

# **Loughrea Poor Law Union**

## **Board of Guardians**

### **Minutes**

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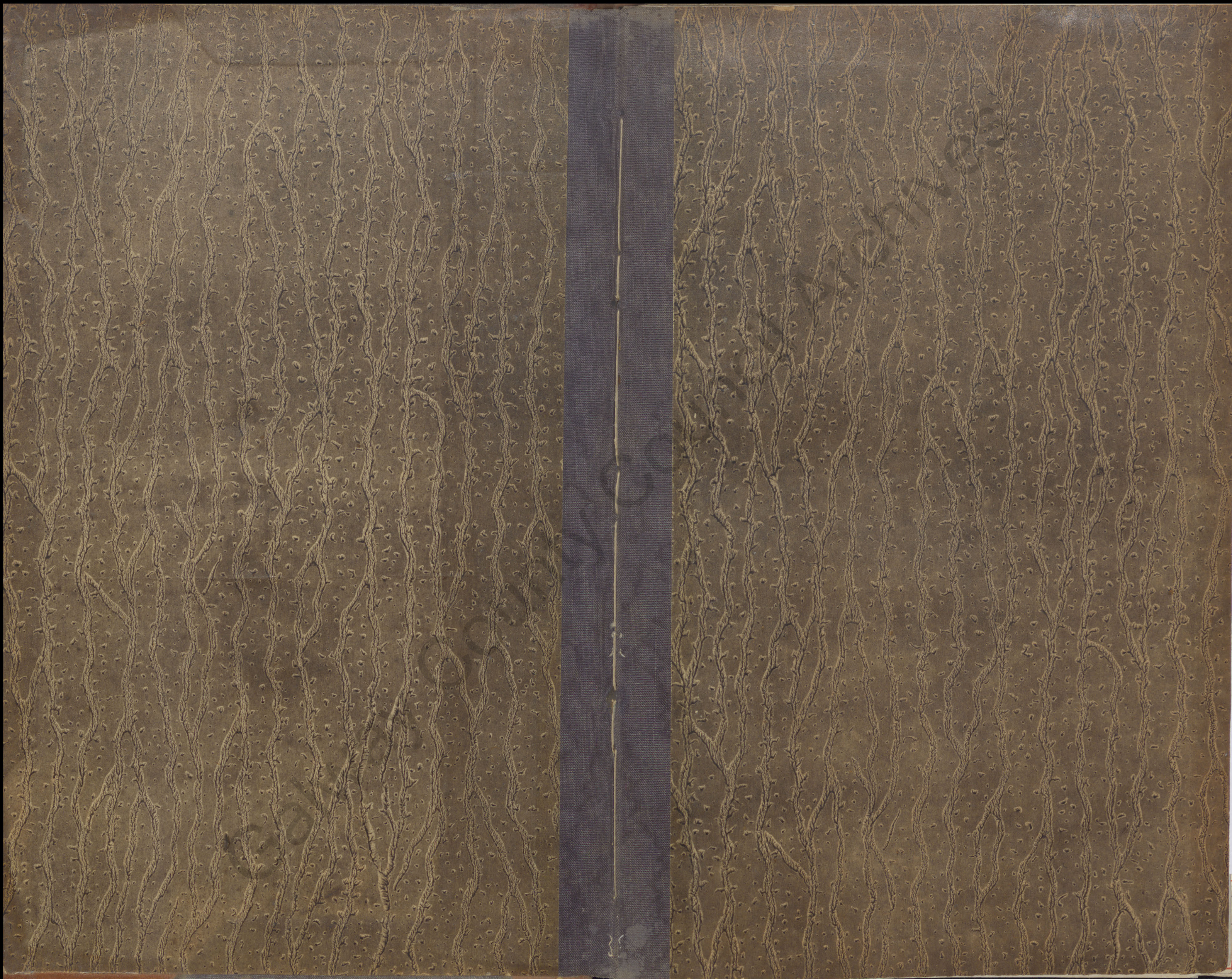
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1 & 2 Vic., Cap. 56 (Poor Law Act) and the Acts amending the same; 14 & 15 Vic.,  
Cap. 68 (Medical Charities Act); 26 & 27 Vic., Cap. 52 (Vaccination Act);  
37 & 38 Vic., Cap. 93 (Public Health Act, 1874), and the various Sanitary Acts  
incorporated therewith.

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## MINUTE BOOK.

Union.

THE MINUTE BOOK, in which shall be entered the statistical information laid before the Board of Guardians relating to the inmates of the Workhouse, the collection of the Rates, and the state of the Finances of the Union; Minutes of all Orders received from the Commissioners for administering the Laws for Relief of the Poor in Ireland, and of all Letters received from the Commissioners or other parties relating to the business of the Union, and of all directions given by the Board of Guardians thereon; Minutes of the production and examination of the Register, and all other Books and Accounts which are required to be periodically produced, examined, and signed; Minutes of the Reports of the Visiting and Finance Committees, and of the Clerk, the Master, and other Officers of the Workhouse, and of all directions given by the Board thereon; Minutes of all moneys received and paid, all orders and cheques given, all accounts examined and allowed, and all salaries ordered to be paid; a statement of the number of cases of provisional relief, and of applications for relief, brought before the Board and considered and decided on by them; as well as all other business, proceedings, and transactions of the Board of Guardians, at any of their Meetings.

*Order of the Poor Law Commissioners.*



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PRINTER TO THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

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*The Books and Forms required under the Local Government Act, Poor Relief and Public  
Health Acts, Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, &c., &c.*

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NOTE.—A Total is to be inserted in *Red Ink* at the foot of *each* Collector's District, as well as for the entire Union.  
*Debit the Treasurer and Credit the several Electoral Divisions with the respective amounts lodged.*

The Clerk's Account of Petty Disbursements made by him since last Meeting, amounting to £ : : was produced and passed.

The following Books were exhibited by the Clerk, he having first ascertained the accuracy of the entries made therein by the Master of the Workhouse, and authenticated the same by his signature:—

1. The Weekly Relief List and Abstract.
2. The Provision Check Account.
3. The Provision Receipt and Consumption Account.

By which it appeared that the Cost of Provisions and Necessaries received during the Week was £ s. d.  
= = = = 16 : 7 : 7

Debit Provision Account and Credit Invoice Account.

The Cost of Provisions and Necessaries consumed was £ s. d.  
= = = = 20 : 1 : 10

Debit Maintenance Account and Credit Provision Account.

And the General Average Cost of an Inmate for the Week was £ s. d.  
= = = = 3 : 0 : ½

Average Cost in Infirmary, = = = = 4 : 0 : ½

Average Cost in *Hall* = = = = 2 : 4 : ½

The Master's Estimate of Provisions and Necessaries required for the ensuing Week was examined, and Orders were duly made for the several articles specified, namely:—

826 lb White Bread	70y Thees
6. Butter	96 Egg
11½. Meat	1 lb Rail Barley
2½ cut Fatmeal	6. Mould Candles
2½. Indian meal	21. Soap
2½. Whole Flour	3 lbs Purifying Oil
424 Quarts Sweet Milk	7 lb Washing Soda
11 lb Tea	
70. Sugar	
3 lb Heads	
14 lb Cocoa	

The following Books were also produced by the Clerk, their accuracy having been previously ascertained by him, and authenticated by his signature:—

1. The several Clothing Accounts.
2. The Medical Officers' Books.

The Outdoor Relief Lists and Weekly Receipt and Expenditure Books of the several Relieving Officers were then produced by the Clerk, their accuracy having been previously ascertained by him, and authenticated by his signature.

The Abstract of the Outdoor Relief Lists was also produced by the Clerk, having been duly entered up by him for the last Week ended Saturday, the 20 day *the first* 1884, whereby it appeared that in that Week the Total Expenditure in Outdoor Relief was

	£	s.	d.
In money, = " " =			
In kind, = " " =			
Total, = " " =	20	13	6

Credit each Relieving Officer, as per Receipt and Expenditure Book.

The requirements of each Relieving Officer for the ensuing Week having been duly considered and estimated by the Board, Cheques on the Treasurer and Orders on Contractors were duly signed and delivered to each of them, of the following amounts and value respectively:

RELIEF DISTRICT.	Name of Relieving Officer.	By Cheque on Treasurer. £ s. d.	By Order on Contractors. Article and Quantity.	Value. £ s. d.	RELIEF DISTRICT.	Name of Relieving Officer.	By Cheque on Treasurer. £ s. d.	By Order on Contractors. Article and Quantity.	Value. £ s. d.
No. I.					No. X.	Brought forward,			
No. II.					No. XI.				
No. III.					No. XII.				
No. IV.					No. XIII.				
No. V.					No. XIV.				
No. VI.					No. XV.				
No. VII.					No. XVI.				
No. VIII.					No. XVII.				
No. IX.					No. XVII.				
	Carried forward,					TOTAL,			

Credit Treasurer with Cheques.

Debit each Relieving Officer with Cheques and Orders.

On the Report and recommendation of the Finance Committee the following Bills, having been duly examined and found to be correct, and in accordance with the several Orders, were directed to be paid, and Cheques for the several amounts were duly drawn on the Treasurer and signed, namely:

Thomas Layhlon	1. Clothing Account.	£	s.	d.
Michael Mahe	Paula Park	1	15	
Michael Cunniff	Car Hire	1	8	
John Kennedy	Janey	1		
James Hanniffy	Milk	9	2	2
	OD Relief	10		

Debit Clothing Account and Credit Treasurer with the several sums as above.

2. Establishment Account. £ s. d.

Debit Establishment Account and Credit Treasurer with the several sums as above.

### 3. *Workhouse Invoice Account*

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*Debit Workhouse Invoice Account, and Credit Treasurer with the several sums as above.*

#### 4. Outdoor Relief Invoice Account.

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*Credit Treasurer and Debit Outdoor Relief Invoice Account with the several sums as above.*

*The Clerk's Report of Vaccination was read—(this on the first meeting in every month)  
—Number of successful cases:—*

The Report of the Visiting Committee was read, and Orders were made thereon as follow:—

30<sup>th</sup> August 1882

Your Committee having inspected the Hospital Wards, recommend to have a registered Grate, placed at the end of each of the long Wards instead of the large grate at present in use: as the changes may effect the curing of the Chimneys, and prevent the Smoke being complained of. They also

also recommend that Mr P. Slocum's Services be secured to examine the Iron Bed Steads, but present in the Ward unused and put them in order so that they may become serviceable. Your Committee would also recommend that a strong and sufficient Rye be procured and kept in the Hospital Laundry for drying the clothes, there being no means at present therein for doing so.

Pat - Kennedy  
Michael Lally  
Timothy Folds

order Postponed to next meeting

The Reports of the Master and other Officers were read, and Orders made thereon as follows:—

Follow:— That a boy named Patt Tansy hired out to  
Lucey by Mr. Kaspery Lashmoe left his employment  
and was admitted to the Workhouse on yesterday  
order. Ask report from Rel-office concerning this  
Boys condition and treatment

Days, kindness and treatment. Subsequently Jansy  
was hired out to service by P. Monahan of Millmounsett and a  
pair of horses ordered for him; The children were taken out

The Children were taken out  
for exercise during the week

for exercise during the week Particulars of Timber and Nail  
Supplied by Mr. Symmiffe for the making and repairing  
of the Jaws of the Cranes are submitted  
Ordered A new Wheel for Sgl Cart 2 Lengths of Case Short  
For Hospital 1/2 Shaping Brushes. 3 Feeding Bottles  
3 Crutches

3 bunches Storage degrees off beam for  
Current week  
Ridge  $10\frac{3}{7}$  Kennedy  $10\frac{3}{7}$  Cornell  $10\frac{3}{7}$

The following Orders of the Local Government Board for Ireland were laid before the Board, and directions given thereon as follow:—

The following Letters from the Local Government Board for Ireland and others were read by the Clerk, and directions given to answer them respectively to the following effect (or Orders made on them respectively as follow):—

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Letter from the Local Govt Board dated 4<sup>th</sup> September 1884 transmitting a form of particulars to be filled up respecting Mary Malheins and her children whom the Board propose to assist to emigrate.

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Letter from same dated 5<sup>th</sup> Sept 1884 stating that they have instructed their respective D<sup>r</sup> Workhouse to hold an enquiry on oath into the cases of the two women, Mary Sheel and Annie Lyons who became pregnant while inmates of the Workhouse.

Letter from Mess<sup>rs</sup> Still & Smith dated 1<sup>st</sup> September 1884 stating that they could not supply and fit up the 53 yards from Sanling at the second Grave Yard of the Workhouse unless paid at the rate of 3/9 per yard for same: the area being so small it would not otherwise pay them.

The

The Board agreed to order the Sizing from this firm and employ a skilled Tradesman in Loughrea to fit it up. Ten gallons Black varnish for both the Grave Yards was also ordered to be procured.

Letters from Mess<sup>rs</sup> Smith and Bull Dublin dated 3<sup>rd</sup> September 1884, quoting prices for crucifixes and Lamps required for Workhouse Infirmary & Dead House.

Upon the recommendation of the Rosholli Chaplain 2 Crucifixes at 30<sup>s</sup> each, one at 15<sup>s</sup> and a Hanging Lamp at 35<sup>s</sup> were ordered to be procured from Mr Bull.

### The Medical Officers Report

The late run of Fever has terminated there is now remaining only one case, which is convalescent and the person can be discharged in a few days. The remarkable absence of mortality is clearly due to the very great attention of the Sisters of Mercy, the Supervisors with great courage <sup>voluntarily</sup> visiting and superintending the Fever Wards; it is not likely there will be any further cases of the disease this year as the disease was caused by the summer weather.

In reference to the appointment of Fever Nurse it may be well to draw the Board's attention to the advertisement which guarantees an apartment as such cannot be given, there being none attached to the Fever Wards most convenient and suitable for the treatment of the disease viz those connected with the Infirmary. The Iron House would do the best there being sickening in summer and the cold intolerable in winter. He thinks the advertisement also errs in fixing the Workhouse as the place for her

key duties. There is no urgency, the question may safely be postponed.

There were three applicants for the office of Fever Hospital Nurse. The Board acting on the Medical Officer's suggestion postponed the appointment and directed to call his attention to the following extract from his report as regards the Iron House read at the Meeting of the 31<sup>st</sup> August 83.

"Recommend the Board to discontinue the present Fever Wards and to convert the Iron House into a Fever Hospital, it has good accommodation for twelve patients and 16 Nurses, the number of Fever patients admitted to Hospital during the past three years was 39 hence it would appear that the Iron House is large enough for an annual average of 13."

The cases of Provisional Relief, and applications for relief, were considered and decided on, as set forth in the Application and Report Books.

The number of Provisional Admissions to the Workhouse confirmed was -

Of which disallowed, -

The number of Applicants admitted to the Workhouse was -

The number of cases of Provisional Outdoor Relief was -

Do. do. in which relief was continued by the Guardians -

The number of other Applicants in the Relieving Officers' Books relieved by order of the Guardians was -

The number of Applicants for whom relief was not ordered was -

The Bonds and other securities in force were laid before the Guardians by the Clerk, together with his report thereon, as follows: (this on the second Meeting after the Annual Election in every year).

(See also Minutes of the Guardians' proceedings under the Medical Charities Act, and as the Rural Sanitary Authority.)

Next Meeting of the Guardians to be held on \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 188 \_\_\_\_\_

(Signed,)

Clerk of the Union.

The Board having inquired into the case of the late bathing Grooms and heard the statements of D. Burke and Rel. Officer Hannaford thereon. Mr Broderick proposed and Mr Roche seconded.

That the Local Govt. Board be requested to instruct their Inspector to hold an inquiry on oath into the circumstances connected with the death of the late bathing Grooms.

An amendment moved by Mr. Dolphin - Seconded by Mr. Hardy - That

the consideration of a second inquiry into this case is unnecessary.

Upon a division of the Board there voted for the amendment - 12 Against - 16.

The amendment being thus lost the resolution was put and declared carried without any division.

Mr. O'Snell S.P. attended before the Board and explained the peculiar circumstances under which he found it would be only incurring unnecessary expense to the Guardians to take law proceedings against Mr. Ball for visiting two parties in Garra Electoral Division without first serving notices upon the Relieving Officer, and he also requested further instructions in the case of Collector Seaton, Hanagan and McDonagh.

The Board deemed Mr. O'Snell's explanation in Mr. Ball's case satisfactory and directed him forthwith to proceed against the Collectors and their Parties for the payment of the recoverable Rates and also to urge upon the Sheriff to put in execution the Drees obtained against the late Collector Seaton's Parties.

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The Board having taken into consideration the letter read at last meeting from the Commissioners of Public Works as regards the Loan required for the new Building at the Workhouse directed the Clerk to transmit to the Lords of the Treasury a statement of the circumstances under which this Loan was applied for with a view of their sanctioning same and to request a reply from the Local Government Board to the question addressed to them in Minutes of the 23<sup>rd</sup> Ult. in connection with this matter.

The form of application required for the Loan to meet the deficit in the cost of the Emigrants sent out last year from this Union was laid before the Board and signed.

It having been represented to the Board that the Relieving Officers are in the habit of issuing the Outdoor relief to the poor in their Districts by "orders" on Shopkeepers for goods instead of giving them money, and such being contrary to the directions of the Board they are now cautioned that serious notice will be taken of any of them who in future dispenses the relief in that manner (unless provisional relief) and that Relieving Officer Glynn be called on to explain his reasons for leaving the Workhouse this day before his Books were ruled.

MINUTES of Proceedings of the Board of Guardians at a Meeting held on  
the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 188 .

(SUPPLEMENTAL SHEET.)

I. MEDICAL CHARITIES ACT, 14 & 15 Vic., cap. 68.

II. PUBLIC HEALTH ACTS.

PRESENT—In the Chair,

OTHER GUARDIANS :—

An Estimate of Medicines, &c., required by the Medical Officer of the \_\_\_\_\_ Dispensary District, approved by the Committee of Management, was laid before the Board, with a Requisition from the Committee for the supply of the same, and directions were given thereon as follow :

An Invoice of Medicines forwarded by the Contractor, for the \_\_\_\_\_ Dispensary District, in pursuance of an Order of the Board in their Minutes of \_\_\_\_\_ having been received from him, the Clerk laid the Invoice before the Board, and was directed to forward the same (or reported that he had forwarded the same, as the case may be), to the Medical Officer of the District, retaining a Copy of the Invoice for the use of the Guardians.

On application of the Committee of Management of the \_\_\_\_\_ Dispensary District, the following supplies of Books, Stationery, Forms, or other requisites were ordered to be supplied :

The following Accounts of Expenses (or Statement of Salaries due, as the case may be) under the Medical Charities Act, were laid before the Board, and directions were given for Payment thereof (or such other directions as may be given):

Dispensary District, £ s. d.  
Account of Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ Amount,

[This at the end of each half-year, in pursuance of Articles 30 and 31 of the General Rules for Dispensary Districts, dated 29th November, 1869.]

An Account of the Expenses incurred for the services of each Dispensary District in the Union, for the Half-year ended 188 , having been submitted to the Board, the Clerk was directed to furnish to the Committee of each Dispensary District a statement of all the Expenses of the District which have been included in the half-year's accounts. The following is the total Expense incurred for each Dispensary District for the half-year ended 188 .

Dispensary District,	"	"	"	"	£
Dispensary District,	"	"	"	"	£
Dispensary District,	"	"	"	"	£
Dispensary District,	"	"	"	"	£

[This to be entered on the occasion of every appointment of a new Committee, after the annual Election of Guardians, and on the occasion of any Election to fill any vacancies in a Dispensary Committee.]

The Board elected the following Incapayers to be Members of the Committees of Management of the following Dispensary Districts, respectively:—the Clerk to make a Return accordingly to the Local Government Board for Ireland, and to issue the prescribed Notification to the Members elected, and to the Medical Officers of the respective Dispensary Districts, in pursuance of Articles 1, 2, and 3 of the General Regulations for Dispensary Districts.—The Clerk was also directed to supply Check Books of Medical Relief Tickets (Forms E 1 and E 2), in pursuance of Article 27 of the Dispensary Regulations, to the new Members of the Committees; namely:—

Dispensary District, Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

Upon the application of Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ the Rev. E. Thomas P. O'Malley was appointed Visiting Surgeon for the \_\_\_\_\_ Dispensary District in place of the Rev. Michael Gurnea who has left that neighbourhood.

The following Orders of the Local Government Board for Ireland under the Medical Charities Act were laid before the Board, and directions given thereon as follow:

Order dated \_\_\_\_\_ (state subject).

The following Letters on matters arising under the Medical Charities Act, from the Local Government Board for Ireland and others, were read by the Clerk, and directions given to answer them respectively, to the following effect (or Orders were made on them respectively as follow):

Read Letter from *The Local Govt Board* dated *5 Sept* 1884  
stating that—

drawing attention to the failure of the *Loughrea Disp.* Committee to meet for the appointment of their Hon<sup>l</sup> Officers for the current year and requesting the Guardians to use their influence with the members of the Committee to hold a meeting for that purpose.

The Clerk was directed to summon a Special Meeting of the *Dispensary Committee* for Thursday next the 11<sup>th</sup> Inst. to appoint the Honorary Officers.

Letter from *D. Lambert* dated *5 Sept* 1884 claiming a sum of £7.5.0 for acting as Substitute for *D. Leonard Murray* during the absence of the latter in Sligo at the last Spring & Summer Assizes.

The Board having referred to their previous resolution declining to pay an additional Doctor refused *D. Lambert's* application accordingly.

[These Reports are to be made up and forwarded by the Medical Officers to the Board of Guardians quarterly, viz. on the 31st March, the 30th June, the 30th September, and the 31st December.]

Reports Form P, containing the names of Children born in the District who are over 3 months of age and have not been vaccinated from the Medical Officers of the following Dispensary Districts, viz. :—

were laid before the Board, and directions given thereon as follow :

PROCEEDINGS of the BOARD of GUARDIANS as the RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY.

Reports from the Sanitary Officers of the following Districts, viz. :

District.	Name of Officer.	General Subject.	Particulars.

were read, and directions given thereon as recorded in Executive Sanitary Officer's Report Book.

The following Letters from the Local Government Board for Ireland or others, relating to Sanitary Matters, were read, and directions given thereon as follow :

Letter from *The Local Government Board* dated *30<sup>th</sup> August* 1884 transmitting a form of description list regarding the area of charge for the expense of the proposed Well and Pump at *Ballygoinnee*. Upon the motion of *Major Rogers*. Seconded by *Mr. Kennedy* — The

The following Accounts of expenses incurred under the Sanitary Acts were laid before the Board, viz. *Person of Caccapwell* was unanimously selected as the area of charge for the expense to be incurred in connection with the foregoing.

District.	Name of Expenditure.	Amount.

Letter from *Mr. James Buckley* and other inhabitants of *Caccapwell* village dated *5<sup>th</sup> September* 1884 drawing attention to the necessity of providing them with a supply of pure Water and Churns were ordered to be drawn for the respective amounts (or directions were given thereon as follow):

and recommending that the present Well which was partly sunk some years ago be condemned and a more convenient and better site selected for a new Well. The following document was handed in.

I hereby propose that a well on the 20<sup>th</sup> Inst  
 be completed and that a Contractor be advertised  
 for

(Signed) Patrick Cauley

Letter from Mr. John Clarke dated 6<sup>th</sup>  
 September 1884 stating that he has the Well at Kichee Well  
 sunk a proper depth and requesting a cheque for  
 £60 on acc of his contract  
 order Referred to Mr. Kempster for his opinion

The Contractor for excavating the Grop Luce in  
 Woodford having reported that Messrs. Kelly and Moore  
 still persist in refusing him permission to lay the pipes thro  
 their premises altho notices had been served on them  
 and that a man named Daniel Egan is adopting a  
 similar course, the Board directed application to be  
 made to the Magistrates for an order to compel them  
 to do so

The Clerk reported

That Mr. Joseph Cumiffe, Contractor informed him  
 that he had received directions from the Corporation Report  
 ment to lock and close up the Privies at the (Mellany) Barracks  
 Loughrea and prevent them being used in future. Mr. Joyce has  
 not replied to the letter addressed to him regarding the daughter House  
 and Room at the Police Barracks.

The Board moves for the Sanitarians  
 have

Next Meeting of the Guardians to be held on Saturday the

10<sup>th</sup> day of September 1884

(Signed,)

Patrick Egan

Clerk of the Union.

have been supplied by Mr. Treeny and the  
 Superintendent is putting them in order  
 At the request of  
 Mr. Jennings P.D. he sent on the 4<sup>th</sup> Inst the sample  
 of the water from the Kichee Well to Dr. Cameron  
 for analysis  
 W. Rogers

# Loughrea UNION.

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Population in 1881-26402

Present Net Annual Value, £ 76290

STATE of the WORKHOUSE for the Week ending Saturday, the 13th day of September 1884

Number of inmates for which accommodation is provided.	No. that can be accommodated in each building in each sub-division.	Total No. in each building in the sub-division.	Able-bodied.		Aged and Infirm persons, and adult persons above 15 years of age, but not working.		Boys and Girls above 9 and under 15 years of age.		Children above 5 and under 9 years of age.	Children under 5 years of age.	Infants under 2 years of age.	RETURN OF SICK AND LUNATICS.		OBSERVATIONS.		
			Males.	Fem.	Males.	Fem.	Boys.	Girls.				Total.	No. in Hospital on the above date.		No. of Lunatics and Idiots in Workhouse on the above date.	
Workhouse, . . .	760															
Temporary Buildings, . . .																
Additional Workhouse, . . .	58															
Permanent Fever Hospital, . . .																
Fever Shelter, . . .																
Total, . . .	818															
Remaining on previous Saturday, as per last Return, . . .			12	29	22	21	2	3	5	14	15	123	46	6		
Admitted during the Week, . . .			11	1	3	3	1	-	-	-	-	19	1	6		
TOTAL, . . .			23	30	25	24	3	3	5	14	15	142	47	6		
Discharged during the Week, . . .			17	3	2	-	1	-	1	1	-	25				
Died, . . .																
Total Discharged and Died, . . .			17	3	2	-	1	-	1	1	-	25				
REMAINING ON THE ABOVE DATE, . . .			6	27	23	24	2	3	4	13	15	117				
NIGHT LODGERS OR CASUALS.																
													M.	F.	Children under 16.	Total.
No. Relieved during Week.													12	-	-	12
No. in Workhouse at date,																
No. at corresponding period last year.																

RETURN of Destitute Persons relieved out of the Workhouse, as by Relief Lists, for the last Week ended SATURDAY the 6th day of September 1884 authenticated and laid before the Board of Guardians at this Meeting.

RELIEF DISTRICT.	Destitute Persons relieved out of the Workhouse under 10 Vict. c. 31, s. 1.		Destitute Persons relieved out of the Workhouse, but not comprised in Sec. 1.		Total relieved out of the Workhouse.		RELIEF DISTRICT.	Destitute Persons relieved out of the Workhouse under 10 Vict. c. 31, s. 1.		Destitute Persons relieved out of the Workhouse, but not comprised in Sec. 1.		Total relieved out of the Workhouse.	
	Number of cases relieved.	Number of Persons, including Applicant and Family, dependent on him or her.	Number of cases relieved.	Number of Persons, including Applicant and Family, dependent on him or her.	Cases.	Persons.		Number of cases relieved.	Number of Persons, including Applicant and Family, dependent on him or her.	Number of cases relieved.	Number of Persons, including Applicant and Family, dependent on him or her.	Cases.	Persons.
No. I.	68	95					BR. forwd.						
No. II.	42	57					No. X.						
No. III.	67	105					No. XI.						
No. IV.	22	42					No. XII.						
No. V.							No. XIII.						
No. VI.							No. XIV.						
No. VII.							No. XV.						
No. VIII.							No. XVI.						
No. IX.							No. XVII.						
TOTAL.	199	299					TOTAL.						

COPY of MINUTES of Proceedings of the Board of Guardians, at a Meeting held on Saturday the 13th day of September 1884

PRESENT: In the Chair, Major Rogers,  
Other Guardians: Capt. H. Smyth, Messrs Samuel Clarke, James McDonagh, Oliver D. O'Sullivan, Thomas Jennings, Stephen Roland & Michael Lamy

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and signed.

The Workhouse Register was produced, examined, and authenticated, from No. 294 to No. 611 both inclusive, by the signature of the Chairman and countersignature of the Clerk.

The Outdoor Relief Register was produced, examined, and authenticated, from No. \_\_\_\_\_ to No. \_\_\_\_\_ both inclusive, by the signature of the Chairman and countersignature of the Clerk.

The Clerk's Report on the execution of the Orders previously made by the Board was read to the following effect:

That Mr. Lounell declined to perfect his Bond for the supply of one third the sleep in the Workhouse stating that he would wait to see how the remainder of the Contract was disposed of.

"Collector McDonagh, has not as yet named a surety in place of Mr. Lounell whom the Board disapproved at their meeting of the 3<sup>rd</sup> July last."

No order,

The Ledger was produced by the Clerk, posted up to the last day of Meeting, with the proper Debits and Credits as ordered on that day.

The Treasurer's Book of Receipts and Payments was produced, by which it appeared that there had been received during the Week

Paid during the Week, £26 : 4 : 7

And that the Balance on the Account Against the Guardians was £776 : 5 : 11

The Book was signed by the Chairman

The Weekly Balance Sheets of the several Collectors were laid before the Board, their accuracy having been first ascertained and authenticated by the Clerk.

The Lodgments made of Rates collected in the several Electoral Divisions appear to have been as follow:—

Name of each Collector.	Electoral Divisions arranged in Collectors' Districts.	Collected and Lodged during the Week.			Total Rate and Arrears Collected and Lodged.			Remaining Uncollected.		
		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
M McDonagh	Ballinacorney			12 5						
	Brigantia	2	7	9				104	16	10
	Loughborough	11	9	3				83	3	-
	Shillashill			4 5				80	6	5
	Woodford	2		9				95	12	2
					16	14	7	363	18	5
M Keaven	Alphington									
	Clayton	6	19	11						
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville	2	2	7						
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
M Manegaw	Leahurst									
	Boachla									
	Ballinacorney									
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
J Cosgrave	Longview									
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
					9	9	6	325	3	11
J Cosgrave	Longview									
	Claytonville									
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	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
					7	2	9	168		
J Cosgrave	Longview									
	Claytonville									
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	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
					5	3		128		
J Cosgrave	Longview									
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
					4	0		118		
J Cosgrave	Longview									
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
					3	8		56		
J Cosgrave	Longview									
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
	Claytonville									
					5	1		9		
					183			106		
Total					26	4	1	1601	106	

NOTE.—A Total is to be inserted in Red Ink at the foot of each Collector's District, as well as for the entire Union.

Debit the Treasurer and Credit the several Electoral Divisions with the respective amounts lodged.

The Clerk's Account of Petty Disbursements made by him since last Meeting, amounting to £ : : was produced and passed.

The following Books were exhibited by the Clerk, he having first ascertained the accuracy of the entries made therein by the Master of the Workhouse, and authenticated the same by his signature :—

1. The Weekly Relief List and Abstract.
2. The Provision Check Account.
3. The Provision Receipt and Consumption Account.

By which it appeared that the Cost of Provisions and Necessaries received during the Week was £ 20: 1: 1

Debit Provision Account and Credit Invoice Account.

The Cost of Provisions and Necessaries consumed was £ 19: 10: 7

Debit Maintenance Account and Credit Provision Account.

And the General Average Cost of an Inmate for the Week was £ 3 0<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>

Average Cost in Infirmary, £ 4: 1: 3

Average Cost in Fever Hospital, £ 2: 4: 4

The Master's Estimate of Provisions and Necessaries required for the ensuing Week was examined, and Orders were duly made for the several articles specified, namely :—

832 lb White Bread	6 Prules Porter
6 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> Butter	1 c. Pat Wine
113 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> Meat	14 lb Cocoa
2 Stone Potatoes	110 Eggs
460 Quarts Sweet Milk	13 lb Tobacco
11 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> lb Tea	6 lb Mould Candles
77 Sugar	112. Soap
14. Rice	6. March
30 c Heads	4. Blue
1 Quart Malt	16. Washing Soda
1 Flask Brandy	3 Gals Palefine Oil

The following Books were also produced by the Clerk, their accuracy having been previously ascertained by him, and authenticated by his signature :—

1. The several Clothing Accounts.
2. The Medical Officers' Books.

The Outdoor Relief Lists and Weekly Receipt and Expenditure Books of the several Relieving Officers were then produced by the Clerk, their accuracy having been previously ascertained by him, and authenticated by his signature.

The Abstract of the Outdoor Relief Lists was also produced by the Clerk, having been duly entered up by him for the last Week ended Saturday, the 6<sup>th</sup> day of Sept 1884, whereby it appeared that in that Week the Total Expenditure in Outdoor Relief was

	£	s.	d.
In money, - - -	21	8	3
In kind, - - -	-	-	-
Total, - - -	£		

Credit each Relieving Officer, as per Receipt and Expenditure Book.

The requirements of each Relieving Officer for the ensuing Week having been duly considered and estimated by the Board, Cheques on the Treasurer and Orders on Contractors were duly signed and delivered to each of them, of the following amounts and value respectively :

RELIEF DISTRICT.	Name of Relieving Officer.	By Cheque on Treasurer. £ s. d.	By Order on Contractors. Article and Quantity. Value. £ s. d.	RELIEF DISTRICT.	Name of Relieving Officer.	By Cheque on Treasurer. £ s. d.	By Order on Contractors. Article and Quantity. Value. £ s. d.
No. I.					Brought forward,		
No. II.				No. X.			
No. III.				No. XI.			
No. IV.				No. XII.			
No. V.				No. XIII.			
No. VI.				No. XIV.			
No. VII.				No. XV.			
No. VIII.				No. XVI.			
No. IX.				No. XVII.			
	Carried forward,				TOTAL,		

Credit Treasurer with Cheques.

Debit each Relieving Officer with Cheques and Orders.

On the Report and recommendation of the Finance Committee the following Bills, having been duly examined and found to be correct, and in accordance with the several Orders, were directed to be paid, and Cheques for the several amounts were duly drawn on the Treasurer and signed, namely :

	£	s.	d.
John Blake	40		
Peter Evans	100		
Thomas Smith		10	
Pat. Tulbary		18	
Pat. Egan		18	5
Pat. Monahan			
Robert McNeill			
Building			
Coffin			
Carpenter			
Police			
Carriage Yard			
2. Establishment Account.			
Water Works		14	
Salt		10	
Reg. & Pac. Fees	6	10	
do	4	11	
Sea Sugar	14	6	9
88 Relief	15		

Debit Establishment Account and Credit Treasurer with the several sums as above.

$\mathbb{Z}$  s.  $\mathcal{A}$

*Debit Workhouse Invoice Account, and Credit Treasurer with the several sums as above.*

#### 4. Outdoor Relief Invoice Account.

Ms. B. 7

Credit Treasurer and Debit Outdoor Relief Invoice Account with the several sums as above.

*The Clerk's Report of Vaccination was read—(this on the first meeting in every month).—Number of successful cases :—*

~~The Report of the Visiting Committee was read, and Orders were made thereon as follows:~~

~~Resolved~~ Referred to in Minutes of last Meeting  
was again read and duly approved and the  
Several Suggestions of the Committee ordered to be  
Carried out

The Reports of the Master and other Officers were read, and Orders made thereon as follow:—

follow:— That he ordered a Coffin of Extra Size  
for the remains of Mary McDonald who died in Hospital  
on the 7<sup>th</sup> Inst and Supplied bone Shavers to Hospital  
patients by order of the Doctor

Approved  
 As only one third of the Milk  
 Supply was contracted for on the 30<sup>th</sup> Ult. he made tem-  
 -porary arrangements with the late Contractor (Kennedy  
 and Rugg), to supply the remainder at the price the  
 contract will be declared."

(Alfred)  
Average degrees of cream  
for current week  
Ridge  $10\frac{2}{7}$  Kennedy  $10\frac{2}{7}$  Cornell  $10\frac{3}{7}$

The following Orders of the Local Government Board for Ireland were laid before the Board, and directions given thereon as follow:—

The following Letters from the Local Government Board for Ireland and others were read by the Clerk, and directions given to answer them respectively to the following effect (or Orders made on them respectively as follow):—

34075/84

Letter from The Local Govt. Board dated 9<sup>th</sup> September 1884, stating that they have rec<sup>d</sup> the half yearly report of their Inspector, D. Woodhouse upon this Union the financial condition of which is not satisfactory, setting forth a statement of the Assets and Liabilities of the Union and the large deficits which will arise at the end of the year drawing attention to the objectionable practice of allowing more than one Warrant to be in the hands of the Collectors and recommending that all the arrears of past years be brought into the next Rate Books and included in the new Warrants to be issued to the Collectors. As regards the Clothing and Bedding that an additional supply would be required before Winter and that Stock has not been taken since June 83. and with respect to the State of the Workhouse Buildings that the Care Sheds are leaky and that one side of the

the old farm yard is without a fence. In compliance with the suggestion contained in the report of D. Woodhouse Esq. the Clerk is directed to call on the several Collectors to furnish before next meeting lists of the Rates outstanding in the respective Electoral Divisions of their Districts for the years 80, 81, 82 & 83 showing the cases dismissed by the Magistrate at Petty Sessions, Errors in the amounts charged for Rents, and the Rates that are recoverable with the view of bringing the last named into the new Rate Books and Warrants.

As regards the taking of the Stock of Clothing, the Master has been directed to bring this matter before the Board at next meeting so that a suitable day may be fixed on for the purpose.

In the matter of the Care Sheds, the Board desire to state that new ones have been provided and iron Bar Fencing has been added from Messrs Hill & Smith for enclosing the side of the farm yard referred to in the report of D. Woodhouse.

34881/84

Letter from Same dated 11<sup>th</sup> Sept 1884 requesting to be furnished with further particulars as regards the Emigrants sent out last year from the Longueur and Sherry Electoral Divisions in order that the Loan applied for to meet the deficit in those cases may be granted.

The Clerk was directed to supply the required information.

Letter

32270/84 Letter from Same dated 12<sup>th</sup> Sept 1884 enclosing a copy of a communication addressed to the Union Treasurer inquiring his reason for not obeying the sealed order issued under Sec 5 of the Poor Law Supply, Ireland Act 1880 and requesting that the Balance (£375) of the Fund (due the 1<sup>st</sup> August 83) be forthwith transmitted to the Board of Works.

34762/84 Letter from Same dated 12<sup>th</sup> Sept 1884 directing to the Union Inquiries demanded by the Guardians into the death of the late Catherine Connors and suggesting that a written statement of all the particulars of her case be obtained from the Relieving Officer (Hanniffy) and forwarded to them. The Relieving Officer was directed to forthwith supply the information required by the Local Board.

The cases of Provisional Relief, and Applications for relief, were considered and decided on, as set forth in the Application and Report Books.

The number of Provisional Admissions to the Workhouse confirmed was	-	27
Do. disallowed,	-	2
The number of Applicants admitted to the Workhouse was	-	2
The number of cases of Provisional Outdoor Relief was	-	3
Do. do. in which relief was continued by the Guardians	-	2
The number of other Applicants in the Relieving Officers' Books relieved by order of the Guardians was	-	1
The number of Applicants for whom relief was not ordered was	-	2

The Bonds and other securities in force were laid before the Guardians by the Clerk, together with his report thereon, as follows: (This on the second Meeting after the Annual Election in every year).

(See also Minutes of the Guardians' proceedings under the Medical Charities Act, and as the Rural Sanitary Authority.)

Next Meeting of the Guardians to be held on \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 188 .

(Signed, ) \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of the Union.

34762/84

Letter from Same dated 12<sup>th</sup> Sept 1884 stating as regards the Loan of £700 applied for to erect the new Building for the Union at the Mill Lane that they had in their letters of the 3<sup>rd</sup> January and 23<sup>rd</sup> March last pointed out that the Commissioners of Public Works had ceased to lend money for additions to Workhouse Buildings and advising that any action in the matter must now be taken by the Guardians themselves.

The Board agreed to await the reply to the communication addressed to the Inspector in this case before taking any further steps therein.

34762/84

Letter from Same dated 12<sup>th</sup> September 1884 referring to the explanation required from the Relieving Officer Glynn for leaving the Mill Lane on the 6<sup>th</sup> inst. before his Books were ruled and inquiring whether those Books were taken into consideration in the order of the Guardians business as prescribed by article 14 of the General Regulations.

With reference to the foregoing the ruling of the Relieving Officer's Book is marked first on the programme of the day's proceedings but with the unanimous consent of the members present at the Board this business was left for the last. The Relieving Officer Glynn had left the Mill Lane before the second Application and Report Books were submitted and in his absence his Books were not ruled or examined.

The Relieving Officer submitted the following explanation which the Board marked as sufficient.

I

Attended the meeting of the Board on  
Saturday from 1.30 PM to 4.30 PM. I had  
been informed by several of the Guardians that  
the Relieving Officer Books would not be ruled  
that Evening, and getting a seat home took the  
advantage the journey being so long 10 miles  
from the Workhouse

signed

P. Flynn Rel' Officer

Letter from Colonel Hara L'g. A.  
dated 8 September 1884 signing Friday the 19<sup>th</sup>  
for the audit of the Accounts of the Union  
for the past half year

Letter from D. Worshouse L'g. D. dated  
10 September 1884 intimating that he will hold  
the Enquiry on Tuesday next the 16<sup>th</sup> inst. into the  
two cases of immorality which occurred in this  
Workhouse

Letter from Mr J. Hemphill dated  
8 September 1884 enclosing a certificate for £100 to  
be paid Mr J. Sweeney on acc of his contract for  
the new Building at the Workhouse

The Board  
ordered the contractor a cheque for the foregoing  
amount.

Letter from Collector M. Donagh dated  
13 September 1884 stating that he and his Partners  
are prepared to furnish the lodge with the Union  
Revenues the amount of recoverable Rates out-  
standing in his District, and that he expects the  
Board will give him credit for the Rates dismissed by  
Magistrates set Petty Sessions and Errors that occurred in  
assessing the Rates &c

ordered

21  
ordered that a copy of this letter be forwarded to Mr  
Harrall and his attention called to the wish  
of the Board that he stay proceedings should a  
satisfactory lodgment be made within the week

Collector Flanagan attended  
and produced Schedules of the Rates of '82-'83 still  
uncollected in his District with the cause for the non-  
collection marked opposite each case. The Board  
suggested to him to submit the lists in question to  
the Guardians of the respective Divisions

The tenders of William Ridge and John  
Kennedy were accepted at nine pence per gallon, for  
the supply each of one third the Sweet Milk required  
up to the 31<sup>st</sup> August 1885, and the Master was directed  
to purchase up to next Board day the remainder in case  
Mr Connell declines to supply his portion

The Proposal of  
Thomas Burke was accepted at £6 for the aftergrass  
on the Workhouse grounds up to the 1<sup>st</sup> March next and  
to be grazed by sheep only

The Medical Officer's report -

The Milk sent to the Hospital this morning  
was rich good Milk, having a specific gravity of 1.031  
it would be well to look on it as a standard quality and  
none inferior ought to be taken from any contractor

Order Medical Officer is referred to Circular of Hon. Law  
Commissioners of the 29 October 1857 on this subject  
a copy of which the Clerk will furnish him with

MINUTES of Proceedings of the Board of Guardians at a Meeting held on  
the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 188 .

(SUPPLEMENTAL SHEET.)

I. MEDICAL CHARITIES ACT, 14 & 15 Vic., cap. 68.

II. PUBLIC HEALTH ACTS.

PRESENT—In the Chair,

OTHER GUARDIANS :—

*An Estimate of Medicines, &c., required by the Medical Officer of the \_\_\_\_\_ Dispensary District, approved by the Committee of Management, was laid before the Board, with a Requisition from the Committee for the supply of the same, and directions were given thereon as follow :*

*An Invoice of Medicines forwarded by the Contractor, for the \_\_\_\_\_ Dispensary District, in pursuance of an Order of the Board in their Minutes of \_\_\_\_\_ having been received from him, the Clerk laid the Invoice before the Board, and was directed to forward the same (or reported that he had forwarded the same, as the case may be), to the Medical Officer of the District, retaining a Copy of the Invoice for the use of the Guardians.*

*On application of the Committee of Management of the \_\_\_\_\_ Dispensary District, the following supplies of Books, Stationery, Forms, or other requisites were ordered to be supplied :*

The following Accounts of Expenses (or Statement of Salaries due, as the case may be) under the Medical Charities Act, were laid before the Board, and directions were given for Payment thereof (or such other directions as may be given):

\_\_\_\_\_ Dispensary District, £ s. d.  
 Account of Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ Amount,

[This at the end of each half-year, in pursuance of Articles 30 and 31 of the General Rules for Dispensary Districts, dated 29th November, 1869.]

An Account of the Expenses incurred for the service of each Dispensary District in the Union, for the Half-year ended \_\_\_\_\_ 188 , having been submitted to the Board, the Clerk was directed to furnish to the Committee of each Dispensary District a statement of all the Expenses of the District which have been included in the half-year's accounts. The following is the total Expense incurred for each Dispensary District for the half-year ended \_\_\_\_\_ 188 .

_____ District,	"	"	"	"	£
_____ District,	"	"	"	"	£
_____ District,	"	"	"	"	£
_____ District,	"	"	"	"	£

[This to be entered on the occasion of every appointment of a new Committee, after the annual Election of Guardians, and on the occasion of any Election to fill any vacancies in a Dispensary Committee.]

The Board elected the following Ratepayers to be Members of the Committees of Management of the following Dispensary Districts, respectively:—the Clerk to make a Return accordingly to the Local Government Board for Ireland, and to issue the proscribed Notification to the Members elected, and to the Medical Officers of the respective Dispensary Districts, in pursuance of Articles 1, 2, and 3 of the General Regulations for Dispensary Districts.—The Clerk was also directed to supply Check Books of Medical Relief Tickets (Forms E 1 and E 2), in pursuance of Article 29 of the Dispensary Regulations, to the new Members of the Committees; namely:—

\_\_\_\_\_ Dispensary District, Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

The following Orders of the Local Government Board for Ireland under the Medical Charities Act were laid before the Board, and directions given thereon as follow:

Order dated \_\_\_\_\_ (state subject).

The following Letters on matters arising under the Medical Charities Act, from the Local Government Board for Ireland and others, were read by the Clerk, and directions given to answer them respectively, to the following effect (or Orders were made on them respectively as follow):

32135/82 Road Letter from The Local Govt Board dated 10 September 1885 stating that—

inquiring whether the Vaccination Defaulters in the Meeney Dispensary District have, complied with the Law upon the foregoing—  
B Leonard reports  
to say that all the Defaulters under the Vaccination Act have complied

By Minutes of the Meeney Dispensary Committee at their Meeting of the 29<sup>th</sup> Ult<sup>o</sup> having been read. It was ordered Write to Mr Kempster asking him to make out a Specification of the Works proposed, and that his attention be called to the state of the Streets and Channels.  
By the Loughrea Dispensary Committee Minute Book it appeared that the Committee had at their Meeting of the 11<sup>th</sup> Inst appointed the Honorary Officer for the current year

[These Reports are to be made up and forwarded by the Medical Officers to the Board of Guardians quarterly, viz., on the 31st March, the 30th June, the 30th September, and the 31st December.]

Reports (Form P, containing the names of Children born in the District who are over 8 months of age and have not been vaccinated) from the Medical Officers of the following Dispensary Districts, viz.:—

were laid before the Board, and directions given thereon as follow:

PROCEEDINGS of the BOARD of GUARDIANS as the RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY.

Reports from the Sanitary Officers of the following Districts, viz.:

District.	Name of Officer.	General Subject.	Particulars.

were read, and directions given thereon as recorded in Executive Sanitary Officer's Report Book.

The following Letters from the Local Government Board for Ireland or others, relating to Sanitary Matters, were read, and directions given thereon as follow:

192 M/82. Letter from The Local Govt Board dated 9<sup>th</sup> September 1885, transmitting a claim for £17:1:4 being the cost of advertising and Short hand Writers Notes at the Inquiry held on the 1<sup>st</sup> April last in connection with the proposed Labbine Cottages for Loughrea and requesting the Guardians to send them a cheque for the amount in question

The following Accounts of Expenses incurred under the Sanitary Acts were laid before the Board referred to the Loughrea Guardians

District.	Nature of Expenditure.	Amount.
	Letter from Mr Kempster, dated 12 <sup>th</sup> Sept <sup>r</sup> 1885 enclosing a Certificate for £40 to be paid Mr J Blake on account of his contract for the <u>Kilreeilly Well</u> , showing that it is now nearly 30 feet deep, and that it has 3 feet of Water in it he considers it may be depended on for a supply in future and that it may be closed and the Pump erected	£ 40

and Cheques were ordered to be drawn for the respective amounts (or disbursements were given thereon as follow): The Board ordered payment to the Contractor of the foregoing amount and that Mr Kempster's Suggestions be carried out

Letter from Mr J G Griffin dated 12<sup>th</sup> September 1885 enclosing a Representation Form A, signed by 24 Ratepayers in the Williamstown and Loughlinch Electoral Divisions setting

Setting forth the want of Labourers Cottages in the  
locality  
Order Suggest to Mr. Griffin to apply to Dr. Leonard  
Medical Officer of Health for a Certificate and that  
upon receipt of it the Board will direct the summoning  
of a special meeting to consider the application

A Draft  
for £28 being the Parliamentary Grant payable to the  
Union under the Public Health Act for the past half  
year was ordered to be lodged with the Treasurer to the  
credit of the Union

Dr. Blackton Woodford having reported  
that the three parties referred to in minutes of last meeting still  
persist in refusing the Contractor permission to lay the Sewage  
pipes thro' their premises and that it would be well to be  
guided by legal advice in this case. The Board directed  
that the matter be referred to Mr. Terrall Solicitor as well as  
a letter be sent from the Contractor on the subject

A Report from the Superintendent Water  
Works Loughrea upon certain defects in the fountains and  
a letter from Mr. Townsend & Co. suggesting to employ  
McDonald Plumber Galway to repair them were referred to  
Mr. Kennedy R.E. for his opinion

Upon the application of Saml. Sub  
Officer Glynn 3 Barrels of Home were ordered for  
gratuitous distribution in the townland of Cahafiniskian  
Greethill Electoral Division

Next Meeting of the Guardians to be held on Saturday the  
20 day of September 1884

(Signed,)

Patrick Egan

Clerk of the Union.