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13 GALWAY UNION.

Medical Charities Act (14 & 15 Vic. Cap. 68), Vaccination Acts and Dispensary Houses Act.

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. :

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.

Galway, No. 1, _____ defaulters.	Oranmore, _____ defaulters.
do. 2, _____ do.	Spiddal, _____ do.
do. 3, _____ do.	Tourloughmore, _____ do.
Moycullen, _____ do.	

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

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	...	...	...	51
Ditto disallowed	...	...	...	0
The number of Applicants admitted to the Workhouse was	...	...	...	51
The number of cases of provisional Out-door Relief was	...	...	...	3
Do in which Relief was continued by the Guardians	...	...	...	0
The number of other Applicants in the Relieving Officers' Books relieved by order of the Guardians was	...	...	...	0
The number of Applicants for whom relief was not ordered, was	...	...	...	0

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 Election).

An Estimate of Medicines, &c., required by the Medical Officer of the Galway Nos 1 and 2 Dispensary Districts was laid before the Board and directions were given thereon as follows:—

Ordered of Contractors.

Order, Two clinical thermometers to be supplied to the Medical Officer of Spiddal Disp. District.

An Invoice of Medicines forwarded by the Contractor, for the Galway No 3 Dispensary District, in Pursuance of an Order of the Board in their Minutes of 12th ult. having been received from him, the Clerk laid the Invoice before the Board, and reported that he had forwarded a Copy to the Medical Officer in the District, retaining a Copy of the Invoice for the use of the Guardians.



The following Accounts of Expenses (or Statements 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 Districts.

£ s. d.

Analysts Report,

Oranmore. Tincture of Opium. Specific gravity 9565. Extract 3.94 grammes per 100 cubic Centimetres. Absolute alcohol by weight 35% equal to 46.48% alcohol of 90% strength. Morphine 0.75 grammes per 100 cubic Centimetres.

Syrup of Ferrons Phosphate. Specific gravity 1.296. Chemically treated 100 cubic centimetres yielded 4.42 grammes of Phosphorous Pentoxide. Correct amount of Phosphoric Acid present.

Solution of Morphine Hydrochloride. Specific gravity 9765. Morphine Hydrochloride 0.90 grammes per 100 cubic Centimetres. Absolute alcohol by weight 17.50% equal to 23.87% alcohol of 90% strength. There is a deficiency of 0.1 gramme of Morphine Hydrochloride per 100 cubic Centimetres.

Spiddal. Compound Powder of Licorice. Compared with the standard Powder and found it to resemble it accurately as regards flavour, odour, microscopic appearance and in the amount 4.6% and nature of the ash it leaves on incin-  
ation.

Copies of the reports furnished to the Medical officers and the contractors.

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 were made on them respectively as follows:

Read Letter from L. G. B. No 75428/1900 dated 31<sup>st</sup> Dec? stating that

Referring to Clerk's letter of the 22<sup>nd</sup> inst. relative to the leave of absence granted to Dr. Kirwan, Medical Officer of the Oranmore Dispensary District, and requesting that they may be informed whether Dr. Kirwan proceeded on leave, and if so, what arrangements were made for the discharge of his duties.

The Relieving Officer of the District informed the Guardians that Dr. Kirwan proceeded on leave of absence on the evening of the 24<sup>th</sup>, and returned in the afternoon of the 28<sup>th</sup> of December; that no arrangements were made for the discharge of his duties; that no calls for the attendance of the Medical Officer were made in the meantime, as far as the Relieving Officer could ascertain.

75534/1900, 8<sup>th</sup> Jan'y, 1901. Referring to Clerk's letter of the 24<sup>th</sup> ult. and requesting that Dr. Maguire, Medical Officer of the Spiddal Dispensary District, may be informed that if he again quits his District without leave the Board will take very serious notice of the matter.  
Order - Dr. Maguire to be so informed.

22<sup>nd</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup> 1900. From Dr. Maguire, Medical Officer, in reply to Clerk's inquiry, stating that he was in the Spid-  
al Dispensary District on the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> but not on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup>; that he was not doing duty on



on either the 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> owing to illness, but he promised the Relieving Officer on the 4<sup>th</sup> that he would, if possible, attend to urgent cases, and if unable to attend would let him know.

25<sup>th</sup> Dec: 1900. From Dr. J. C. Dowling of Tuam, certifying that Dr. Glynn, Medical Officer of the Turloughmore Dispensary District, is convalescing after an attack of fever but will not be able to resume duty for at least three weeks from date.

27<sup>th</sup> Dec: 1900. From Dr. Donnelly, Medical Officer of the Moycullen Dispensary District, enclosing his red tickets which he requests the Guardians to cancel because their recipients are in very comfortable circumstances and frequently paid him fees.

Order - To be informed that the Guardians decline to cancel the tickets as they are satisfied that the recipients are not in comfortable circumstances.

8<sup>th</sup> Jan. 1901. From Dr. Waters, Acting Medical Officer in the Turloughmore Dispensary District, informing the Guardians of an outbreak of fever in the townland of Slievefin in the District; that it is confined to a family named Hession; 7 members being in fever, all of whom have been conveyed to the Fever Hospital.

J. Morris  
Chairman

Next Meeting of the Guardians to be held on Wednesday, the 16<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1901.

Signature, Robt. J. Mullery,  
Clerk of Union.

Population in 1891—38,719.

Present Net Annual Value, £66,789.

STATE of the Workhouse for the week ending Saturday, the 12<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1901.

Number of Inmates for which accommodation is provided.	No. that can be accommodated in each building.	Tot. No. in each building on the above date.	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 9 and under 9 years of age.	Children above 9 and under 5 years of age.	Infants under 2 years of age.	TOTAL.	RETURN OF SICK AND LUNATICS.		OBSERVATIONS.	
			Males	Fem.	Males	Fem.	Boys	Girls					Number in Hospital on the above date.	No. of Lunatics and Idiots in Workhouse on the above date.		
Workhouse	816	304														
Temporary Buildings	222	30														
Permanent Fever Hospital	44	11														
TOTAL	1082	345														
Remaining on previous Saturday, as per last Return			4	16	113	130	20	6	27	9	11	336	Under Medical treatment in Infirmary Wards, 9	In separate Wards 9		
Admitted during the week			9	4	10	5	3	1	2	2	4	40	Under Medical treatment in Fever Hospital 12	In Wards with other inmates 9		
TOTAL			13	20	123	135	23	7	29	11	15	376	TOTAL 21	TOTAL 9		
Discharged during the Week			8	2	5	4	2	1	2	1	3	28				
Died					1	2						3				
Total Discharged and Dead			8	2	6	6	2	1	2	1	3	31				
REMAINING ON THE ABOVE DATE			5	7	11	12	21	6	27	10	12	345				
													No at corresponding period last year.		360	

RETURN of DESTITUTE PERSONS relieved out of the Workhouse, as by Relief Lists, for the last Week ended Saturday, the 12<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1901, authenticated and laid before the Board of Guardians at this Meeting.

Relief Districts.	Destitute Persons relieved out of the Workhouse (under 10 Vic. c. 31 s. 1.)		Destitute Persons relieved out of the Workhouse (but not comprised in sec. 1.)		Total relieved out of the Workhouse.		Relief Districts.	Destitute Persons relieved out of the Workhouse (under 10 Vic. c. 31, s. 1.)		Destitute Persons relieved out of the Workhouse (but not comprised, c. 31, s. 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.	136	222			136	222	Bgt. forward	171	266			171	266
No. II.	19	24			19	24	No. IV.	32	40			32	40
No. III.	16	20			16	20	No. V.	9	12			9	12
							No. VI.	27	41			27	41
Car. forwd.	171	266			171	266	TOTAL.	239	359			239	359

COPY OF MINUTES of Proceedings of the Board of Guardians, at a Meeting held on Wednesday the 16<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1901.

PRESENT: In the Chair—James Morris Esq.  
Other Guardians:—

Col. J. O'Hara, Dr. Messrs J. O'Donohoe, G. Morris, B. J. Burke, M. Fallon, C. J. Lee, P. Curran, and Patrick Costello.

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and signed.



(FORM 1A).

### FINANCIAL MINUTES.

The following Relief Registers were produced, examined, and authenticated by the signature of the Chairman and counter-signature of the Clerk.

Indoor, from No 3315 to No 3361

Separate ,, No 31 to No 31

Out-door ,, No 519 to No 520

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

The following Books were submitted 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 Indoor Relief List.
2. The Provision Check Account.
3. The Provision Receipt and Consumption Account.

The Weekly Abstract of the Account of Provisions and Necessaries for the week ending Saturday, the 12<sup>th</sup> day of January 1907 was submitted, of which the following is a summary:—

	Stock in Hand at close of preceding week		Received during the week		Consumed during the week.			Stock in hand at close of this week.		Collective No. of Days.																
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.													
Provisions ...	28	7	1	72	12	2	10	19	3	5	10	3	6	8	2	6	5	7	8	5	3	5	0	10	2378	
Necessaries ...	8	11	0	16	4	8	24	15	8	14	15	1	17	0	15	2	1	9	3	7						
Total ...	36	18	1	88	76	10	25	14	11	74	5	4	7	5	2	8	1	0	6	4	4	4	5			

The General Average Cost of an Inmate for the week was ... .. 4: 4<sup>4</sup>  
 Average Cost of Infirmary ... .. 5: 7<sup>4</sup>  
 Average Cost in Fever Hospital ... .. 17: 9

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

1. The Clothing Materials and Conversion Book.
2. The Clothing Receipt Book.
3. The Inventory Book.
4. The Labour Book.
5. The Workhouse Farm Account.
6. The Out-door Relief Order Book.
7. The Medical Weekly Return.
8. The Out-door Admission and Discharge Book.
9. The In-door Admission and Discharge Book.

The Out-door Relief Lists, Application and Report Books, Order Check Books for Out-door Relief in kind, and 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 Accounts of the several Relieving Officers for the last Week ending Saturday the 12<sup>th</sup> day of January 1907 was submitted as follows:—

	Relieving Officer.	Relieving Officer	Relieving Officer	Relieving Officer	Relieving Officer	Relieving Officer	Total.	
	O'SULLIVAN District No. I.	O'FLAHERTY District No. II.	McNEILL District No. III.	MARTYN District No. IV.	KYNE District No. V.	CULLINAN District No. VI.	£	s. d.
1. Balance in hand at close of previous week ...	610	113	112	456	270	215	20	115
2. Money since advanced by Guardians ...	2000	500	500	1000		1200	5200	
3. Total to be accounted for ...	2610	1139	612	1456	270	1415	72	115
EXPENDITURE.								
4. Out-door Relief ordered by the Board—								
In Money	830	496	140	340	116	2126	17	146
In Kind								
5. Provisional Relief (in kind only), given by Relieving Officer on his own responsibility	129	20						149
6. Orphans and Deserted Children boarded out ...	40							140
7. Total Relief given	9199	1116	140	340	246	2126	19	333
8. Balance in hands at close of the week ...	16112	723	5810	1116	1156	11871	53	82
9. Total	261011	8139	61210	1456	270	141572	115	



**FINANCIAL MINUTES.**

(For Stated Finance Meeting only).

Stated Finance Meeting held the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 190

The Financial Statement Book of Receipts was produced, examined, and authenticated, by the signature of the Chairman and the counter-signature of the Clerk, showing the sums which has been received in the month of \_\_\_\_\_, and the Leger entries to be made in respect of same as follows:—

	DR.			CR.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Dr. Treasurer :—						
Total Amount of Lodgments						
Cr. County Council, Money supplied on demand of Guardians						
Cr. Repayment of Relief						
Cr. Rents of Dispensary Residences						
Cr. Farm Account—Sales of Farm Produce						
Cr. Sales of Offal, old stores, and other Receipts						
Cr. Loans received						
Total as above						

The Financial Statement Book of Expenditure was produced, examined and authenticated by the signature of the Chairman and the counter-signature of the Clerk, showing the sums which had been ordered for payment at the Finance Stated Meeting held on the above-mentioned day, being in respect of expenses for the period ending the last day of the preceeding month, and the Ledger entries to be made in respect of same as follows:—

	DR.			CR.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Dr. Sundry Accounts, viz :—						
Provisions and Necessaries						
Clothing and Bedding						
Establishment						
Salaries—						
(a.) Establishment						
(b.) Workhouse Farm						
(c.) Medical Charities						
Workhouse Farm						
Workhouse Burials						
Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages, and of Vaccination						
Relieving Officers' Accounts—Outdoor Relief						
Maintenance in Extern Institutions						
Emigration, Law and other Expenses						
Superannuation Allowances						
Repayment of Loans						
Repayment of Advances under Seed Supply Acts						
Unpaid Bills of last half-year						
Expenditure out of Loans						
Cr. Treasurer						
Total Amount of Orders issued						

Summary and Reconciliation of Treasurer's Account for the month ending the last day of \_\_\_\_\_ 190 including payments made at the Stated Finance Meeting held on this day.

	Ordinary Account			Loans Account.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<b>SUMMARY.</b>						
Balance (if any) due by Treasurer as per last monthly statement						
Total sums received during the month						
Total						
Balance (if any) due to Treasurer as per last monthly statement						
Payments ordered at this meeting						
Total						
Net Balance due Treasurer (being difference of above Totals)						
<b>RECONCILEMENT.</b>						
Balance per Bank Book due Treasurer						
Outstanding Orders (including those issued at this meeting)						
Net Balance as above due—Treasurer						

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



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HOSPITAL REPORTS.

WORKHOUSE.		FEVER HOSPITAL.	
Admitted during the Week...	19	Admitted during the Week ...	9
Discharged ...	13	Discharged ...	1
Died ...	1	Died ...	0
Remaining ...	89	Remaining ...	19

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

I received 16 chests of Tea from the contractor on Thursday last, and sent samples to the Analyst.

The barges of the gables of the house at the end of the farm need some repairs, consideration deferred to next meeting.

The estimate of petty requirements for the Workhouse was examined and orders were issued on Contractors.

Workhouse Medical Officer.

"Required for a patient in Hospital a paroplastic jacket as per design herewith.  
(Signed) N. J. W. Colahan."

Ordered.

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

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 follows:—

53699/1900. } Acknowledging the receipt of replies to their  
9th Jan'y. '01 } inquiries respecting the appointment of Miss Kate Corless as nurse in the Workhouse, and the Board approve of the appointment on the terms specified, namely, at a salary of £50 a year with rations.

The Guardians beg to observe that as Miss Corless is ranked as a Trained Nurse, they will claim recoupment of half the salary paid to her since her appointment on the 5th September last.

66306/1900. } Stating for the information of the Guardians, that  
18th Jan'y. '01 } having regard to the infectious nature of Pulmonary Tuberculosis (Consumption), it is highly desirable, in the opinion of the L. G. Board, that provision should be made in Workhouse Infirmeries



firmaries for the treatment of persons suffering from this disease in separate wards - that is to say, wards to which patients otherwise affected are not admitted; and requesting that the Guardians will give this matter their early and careful consideration.

The Inspectors of the L. G. Board have from time to time called attention to this matter, and the Guardians are now most strongly advised by the Board to ~~take~~ <sup>have</sup> steps taken to isolate consumptive patients. It is requested that the Guardians will obtain a report - in writing from the Medical Officer of the Workhouse, in which he should state what steps he has taken, or now proposes to take, in this direction, and also what precautions are being adopted in the wards to guard against the spread of infection.

*Order. The Medical Officers of the Workhouse to be called upon to furnish reports, in writing, as requested.*

73.617/1900. Referring to Minutes of the 12<sup>th</sup> ult. and  
15<sup>th</sup> Jan'y '01. Stating that Mr. H. J. Keaven's resignation as a Rural District Councillor should be addressed to the L. G. Board.

*On receipt of Mr. Keaven's notice of resignation the Clerk informed him he should address his resignation to the L. G. Board.*

*Order. Intimation to this effect to be again given to Mr. Keaven.*

8<sup>th</sup> Jan'y '01. Notice of the transfer of the sum of £2466.7.9 from the County Fund to the credit of the Union Account with the Treasurer.

9<sup>th</sup> Jan'y '01. From the Secretary, Office of Public Works, Dublin, stating that the Lords Commissioners of H. M. Treasury have sanctioned a loan of £460 to the Guardians for the purpose of a steam boiler for cooking, &c. in the Workhouse. The loan is to be repaid in 15 years with interest at the rate of 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>% per annum, and will be issued in 2 instalments. Forwarding a Receivable Order for the sum of £1-1-0 to meet expenses which should be lodged forthwith.

*Order. The Clerk to lodge the amount forthwith as requested without waiting for next Finance Day.*

9<sup>th</sup> Jan'y '01. From same, calling attention to Section 5 of the Public Works Loans Act, 1897 (60 & 61 Vic. Ch. 57).  
*Noted.*

16<sup>th</sup> Jan'y '01. From the Head Nurse, Workhouse Infirmary, stating in reply to Guardians' inquiry at last meeting that the services of the two nurses are urgently needed at present, more especially as the services of the maternity nurse are likely to be required exclusively in the lying-in Ward at any moment.

D. Colohan, Workhouse Medical Officer, came before the Board and stated that if leave of absence be allowed Nurse McEam just now, it



it will be necessary to provide a substitute.  
*Consideration of Nurse McEamus' application  
 for leave of absence deferred for a fortnight.*

16th Aug. 01. From Mr Bradshaw, Workhouse Porter, stating that if he be required to disinfect all the clothes of the patients in the Fever Hospital, in addition to clothing brought in for disinfection it will be extra duty of a dangerous nature for which he trusts the Guardians will suitably remunerate him.

Resolved - That Major Redledge-Fair, L. G. Inspector be requested to meet the Workhouse Medical Officers and a Committee of the Guardians, to arrange for the proper disinfection of the clothing, bedding, &c. of fever patients, both indoor and out-door, and the storage of clothing, &c. awaiting disinfection.

The following Guardians were appointed members of the Committee, viz: Messrs - J. Morris, C. J. Burke, P. Curran, and C. J. Lee.

Mr Bradshaw's application was referred to this Committee for consideration and report.

Moved by Mr C. J. Lee, seconded by Col. O'Hara and unanimously

Resolved - That we are strongly opposed to the Bill promoted by the Great Southern & Western Railway for the purpose of obtaining running powers over the main line of the Midland &c. as these powers are not sought bona fide in the public interest, and granting them would be

an injury to Galway and the Port of Galway, and unduly weaken the Midland Great Western,

Resolved - That the estimate of the Rate required to meet the expenditure of the Union for the year ending 31st March, 1902, be considered at meeting on the 30th inst. and a demand for the amount estimated be forwarded to the County Council to provide for it.  
 That notice to this effect be given to each Guardian.

The Clerk expressed a desire to enter into a new Bond for £200, which would include his duties as Clerk of the Galway Rural District Council, as well as Clerk of the Board of Guardians, his surties being, Mr Austin Lough, Wood Quay, Galway, Builder, &c. and Dr Nicholas Gready, Physician, Surgeon, and Apothecary, Galway.

*The Guardians expressed complete approval of the proposed arrangement.*

Order, A table for the use of the members of the local Press, to be provided in the Board Room, 12ft long, and 2ft in width



13 GALWAY UNION.

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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.:

Table with 2 columns of dispensary districts and their respective defaulters. Includes Galway, No. 1, Oranmore, Spiddal, Tourloughmore, and Moycullen.

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

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Table listing various relief statistics such as 'The number of provisional admissions to the Workhouse confirmed was' and 'The number of Applicants admitted to the Workhouse was' with corresponding numerical values.

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 Election).

An Estimate of Medicines, &c., required by the Medical Officer of the Moycullen Dispensary District, was laid before the Board and directions were given thereon as follows:-

Ordered of Contractors,

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 reported that he had forwarded a Copy to the Medical Officer in the District, retaining a Copy of the Invoice for the use of the Guardians.



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Dispensary Districts.

£ s. d.

Reports Form H.

Drammore -	13 cases of successful vaccination between the dates 9-10-1900, and 25-12-1900.	1	6	0
Spiddal -	31 cases between the dates 4-10-1900, and 29-11-1900.	3	2	0

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Read Letter from \_\_\_\_\_  
stating that

dated \_\_\_\_\_

10<sup>th</sup> Jan'y 01. From Mrs. M. McCarthy, formerly Miss M. Bligh, tendering her resignation of the office of Midwife of the Galway Dispensary District - as she has been appointed Midwife in the Athlery Dispensary District of the Longhrea Union, stating as she is required to take up duty in the Athlery District on the 1<sup>st</sup> prox, she trusts the Guardians will allow her to do so.  
*Resignation accepted. To be informed that the Guardians will not object to her leaving on the 1<sup>st</sup> prox.*

Moved by Mr. B. J. Burke, seconded by Mr. J. O'Donohoe, and unanimously Resolved - That inasmuch as since the appointment of a Midwife for the Galway Dispensary District on the 8<sup>th</sup> January, 1900, (which was the first appointment to that office) her services have been availed of by Dispensary patients on three occasions only, we consider it would be incurring unnecessary expense to proceed to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Nurse McCarthy.

D. Glynn, Medical Officer of the Turloughmore Dispensary District attended the meeting and informed the Guardians that he has to-day resumed duty after leave of absence.



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STATE of the Workhouse for the week ending Saturday, the 19th day of January 1901.

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Admitted during the week			15	5	6	14	1	3	5	1	2	52	Under Medical treatment in Fever Hospital	18	In Wards with other Inmates	1
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>20</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>397</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9</b>
Discharged during the Week			14	4	6	8	1		1	1	2	37	NIGHT LODGERS OR CASUALS.			
Died						1						1	No. Relieved during week	13	Fe. males.	4
Total Discharged and Dead			14	4	6	9	1		1	1	2	38	No. in Workhouse at date.	4	Children under 15	
REMAINING ON THE ABOVE DATE			6	9	117	134	20	9	32	9	13	359	No at corresponding period last year.		TOTAL.	374

RETURN of DESTITUTE PERSONS relieved out of the Workhouse, as by Relief Lists, for the last Week ended Saturday, the 19th day of January 1901, authenticated and laid before the Board of Guardians at this Meeting.

Relief Districts	Destitute Persons relieved out of the Workhouse (under 10 Vic. c. 31 s. 1.)		Destitute Persons relieved out of the Workhouse (but not comprised in sec. 1.)		Total relieved out of the Workhouse.		Relief Districts	Destitute Persons relieved out of the Workhouse (under 10 Vic. c. 31, s. 1.)		Destitute Persons relieved out of the Workhouse (but not comprised, c. 31, s. 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.	138	232			138	232	Bgt. forward	174	277			174	277
No. II.	20	25			20	25	No. IV.	32	40			32	40
No. III.	16	20			16	20	No. V.	10	13			10	13
							No. VI.	28	42			28	42
Car. forwd.	174	277			174	277	TOTAL.	244	372			244	372

COPY OF MINUTES of Proceedings of the Board of Guardians, at a Meeting held on Wednesday the 23rd day of January 1901

PRESENT: In the Chair—Thomas McDonogh Esq. J.P.  
Other Guardians:—

Messrs M. Melia, Cannon, W. Walsh, W. Cunningham, J. Grealy, C. J. Burke, W. Gardiner, M. Fallon, C. J. Lee, M. Wallace, and J. W. French.

Majors R. Cottle and Fair, L. G. Inspector attended.

*Thomas McDonogh*

Next Meeting of the Guardians to be held on Wednesday, the 23rd day of January 1901.  
Signature, *Robert Muller*  
Clerk of Union.

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and signed.



(FORM 1A).

## FINANCIAL MINUTES.

The following Relief Registers were produced, examined, and authenticated by the signature of the Chairman and counter-signature of the Clerk.

Indoor, from No 3362 to No 3406  
 Separate ,, No 32 to No 32  
 Out-door ,, No 521 to No 531

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

The following Books were submitted 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 Indoor Relief List.
2. The Provision Check Account.
3. The Provision Receipt and Consumption Account.

The Weekly Abstract of the Account of Provisions and Necessaries for the week ending Saturday, the 19th day of January 1901 was submitted, of which the following is a summary :-

	Stock in Hand at close of preceding week		Total	Consumed during the week.			Stock in hand at close of this week.		Collective No. of Days.													
	£	s.		d.	By		Total	£		s.	d.											
					Inmates	Officers																
Provisions ...	35	0	10	65	16	10	100	17	8	62	8	3	6	8	4	68	16	7	32	11	2448	
Necessaries ...	9	3	7	14	11	10	23	15	5	14	17	8	17	0	15	4	8	8	0	9		
Total ...	44	4	5	80	8	8	124	13	1	77	5	11	7	5	4	84	11	3	40	11		

The General Average Cost of an Inmate for the week was ... : 4: 5  
 Average Cost of Infirmary ... : 5: 8  
 Average Cost in Fever Hospital ... : 17: 10

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

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| 1. The Clothing Materials and Conversion Book. | 6. The Out-door Relief Order Book.            |
| 2. The Clothing Receipt Book.                  | 7. The Medical Weekly Return.                 |
| 3. The Inventory Book.                         | 8. The Out-door Admission and Discharge Book. |
| 4. The Labour Book.                            | 9. The In-door Admission and Discharge Book.  |
| 5. The Workhouse Farm Account.                 |   |

The Out-door Relief Lists, Application and Report Books, Order Check Books for Out-door Relief in kind, and 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 Accounts of the several Relieving Officers for the last Week ending Saturday the 19th day of January 1901 was submitted as follows :-

	Relieving Officer	Relieving Officer	Relieving Officer	Relieving Officer	Relieving Officer	Relieving Officer	Total																			
	O'SULLIVAN	O'FLAHERTY	McNEILL	MARTYN	KYNE	CULLINAN																				
	District No. I.	District No. II.	District No. III.	District No. IV.	District No. V.	District No. VI.	£ s. d.																			
1. Balance in hand at close of previous week ...	16	11	2	7	2	3	5	8	10	11	1	6	1	5	6	11	8	2								
2. Money since advanced by Guardians ...																			5	0	0					
3. Total to be accounted for ...	16	11	2	7	2	3	5	8	10	11	1	6	6	5	6	11	8	11	5	8	2					
<b>EXPENDITURE.</b>																										
4. Out-door Relief ordered by the Board—																										
In Money	8	17	0	1	8	6	1	4	0	3	4	0	1	2	6	2	1	4	0	1	8	0	0			
In Kind																										
5. Provisional Relief (in kind only), given by Relieving Officer on his own responsibility																										
6. Orphans and Deserted Children boarded out ...																										
7. Total Relief given	9	8	0	1	1	6	1	4	0	3	4	0	5	1	2	6	2	1	4	0	2	3	1	4	0	
8. Balance in hands at close of the week ...	7	3	2	5	7	0	9	4	4	10	7	1	7	6	1	3	0	8	7	1	1	3	4	1	4	2
9. Total	16	11	2	7	2	3	5	8	10	11	1	6	6	5	6	11	8	11	5	8	2					



# FINANCIAL MINUTES.

(For Stated Finance Meeting only).

Stated Finance Meeting held the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 190

The Financial Statement Book of Receipts was produced, examined, and authenticated, by the signature of the Chairman and the counter-signature of the Clerk, showing the sums which has been received in the month of \_\_\_\_\_, and the Leger entries to be made in respect of same as follows:—

	DR.			CR.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Dr. Treasurer:—						
Total Amount of Lodgments						
Cr. County Council, Money supplied on demand of Guardians						
Cr. Repayment of Relief						
Cr. Rents of Dispensary Residences						
Cr. Farm Account—Sales of Farm Produce						
Cr. Sales of Offal, old stores, and other Receipts						
Cr. Loans received						
Total as above						

The Financial Statement Book of Expenditure was produced, examined and authenticated by the signature of the Chairman and the counter-signature of the Clerk, showing the sums which had been ordered for payment at the Finance Stated Meeting held on the above-mentioned day, being in respect of expenses for the period ending the last day of the preceeding month, and the Ledger entries to be made in respect of same as follows:—

	DR.			CR.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Dr. Sundry Accounts, viz:—						
Provisions and Necessaries						
Clothing and Bedding						
Establishment						
Salaries—						
(a.) Establishment						
(b.) Workhouse Farm						
(c.) Medical Charities						
Workhouse Farm						
Workhouse Burials						
Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages, and of Vaccination						
Relieving Officers' Accounts—Outdoor Relief						
Maintenance in Extern Institutions						
Emigration, Law and other Expenses						
Superannuation Allowances						
Repayment of Loans						
Repayment of Advances under Seed Supply Acts						
Unpaid Bills of last half-year						
Expenditure out of Loans						
Cr. Treasurer						
Total Amount of Orders issued						

Summary and Reconciliation of Treasurer's Account for the month ending the last day of \_\_\_\_\_ 190 including payments made at the Stated Finance Meeting held on this day.

	Ordinary Account			Loans Account.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<b>SUMMARY.</b>						
Balance (if any) due by Treasurer as per last monthly statement						
Total sums received during the month						
Total						
Balance (if any) due to Treasurer as per last monthly statement						
Payments ordered at this meeting						
Total						
Net Balance due above Totals						
Treasurer (being difference of)						
<b>RECONCILEMENT.</b>						
Balance per Bank Book due						
Treasurer						
Outstanding Orders (including those issued at this meeting)						
Net Balance as above due—Treasurer						

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



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HOSPITAL REPORTS.

WORKHOUSE.		FEVER HOSPITAL.	
Admitted during the Week...	27	Admitted during the Week ...	1
Discharged ...	12	Discharged ...	2
Died ...	1	Died ...	0
Remaining ...	103	Remaining ...	18

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

By direction of Dr. Colahan, Workhouse Medical Officer, I purchased a suit of clothes for John Lydon, a patient in the Fever Hospital, whose clothes were burned, cost incurred £1.7.0.

*The Guardians approved*

Please order the sale of old clothing, oil casks, tea lead, bones, and old metal.

*Ordered.*

Martin Vester, Porter of the Fever Hospital died on the 17<sup>th</sup> inst. His son, J. J. Vester is acting *pro. tem.*

*Resolved, That Mr. Joseph J. Vester be employed as temporary Porter till a new appointment be made, at a remuneration at the rate of £20 a year with rations.*

*That we advertise for a Porter at a salary of £20 a year with rations. Appointment to be made at meeting on the 6<sup>th</sup> prox.*

Fever Hospital Nurse.

The following garments belonging to fever patients have been burned by order of the Medical Officer, 3 chemises, 1 infants shirt, 2 petticoats, 1 child's dress, 2 children's petticoats, 2 women's jackets.

*Order - New garments to be supplied.*

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

After the Relieving Officers' Books were read, Mr. M. Cunningham moved - That having learned of the death of Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen, as a mark of respect, this meeting will stand adjourned for a week.

The motion was seconded by Mr. M. Wallace.

A negative amendment was moved by Mr. M. Melia and seconded by Mr. P. Cannon.

Mr. Cunningham expressed a desire to withdraw his motion as it would not be carried unanimously, and he was allowed to withdraw it.

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 follows:—

1901.

20<sup>th</sup> Jan'y.

From Major Rutledge, Fair, L. G. Inspector, stating that he has important engagements up to Thursday next, but will be glad to meet the Workhouse Medical Officers and the Committee at the Workhouse at 2.30 o'clock on that date.

*The Clerk informed the Guardians that he had sent notices to the Workhouse Medical Officers and the members of the Committee appointed by the Guardians at meeting on the 16<sup>th</sup> inst., of the time Major Rutledge Fair had appointed to meet them.*

22<sup>nd</sup> Jan'y.

From the Under Secretary of State, acknowledging the receipt of Clerk's letter of the 18<sup>th</sup> inst. regarding the wife and children



1901.

children of John Monahan, Cornaught-Rangers, and stating that the subject is being investigated.

22<sup>nd</sup> Jan'y. From the Analyst, stating that the 16 specimens of tea sent to him are equal in every respect to the Contract sample, and have a good flavour.

23<sup>rd</sup> Jan'y. From Mr. P. O'Sullivan, Relieving Officer, submitting for the approval of the Guardians the name of Mr. Patrick Corcoran of Abbey-gate St. Galway, as one of his sureties, in lieu of his father recently deceased.  
*Approved.*

23<sup>rd</sup> Jan'y. From Dr. Colahan and Lyden, Workhouse Medical Officers, stating that the suggestion of the L. G. Board with reference to the isolation of consumptive patients is one of vital importance to the non-consumptive patients admitted to the Workhouse Hospital. Therefore consumptive patients were treated in the ordinary wards - male and female - and were surrounded with all precautions possible under such conditions. But there is no means in the Hospital at present of carrying out the suggestion of the L. G. Board with regard to thorough isolation of consumptives.  
*Referred to the Committee appointed to meet at the Workhouse tomorrow.*

1901.

24<sup>th</sup> Jan'y. Notice of the deportation of a pauper named James Sweeney, from West-Derby Union to Galway Workhouse.

Notice of Motion.

"I beg to give notice that I will move on this day fortnight that the Guardians of this Union get notice of all contracts to be considered for the future."  
23-1-1901, (Signed) "Patrick Cannon."

"I beg to give notice that on this day fortnight I will move, or some Guardian will move on my behalf, that the Engineer's recommendation of repairs necessary to prevent dampness in portion of the Workhouse Building, the cost of which he estimates at about £25, be considered."  
23-1-1901, (Signed) "Martin Cunningham."



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GALWAY UNION.

Medical Charities Act (14 & 15 Vic. Cap. 68), Vaccination Acts and  
Dispensary Houses Act.

These Reports are  
to be made up and for-  
warded 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.:

Galway, No. 1, _____ defaulters.	Oranmore, _____ defaulters.
do. 2, _____ do.	Spiddal, _____ do.
do. 3, _____ do.	Tourloughmore, _____ do.
Moycullen, _____ do.	

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

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	...	...	...	42
Ditto disallowed	...	...	...	0
The number of Applicants admitted to the Workhouse was	...	...	...	42
The number of cases of provisional Out-door Relief was	...	...	...	0
Do in which Relief was continued by the Guardians	...	...	...	0
The number of other Applicants in the Relieving Officers' Books relieved by order of the Guardians was	...	...	...	0
The number of Applicants for whom relief was not ordered, was	...	...	...	0

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 Election).

An Estimate of Medicines, &c., required by the Medical Officer of  
the \_\_\_\_\_ Dispensary District, was laid before the Board  
and directions were given thereon as follows:—

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 reported that he had  
forwarded a Copy to the Medical Officer in the District, retaining a Copy of the Invoice for the use of  
the Guardians.



The following Accounts of Expenses (or Statements 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):

1900,

Dispensary Districts.

22<sup>nd</sup> Jan'y, Letter from D. Kirwan, Medical Officer of the Craunmore Dispensary District, informing the Guardians that the drugs in his Dispensary are in a sad way for want of fires. That some complaints have already been sent in by patients as regards powders. If left without heat for some time longer he fears over £100 worth will be seriously damaged. That the Dispensary Porter wrote concerning this about the 28<sup>th</sup> Dec. 1900 and as yet no answer has been received. That the weather has been and is, of a very damp nature, so he trusts there shall be no delay.

The Clerk informed the Guardians that in compliance with the direction given by them on the 19<sup>th</sup> ult., he sent an order to the Contractor to deliver a ton of coals to the Craunmore Dispensary; that he received an invoice therefor dated the 20<sup>th</sup> ult.

The Contractor for coals came before the Guardians and explained that on the 19<sup>th</sup> ult. he received an order from D. Kirwan for a ton of coals for his private account, and when the order for the ton of coals to the Dispensary was received, it was taken by his Clerk as covering D. Kirwan's order. He expressed regret at the mistake made, and promised to deliver the ton of coals to the Dispensary at once,

£ s. d.

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 were made on them respectively as follows):

Read Letter from L. G. B. No. 2144/1901, dated 22<sup>nd</sup> Jan'y, stating that

referring to Minutes of the 9<sup>th</sup> inst., and enclosing for the Guardians' information a copy of a letter which the Board have this day addressed to D. Kirwan, Medical Officer of the Craunmore Dispensary District, in reference to his conduct in proceeding on vacation without having made any arrangements for the discharge of his duties during his absence.

The letter is to the following effect:

That D. Kirwan was absent from his District from the morning of the 24<sup>th</sup> ult. until the afternoon of the 28<sup>th</sup> ult., and that no arrangements were made for the discharge of his duties as Medical Officer during that period.

That on the 19<sup>th</sup> ult. he applied for leave of absence for the period in question, and informed the Guardians that having spoken to Dr.

Brereton he was certain Dr. Brereton could attend any urgent calls that might arise during his absence. The Guardians on this understanding granted the leave sought.

Dr. Brereton, however, on the 22<sup>nd</sup> ult., informed the Clerk of the Union that D. Kirwan had no authority to put his name before the Guardians, as D. Kirwan had made no arrangement with him to do duty for him.

That nevertheless D. Kirwan proceeded on leave on the 24<sup>th</sup> ult.

Before deciding what action they will take in this matter, the Board will be prepared to consider