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Irish Union

At a Meeting of the Board of Guardians held on Monday the 12th February 1844.

Present.

Michael Joseph Browne Esq in the Chair.

Guardians.

Ex Officio.

- John A. Kirwan
- Martin S. Kirwan
- James Kirwan Esq

Electors.

- John F. Browne
- Richard Savage
- John O'Haherty
- John Kilkelly
- Walter J. Blake
- Francis Wacke
- Connor Kelly.
- Dominick Sully.
- Richard Kelly
- Patrick Kelly.

The Minutes of the last Meeting having been read.

Read a Letter from the Poor Law Commissioners Dated Dublin 30th January 1844.

Sir,
I am directed by the Poor Law Commissioners to acknowledge the receipt of Answers to Inquiries, respecting the appointment of Mr Patrick Joyce as Collector of Poor Rates in the Tuam Union, at a remuneration of 9^s in the £. on the amount collected and the Commissioners sanction the appointment.

I am Sir
Your obedient Servant
A. Moore
Chief Clerk

To the Clerk
To the Board of Guardians
of the Tuam Union.

The Clerk Reports that Stephen Hession and William Lynchkey Sureties for Edward Browne Poor Rate Collector for the Kilbannon and Lisgeany Electoral Divisions, refuses to perfect their Bonds.

Read a Circular from Lord Devon Chairman of the Poor Commissioners addressed to the Chairman of the Board of Guardians.

Resolved. That the Letter of Lord Devon be taken into consideration the next day of meeting.

Read the following Report from the Committee appointed for taking into consideration what remuneration the Porter is entitled to get in consequence of not having received clothes and rations according to his original contracts.

John S. Keenan Esq. in the Chair.

Resolved - That we recommend the sum of Ten pounds Sterling per annum be allowed the Porter in lieu of Rations, from the day his salary commences, until the time the Work House will open for the reception of the destitute Poor, and that the sum of Five pounds Sterling be allowed him for clothes &c.

John W. Keenan Chairman

John Francis Browne

Richard Savage.

Proposed by John F. Browne Esq.
Seconded by Richard Savage Esq.

Resolved

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Resolved. That the Reports of the Committee now read be adopted, and that the sum of Ten Pounds Sterling be allowed the Porter Annually for Rations from the day his Salary commences, until the Work House will open for the reception of Destitute Poor, and that the sum of Five Pounds Sterling be also allowed him in lieu of Clothes.

Read a Memorial to the Government (a Copy of which I enclose) requesting that they would send Military to occupy the Work House in order that this Locality may benefit by it.

Resolved. That the Chairman be requested to forward the Memorial to Government.
Martin S. Kirwan Esqe Blindecwell sends Mr Blakes Notice of Motion, for next day of Meeting.

Resolved. That a Cheque be drawn on our Treasurer, favor of Mr John Hopkins for Eighty Pounds Sterling, for two years Salary ending 30th December 1843.

Resolved. That the next Meeting of this Board be held on Monday the 14th March 1844.

Michael Jos Browne.
John S Kirwan.
John F. Browne.

John Hopkins
Clerk of the Union.

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Irish Union

At a Meeting of the Board of Guardians held on Monday the 14th March 1844.

Present.

John S. Kirwan Esqe in the Chair.

Guardians

Ex Officio.

Elects.

Thos. O'Connell
Martin S. Kirwan
Edward Blake Esqes.

John F. Browne
Richard Kelly
Charles Blake Senior
Richard Savage
John Nolan
John Kilbilly
Michael Kelly
Connor Kelly
Denis Bodkin
Charles Blake Jun Esqes.

The Minutes of the last Meeting having been read -

Mr Hopkins the Clerk presented a certified List of qualified Candidates duly nominated for the office of Guardians, before the Board.

The Clerk presented an Account of John Massey for £0:7:0. for Seonces furnished for the use of the Work House =

Proposed by Charles Blake Esq.
 Seconded by Thos. O'Connell Esq.
Resolved, That a Cheque be drawn on our
 Treasurer favor Richard Kelly Esq. Proprietor
 Tuam Herald for Forty two pounds four
 Shillings Sterling being the amount of his
 account for advertisements and printing
 Collectors' Receipts &c &c said account
 having been passed by the Audit Committee
 Passed Unanimously -

Notice of Motion -

That I will on the next day of Meeting
 move, the appointment of a Committee
 to report what remuneration ought to be
 given Mr. John Davis Master of the
 Work House for rations.

John F. Browne.

Proposed by John F. Browne Esq.
 Seconded by Thos. O'Connell Esq.
Resolved, That a Cheque be drawn favor
 of Michael Browne, Porter, for fifteen pounds
 Sterling, being the amount voted him on
 last day of Meeting, in lieu of clothes
 and rations =

Cheques

Cheques were accordingly filled for
 Mr Kelly Proprietor of the Tuam Herald
 for £42:4:0. and one for Michael Browne
 Porter for £15:0:0 =

Proposed by Charles Blake Esq. Senr.
 Seconded by Thomas O'Connell Esq.
Resolved, That in order to facilitate the
 Payment of debts due by this Union to
 the different Contractors, an Clerk be
 directed to summon a full Board for that
 purpose.

Resolved That before the next day of
 Meeting of the Board, Circulars be sent to the
 Landlord Proprietors of the Union, informing
 them of the Resolution of the Board to
 discharge the amount of the Contracts, and
 requesting them to assist in paying a
 proportion

Resolved - That the next Meeting of the Board
 be held on Monday the 11th day of April 1844.

John W. Kirwan.
 John Francis Browne.
 Thos. O'Connell.

John Hopkins
 Clerk of the Union.

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Tuam Union

At a Meeting of the Board of
Guardians held on Monday the 1st
April 1844. —

Present

Michael Joseph Browne, Esq in the Chair

Guardians

Officio, Edward Blake
Thos. O. Donelan
John A. Kirwan
Robert Bodkin
James Kelly, Esq^r

Elected,

Richard Savage	John F. Browne
Charles Blake	James Ronan
Roderick J. Kealy	Chas. Blake, jun ^r
Richard Kelly	Seremiah Tully
John B. Lynch	Francis Blake
Mark J. Blake	Connor Kelly
Mich ^l John Browne	Patrick Kelly
	Mathew Mac Donagh Esq ^r

Mr. Edward Browne a Member of Ballinasloe
Board of Guardians was present. —

Proposed by Edward Blake Esq
Seconded by Acclamation.

Resolved,
That Michael Joseph Browne Esq
be elected Chairman to this Board for the
ensuing Year, ending March 1845.

Proposed by Thomas O'Connell Esq
Seconded by Jeremiah Tully Esq
Resolved That John A. Kirwan Esq, be
elected Vice Chairman to this Board.

Proposed by James Kirwan Esq
Seconded by Richard Savage Esq
Resolved That Charles Blake, Esq^r Sec^r,
be elected Deputy Vice Chairman to this Board.

The Minutes of the last Meeting having been
read, M. Hopkins laid before the Board
a certified Return of the Guardians of this Union.

Read a letter from the Poor Law Commissioners
N^o. 5159. D. 44. Dated Dublin
11th March 1844

On the subject of the intended subscription to pay the
several persons with whom the Board of Guardians
have contracted debts, And stating that the
proper mode for the Board of Guardians to

discharge themselves of the liabilities which
have been incurred is the collection of the Rate
which has been made on the rateable property
in the Union.

Lord Devon's letter was laid before the Board
Resolved That the following persons be
appointed, to be examined before the Land
Commission. Michael Joseph Browne,
Denis Kirwan, Michael Kelly, Charles
Blake and John Cunningham.

Give I hereby give notice that at the next
Meeting of this Board, I will submit a Resolution
to the following effect, - That it is the opinion
of this Board that in any alteration which may
be made in the Law of Landlord and Tenant
in Ireland, that half the Public Cops to which
the Tenant Class are now liable shall be
deducted by them out of the Rent payable
by them to their Landlords.

Jeremiah Tully

Resolved That the next Meeting of this Board
be held on Monday the 6th May 1844.

Mich^l Jos^{ph} Browne

John Fran^{cois} Browne

Richard Kelly

John Hopkins

Clerk of the Union.

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Tuam Union

At a Meeting of the Board of Guardians
held on Monday the 6th May 1864.

Present

Charles Blake, Esq^r in the Chair

Guardians

Esq^r Robert Bodkin Esq^r

Elected, Walter J. Blake

Richard Savage

Richard Kelly

Chas. Kyune

Mark J. Blake

Denis Kirwan

John Kilkelly

James Ronan

Jeremiah Tully

Michael Kelly

Connor Kelly

John B. Lynch, Esq^r

The Minutes of the last Meeting having been read

Read a letter from the Poor Law Commissioners
Dated, Dublin, 22nd April 1844

On the subject of the change made in
the Law by the Act which was passed
in the last Session of Parliament rendering
the Immediate Lessors of Tenements of
certain descriptions liable to be rated,
instead of the Occupiers thereof, in all
future Rates for the Relief of the Poor &c. &c.

Read a copy of a Circular addressed
to the Chairman of the Tuam Board
of Guardians, and copy of a Petition
from the Drogheda Board of Guardians
to the House of Commons praying that
House would relieve them from the
payment of the Instalments chargeable
upon the Union for the advances
made by the Government for
building the Workhouse, and to
charge the amount of such advances
upon the Consolidated Fund.

Read a letter from the Poor Law
Commissioners, of 9/93. D 44.

Dated Dublin

2nd May 1844.

Stating that they enclosed a copy
of a letter which they have received,
applying for payment of 1 1/2 years
rent for the site of the Workhouse,
due on the 25th March last, and
amounting to £15. 2. 10 1/4, and
giving notice of Ejectment in case
of nonpayment - and requesting that
the Guardians will pay the amount
due without delay.

Read also a letter from John Galbraith
for John Galway, referred to in the
Commissioners' letter.

Mr. Hopkins laid before the Board the
list of Candidates nominated for the
Electoral divisions, not filled, viz:

Electoral divisions	No. of Guardians	Name of Candidates	Name of Proposers.
Headford	1	None	None
Kilbannan	2	James Kirwan Esq	Martin S. Kirwan Esq
"	"	Nichl. G. Lynch Esq	Edward Blake Esq
Abbeey	1	Robert B. Foster Esq	Michael J. Bennett Esq
Monivea	1	None	None

Laid before the Board an Annual Report
of the Cow Park Institution.

Also a Report of the Committee of the
Peepal Association appointed to enquire into
the state of Joint Stock Banking in Ireland.

Read a letter from Thomas Brennan
one of the Contractors for the Workhouse
supplies demanding payment of the amount
of his claim &c, &c.

Read a letter from Michl. J. Browne Esq
Chairman, enclosing the Answer from the
Lord Lieutenant, in Answer to a
Memorial sent from this Board to
make the Workhouse a Barrack for
the Military.

Read a letter addressed to the Chairman
from Mr. Marrow, Attorney for Mr. Thom,

Read an Account of John Griffin, Esq
against the Union.

Mr. Tully saves his Notice of Motion
for next day of Meeting.

Resolved, That the next of this Board
be held on Monday the 3rd June 1844.

Charles Blake, Junr.

Jeremiah Tully.

Michl. Kelly.

John Hopkins
Clerk of the Union

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Irish Union

At a Meeting of the Board of Guardians
held on Monday the 3rd June 1844.

Present

C. J. Otway, Esq^{re}

Assistant Poor Law Commissioner

Charles Blake, Esq^{re} in the Chair

Guardians

Officio, Robert Bodkin, Esq^{re}

Elected,

John F. Browne

Richard Garage

Mark J. Blake

Walter J. Blake

Francis Blake

James Kirwan

Chas. Blake, Junr.

Jeremiah Tully

Michl. J. Lynch

Dominick J. Kealy

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Richard Kelly, Esq^{re}

The Minutes of the last Meeting
having been read.

Read a letter from the Poor Law Com^{rs}
N^o 171. M. 44. Dated Dublin

6th May 1844

Stating that Mr. Otway had been
instructed to take charge of the
Tuam Union &c.

Read a letter from the Poor Law Com^{rs}
N^o 7723. Q. 44. Dated Dublin

21st May 1844

Stating that they transmitted the
Returning Officers account of the expenses
attending the Election of Guardians in
March last for the Tuam Union,
Amount £5. 14: 0¹/₂ and requesting
that the amount would be paid the
Returning Officer.

Laid the Returning Officers account
before the Board.

Read a letter from James Morris
Solicitor demanding payment of
Mr. Thoms account amount £23-0-3
and £10-5-4 Costs.

Read a copy of a Petition from the
Guardians of the Middleton Union to the
House of Commons, praying, that a
drawback would be allowed them on
upon the quantities of Excisable Articles
consumed in the Hospital of the
Workhouse.

Mr. Braddell

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Read the appointment of George Brinks
Bradish, Charles Mathew, Thomas Murray
Esq^{rs} and Captain Richard Owen, R.N.
as Auditors of the several Poor Law
Unions in Ireland.

Read a letter from William Daniel of
Dublin demanding a remittance for the
amount due him a long time, Amt. £5. 2: 0,

Read a copy of a Resolution passed
at a special Meeting of the North
Dublin Union on the 17th April last.

The Clerk reports that he was
served with a Notice of Ejectment by
the Rev^d Mr. Galbraith for the Rent
due on the Workhouse site, which notice
after consulting some of the Guardians
he handed to Mr. Tully the Solicitor,
he also apprised the Poor Law Commissioners
and Mr. Otway the Assistant Commissioner
for this Union of the fact.

The Clerk Reports that Pat^r Joyce
Rate Collector of N^o 14, district and his
Sureties have perfected their Bond,

Proposed by Robert Baekin, Esq^r
Seconded by John F. Browne Esq^r
Resolved, That we cannot permit our
official connexion with Mr. Burke Assistant

Poor Law Commissioners to be dissolved without expressing our sincere approbation of his conduct while amongst us - as well from his kindness of manner as his desire to Co-operate with us in the discharge of our duties. -

The Resolution was put, and carried unanimously. -

To Mr. John Hopkins
Clerk of the Tuam Union,

Sir/ I hereby give notice that I will on the next day of Meeting, move, That a Resolution passed on the 18th December 1843, namely,

"That no Warrant be issued for the Collection of the Rates in any Electoral division, until Collectors are appointed for all the Electoral districts in this Union." be rescinded. -

John F. Browne.

Sir/ I hereby give notice that I will on the next day of Meeting of the Board of Guardians of this Union, Propose a Resolution that this Board Room shall be open to the public.

Dated this 3rd June 1844
Roderick J. Kealy.

To the Clerk of the Tuam Union,

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M. Browne gives notice for the consideration of the Board on the next day of Meeting, That he will move, That our Chairman be requested to communicate to the Landlord and Tenant Commission as the opinion of this Board - That if any alteration be made in the Law of Landlord and Tenant in Ireland it would be an advantage a Clause should be introduced, That half the Grand Jury Cess to which the Tenant Class are now liable should be legally deducted by the Tenant from the Rent payable by him to his Landlord on the principle of the Poor Rate
Proposed by John F. Browne Esq^r
Seconded by Jeremiah Tully Esq^r
Resolved,

That Advertisements be issued in the Tuam Herald Newspaper inviting Tenders from Rate Collectors for the districts in which no Collectors are appointed, namely N^o 2, district, comprising the Kilbannon and Lisgeavy Electoral divisions, and for N^o 5, district comprising the Electoral divisions of Killerran, Abbey, and Maninca at 9th with St.

Resolved, That the next Meeting of this Board be held on Monday the 1st July 1844.

Charles Blake
John Frank Browne
Jeremiah Tully

John Hopkins
Clerk of the Union.

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MINUTE BOOK.

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THE MINUTE BOOK, in which shall be entered all Letters received from or written to the Poor Law Commissioners, minutes of all monies received and paid, all orders and cheques given, all accounts examined and allowed, all salaries ordered to be paid, as well as all other business, proceedings, and transactions of the Board of Guardians, at any of their Meetings. The entries of money transactions, shall be afterwards posted in the Ledger, and a note of reference made in the margin of the Page in the Minute Book, to the folio in the Ledger to which they are so carried.

Order of the Poor Law Commissioners. —

R. Kelly



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held on Monday the 1st July 1844.

Present.

C. G. Otway Esq. Assistant Poor Law
Commissioner.

John A. Kirwan Esq. in the Chair.
Guardians.

Ex Officio

James Kirwan
Martin S. Kirwan
Thomas O'Connell
M. B. Birmingham Esq.

Elected.

John F. Browne
Richard Savage
John Nolan
James Ronan
Charles Blake, Junr.
Mark J. Blake
Dermot Donelan
Roderick J. Kealy
Michael G. Lynch
John Wick Kelly
Richard Kelly
Walter J. Blake
James Kirwan
Charles Blake
Pat. Kelly
Jeremiah Tully
Donk. Tully
John Lynch
Michael Kelly
Thomas Kelly Esq.

John Hopkins
Clerk of the Union