most Excellent Majesty"

"May it please Your Majesty"

"We your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects
"the Mayor Sheriffs Aldermen and Common Council of the County
"of the Town of Drogheda beg leave to approach Your Majesty
"with the Assurance of our most ardent attachment to your
"Majesty's Royal person and Government and to offer to your
"Majesty our Sincere Congratulations on the Birth of an heir
"apparent to the Crown of these Realms an event which Cannot
"fail to diffuse amongst every Class of your Majesty's Subjects the
"most lively satisfaction as holding out the prospect of a Continued
"succession to the Throne of the United Empire in your Majesty's
"august Family to which we have ever felt the most devoted
"attachment (It is with peculiar gratification that
"we avail ourselves of this opportunity of expressing to your
"Majesty on the Eve of our Corporate Dissolution the Sentiments which
"we entertain towards your Majesty's Royal person and family and
"which we beg to assure your Majesty that under every change of
"Circumstance we shall preserve inviolate to the latest period of our
"lives, nor Can we omit to Record with our latest breath the unalterable
"attachment which we feel to our glorious Constitution in Church and
"State as well as our firm determination to uphold in our individual
"Capacities and by every means in our power the Integrity of the
"Empire as at present established on which we are Convinced that
"the general peace, happiness and prosperity of the entire Union,
"and the Tranquility of Ireland in particular essentially depend
"In Testimony whereof we have Caused to be hereunto affixed our
"Common Seal at a Special Assembly held at the Tholsel of
"Drogheda the 13th day of January in the year of our Lord 1842
"Examined by — Joseph Holmes - Town Clerk — Seal"

To be forwarded by the Mayor for presentation

It was then ordered upon the Motion of Alderman
Hardman Seconded by Alderman Anderson that His Worship
the Mayor do forward the address for presentation to Her Majesty
through the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Home
Department

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Adjourned Assembly 4th Feby 1842.

At an adjournment of the General Quarter Assembly held on Friday the 4th day of February 1842 before Thomas Staples Fogarty Esqre Mayor the Sheriffs Aldermen and Common Council being present

The Mayor to appoint an early day for Sealing of the Leases now in Course of preparation

It was ordered on the Motion of Alderman William Fairtlough which was Seconded by Alderman Ball Hackett that the Mayor do appoint an early day for Sealing and executing the Leases which are now in Course of preparation

Reports of Auditors & Viewers

The following Reports of the Auditors and Viewers dated the 31st of January 1842 on the Memorials of Alderman — William Fairtlough and of Francis Forde for Renewals of Leases

31st January 1842

No. 647 and 669 were read "31st January 1842"

Members present

"At a Meeting of the Auditors and Viewers held this day the "following Members were present — John Ackland — Alderman

"Robert Thompson
"Thomas Beddy
"J. W. Crawford — Common
"Rev.d Ed.d Fairtlough — Council
"Michael Daly
"John Mayne
"John Crawford

Report

"Having Re-considered the Memorial of Alderman William "Fairtlough praying for Renewal of Lease No. 647 of a Slip of "Ground West side Dukes Street which we had under Consideration "and Reported on the 4th instant referred to us by the General Assembly "of the 7th instant and in pursuance of the directions in said Reference "Contained. We are of opinion that the said Slip of Ground "without taking into Consideration the Tenements and Buildings "thereon which it appears have been erected since the presentation "of said Memorial and Reserving the 75 feet 10 Inches as in our Report "thereon is Recommended to be Reserved and which will leave to the "Tenant a frontage of about 207 feet is of the Value between Man "and Man of £5 per annum and we Recommend that a new Lease "there of be granted to the parties in said Report mentioned for 99 "years from Easter 1840 when the said Lease expired

"The full annual Value as Stated is ———— £5-0-0
"one fourth of this sum is according to the Rules of the Corporation to form
"the Reserved Rent amounting to per annum ———— £1-5-0
"and the other or Second fourth to be paid or fined down at a
"Rate of 10 years purchase which amounts to ———— £12-10-0

"Resolved that we find we were unauthorized to Recommend

"the restrictions Relative to Buildings Contained in our former Report "by the Resolutions Regulating Renewals to Freemen, but with the "View of improvement therein Stated (See page 179) of widening the "entrance or passage to Millmount Barrack. We recommend that "the said Space of 75 feet 10 inches be Reserved at the Narrow or "Northern extremity"

Report

"Having also Considered the Memorial of Francis "Forde Esqre praying for Renewal of Lease No. 669 also referred "us by said Assembly, which we also had under Consideration the "4th instant. We find that the right of said Renewal is Legally "Vested in said Memorialist, he having produced to us the Will of his "Father Alderman James Forde bequeathing same to him, and we are of "opinion that the said Tenements and Gardens are taking into Consideration "the restrictions hereafter mentioned with between Man and Man the "Sum of £6 per annum, and we Recommend that a new Lease thereof "be granted to Memorialist for 99 years from Michaelmas last (1841) "as in our previous Report Recommended"

"The full annual Value is therefore ———— £6-0-0
"one Fourth of this sum is according to the Rules of the Corporation
"to form the Reserved Rent amounting to per annum — £1-10-0
"and the other or Second fourth to be paid or fined down at a
"rate of 10 years purchase which amounts to ———— £15-0-0
"But finding that the Rent under the present Lease is
"— £3-6-6 or British " ———— £3 1-4p
"and that the Reserved Rent under the proposed Renewal
"will be only per ann.m as above ———— £1-10-0
"The Memorialist will have therefore to pay less per ann.m for
"the period unexpired 1p. year by ———— £1-11-4p
"which period we Consider worth 1 years purchase and being a
"deficient Rent for that period should be added to the Fine — 1-11-4p
"Making the whole sum to be paid by the Repr.s of Alder.n James Forde £16-11-4p

"Resolved, That we find that we were unauthorized to recommend "the restrictions relative to the Building Clause Contained in our former "Report by the Resolutions regulating Renewals to Freemen, but with "the View to improvement therein stated (see page 182) We recommend "that a Clause be introduced to his Lease with the View of Compelling "him in future Buildings that they should form a direct line in "front to said Barrack Lane between each extremity or point and a "direct line also observed in building or enclosing the boundary "to Castle street which should also form a direct line from "the Southern to the Northern angles in said Street

Signed — Robert Thompson — Chairman

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Report of Auditors & Viewers on Memorial of Alderman Wm. Fairlough Confirmed

Mr. Thompson moved that the report made by the Auditors and Viewers on the Memorial of Alderman William Fairlough as read be Confirmed and Alderman Robert Ball Hackett having seconded said Motion the question that said Report do stand Confirmed was put from the Chair and agreed to

Report on Memorial of Mr. Thos. Forde Confirmed

Alderman Robert Dentland moved that the Report which had been read and made on the Memorial of Mr. Francis Forde be Confirmed and Mr. Thompson having seconded said Motion the question that same be Confirmed was also put from the Chair and same was agreed to

Petition of Wm. Barker for assistance to take himself and Family to America

The Petition of William Barker being read stating that owing to Various Misfortunes he is reduced to distress and having a large family in a very destitute Condition he humbly prayed that the Corporation would afford him some Relief to enable him to bring his Family to America and hoped that his Case would be taken into Consideration

Treas.r to pay Wm. Barker £10 to enable him to Carry into effect his intentions

Mr. Beddy moved that the Treasurer under the Circumstances stated in the Memorial do pay to the Memorialist William Barker a sum of £10 to enable him to Carry into effect the intentions therein stated and Mr. Clarke having seconded said Motion the question that same be agreed to was put from the Chair and passed without any dissentient

Memorial of Nathaniel Hill for Liberty to throw an arch over 5 feet of the proposed passage round Laurence's Gate

The Memorial of Nathaniel Hill having been read stating that a Lease had been granted him by the Corporation of Certain premises Situate Without Saint Laurence's Gate adjoining the Town Wall for a term of 99 years reserving ten feet round Laurence Gate on the South side of same for the free use of the public — That he has built a Dwelling house on part of said premises reserving to the public the said ten feet and that the ground Connected with said house is lower by ten or twelve feet than the Surface Ground of the proposed passage or Road way round the Gate and Memorialist proposed with the permission of the Corporation to throw an Arch over five feet of said passage as proposed

Referred to the Auditors & Viewers for their Report

Ordered on the Motion of Alderman Robert Dentland seconded by Alderman Townley Blackwood Hardman that the foregoing Memorial be Referred to the Auditors and Viewers for their examination of the premises and to Report whether having due Regard for the public Convenience permission to arch over any of the premises should be given

The Mayor Submits a plan for erecting a Fountain on North Quay with an Estimate of the expense at £150

The Mayor Submits to the Assembly a plan for erecting a Fountain on the North Quay near the Bridge with an estimate of the expense at £150 which plan and Estimate he directed Mr. Nicholls

Architect to prepare. the Fountain to be supplied from the surplus Water from the Fountain at the New Quay where there is at present Considerable Waste and it appearing to the Assembly that a great public Convenience would be effected by furnishing that part of the Town in the neighbourhood of the North Quay Shop Street and the Shipping with pure Water procured by the Distillery Company from Tubbenbrice — It was ordered Upon the Motion of Alderman Robert Dentland seconded by Alderman Neath that the subject be Referred generally to the Auditors and Viewers to examine into the Matter and particularly the extent of the anticipated supply and to report their opinion to the next General Assembly

Memorial of Obediah Wisdom praying that a demise would be made him of the House small Yard and Appurtenances in the North side of Lawrence's St.

The Memorial of Obediah Wisdom having been read stating that by Indenture of Lease N.o 670 the Corporation demised unto Patrick M.c Enlegart all that and those a House and premises situate on the North side of Lawrence's street and West side of Free school Lane for the term of 61 years from Easter 1782 at the yearly rent of £6. That subsequently the said Patrick M.c Enlegart demised a Certain portion of the said premises Consisting of the House aforesaid a small yard and appurtenances behind the same for a term of 57 years from the 1st of November 1785 and at the yearly rent of £10 late Irish Currency unto the late John Booth deceased which last mentioned house and premises by Deed bearing date the 7th of February 1805 he the said John Booth for the Consideration of £91 assigned unto Memorialist — That said house being in a most ruinous state he expended upon it in permanent and substantial improvements the sum of £300. but notwithstanding such large outlay it has never yet produced to Memorialist any Remunerative Return which from the unavoidably incommodious size of the Rooms (being only of the Width of 8 feet) was really unfit for the occupancy of a respectable family and is therefore very frequently untenanted — That the said Lease N.o 670 will expire at Easter 1843 and Memorialist would propose to take from the Corporation that part of the original premises so demised to John Booth on such reasonable terms as might Considering the great depreciation in the Value of such property at present in some measure Compensate him and prayed that his Case would be taken into Consideration and that a demise would be made to Memorialist of the said House small yard and appurtenances in lieu whereof on such moderate terms as should seem meet — Ordered on the

Referred to the Auditors & Viewers

motion of the Rev.d Edward Fairlough seconded by Mr. Mayne that the Matter of the foregoing Memorial be Referred to the Auditors and Viewers for their Consideration and Report

Memorial of Auditors and Viewers praying that the Fees be Ordered to Collect the Fees due them

A Memorial signed by several of the Auditors and Viewers was Read setting forth that in Conjunction with many

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other Members of the Committee they had acted as Auditors and Viewers in Conformity with the Resolutions of the Corporation of 25th January 1802 and 8th May 1826 in expectation of Receiving the Fees by said orders and Resolutions made payable to them and that they had not Received any fees since 1827 - That they had annexed the names of the persons who had acted in discharge of that duty since 1828 with the Number of Views made by each respectively - and therefore prayed on behalf of themselves and other Members of the Committee, and that the Treasurer be ordered to Collect and pay these fees to such auditors and Viewers as may apply to them for same - It was moved by Alderman William Fairtlough that the Secretary of the Auditors and Viewers do furnish the Treasurer with the names of the persons who had procured Renewals and were liable to the payment of the accustomed fees, and also with the names of such of the Auditors and Viewers who had made the several Views Connected with said Renewals and who having signed the Reports were therefore entitled to receive the fees, and that when the Treasurer is furnished with the foregoing particulars he do Collect the fees and pay the persons entitled to Receive the same, and said Motion having been Seconded by Alderman Robert Ball Hackett the question thereon was put from the Chair and agreed to

Secretary of Auditors & Viewers to furnish Treasr with the names of the persons who had procured Renewals and also with the names of such of the Auditors & Viewers who had made Views

Petition of William Moore for Relief read

The Petition of William Moore for Relief being read stating that he is a Resident Freeman and having very Slender means of Supporting a numerous Family he is quite unable to provide the Younger Members with the means of making a livelihood - That he has a Son old enough to go to Trade and begged that the Corporation would take his Case into Consideration and grant him a sum sufficient for a fee to some useful Trade - Ordered on the motion of Alderman Robert Ball Hackett Seconded by Mr Nicholls that the foregoing Memorial be Referred to the Auditors and Viewers for their Consideration and Report

Referred

Memorial of Marg.t Reay otherwise Allen Daughter and administratrix De bonis Non of John Allen deed praying that a Lease for Remainder of Term be granted her

The Memorial of Margaret Reay otherwise Allen Daughter and administratrix De bonis Non of John Allen late of Drogheda Gent.n deceased being read by which it appeared that at a Setting by public Auction of part of the Corporation Estate which had taken place at the Tholsel on or about the 6th of March 1820 James Davis then of the Town of Drogheda Esqr deceased did on that occasion become the highest bidder for the two lots or parcels of the lands of Saint James' one lot situate on the West side of the Turnpike road Containing 4a 2r 10p the other on the East side of said Road Containing 4a 1r 0p and was accordingly declared the Tenant for both denominations but previous to the perfection of the Leases the said James Davis departed this life having by his last Will and Testament appointed Peter Burton Carter his Brother in Law and John Allen aforesaid Executors thereof with powers to them to

sell or otherwise dispose of his property for payment of Certain debts and pecuniary Legacies as is therein set forth - That in pursuance of the directions Contained in the said Will and of the powers thereby Vested in them as aforesaid they the said Executors did on or about the 22nd of October 1821 offer the premises for sale by public auction when he the said Peter Burton Carter became the purchaser of the interest in the said Land and premises, and altho' the interest in same became thus Vested absolutely in the said Peter Burton Carter, the said Peter Burton Carter and John Allen subsequently on or about the 18th of October 1822 had Leases of the Lands and premises perfected to them in error as Executors of James Davis and under these Circumstances the premises at present appears upon the Corporation Record - That subsequently to the Sale and purchase aforesaid the said Peter Burton Carter by Deed of Partnership entered into with the said John Allen did for the Considerations therein mentioned grant unto him the said John Allen all his the said Peter Burton Carters interest of in and to one undivided Moiety of the Lands and premises aforesaid, but subsequently thereto he the said Peter Burton Carter died and his Brother William Carter as his personal Representative by Deed of Meane assignment for the Consideration therein mentioned made over unto the said John Allen all the interest of the said Peter Burton Carter to the other Moiety of the said lands and premises whereby the said John Allen became wholly interested in the entire of said lands and premises - That the said John Allen having departed this life intestate the Prerogative Court granted unto his Widow Lucinda Allen administration of his goods and Chattles rights and Credits and she having also died a like administration De bonis Non was granted to her son Peter Allen who likewise having died a like administration has recently been granted to Memorialist

That at an Assembly held on the 17th of October 1823 a Resolution was by the Corporation entered into in Relief of those persons who had Recently become Tenants for lands that is to say to permit one fourth of the original Rents to be fined down at ten years purchase, and pursuant thereto the Required additional Fines for the premises aforesaid having been paid and the Consequent Reductions in the Rents made, the said reduced Rents Continue to the present time to be regularly paid, but new Leases accordingly have not yet been executed to the parties thereto entitled, and prayed that the Corporation would be pleased to take the premises into Consideration and direct that Leases of the premises aforesaid for the Remainder of the several terms by the former Leases granted be made to Memorialist as administratrix aforesaid and at the Reserved Rents now payable

Referred to the Auditors and Viewers for their Report

It was ordered on the Motion of Alderman North which was seconded by the Reverend Edward Fairtlough that the Matter of the foregoing Memorial be Referred to the Auditors and Viewers for their Report

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Memorial of Eliz.th Warren widow praying that a Lease be made her

The Memorial of Elizabeth Warren of Magdalen street in the Town of Drogheda Widow being read stating that her late husband William Warren became Tenant to premises being part of the North Commons at a Public Auction held at the Tholsel of Drogheda on the 15.th of August 1840 for 99 years from the 29.th of September 1840 at the Yearly Rent of £3-17-0 per acre and a Fine of £35-8-0. That her late husband paid the Fine and all Rent due on the premises, and having been for some time in ill health he died on the 29.th of November last having previously made a Will and thereof appointed Execrs Thomas Reilly and John Butterly both of the Town of Drogheda together with Memorialist. That Leases were in Course of preparation in the life time of her said late husband, but same have not been executed by the Corporation or the said late William Warren she therefore prayed that the Town Clerk should be directed to prepare Leases of the foregoing premises to the persons to whom the late William Warren devised same

Town Clerk to prepare Lease to the Execrs of the late William Warren

The Rev.d Edward Fairtlough Moved that the prayer of the foregoing Memorial be granted and that accordingly the Town Clerk be directed to prepare the necessary Leases to be Executed by the Corporation to the Executors of the late William Warren and said Motion having been seconded by Alderman William Fairtlough the question thereon was put from the Chair and the order agreed to in the terms of the Motion

Memorial of John Murphy Alex.r Ray Thos.s Collins and Mathew Munster for a grant to Repair Road

The Memorial of John Murphy Alexander Ray Thomas Collins and Mathew Munster having been read stating that they were the occupiers of Certain portions of the Corporation Estate situate at the Yellow Batter in the parish of Saint Peters and that the Lane or passage leading to these Lands had got for want of Repair into an impassible state, and being anxious to improve those lands by getting Manure and other materials laid on to them for that purpose, begged that some assistance would be granted to get the Lane into a state of repair

£5 granted towards repairing the Lane or passage leading to the Yellow Batter

It was Moved by Alderman William Fairtlough that the sum of £5 be paid by the Treasurer of the Corporation to the Memorialists to be applied by them towards Repairing the Lane or passage referred to in the foregoing Memorial and said Motion being seconded by Alderman Robt.e Penland the question thereon was put from the Chair and was unanimously agreed to.

Memorial of James Gernon Esq.r for Reduction of Rent

The Memorial of James Gernon of Athcarn Castle in the County of Meath Esqre having been read setting forth that on the 11.th of September 1837 a Dwelling house with back ground and offices attached thereto situate on the South side of West street and formerly in the occupation of Edward Atkinson Esqre as a Medical Establishment was set up to be let by public Auction to the highest bidder at the Tholsel of Drogheda for a term of 99 years from the 29.th of September 1838 one fourth part of the Rent to be fined down at 10 years purchase and of which one fourth was to be paid

when the Tenant would be declared, and the remaining three fourths within 3 Months from the day of the Setting – That Mr. Thomas Gernon attended and bid for the above House and Concerns the sum of £60 per annum and being declared the Tenant he paid the Fine of £150 for same, and Leases were subsequently executed to Memorialist on whose behalf the premises were taken at a Reserved Yearly Rent of £45. That memorialist was induced to become the Tenant because the premises were immediately adjoining his House and Brewery Concerns principally for a protection to same, and he regrets that he is induced to believe that this Circumstance Caused an undue bidding at the Auction

That since Memorialist became the Tenant the premises have been unoccupied and unproductive and he is a Considerable Loser by the payment of the Rent and from the loss of interest upon the Fine, Memorialist submits that it is notorious the premises were disposed of on most exorbitant terms, not being enabled from the general depression of House property to get even £30. per annum without Fine besides which the premises when set to Memorialist were much delapidated and he has expended in Roofing and making other Repairs about £100. Memorialist feels Confident the Corporation will on Consideration of these facts entertain an application for a reduction in the Rent to such amount as he may be Considered entitled to in justice, and that upon enquiry into the Circumstances such Relief would be granted as shall seem meet

Referred to the Auditors & Viewers

ordered on the Motion of Rev.d Edward Fairtlough seconded by Alderman Robert Bell Huckell that the foregoing Memorial be also Referred to the Auditors and Viewers to enquire into the Circumstances stated and Report thereon

Application from The Rev.d Hugh Usher Esqre to have a Sewer in Church Lane made

An application to the Corporation from the Rev.d Hugh Usher as Manager of the Establishment in the Abbey for Clergymens Widows was read by which it was stated there was great necessity for a Sewer in Church Lane to prevent the rising of the Water in the Basement Stories of some of the Houses occupied by Clergymens Widows and which often rendered said Apartments uninhabitable and the funds of the Establishment being insufficient for the outlay. Memorialist hoped the Corporation would direct a Sewer to be made

Referred to the Auditors and Viewers

ordered on the Motion of Mr. Samuel Thos Lowe seconded by Mr. Samuel Wood house Crawford that the matter of said Memorial be Referred to the Auditors and Viewers to examine the premises and after making enquiry into the Circumstances to Report thereon

His Worship the Mayor to appoint a day for the dealing Dinner

It is required on the Motion of Alderman William Fairtlough Seconded by Mr.e Samuel Woodhouse Crawford that His Worship the Mayor do appoint a day for the dealing Dinner

Petition of Jane Allen widow to be placed on the Commons fund

The petition of Jane Allen widow of Peter Allen late of West Street a Freeman was read stating that since the sudden and premature death of her husband petitioner has supported herself and

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child by a school the income of which is inadequate to their Maintenance and therefore humbly hoped that her Case would be taken into Consideration and that her name would be placed on the Commons list

Petitioner to be paid an annuity of £7 out of the surplus of the Commons Fund

The Revd Edward Fairtlough moved that out of the surplus of the Commons fund now applicable to the Relief of the distressed Widows and Children of deceased Freemen the petitioner be paid an annuity of £7 to Commence from the 25th day of March next and Alderman William Fairtlough having seconded said Motion the question thereon was put from the Chair and same was agreed to in the terms of the Motion

Petition of Maria & Mary Anne Collins for an increase in their pension

The petition of Maria and Mary Anne Collins of the Town of Drogheda Spinsters being read stating that for the Last six years they have been endeavouring to support themselves on the small pension allowed them by the Corporation being five pounds each per Annum. That from its insufficiency to procure the Commenest description of Clothing not taking any other pecuniary Matters into Consideration they respectfully begged leave to draw attention to their state of want not having the assistance of their Brothers as formerly, some of them having left the Country to obtain employment which they Could not find at home, so that they are wholly destitute of friends and left entirely to their own resources, and prayed their Case might be taken into Consideration and encrease their Pension as under the Circumstances might seem meet

Petitioners annuities encreased

Mr Samuel Woodhouse Crawford moved that the annuities of Petitioners on the Commons Fund be encreased the sum of £2-10-0 each to Commence from the 25th of March next and Alderman William Fairtlough having seconded said Motion the question that same do pass was put from the Chair and agreed to

His Worship the Mayor is authorized on behalf of the Corporation to present to Townley Blackwood Hardman Esqre Senior Alderman the Painting of the Battle of the Boyne

The Revd Edward Fairtlough adverted to the near approach of the period when the Corporation as at present Constituted will Cease by the operation within this Town of the Municipal Reform Bill and he therefore begs leave to Move that previously to the dissolution being effected that His Worship the Mayor be authorized for and on behalf of the Corporation to present to our Worthy and esteemed Fellow Corporator Townley Blackwood Hardman Esqre Senior Alderman the Painting of the Battle of the Boyne some time placed in this Room as a token of the Regard in which his character has been held by this Body for inflexible integrity at all times and under all Circumstances however Changeable to the principles on which this Corporation has been founded and which placed the House of Brunswick on the Throne of these Realms, as also for the Readiness and Zeal with which he invariably afforded when required his efficient Services and Salutary advice, and Mr Samuel Woodhouse Crawford having seconded said Motion the question that same do pass in the terms proposed was put from the Chair and was unanimously agreed to

Petition of Harriet Byrne for Relief Read

and

Referred to the Auditors & Viewers

The Petition of Harriet Byrne having been read stating that she is the Niece of James Richardson who was for many years a Freeman That She has neither Father Mother or any Relative whatever to afford her assistance and protection, petitioner has endeavoured to support herself by Keeping a Childrens School but Could not succeed and her health hinders her to obtain a situation as a Servant under these Circumstances she begged her Case would be Considered - The Revd Arthur Wynne Vicar of Saint Peters Certified his belief in the truth of the Circumstances stated

Ordered upon the Motion of Revd Edward Fairtlough seconded by Mr Thomas Beddy that said Petition be Referred to the Auditors and Viewers to enquire into the Statement made and to Report thereon

Petition of Richd Brennan for a small annuity Read

The petition of Richard Brennan of Blackbullane weaver was read stating that he is the descendant of an ancient family settled for many years in this Neighbourhood that he is now in the decline of life and owing to the depression in the Linen Trade is Compelled to seek some small annuity to enable him to Live - Mr Samuel Woodhouse moved that the Treasurer do pay to petitioner a sum of £5. and Mr Mayne having seconded said Motion the Question was about to be put when the Revd Edward Fairtlough Moved as an amendment that the Matter of the Petition be referred to the Auditors and Viewers for their Consideration and Report, and said amendment being seconded by Mr Nicholls the Assembly divided when a Majority in favor of the amendment was declared and reference to the auditors and Viewers was accordingly directed

Amendment moved that it be Referred to the Auditors and Viewers

Assembly divided

Amendment Carried

Petition of Thomas Verdon for Relief Read

The Petition of Thomas Verdon being read stating that he and his Fathers family have been for many Years resident in Drogheda holding a respectable rank that he was for more than 12 years in the Printing and Stationary business but that having lost his Establishment he has been for a long period without employment which has placed him in Debt and poverty and although he is now in Employment he finds himself unable to pay off those debts Contracted when not employed that his family is large which makes him still more unable to meet his engagements and under these Circumstances, he is emboldened to Cast himself upon the well Known Liberality and Kindness of the Corporation

and

Referred to the Auditors & Viewers

Ordered on the Motion of Mr Thomas Beddy seconded by the Revd Edward Fairtlough that said Petition be referred to the Auditors and Viewers for their enquiry and Report

Petition of Loftus Codd for Relief Read

The petition of Loftus Codd was read stating that he is a Native of Drogheda and a Freeman more than twenty years That he has been Clerk to the Established Church thirty years and Could produce the highest Testimonials of Character from the several Incumbents under whom he has been placed. That he in Consequence of bad health has been incapacitated from following his usual avocation

and

and thereby rendered totally unable to provide for himself his Wife and family but is wholly dependant on his son, who is in a Situation in the Country, he is about removing to Drogheda to endeavour to find some employment and earnestly entreated that his Case would be taken into Consideration and grant him some small annuity to enable him to bring up his family and make his decline of life Comfortable

Referred to the Auditors & Viewers

The Subject Matter of said petition was also on the motion of Revd Edward Fairtlough seconded by Mr Samuel Wisdom referred to the Auditors and Viewers for their Consideration and report

Special Assembly 11 Feby 1843

At a Special Assembly of the Corporation held on the 11th of February 1842 in Compliance with a requisition addressed to the Mayor to receive the Reports of the Auditors and Viewers on Memorials and other Matters referred to them for Consideration the Mayor Sheriffs Aldermen and Common Council being present

Reports of Auditors & Viewers on memorials and other matters

The following Report of the Auditors and Viewers dated the 8th day of February 1842 on the Memorials and other Matters therein referred to and which were submitted to them for Consideration was read —

Report

8th February 1842 — "We recommend that the prayer of Mr Hill's "Memorial be granted with the necessary reservations. Viz.t that he shall "not have any right whatever over the Archway to be Erected by him: and "recommend that a Lease be granted him for 99 years from Easter 1833 "when his present Lease Commenced at the rent of 5/- per Annum and "to be bound to throw an Arch immediately over the passage Reported to

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"That we Consider the erection of a Fountain on the North "Quay very desirable, and we recommend that the Corporation do grant "a Sum of £150 for the purpose"

"That with the View of the probable improvement and Widening "of Fleeschool Lane when the present Lease now detailed in the Memorial "of Mr Obediah Wisdom expires the prayer of Memorialist Cannot "be Recommended, and also in Consequence of its being inconsistent with "the Rules of the Corporation"

Report

"We Recommend that William Moore do receive a Sum of "£5 for the purpose in his Memorial stated

"We recommend that new Leases be made to Margaret Reay "as the only surviving next of Kin and administratrix of John Allen for "the residue of the term originally granted

Report

"Having proceeded to View the Ground pointed out in the "Map annexed to the original Lease accompanying the Memorial of "the Revd Samuel Gerard Fairtlough, we are of opinion the Land is

"Worth between Man and Man 4 Guineas per acre, and recommend that a "new Lease be made to the Revd S. G. Fairtlough for 99 years from "Michaelmas last (1841) at that rent on the usual terms, and that a "new Map thereof be made and the Lease to be executed to the Representatives "of the late Lieutenant Colonel Samuel Fairtlough. The full annual Value is "therefore £5-5-0
"one fourth thereof to form the reserved Rent £1-6-3
"and the second fourth fined down at 17 years purchase £22-6-3

"But as the Rent under the present Lease is £2-17-6 per annum } £2-13-1
"Irish or British "
"and the Rent hereafter payable will be only 1-6-3
"He will therefore have to pay less per annum by £1-6-10
"and as there are 5 years unexpired from Michaelmas 1841 that period
"is Worth 3½ years purchase which should be added to the Fine 4-13-11
£27-0-2

Report

"Having made enquiry into the Circumstances detailed in the "Memorial of Mr James Gernon, we are of opinion that there was undue "bidding at the auction by which means a forced Value was put on "the property and having proceeded to View the House and premises "We are of opinion that taking into Consideration the Fine and "Rent already paid, the Memorialists Case is a fit one for reduction "of Rent, and Recommend that a new Lease be made to him of same "for the remainder of the term of years unexpired at the annual Rent "of £30 per annum on his paying the expenses thereof"

Report

"We are of opinion that making the Sewer Mentioned in "the Memorial of the Revd Hugh Usher Tighe is of too expensive "a Character —

"We Recommend that Harriet Byrne do get a gratuity of £2

"The Memorial of Richard Brennan is rejected

"The memorial of Thomas Verdon is rejected in Consequence "of being now well employed"

"We recommend that a Gratuity of £5 be given to Silas Todd

"We recommend that the prayer of the memorial of Henry "B. Fairtlough be granted — Signed. J. J. Fogarty Chairman

Report on Memorial of Nathaniel Hill Confirmed

Alderman North moved that the Report made on the Memorial of Nathaniel Hill be Confirmed on Condition that the arch be Kept sufficiently low to form a proper passage and that same be done under the superintendance of Mr Nicholls and that a Lease be granted Mr Hill upon the terms Recommended by the Auditors and Viewers and Alderman Hardman having Seconded said Motion the question thereon was then put from the Chair and agreed to —

Report recommending the Erection of a Fountain on the North Quay Confirmed

It was Moved by Mr Garvey Seconded by Mr Samuel H. Crawford that the Report recommending the Erection of a Fountain on the North Quay be Confirmed and that a Committee to Consist of the

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Mayor Alderman North and the Revd Edward Fairtlough be empowered to carry the object into effect provided the Corporation are enabled to arrange with Messrs Woolsey and Jamison for a Lease of the surplus Water at a Nominal Rent

Report on Memorial of Mr Obediah Wisdom for Renewal Confirmed

The Revd Edward Fairtlough moved that the Report as read on the Memorial of Mr Obediah Wisdom for Renewal be Confirmed: and Mr Beddy having seconded same the Question was about to be put from the Chair when Mr Samuel Wisdom Moved an amendment that the Report be sent back for the Re-Consideration and further Report of the Auditors, said amendment being

amendment Moved

seconded by Alderman North the Assembly thereupon divided in favor of the

original Motion Confirmed

original Motion and the Report made was accordingly Confirmed

Treasurer to pay Wm Moore £5

ordered on the Motion of Mr Thomas Beddy seconded by Mr Garvey that the Report made by the Auditors and Viewers on the Memorial of William Moore for Relief be Confirmed, and that the Treasurer do pay to him the sum of £5 as recommended

Report on Memorial of Margaret Reay for new Leases Confirmed

Mr Garvey moved that the Report made by the Auditors and Viewers on the Memorial of Margaret Reay for new Leases be Confirmed and Mr Samuel Wisdom having seconded said Motion the question that said Report be Confirmed, and that the Town Clerk do prepare new Leases to be executed by the parties and at their expence was put from the Chair Resolved

Report on Memorial of Revd Saml Gerrard Fairtlough for renewal – Confirmed

Alderman Hardman moved that the Report made on the Memorial of the Revd Samuel Gerrard Fairtlough for Renewal of Lease (No 684) which was dated 6th of September 1786 and made to the late Alderman Edward Cheshire of a Park or parcel of Land near Cromwells Mount without James' Gate be Confirmed and Mr Garvey having seconded said Motion the Question that the Report as read do stand Confirmed was put from the Chair and same was unanimously agreed to

Report on Memorial of James Gernon for Reduction of Rent Confirmed

Ordered on the motion of Alderman North seconded by Alderman Hardman that the Report made on the Memorial of James Gernon for Reduction of Rent of the House and Concerns in West Street be Confirmed, and that a new Lease of said premises at the abated Rent mentioned in said Report be made out by the Town Clerk at the expense of Mr Gernon

Report on Statement of Revd Hugh Usher's &c respecting the necessity of a Sewer in Church Lane – Confirmed

It is ordered on the motion of the Revd Edward Fairtlough seconded by Alderman North that the Report of the Auditors and Viewers made on the Statement submitted to the Corporation by the Revd Hugh Usher &c &c respecting the necessity of a Sewer in Church Lane be for the Reasons therein stated Confirmed

Treasurer to pay Harriet Byrne £2

Ordered on the motion of Mr Garvey seconded by Mr Beddy that the Report made on the petition of Harriet Byrne for Relief be Confirmed and the Treasurer is accordingly directed to pay her the sum of £2

Report on Petition of Richd Brennan for Relief Confirmed

The Report made on the Petition of Richard Brennan is also Confirmed on the Motion of the Revd Edward Fairtlough seconded by Mr Garvey

Treasurer to pay Loftus Codd £5

On the motion of Mr Baynall seconded by Mr Nicholls the

Report made on the petition of Loftus Codd for Relief is Confirmed, and the Treasurer is directed to pay him a Sum of Five pounds

Report on Memorial of Henry B. Fairlough Confirmed

and

Mr Garvey moved that the Report made by the Auditors and Viewers on the Memorial of Henry Blacker Fairlough be Confirmed, and Mr Baynall having seconded said Motion the Question was put from the Chair that said Report do Stand Confirmed and same was thereupon agreed to, and accordingly the Treasurer is directed to allow and to give Credit to the said Henry Blacker

Treasurer to allow said H. B. Fairlough, and such other Tenants in their Rents for such payments as they have made for Cholera Cess previous to the Commencement of their tenancies

Fairlough and to such other tenants of the Corporation as may be found to be Similarly Circumstanced in their Rents for such payments as he or they may have made for Cholera Cess and taxes duly laid on and imposed previously to the Commencement of his and their tenancies to the portions of Land to which he and they have become tenants

2nd a Post Assembly 8th April 1842

At a Quarterly Post Assembly held before Thomas F. Fogarty Esqre Mayor the Sheriffs and Aldermen being present on Friday the 8th April 1842.

Petition of Lowry Wesey Balfour for his Freedom Referred

The Petition of Lowry Wesey Balfour of Townley hall in the County of Louth Esqre the Youngest son of Blaney Townley Balfour of the same place Esq for his Freedom of this Corporation by Birth was presented and read, and the same was on the Motion of Alderman Ralph Smyth seconded by Alderman William Fairtlough referred to the General Quarterly Assembly

Gen Qua Assembly 8th April 1843

At a General Quarter Assembly of the Corporation held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present on Friday the 8th day of April 1842

Lowry Wesey Balfour admitted Freeman

The Petition of Lowry Wesey Balfour of Townley hall in the County of Louth Esqre youngest Son of Blaney Townley Balfour of the same place Esqre for his Freedom of this Corporation by Birth which was referred from the Quarterly Post Assembly – It was moved by Alderman Hardman that the prayer of the Petition be granted, and Alderman William Fairtlough having seconded said Motion the Question thereon was put from the Chair and the same was unanimously agreed to, and petitioner was thereupon admitted to his Freedom on the usual terms

Town Clerk to Notify to Government the Continuance in Office of the present Mayor & Sheriffs if necessary

This being the Assembly at which the Election of Mayor and Sheriffs for the ensuing year heretofore took place it was moved by Alderman Hardman That in as much as it was anticipated an Election for Mayor would be held on the 1st of November next under the Municipal Reform Bill the present Mayor should –

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Should Continue in office until said Election, and that the present Sheriffs Continue in office until a Nomination of Sheriff is made by Government and if it shall be Considered Necessary the Town Clerk is directed to notify the foregoing to Government and said Motion having been Seconded by the Revd. Edward Fairclough the Question thereon was put from the Chair and agreed to

Auditors & Viewers Re-Elected

Mr. Sheriff Crawford moved that Alderman Robert Ball Hackett be Elected an Auditor and Viewer in the Room of Alderman Hardman who had Resigned and that the several other Gentlemen who are now Auditors and Viewers for the ensuing Year, and said Motion having been Seconded by the Revd. Edward Fairclough the question thereon that said Motion in the foregoing terms do pass was thereupon put from the Chair and agreed to -

accounts passed

The following accounts having been enquired into and passed by the Committee of Accounts on the 8th of April instant 1842 the same were laid before the Assembly for examination and being enquired into they were ordered to be paid.

"At a Meeting of the Committee of accounts held this day the following
"accounts were examined and ordered to be paid

Account

Mr. Joseph Holmes Esq Town Clerk his account for writings and Stamps as Town Clerk for one year ending 29th Sept. 1841 — £31-4-1

No 2 Same his account of the expense of preparing and issuing Debentures to the persons therein named pursuant to resolution of 11th of Oct. 1839 & Stamps 11-0-10

No 3 Henry Smith Esq account for goods furnished for use of Mayoralty house from August to October 1840 and Repairing Fire Engine " 4-16-6

£53-1-5

Signed. J. J. Fogarty Mayor

Letter of The Right Humble Sir James Graham Bart. read

The letter of the Right Honorable Sir James Graham Baronet Secretary of State for the Home Department acknowledging the receipt of the address from this Corporation to the Queen on the occasion of the Birth of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, having been read by the Town Clerk - It was Moved by Mr. Clarke seconded by Mr. Beddy that same be inserted on the Minutes

The following is a Copy of the letter "Whitehall Feby 7th 1842

Letter of the Secretary of State for the Home Departmt

"Sir "I have had the honor to lay before the Queen the Loyal and
"dutiful address on the occasion of the Birth of His Royal Highness the Prince of
"Wales from the Mayor Sheriffs Aldermen and Common Council of the County of
"the Town of Drogheda, and I have to inform you that the same was Very graciously
"received by Her Majesty. I have the Honor to be Sir
"The Mayor of Drogheda" your obt. servant
Sam. Graham"

Treasurers account

The Treasurer produced his yearly account of the rents up to Easter and May 1841 and Containing the receipts and Disbursements Commencing 9th April 1841 and ending 6th April 1842 by which it appeared that the receipts amounted to the sum of £1070-17-11¼

and the Disbursements and Expenditure within the year including a Balance of £197-13-0¾ due to the Treasurer upon his Last account amounted to £872-4-0¾

Leaving a Balance in the Treasurers hands of £198-13-11

Rental

A Rental is also furnished by which the yearly rents are returned as amounting to — £398-6-8

and the arrears returned due by the Tenants at March 1841 amounted to £368-1-5

Account of Agent of Poor of Saint Johns Fund

The account of the Funds under the Management of the Proctors of the Poor of Saint Johns is also furnished by the agent Commencing 15th of February 1841 and ending the 15th of February 1842 being for one year ending the 29th of Sept. 1841 by which it appeared that the Sum received including a balance of £1-4-5½ in hands on foot of last accounted amounted to — £311-9-7½

and the payments and disbursements to the amount of 269-13-8 — 269-13-8

Leaving a Balance in the hands of the Proctors amounting to £41-16-1¾

Rental of Poor of Saint Johns Fund

A Rental of this fund was also furnished by which the yearly rents are returned as amounting to — £256-2-3½

and the arrears at Sept. 1841 to the amount of £168-3-10

Memorial of Alderman Joseph Holmes for renewal

The Memorial of Alderman Joseph Holmes having been read stating that by Lease dated the 11th of August 1783 a small park or parcel of land Containing 3 roods and 38 perches situate on the West side of the road or way Commonly Called the Cowleys in the parish of Saint Mary was demised by the Corporation of Drogheda to the late Alderman William Holmes this Memorialists Grand Father for 61 years from Michaelmas 1785 at the yearly rent of £1-10-0 sterling of the then Irish Currency. That the said late William Holmes Continued possessed of the interest in said land till his decease and by his Will he devised the said Park or parcel of Land with other property to the Executors thereof who were the late Samuel Forster and Samuel Ball both since deceased and this Memorialist and who were all at the time of said devise free Members of this Corporation. That the interest in said Lease and the benefit of the Renewal thereof is now Vested in Memorialist - Memorialist therefore prayed that a Renewal of said plot or parcel of Land may be granted to him upon the usual terms making reasonable allowance for the terms to be surrendered

Referred to Auditors and Viewers

Alderman William Fairclough moved that the Matter of said Memorial be referred to the Auditors and Viewers for their Consideration and Report and Alderman Hardman having seconded said Motion the Question thereon that said Reference be made was put from the Chair and agreed to

Assembly Adjourned

On the Motion of Mr. Clarke seconded by Alderman North the Assembly at its rising is adjourned to Friday the 20th of May next

Memorial of Ald. Thos. North to have Prospect Avenue paved

The Memorial of Alderman Thomas North being read stating that in the Year 1838 he became tenant to one of the lots of ground known by the name of Culver House Park and upon which he had expended a large sum of Money in useful and permanent improvements by which outlay that portion of the Corporation property had been greatly improved and rendered ornamental to that locality - In the Course of these improvements Memorialist at

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Considerable expense made a new Street or avenue now Called Prospect avenue which in order to bring to the level of Thomas street had to be raised to a height of about four feet from the Original Surface, and as it is essential to the permanency of this improvement as well as the Cleanliness and decency of its appearance to have said street or avenue paved, Memorialist requested that the Matter would be taken into Consideration and that said avenue would be paved. — Mr. Samuel H. Crawford moved that the Paving Committee be directed to have the Paving Work which is required to be done as stated in said Memorial proceeded upon and Alderman William Fairlough having seconded said Motion the question thereon was put from the Chair and agreed to —

Prospect avenue ordered to be paved

Mr. Clarke referred to an order of the 10th of February 1837 authorizing a footway to be made from West Gate to the Mile Stone on the North road part of which he stated had been left unfinished and urged the necessity of its Completion — It was therefore moved by Alderman William Fairlough that for the purpose of Completing said footway a sum not to exceed five pounds be paid by the Treasurer to a Committee to Consist of Messrs. Clarke, Beddy, and Samuel Woodhouse Crawford and that when the Work is finished an account of the expenditure be lodged in the Town Clerk's office and said Motion having been seconded by the Revd. Edward Fairlough the Question thereon was put from the Chair and agreed to

Mr. Clarke refers to order of Assembly authorizing a footway to be made on the North road

Ordered for Completing said footway

The petition of Mary Allen having been read stating that she was appointed House Keeper in 1840 without Salary under the impression as she was given to understand of having the use of the Mayorally house and all benefits arising therefrom none of which she has yet enjoyed in Consequence of its being ever since occupied by Robert Ball Hackett Esq yet she had been frequently Called upon to Clean and air the rooms at Some expense to herself. Petitioner therefore humbly hoped her Case would be taken into Consideration and grant her some small equivalent in lieu of those perquisites which she ought to have enjoyed by reason of her appointment as House Keeper. — Mr. Darbey moves that for the reasons stated in said Memorial the Treasurer do pay to petitioner as House Keeper of the Mayorally House from the Corporate funds a sum of Seven pounds as Compensation for benefits appurtenant to the office which she has not enjoyed. the same to be paid half yearly and to Commence from the 29th of September 1841 and Mr. Clarke having seconded said Motion the Question thereon was put from the Chair and was unanimously agreed to

Petition of Mary Allen for Compensation for her Services as House Keeper of the Mayorally House

Petitioner to be paid a Salary of £7 a year

The Memorial of Patrick Courtnay of West Street having been read stating that some time past he built a few Cabins on the road leading from Drogheda to Dublin nearly opposite Saint Mary's Church and afterwards made a passage for the Convenience of his Tenants and others to pass and repass. That he believed in the Making of said passage he trespassed on part of the Corporation Estate without Knowing it at the time he therefore begged to state that he is willing to give any moderate Compensation that might be thought proper, and which he trusted would be small as said trespass is only a few inches — It was ordered that the foregoing Memorial be referred to the Auditors and Viewers to enquire into the Circumstances stated and particularly to ascertain if any part of the public pass from the high road at Marys Church to the old Corn Market hill be encroached upon and that they be pleased to Report the particulars

Memorial of Patrick Courtnay offering to give Compensation for having encroached upon the Corporate Estate

Referred to the Auditors Viewers to ascertain if any part of the public pass be encroached upon

At a Quarterly Post Assembly held before Thomas S. Fogarty Esq Mayor the Sheriffs and Aldermen being present on Friday the 15th day of July 1842 There was not any business for the Consideration of this Assembly

Quarterly Post Assembly 15th July 1842

At a General Quarterly Assembly held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present on Friday the 15th day of July 1842 —

Gen.l Quar.r Assembly 15th July 1842

The proceedings of the former Assembly were read —

Proceedings read

His Worship the Mayor informs the assembly that he had suspended Francis Mc.Gawley one of the Serjeants at Mace for being intoxicated, and altho' it had been reported to him that since the Suspension there had not been any repitition of the offence. His Worship preferred bringing the subject before the Assembly to decide that he should be restored to the office, and the matter having been particularly enquired into, and the time that he had been in the Service of the Corporation and the Circumstances of his Family being Considered — It was moved by Alderman Latham Fairlough that upon His Worship reprimanding Francis Mc.Gawley for his Conduct with an assurance that a repitition of the offence would Cause dismissal that he be restored to his office of Serjeant at Mace, and Mr. Darbey having seconded said motion the question was thereupon put from the Chair and agreed to

Suspension of Francis Mc.Gawley brought before the Assembly

Francis Mc.Gawley restored to his office of Serjeant at Mace

His Worship the Mayor informs the Assembly that the sum which was placed at his disposal by Vote on the 7th of January last to provide persons to act as Watchmen was wholly applied on the 22nd of last Month and that it would be advisable for the protection of the Town that a further grant be made to pay the expenses incurred since the 22nd of June, and to Continue the Watch until funds shall be forthcoming in September next until the Watch Assessment) — It was then moved by Alderman Latham Fairlough that the Treasurer of the Corporation do supply His Worship the Mayor with a further sum of £50 to be appropriated by him in paying the expenses now due, and to Continue a sufficient Number of Watchmen until funds

His Worship informs Assembly that the sum which was placed at his disposal to provide Watchmen was wholly applied

Treasurer to supply His Worship the Mayor with a further sum of £50 to pay the expenses now due, and to Continue the Watchmen

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funds from the Watch Assessment became applicable and persons be appointed Watchmen by the Watch Directors. and Mr. Grendon having Seconded said Motion the Question thereon was put from the Chair and same was unanimously agreed to

Alderman Evans suggests that instead of the Sealing Dinner fees being applied as heretofore that same be applied towards the fund for repairing the Blue School

Alderman Evans Refers to the Sealing Dinner which according to Custom is provided for the Corporation at the expense of the Tenants who had procured Renewals in propation to the amount of Fines by them respectively paid and Suggested that, instead of incurring this outlay the Sum which would be thus necessarily expended be applied towards the fund now in Course of Collection for repairing the Blue School and the feeling of the Assembly being favorable to the proposition — It was Resolved upon the Motion of Alderman Evans Seconded by Alderman Latham Fairtlough that the Contributions which were to be made by the several Tenants who had obtained Renewals which has been hitherto by Custom expended in providing the usual Sealing Dinner for the Corporation be handed over to the Treasurer of the Blue School to be applied towards the repairs of that Institution. the Estimate Amount of which is fixed at £30. to be paid rateably by the several Tenants according to the amount of Fines paid by them respectively

Sealing Dinner fees to be handed to Treasurer of Blue School

Alderman H. B. Fairtlough C. J. served with Notice that an action would be Commenced against him for an alleged false imprisonment at the Suit of Patk. Carroll

The Assembly having been informed that Alderman Henry Blacker Fairtlough one of the Chantry Justices had been served with Notice on the part of Patrick Carroll of Castletown in the County of Louth Linen Manufacturer that an action would be Commenced against him for an alleged false imprisonment arising out of Charges which had been preferred against the said Patrick Carroll before the said Henry Blacker Fairtlough as a Magistrate — It was Resolved upon the Motion of Mr. Darbey seconded by Alderman Evans that the Law agent be directed to Submit a Case on the part of the said Alderman Henry Blacker Fairtlough at the expense of the Corporation for the advice and direction of the Recorder and that he do take such other Measures for advice and otherwise as may be necessary for his defence in any action or proceeding that may be instituted against him, and the Treasurer is hereby directed to pay the Law agent such sums of Money as Counsel may direct to be lodged in Court for Consequential damages and Costs if so advised

Case to be submitted to Counsel on behalf of Mr. Fairtlough the expense of the Corpn.

Assembly adjourned

Upon the Motion of Alderman Robert Peel Land seconded by the Revd Edward Fairtlough the Assembly at its rising is adjourned to Friday the 26th of August next. and the Mayor is required to direct Summonses to be issued for a Meeting of the Committee of accounts on Friday the 19th of August

Town Clerk informs the assembly that he has received a Letter from Thomas Wallace Esq Claiming a right of way to a field his property through the North Commons

The Town Clerk informs the assembly that he has received a letter from Thomas Wallace Esq Dated the 7th instant Notifying a Claim by him to a right of way to a field his property Known by the Name of Gildoney Meadow through that part of the lands of the North Commons which had been demised to the late Alderman William Holmes and which lands were about to be advertized to be let and the Town Clerk having explained that a right of

way had been used for admittedly above fifty years by the Tenants and occupiers of the said Meadow holding under the Forbes Family from whom Mr. Wallace had purchased. and which persons had also been the Tenants and occupiers of the Land demised to the said late Alderman William Holmes and under these Circumstances the same persons being Tenants to both denominations of Lands, the uninterrupted right of way existed until within the last few Years when a Change in the Tenants took place upon the Eviction by Mr. Wallace of an interest held under him by Christopher Jordan May since which the right of way has been disputed with the Gargans who are the Tenants of the Lands which were held by May and Mr. Wallace stated for the Reasons stated Considering his Claim of right of way Established has expressed his intention to Maintain same and the Town Clerk under the Circumstances required instructions whether to prevent future Misunderstandings and possible Litigation he should not Notify in the advertisement for the Selling of the Lands the Claim made by Mr. Wallace of ingress and Egress to his Field — Mr. Nicholls therefore moved that for the Reasons and Circumstances stated to the Assembly and to remove any Cause of Misunderstanding hereafter with the persons who may become Tenants to the North Commons respecting the right of way claimed by Mr. Wallace the Town Clerk be authorized to state in the advertisement for the Selling of the said Lands of the North Commons that there will be reserved to Thomas Wallace Esq and to his undertenants a right of ingress and egress from the Townrath road through the said Lands of the North Commons to the Field Called Gildonies Meadow as marked out upon the Map for his and their Horses, Carts, Carriages, Labourers, and Servants at all reasonable times and upon all necessary occasions. the said Thomas Wallace and his undertenants to be at the sole expense of keeping the said passage in proper order and Condition, and to be responsible to the Tenants of the Lands of the North Commons for any trespass or injury which may be Committed by them in and upon the Lands or Crops growing thereon and said Motion being Seconded by Mr. Samuel Woodhouse Crawford the same in the terms stated was put from the Chair and unanimously agreed to

Right of way to be reserved to Mr. Wallace and his undertenants thro the N. Commons to the field Called Gildonies Meadow

The following reports of the Auditors and Viewers upon the Memorials of Patrick Courtney and Joseph Holmes were read

Reports of Auditors & Viewers read

"9th. May 1842."

"At a Meeting of the Auditors and Viewers held this day pursuant to "Summons — Present.

Members present

Thos. J. Fogarty — Mayor
Revd. Edwd. Fairtlough
Thos. Beddy
Saml. H. Crawford
John Mayne
Henry Garvey
John Crawford
— Common Council

Report

"Having proceeded to View the premises detailed in the Memorial of Mr. "Patrick Courtney, We find that he has excavated part of the South end "of the old hill in order to form a passage to the rere of his house, lately erected

"erected on the West side thereof which forms the encroachment Complained
"of but having built a Wall round the excavation. We Consider it
"perfectly free from all danger to foot passengers" Resolves therefore
"That we recommend a Lease of this passage be made to Memorialist
"for 99 years from Michaelmas last (1841) at a rent of six pence per
"annum payable (if demanded) to Contain a Clause permitting
"resumption thereof at any time within the said period that it may
"be required for the use of the public or for public improvement

Signed — Thomas F. Fogarty - Chairman
"16 May 1842"

Meeting of Auditors & Viewers

"At a Meeting of the Auditors and Viewers held this day pursuant to Summons

Present — Thomas F. Fogarty Esq - Mayor
Henry Blacker Fairtlough, Robert Ball Hackett } Aldn
The Revd Edward Fairtlough, Thomas Beddy, Samuel W. Crawford, John C Mayne, Henry Garvey, John Crawford } Common Council

Report

"Having had the Memorial of Alderman Joseph Holmes referred to
"us from the General Assembly (and the Lease therein stated) laid
"before us praying for renewal of said Lease (No 676) made by the Corpn
"to Alderman William Holmes for 61 years from Michaelmas 1785 at
"the yearly rent of £1-10-0 Irish of a Park of Land on West side of
"Cowleys Road or way. Containing 3 roods and 38 perches pl Cantabon
"measure. We find that the right and title thereto is fully Vested
"in said Memorialist and that his interest therein will expire at
"Michaelmas 1846. and having proceeded to View the said Land
"Resolved that we are of opinion that it is worth between Man and
"Man the sum of Three pounds per acre per annum, and we Recommend
"that a New Lease thereof be granted to Memorialist for 99 years from
"Earler Last (1842) on the following terms he surrendering his existing
"interest therein, and that a New Survey be made of said Land

"The annual Value thereof is at said rate ——— £2-19-2
"one fourth of this according to the Corporate Rules to form the
"reserved rent amounting to per annum ——— 14-9
"and one other or second fourth to be paid or fined downwata
"Rate of 17 years purchase which amounts to ——— £14 13.2

"But finding that the rent under the existing Lease is £1-7-8¼
"is per annum Irish or British
"and that the reserved rent under the renewal now recommended
"will be only £-14-9
"The Memorialist will therefore pay less per annum for the 1st 17 years unexpired by 12-11¼
"and in so much as the Corpn will be a loser by so Much per ann for the
"1st 2 years from unexpired Interest up to £2 18-2 and the Memorialist paying
"an Immediate fine of £14-13-2 which at 5 per Cent interest will be £14/7 per Ann
"and which the Corporation will derive an advantage from. We Recommend that the
"difference of these sums be given Credit to the Memorialist in the fine as an Abt to
"Leave the Amount to be paid by Memorialist £14-7-6 8-2

Report on Memorial of Patrick Courtney Confirmed

The Revd Edward Fairtlough moved that the Report made on the Memorial of Patrick Courtney be Confirmed and that he be furnished with a Copy thereof and said Motion being seconded by Mr Sheriff Crawford the question thereon was put from the Chair Agreed to

Report on Memorial of Alderman Joseph Holmes Confirmed

Alderman Evans moved that the Report made on the Memorial of Alderman Joseph Holmes for Renewal be Confirmed and Mr Nicholls having seconded said Motion the question on same was put from the Chair and was unanimously agreed to

Treasurers Quarterly account

The Quarterly account of the Treasurer of Receipts and Disbursements Commencing the 5th of April Last and ending 15th of July instant is laid before the Assembly for examination by which it appeared he had within the Quarter Recd a sum of £1024-11-0
That he had lodged in Bank the Balance which he had in hands on foot of his yearly account to the amount of 866-17-0¼
Making together the sum of £1891-8-0¼
That the payments and disbursements for the Quar amounted to 1229-11-11½
Whereby the Treas had in hands to the Credit of the Corpn a sum of 661-16-1

Town Clerk reads Letter from Mr H. H. Beddy requiring the amount of one of his Debs

The Town Clerk reads to the Assembly a Letter received by him from Mr H. H. Beddy notifying that he would require the amount of one of his Debentures on the 7th of August next with the half years interest which would be then due — Alderman Evans thereupon moved that the Treasurer be directed to pay Mr Beddy from the Corporate funds the amount of one of his Debentures with interest to the 7th of August and the Revd Edward Fairtlough having seconded said Motion the Question thereon was put from the Chair Agreed to

Treasurer to pay Mr Beddy the amount of one of his Debs with interest

Petitions for Relief from Ralph Eccleston Roger Williamson & Thomas Collins referred to the Auditors & Viewers

Petitions from Ralph Eccleston a distressed Freeman for a small annuity and from Roger Williamson and Thomas Collins both distressed Freemen for Relief were severally read and referred on the Motion of Alderman Latham Fairtlough seconded by Alderman Robert Hackett to the Auditors and Viewers for their enquiry and Report

Petition of Anne Booth to be admitted an Inmate of poor House Read

The petition of Anne Booth of Mary Street in the City of Dublin being read stating that she is the Widow of the late Nathan Booth who was a Freeman of Drogheda, that she had been left without Means of support and most respectfully hoped that she would be admitted an Inmate of the Widows poor house — Alderman Latham Fairtlough moved that the Petitioner for the Reasons stated in the petition be admitted an Inmate of Saint John's Poor house on the first Vacancy which shall occur therein and Alderman North having seconded said Motion the Question thereon was put and unanimously agreed to

Anne Booth admitted into Poor House

Petition of the Members of the Total abstinence Society for the Use Rules Drawing in possession of the Corpn Read

The Petition of the Members of the Drogheda Total abstinence Society signed by their Vice President and Secretary being read, it appeared that they had Established a Society in October 1838 since which time it had effected much good in the Town and Neighbourhood — That in order to afford amusement to the Members of the Society they had determined upon getting

getting up a Musical Band to be the exclusive property of the Society and under its immediate Controul, and that the Rules of said Society strictly prohibited interfering with Religion or Politics, and that understanding that the Corporation were in possession of two Kettle Drums, they in furtherance of their object requested a grant of same — Alderman North moved that His Worship the Mayor on the part of the Corporation do present the Members of the Total abstinence Society with the two Kettle Drums which are in the Museel to assist the Society in providing a Band for their amusement and Mr Grendon having seconded said Motion the question was about to be put from the Chair when Alderman Robert Pentland moved as an amendment that in as much as the Drums did not in fact belong to the Corporation, but had been presented to the Drogheda Yeomanry by the late Alderman Charles Evans and John Lehunt that they be now given to Alderman G. H. Evans and Francis William Seland and said amendment being seconded by Alderman Lathum Fairclough the Assembly thereupon divided and the amendment was Carried by a large Majority

Alderman North moves that the Mayor on the part of the Corporation do present them with same

Amendment moved

and

Carried

An application Signed by several Householders Inhabitants of Pitcher Hill and persons residing in the Neighbourhood of Pitcher hill Soliciting a grant of a Money to have the hill which is a useful passage to Dalcek Gate and other places in that locality put into a proper State of repair being read — It was Moved by Alderman Lathum Fairclough that Mr Nicholls do examine the passage by Pitcher hill and that he furnish an Estimate of the Repairs which would be necessary to make same safe for public use and Mr Thompson having seconded said Motion the question thereon was put from the Chair and agreed to

Application from Inhabitants of Pitcher hill for a Grant to have same put into a proper state of repair

Mr Nicholls to examine the passage and furnish an Estimate of the necessary Repairs —

The petition of Alderman Thomas F. Fogarty being read stating that in March 1838 he became Tenant for a lot of ground part of the Culver House Park subject to Certain Conditions of building, that at that time the Commerce of Drogheda was apparently making rapid advances towards prosperity, that from the Erection of Manufactories in the Town petitioner was led to believe that there would have been a Constant and encreasing demand for the description of Houses he was bound by his Lease to build that since that period the Trade of the Town has Considerably decreased, and the prospect of its encreasing as a Manufacturing Town nearly annihilated, that lately several persons had built Mechanics' houses, and their experience demonstrated in Consequence of the greater Number of these houses being un tenanted the total loss it would be to petitioner to Comply with the terms of his Lease he therefore prayed that a Surrender of his Lease would be taken, and he submitted a Statement of the several Sums of Money advanced and received from the premises since they came into his possession by which he Considered himself a loser to the Amount of £144 - 3 - 4 or thereabouts — Alderman Evans states under the Circumstances Contained in the petition he Considered the prayer reasonable and moved that the petition should be taken into Consideration with the

Petition of Alderman Thomas F. Fogarty praying that a Surrender of his Lease would be taken

Moved but not seconded

View of granting the Relief sought altho' the Motion was not seconded Alderman Lathum Fairclough Considered that having Reference to the Conditions at the letting of the Ground in question in Conformity with which the several persons who became Tenants has entered by Lease into building Covenants the Corporation Could not in Justice to the other Tenants entertain the prayer of the Petition with a View to granting same independantly of the questionable Legality of the proposition and it having been required pending the discussion that the Assembly should be Counted and twelve Common Council men not being present the Assembly was then dissolved

Assembly Counted Dissolved

14th Octr 1842

This Day James Jeffers of Drogheda was Sworn a Freeman of this Corporation before Robert Ball Hackett Esqre C.M.J. pursuant to his admission in right of Marriage on the 17th of July 1835 —

James Jeffers Sworn Freeman

At a Quarterly Post Assembly held before Thomas F. Fogarty Esq Mayor the Sheriffs and Aldermen being present on Friday the 14th of Octr 1842

Qua Post Assembly 14th Octr 1842 —

The Petition of Charles Collins of Drogheda Gentleman eldest son of Charles Tollenham Collins of the Town of Drogheda Esq for his Freedom by Birth being presented and read the same was on the Motion of Alderman Shegog seconded by Alderman Lathum Fairclough referred to the General Quarter Assembly

Petition of Charles Collins for Freedom referred

There was not any other business for the Consideration of this Assembly

At a General Quarter Assembly of the Corporation held before the said Mayor and Sheriffs the Aldermen and Common Council being present on Friday the 14th day of October 1842

Gen.l Quar. Assembly 14 October 1842

The proceedings of the last Assembly were read

proceedings read

The Petition of Charles Collins Gentleman Eldest son of Charles Tollenham Collins of the Town of Drogheda Esq for his Freedom by Birth which was Referred from the Quarterly Post Assembly being read. It was Moved by the Rev.d Edward Fairclough Seconded by Mr Cooper that the prayer of the petition be granted and the question thereon having been put from the Chair the same was unanimously agreed to, and he was thereupon admitted to his Freedom on the usual terms

Charles Collins admitted Freeman

The assembly at its rising is adjourned to Friday next on the Motion of the Rev.d Edward Fairclough Seconded by Alderman Robert Ball Hackett

Assembly adjourned

The following accounts having been enquired into by the Committee of accounts and same having been passed by them on the 19th of August last they were laid before this Assembly for examination and were severally read aloud 19th August 1842

Committee of accounts

" At a Meeting of the Committee of accounts held this day the following were

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examined and ordered to be paid - Viz.t

N.o	Thomas Grendon expenses attending the Erection of Fountains on the New Quay and North Strand in March and april 1840.	£	12-10-6
2	D.o Expenses of Weights furnished for the Town Crane		1-18-9
3	Austin & Nicholls amount Sundry Repairs of Building and attendance upon Town Pumps for one Year ending August 1842		64-6-0
4	J. B. Hamilton Stationary and Bibles &c supplied from Oct.r 1840 to Sept.r 1842		12-10-3
5	Same amount Stationary Almanacks and Law Books supplied from Oct.r 1841 to July 1842		12-17-8
6	Smith and Co Sundry articles of Hardware goods supplied from Nov.r 1841 to July 1842		4-17-2
7	Thomas North Repairing and Cleaning the Sword and Mace		7-6
	Signed - Thos. J. Fogarty -	£	199-7-10

accounts ordered to be paid

John Cooper Esqre Moved that the several foregoing accounts as read by the Town Clerk do pass, and that the Treasurer be authorized to pay same, and Mr. Sheriff North having seconded said Motion the Question that said accounts do pass was put from the Chair and ordered to be paid accordingly -

The following accounts having been enquired into by the Committee of accounts and same having been passed by them on the 10th of October instant they were laid before this Assembly for examination and were severally read aloud -

"10th October 1842"

" At a Meeting of the Committee held this day pursuant to Summons the following

" accounts were examined and ordered to be paid

Accounts

N.o	Joseph Holmes Esq Balance of his account as Law Agent & Solicitor for Miscellaneous business between Solr & Client from July 1830 to May 1842	£	339-5-3
2	Same Balance of his Law Agency account for Law Costs between Atty and Client from June 1830 to Nov.r 1841		195-6-11½
3	Account as Law Agent for Costs between Atty and Client for Miscellaneous prosecutions between July 1831 and May 1837		141-1-3
4	Joseph Holmes Esq Law agent amount his account for Costs between agent and Client of application to Parliament for a Local Bill between August 1835 and May 1837		140-18-3
5	Same amount his account for Costs between Solr and Client in a Chancery Case against John Chester Esq between Jany 1840 & Feby 41		39-16-2

ordered to be paid

It was moved by Alderman Shegog that the foregoing accounts be paid by the Treasurer and Mr. Harper having seconded said Motion the question that said Accounts be paid was put from the Chair and it was agreed to unanimously that the same be paid accordingly

The following further accounts having been also enquired into and passed by the Committee of accounts on the said 10th of October instant and having been severally read to the Assembly by the Town Clerk

N.o	R. Moran amount account for Repairing Weights, New Keys		3-8

7	Henry Garvey amount his account for Clothing for Town Serjt.s &c Sept.r 42	£	10-3-6
8	J. B. & H. Hamilton amo.t their acco.t for Stationary		1-1-6
9	Rich.d Harvey amo.t his account for Hats for Town Serjeants		6-6-0
10	George Knaggs amo.t his acco.t for Plumbing Work. and articles for use in the ~~Magerally House~~ Hotel from July 1841 to January 1842		6-15-1½
11	Same amount his account for Plumbing and other Work at the Watch house from Sept.r 1837 to February 1841		3-3-2
12	Same amount his account for Repairs of Fountains from Janry 1841 to March 1842		1-3-3
13	H. B. Fairtlough Esqre amount his Claim for Cholera Tax for two fields taken at Sept.r 1833		6-8-0
	Signed Thos. J. Fogarty. Chairman	£	824-12-3½

ordered to be paid

Mr. Harper thereupon Moved that the said several last Mentioned accounts be also paid by the Treasurer and Alderman Leland having seconded said Motion the question thereon that they be severally paid was put from the Chair and agreed to

The following accounts having been enquired into by the Committee of accounts and same having been passed by them on the 11th of October instant they were laid before this Assembly for examination and were severally read aloud

11th October 1842

" At an adjourned Meeting of the Committee of accounts held this day

" pursuant to Summons the following accounts were examined & ordered to be paid

N.o	Thomas Warner Cleaning and painting Windows in Court House and Magerally House and Making and painting police Board Sept.r 1842	£	10-0-0
2	William Codd amount his account for Surveying and making Maps at Various periods		39-17-6
3	Joseph Holmes Esq Town Clerk amount his account for preparing and issuing Debentures under Resolution of 11th October 1839		9-0-5
4	Same amount his account from 29th Sept.r 1841 to 10th Oct.r 1842		36-5-4
5	Same amount his account for preparing Rent charge to secure Grant to the Protestant Orphan Society and Lease of Water to supply Fountains on New Quay and North Quay and Stamps		29-19-7
6	Austin Nicholls amount his account for Repairing the Pipes Conveying the Water from Tubberboice to Wellington Quay August 1842		17-11-3½
7	Same Repairing Sewer at St. Johns Poor house august 1842		2-11-5
8	Same Searching for Water on Pitcher hill repairing pumps and Salary for Keeping same in repair		6-0-3½
9	Henry Moore Copper Stamp for Town Clerks office		0-3-6
10	Thomas Halligan amount of Coals supplied to Hotel		1-12-0
11	Messrs. Smith and Coy sundry articles supplied for use of Mayors Office		11-2½
12	Proprietor of Argus Newspaper for advertizing the Sale of Land at North Commons Sept.r and Oct.r 1842		3-17-6
13	Proprietor of Conservative Journal for advertizing the sale of Lands at North Commons Oct.r 1842 Sept.r		3-8-6
		£	160-18-8

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accounts ordered to be paid

Mr. Sheriff North moved that the foregoing several accounts which were passed by the Committee of accounts on the 14th of October instant be paid by the Treasurer and Mr. Cooper having seconded said Motion the Question that same be Severally paid was thereupon put from the Chair and same were ordered to be paid

Treasurers account

The Treasurers accounts of Receipts and disbursements for 6 Months Commencing the 5th of April last and ending this 14th of October instant was submitted to the Assembly for examination by which it appeared that he had received a sum of ——— £911 - 4 - 0½

and that he had paid and Disbursed within the same period a sum of £556 - 16 - 10½

Leaving a Balance in the Treasurers hands of ——— 354 - 7 - 2½

The arrears returned due at Michaelmas 1841 amounted to the sum of £1678 - 17 - 11½

and for Tithe Rent ——— 29 - 10 - 11½

amounting in the whole for Rent and Tithe Rent to the sum of £1708 - 7 - 8½

Estimate from Mr. Nicholls of expense of Conveying Water from Distillery to North Quay

An Estimate from Mr. Nicholls Architect of the expenses and Charges for Conveying Water from the Distillery Concerns of Messrs. Jameson and Company to the North Quay amounting to the sum of £150 and for which sum he had undertaken to Complete the Necessary Works is submitted to the Assembly by the Committee of accounts before whom same was left for examination with a

and

Declaration from Mr. Nicholls that he had expended on account of said Works £100 and the Committee having written on said Estimate that as the Work was to be executed by Contract they did not Consider they had a right to take the same into their Consideration and recommended that the Corporation should grant Mr. Nicholls a sum of £100 on account

Treasurer to pay Mr. Nicholls £100 on account

The Revd. Edward Fairclough therefore moved that under the Circumstances the Treasurer be directed to pay to Mr. Nicholls the sum of £100 on account and Mr. Garvey having Seconded said Motion the question thereon was put from the Chair and it was agreed that a payment of £100 be made to Mr. Nicholls by the Treasurer on account of the Work generally

Report of Auditors & Viewers on Petitions for relief read

The following Report of the Auditors and Viewers on the petitions for Relief from Ralph Eccleston Roger Williamson and Thomas Collins distressed Freemen referred to them for their Consideration and Report was read

"19th August 1842"

Report

"At a Meeting of the Auditors and Viewers held this day pursuant to Summons

"Having taken into Consideration the three Memorials for relief referred to us

"Resolved that we recommend that Thomas Collins do receive the sum "of £10 if there are disposable funds, and that the memorials of Ralph "Eccleston and Roger Williamson be rejected — Thos. J. Fogarty Chairman

Reports Confirmed

It was moved by John Cooper Esq seconded by Alderman Leland that the Report as read be Confirmed as regards the said three Petitions, and the question that same be received and Confirmed having been put from the Chair the same was agreed to

Treasurer to pay Mr. Mayor proportion of Salary due to him up to 1st Nov. next

It is ordered that the Treasurer do pay His Worship the Mayor the proportion of Salary which will be due up to the 1st of Nov. next on which day a Mayor will be Elected under the Municipal Reform Bill

Petition of Emily Fairclough & George Fairclough for relief read

The petition of Emily Fairclough spinster and George Fairclough both of the Town of Drogheda being read stating that they are Children of John Fairclough late of the Town of Drogheda deceased who was a Freemember of the Corporation and had served the office of Sheriff — That the said John Fairclough survived petitioners mother and died in very distressed Circumstances leaving a helpless family of five orphan Children two Boys and three Girls of whom petitioners are the Youngest — That petitioner Emily was until the death of the late Miss Wynne under her protection and assisted her in the education of infant Children whereby she was enabled with the addition of a Yearly income of £13 which she derived from her uncle the late William Oliver Fairclough to procure support and Maintenance, but by the death of Miss Wynne she is deprived of the advantages she had enjoyed, and were it not for the humanity of friends petitioner would not have had any protection to which she could resort and by the exertions and influence of persons on petitioners behalf Miss Beddy who Keeps a Female School had Kindly Consented to receive petitioner under her Care on being paid a Sum of £23 yearly with the understanding that she would devote her time and attention in assisting Miss Beddy by which arrangement Petitioner hoped to prepare herself for the Situation of a General Governess and thus earn a respectable livelihood but in order to effect this object she humbly hoped that her name would be placed on the Commons Funds as an annuitant for the Sum of £10 to Continue only for four Years within which period she hoped to Complete her Education — Petitioner George has an income of similar amount as his Sister and derivable from the same Source, and the Reverend Arthur Wynne had most Kindly proposed to use his exertions to have Petitioner placed in a Charitable Establishment where education would be acquired and a home and Maintenance provided, and for this purpose a sum of £10 yearly would also be necessary for a period of five years at the end of which petitioner George hoped to be enabled to support himself independently and respectably and they submitted as the orphan Children of a deceased distressed Freeman they would be Considered entitled to have their application granted provided there were funds available for the purpose, and if the funds were not at present sufficient that the Corporation would be pleased to direct that the present deficiency should be Chargeable upon the first available encrease of the funds — Alderman Robert Ball Hackett moved that Emily Fairclough be placed as an annuitant on the Commons Fund to the amount of £10 to Commence from the 29th of September last and to Continue to be paid for four Years to enable her to be placed with Miss Beddy and thereby acquire an Education to procure her future support, and that Petitioner George be placed as an annuitant from the 29th of September last

Emily Fairclough placed as an annuitant on the Commons Fund to the amount of £10

and

George Fairclough placed as an

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annuitant to the amount of £10 on the same funds on the first addition to the same

on the same funds for the residue of the Rents at present available to be increased to the sum of £10 on the first addition to the said funds, the said annuity to Continue to be paid for five years to procure for him support and Maintenance and to enable him to acquire such an education as might be the means of providing future support. and said Motion being seconded by Mr. Thompson the question that same do pass was put from the Chair and agreed to

Petitions from Anne Galbraith and Mary Hobson to be admitted into Saint Johns - Read

Petitions from Anne Galbraith and Mary Hobson to be admitted Inmates of Saint John's Poor House were read but there not being any Vacancy they were not entertained

not entertained

Petitions from Thos. Eccleston Margaret Richardson & James Richardson for relief read

Petitions from Thomas Eccleston a distressed Freeman from Margaret Richardson Widow of James Richardson a distressed Freeman and from Joseph Murphy a distressed Native of Drogheda seeking relief were severally read, and it appearing there were not any funds from which Relief Could be afforded, the petitions were not moved on

Memorial of Town Serjeants for remuneration for their services as Nightly Watchmen read

A Memorial from John Hawkins Francis McGawley Moses Starr. William Sharpley. James Watson and Thomas McCaul Town Serjeants for remuneration for their Services as nightly Watchmen was read and it appearing they were amply paid for previous Services and that they Could Conveniently perform as well the duty required as that of Serjeants at Mace - there was not any Motion made on said Memorial

No Motion made on Memorial

A Memorial from Arthur R. Appenson Tenant to the Cranes for some allowance - read -

A Memorial from Arthur R. Appenson Tenant to the Cranes seeking some allowance for alleged loss sustained in preserving order at the public Market and being subject to too much Rent for the Cranes - There was not any motion made to take the prayer of the foregoing Memorial into Consideration

No motion made

Memorial from persons residing in the Vicinity of Rezars Lane to have same improved - read

A Memorial from persons residing in Laurence's street and in the immediate Vicinity of Rezars Lane stating that the Pavement and Water table in Rezars Lane which was a Considerable Thoroughfare to the Quay were in a dangerous state, and from the very great declivity required to be improved - The Matter of the said Memorial was on the Motion of Mr. Garvey seconded by Mr. Nicholls referred to the Paving Committee to examine Rezars Lane and make such improvement in the Water table and Pavement as they should think necessary to make the passage safe and Convenient for the public

Referred to Paving Committee for examination

Memorial from Landholders in the neighbourhood of Inverlea for a Grant of £20-7-6 to repair road - read

A Memorial from several Landholders in the neighbourhood of the Twenties was read stating that the said Lane or road leading to the Twenties not being a road the repair of which might be presented for under any existing act of Parliament, and there being no funds obtainable from any other source to defray the expense of repairing same the said lane has been suffered to get into such a state from Want of repair as to be not only quite impassable but neither life nor property was secure while passing or repassing thereon - That in order to Remove the evil so long

and so seriously felt by the Inhabitants of the locality they have Contracted for the Repair of the said Lane (the Work to be executed in a proper Manner) for a sum of Forty pounds, and have paid the sums annexed to their Names to the amount of Twenty pounds ten shillings towards the Liquidation of the expenses of said Repair in the hope that they would get assistance in the prosecution of their undertaking and humbly hoped that in as much as this Work was not for the benefit of any private individual but for the good of all, the Corporation would be pleased according to their Wonted Munificence and anxiety to encourage useful improvements to grand them such assistance as would enable them to Complete their Work - Alderman Latham Fairclough moved that the Treasurer be directed to pay out of the Corporate Funds the sum of £20-7-6 towards the Completion of the road Mentioned in the foregoing Memorial and Alderman Leland having seconded said Motion the question that said sum be paid by the Treasurer for the purpose required was put from the Chair and was agreed to

Treas. directed to pay £20-7-6 towards the Completion of the road mentioned in the foregoing Mem.

A Communication from Thos. Connolly read

A Communication from Thomas Connolly with a specification for the improvement and repairing of Pitcher hill was read - which was much approved of by the Assembly as being requisite and necessary and it was regretted that want of Funds alone prevented an order being made for having the Work performed

Communication from Thos. Connolly

adjd. Assembly 24th Oct. 1842

A Court of an adjournment of the last General Quarter Assembly the Mayor Sheriffs and Aldermen being present on Friday the 21st of October 1842

The proceedings of the Assembly held on the 14th inst. were read

Proceedings read

It was ordered on the Motion of Alderman Hardman seconded by Alderman William Fairclough that a Committee to Consist of the Mayor and Sheriffs with three Aldermen and four Common Council to be selected by His Worship be Summoned to attend in the Assembly Room on Monday next at ten O'Clock to Compare the Minutes of Assembly of the past Year, and His Worship is requested to direct Summonses to be issued to the several Members of the Corporation for a Meeting on same day at one O'Clock to receive the Report of the Committee of accounts of their examination and auditing the Treasurers accounts to Witness the sealing of the Leases of the late settings and to attend to the business referred from this Assembly and such other Matters as may be brought under Consideration

Committee to be Summoned to Compare Minutes of Assembly of past Year

Meeting to be summoned to receive the Report of the Committee of accounts

The following Letter from Mr. Christopher Jordan to the Corporation was read by the Town Clerk and ordered to be inserted on the Minutes

Letter from Mr. Jordan with respect to his Title purchase read

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Letter from Mr Jordan

"To. The Mayor Sheriffs Aldermen &c
" of the Corporation of Drogheda

Drogheda 21st October 1842

"Gentlemen "Having been declared the purchaser of lot No 17 part
" of the Lands of the North Commons lately put up to Auction in the Thol
" and wishing to relinquish my Claim to same in Consequence of the bad
" feeling it has Created against me I therefore beg you will have the
" goodness to release me from it, and in Case you will not Consent to do
" I feel bound in Justice to myself to Claim a Reduction in the Rent the
" letting having gone Considerably beyond its Value in Consequence of my
" being excited at the Moment by the abuse that had been resorted to.
" and as I presume you only require the Value of any property you offer
" for letting, but of all things I would prefer your taking it off my hands
"I am Gentn with respect Yours &c
"Christr Jordan"

No Motion Made

There was not any Motion made upon the foregoing Communication

Petition from Wm Foskey tenant to Corporation praying that William Codd should be looked to for the rent due by him (Foskey) read

A Petition from William Foskey stating that he held Land under the Corporation on which there was an arrear of two years Rent at Easter last, and that John Hawkins the rent Warner had accepted Mr William Codd as Security for the amount of the Crops on the Lands, and in furtherance of this arrangement petitioner as soon as he Sold the Crop handed to William Codd the Tickets of the delivery of Corn to the amount of £32-9 notwithstanding which he has since been applied to for payment of his Rent by John Hawkins and praying that William Codd might be looked to for the Rent due

Messrs Wm Codd & John Hawkins examined in reference to the above

Messrs William Codd and John Hawkins were examined in Assembly respecting the matter stated in said Petition when it appeared that William Codd had at the Request of William Foskey provided seed for his Land, and that he was to be paid from the produce, and that all money he had received on account was fully applied in discharge of his advance, and in liquidation of rent due by William Foskey to Robert Pentland Esq and that William Foskey had Converted to his own purposes Considerable more of the produce of his Crops than would be sufficient to pay the arrear for which John Hawkins applied, and under these Circumstances the Subject was not further entertained

Petition of James Greene Toll Collector for such Relief as might be deemed Reasonable

A petition from Mr James Greene Toll Collector was read stating that at the settings of the Gate Customs and Pontage on the 25th October 1841 he became Tenant for same for one Year Commencing from the 28th of said Month at the rate of Sixty pounds per Month That in Consequence of the general deficiency of the Corn Crop of last year, and the unusual importation of all Kinds of Foreign Grain into this port and the System adopted by Merchants (who are Freemen) in selling up Stores with Corn without the Toll Gates whereby it Comes into the Town Toll free, petitioner has experienced a Serious and totally unforseen Loss amounting to £149-11-3. Petitioner respectfully referred to a decision under nearly Similar Circumstances made to a Toll Farmer in January 1841 who was granted Certain Relief upon a like application, and petitioner hoped his Case would be taken into Consideration and grant him such Relief as might be deemed Reasonable

Alderman Shegog submitted that under the Circumstances detailed Relief should be afforded to the petitioner upon which the Town Clerk Considered it his duty to inform the Assembly that at the Settings he had publickly Noticed that petitions for abatement and allowance after the Tenant was declared would not be entertained by the Corporation that the Biddings might be Regulated accordingly

Alderman Shegog submitted that in the Circumstances Relief should be afforded Mr Greene

Town Clk informs Assembly that at the Settings the terms were publickly Noticed

Mr Garvey then suggested that the application might be Considered upon Mr Greene Complying with the same terms which were required of Michael Mackin upon which Alderman Shegog moved that James Greene do furnish an affidavit Verifying the Receipts and disbursements on account of the Tolls, that same should Contain an explicit averment that the deficiency mentioned was really and truly incurred, and that to the best of his belief and Knowledge every diligence and exertion had been used by the person employed by Memorialist to act as his Assistants in Collecting the Tolls and Customs and that to the best of his Knowledge and belief there was not any fraud or deception practiced, and Mr Garvey having seconded said Motion the question that same do pass as proposed was put from the Chair and agreed to

Mr Garvey suggests that the application be Considered upon Mr Greene Complying with the terms required of Mr Mackin

Meeting by Summons 24th Oct. 1842

At an Assembly held the 24th day of October 1842 before Thomas F. Fogarty Esqre Mayor the Sheriffs Aldermen and Common Council being present who were summoned by His Worship to attend, pursuant to the order made at the Assembly held the 21st day of October instant for the purposes therein stated

Leases Sealed

The several Leases of the Lands and premises which were set at the letting held on the 3rd instant, and also Lease No 1005 to Messrs Joseph Woodroffe and Japhet Alley as severally entered in the White Parchment Book passed the Seal of the Corporation and were duly executed on the part of the Corporation

Report of the Committee of accounts

The following Report of the Committee of accounts who had examined and audited the accounts of the Treasurer and had Compared the Vouchers produced by him with the Credits in said account was produced and read, and on the Motion of Alderman

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William Fairlough seconded by Alderman Headman the said Report was Received, and being approved of the same was directed to be entered on the Minutes, and the Committee are Requested to enter upon the Books of the Treasurer a Certificate that they had examined the accounts, and that the Treasurer had produced good and sufficient Vouchers for the several Credits entered in his said account "24th Oct 1842"

Report of Auditors & Viewers

"At a Meeting of the Auditors and Viewers held this day being the "Continuation of previous Meetings of the Committee held respectively on "the 14th and 21st instant for the purpose of Auditing and examining "the accounts of the Treasurer and Checking the Vouchers produced by "him and adjourned on the latter day to this in order finally to report "to the Assembly thereon" "The Mayor in the Chair"

"Resolved. That we have Carefully audited and examined the "accounts of the Treasurer from Easter and May 1836 to this day inclusive "and we have Checked with the several Credits the Vouchers and Receipts "produced by the Treasurer which were taken by him and filed on the "payments being made and we have also examined the orders of the "Assembly whereon payments were made in pursuance thereof, and we "have found the said accounts to be Correct in each particular, and that "the Treasurer was fully authorized to make the payments in the several "instances in which they are stated to be made under orders of Assembly "and that the balance in his hands on foot of said accounts Amounts "Two hundred and two pounds and one penny three farthings"

Signed Thos J. Fogarty Mayor Chairman
Lathum Fairlough Alderman
R Dale Hackett Aldn
Robert Thompson
Edwd Fairlough Alk
Thos Beddy
John Mayne
Henry Bagnall
John Crawford
C. Darbey
S H Crawford

Minutes Compared and allowed and ordered to be entered in Large Volume

and Mr Cooper having seconded said motion the question that do pass in the terms proposed was put from the Chair and agreed

The Minutes of Assembly of the past year ending 29th Sept 1841 and ending this day inclusive having been Compared the same are now allowed and with the proceedings of this day ordered to be entered in the Large Assembly Book

Wd Tost
Joseph Holmes
Town Clerk

J. J. Fogarty Mayor
John Crawford
George North
J. B. Headman
John Shegog
Robt Ventland
Wm Fairlough
Edwd Fairlough
C. Darbey
Thos Beddy
John Cooper
Sam Wisdom
Alfred Cowdroy
Sam H. Crawford
Michael Daly
Henry Bagnall

Aldermen and Common Council

Consideration of Claim of Mr Jas Greene resumed

Alderman Shegog resumes the Consideration of the Claim of James Greene Toll Collector to be made an allowance in the Toll Rent for the Reasons stated in his Petition on the subject and having submitted the account of the receipts and expenditure by said James Greene in reference to the Collection of the Tolls Verified by an affidavit made before a Magistrate by which it appeared that the Collector would unless he was granted relief lose a sum of £142-7-3

Statement Verified by affidavit

Mr Greene to be allowed by the Treasr £142-7-3 on settling the Balance due upon foot of his Bond

Alderman Shegog therefore moved that for the Reasons stated James Greene be allowed on settling with the Treasurer for the balance due upon foot of his Bond, the sum of £142-7-3 upon his accounting by affidavit for such further Sum as he may have received from the 22nd instant to the time he ceases to be the Toll Collector, and on paying up the full amount of said receipts to the Treasurer

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