

Divisions until Collectors are appointed for all the Electoral divisions of this Union be rescinded

To which an amendment was Proposed by James Kirwan Esq G. 7 Secoded by Charles Blake Esq Esqr Resolved That no warrant be issued for the collection of the rate in any Electoral division until Collectors are appointed for all the Electoral divisions of this Union.

A division having taken place there appeared

For the amendment 12
Against 5

The Resolution was consequently lost

Read a letter from Laurence Mullen Esq Manager National Bank Duam stating that he would advance the money required.

Mr Hopkins the clerk was directed to endorse the Cheques already given on account of the valuation in accordance with the resolution of the Board passed on the 23^d Sept 1874

Notices

Notice of motion by Robert Bodkin Esq.

Mr Robert Bodkin gives notice that on the next day of meeting of this Board he will move that one shilling in the pound be given for the Collection of the rate for the two districts to which Collectors are not already appointed

Michael Joe Brome
Dermot Donelan
Patrick Kelly

John Hopkins
Clerk of the Union

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Tuam Union

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At an City Meeting of the Board of Guardians
held on Wednesday the 20th day of Nov 1844

Present

Charles Blake Esq in the Chair

Guardians

Ex officio	Elected
Martin S Kirwan	Chas Blake Junr
Tho O'Connell	James Kirwan B. W
James Kirwan Esq	Nich Savage
	Rod ^d J Kealy
	Monk J Blake
	Pat Kelly
	John F Browne
	Jeremiah Tully
	Nich Kelly
	John B Lynch Esq

Read the following requisition
Form A

To Mr John Hopkins
Clerk of the Guardians
of the Tuam Union

Sir We the undersigned being two or more
of the Guardians of the poor of the Tuam Union
Do hereby require an Extraordinary meeting of the
Guardians of said Union to be summoned to be
held at the Workhouse Tuam on Wednesday
the 20th day of November 1844 at 12 O'clock
in the forenoon to take into consideration two
Cm^d

Conditional orders served on the Clerk of the Union requiring the Guardians to shew Cause within six days from the service thereof why they have not borrowed the Sum of one hundred pounds and appointed Collectors to the Electoral divisions to which Collectors have not been appointed and issued warrants to the Collectors already appointed which Meeting you are requested to attend

Richd Savage
Connor Kelly
Pat^r Kelly
Richd Kelly

The Clerk in pursuance of such Requestion having duly summoned the members of the Board of Guardians

Read Copies of the Mandamus served on the Clerk on Monday the 18th instant.

Proposed by John F Browne Esq
seconded by Pat^r Kelly Esq

Resolved That in Compliance with the order of the Poor Law Commissioners that warrants be signed by the Chairman for the Immediate Collection of the Rate for the Electoral divisions to which Collectors have been appointed and also that we authorize the Commissioners to borrow the sum of one hundred pounds to enable them to pay for extra works, and to appoint

Collectors

Collectors for the districts to which Collectors have not been appointed.

To which an amendment was Proposed by James Kirwan Esq B. W.
seconded by Tho^s O'Connell Esq

Resolved That tho' we very much regret the nonattendance of the ass^{ts} Poor Law Comm^r Mr. O'way in not having attended any Meeting of this Board since the 26th of Aug^t last to explain to us for what purpose the sum of £100 should be borrowed to be laid out on the Work house That since from the respect we owe to the law we now resolve that the Comm^r be authorized to borrow the afo. £100 tho' we are thus in the dark as to what way it has been laid out on the work house.

A division having taken place there appeared for the amendment against

John B Lynch
Richd Kelly
Jeremiah Sweeney
Pat Kelly
Mark J Kealy Blake
Richd Savage
Es Kirwan B W
Chas Blake Jun^r
James Kirwan G. F
Tho O'Connell

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Mr Martin S. Kirwan and Chas Blake Sen
did not vote on the occasion

The amendment was consequently Carried
Proposed by Pat^m Keely Esq
Seconded by Tho O'Connell Esq
Resolved that in Compliance with the orders of
the poor Law Commr that warrants be signed
by the Chairman for the immediate Collection
of the rate for the Electoral divisions to
which Collectors have been appointed; on which
a Division having taken place there appeared
for the resolution

Pat^m Keely
Tho O'Connell

Against
John B Lynch
Rich^d Keely
Cormack Tully
Mark J Blake
Road J Kealy
Rich^d Savage
James Kirwan Esq
Chas Blake Junr
James Kirwan G. F
Martin S Kirwan
Chas Blake Senr

Proposed by Tho O'Connell Esq and Carried
Unanimously.

Resolved that a Conditional order being served
sued out against this Board and as we are
unanimously of opinion that our acts have been
misrepresented to the Court of Queen's Bench
we now draw and direct our Solicitor Mr

Tully to prepare affidavits and oppose said
order being made absolute not for the purpose
of opposing the law which we are anxious to
support but for the purpose of placing our acts
in the proper and true light before the Court

Chas Blake Senr Chairman
M. S. Kirwan
Geo Tully

John Hopkins
Clerk of the Union

J. H. H.

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Tuam Union

At a Meeting of the Board of Guardians held in
Monday the 25th November 1846.

Present.

Michael Joseph Brane Esq^r in the Chair
Guardians

Ex-officio

Collected

Robert Bodkin

Richard Savage

Thos^d & Donelan

Chas Blake Junr

James Kirwan Esq^r

Chas Blake Senr

Mark J Blake

James Kirwan B.M.

John Kilkelly

Robert J Kealy

James Ronan

Dermot Donelan

Blake Kelly

John Lynch

Denis Kirwan

Matthew M^o Donagh

George J Lynch

Walter J Blake Esquires

Read - Letter from the Poor Law Commissioners
stating that they transmitted two copies of their
Annual Report.

Read - Copies of Resolutions from the Cork,
Kilbarron, Ballyshannon, Scariff, Magherafelt,
Clogher, Omagh, Trillick, Antrim, Ballyglass
Listnaul

Listowel, Stranorlar, Ballymena, and Kenmare
Board of Guardians relative to the 1st Article
Commissioner's Order.

Read a Circular signed Edward Hawley Junr
Chairman of the Ballina Union, on Vaccination.

Read a Letter from Robert Gordet agent to
the Royal Exchange Fire and Life Assurance
Company.

Read the following Letter from Jeremiah
Felly Esq^r, Solicitor to the Board of Guardians

The Grove House

The 23rd November 1844

The Poor Law Commissioners

The Guardians

Gentlemen,
Pursuant to ^{directions} instructions received by
me from the Guardians on Wednesday last, I
prepared Briefs for Mr. Monaghan L. C. and
Mr. John A. Kirwan V. C. as instructions to apply
to the Court of Queen's Bench to extend the time for
the Guardians to show Cause against two
Conditional Orders served on the Clerk on the
18th Instant, being made absolute. Mr.
Monaghan made the application at the sitting
of the Court on Friday and his Motion was
granted on the terms of me furnishing to the
Commissioner's attorneys Copies of the affidavits
to

to be filed on behalf of the Guardians ten days
before the first day of next Term. Mr. John A.
Kirwan in the most liberal manner returned his
Fee giving his professional services free. Having
to attend at the Insolvent Court in Galway on
Monday professionally, I considered it my duty
to make this communication to the Board. It
was most fortunate that the Guardians had
proceeded so promptly, as the Conditional Order
would otherwise be made absolute on Saturday.

I have the honor to remain
Gentlemen,
Your faithful servant
Jery Felly.

Proposed by Robert Rodkin Esq^r
Seconded by James Kirwan Esq^r G. P.

Resolved - That one shilling in the pound be
given for the Rates already struck, as remuneration
to Rate Collectors for the two vacant Districts
for which Collectors have not been appointed.

To which an Amendment was proposed by
Charles Blake Esq^r Junr
Seconded by Matthew McDonagh Esq^r

That we do not exceed nine pence in the Pound
On which a Division having taken place there
appeared

in the Resolution 15.
against for the Amendment 14.

Proposed

Proposed by Denis Hurwain Esq^r
Seconded by John Kil Kelly Esq^r

Resolved - That the Clerk of the Board of Guardians should be responsible to those persons who employ him and under whose immediate superintendance the duties of his Office are to be discharged.

That inasmuch as the 21st Article of the late General Regulations of the Poor Law Commissioners, dated 5th June 1844, altogether exempt the Clerk from the control of the Board of Guardians, we entirely disapprove of and protest against that Article.

That inasmuch as it has come to our knowledge that our Clerk has been employed by the Commissioners to cause Notices and Law papers to be served on the Guardians of this Union, and has also been required by the Commissioners to cause an affidavit for the purpose of applying to the Queens Bench for a Mandamus to be served on himself, and to be returned by the same days post, without Consultation or waiting for a Meeting of the Board of Guardians, we direct that our Clerk shall in future consider himself the Officer of this Board, and shall not act in

in any matter connected with its affairs without directions from the Board.

That we do Petition ^{by the Houses of} Parliament to grant an Inquiry into the present state and administration of the Poor Law in Ireland, as also for a remission of the charge for building the Work House, as we are of opinion with Mr Pennethorpe, that an extravagant expenditure has taken place in these Buildings, in consequence of a want of due consultation on the part of the Commissioners with the different Board of Guardians.

That the foregoing Resolution be printed, and a copy forwarded to the Chairman of every Board of Guardians in Ireland.

Notice of Motion.

Sir, Take notice that I will, on the next day of meeting of this Board, move that in case no Collectors, whom the Board may approve for the collection of the Rate in the Divisions of Lestakeary and Keshannon, and Kellercran, Abbey, and Monira, at the increased remuneration of one Shilling in the pound - that we shall then apply to the Commissioners to appoint Collectors in the said Divisions.

G. Staunton Lynch
November 25th 1844.

Proposed

Proposed by John Kilkelly Esq^{re}.

Seconded by Richard Savage Esq^{re}.

Resolved - That a Cheque be drawn on our Treasurer for £20, in favor of Charles Davis, Master of the Work House being the amount of his half years Salary, due and ending 25th October 1844.

Resolved - That a Cheque be drawn on our Treasurer, favor Margaret Davis, Matron for £10, being the amount of her half years Salary due and ending the 25th October 1844.

Resolved - That a Cheque be drawn on our Treasurer favor of Michael Browne, Porter, for £10, being the amount of his one years Salary ending 25th October 1844.

The Cheques were drawn accordingly.

Resolved - That the next Meeting of this Board be held on Monday the 23rd December 1844.

Mich^l J^{rs} Browne

Demis Kirwan

Robert Godkin.

John Hopkins

Clerk of the Union.

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At a Meeting of the Board of Guardians held
on Monday the 23rd day of December 1844

Present

Mr. Wray, Assistant Poor Law Commissioner.

John A. Kirwan Esq^{re} in the Chair

Guardians

Office

Elected

Thos. O'Donelan

John Killekelly

James Kirwan

Charles Blake Sen^r

Edward Blake

Richard Savage

Robert Bodkin

G. Staunton Synch

Martin J. Kirwan Esq^{re}

John J. Browne

James Ronan

Richard Kelly

Sereneah Gully

Mathew McDonough

Roderick J. Kealy

Mark J. Blake

Michael Kelly

Charles Blake Jun^r

Walter J. Blake

John B. Synch

Connor Kelly

James Kirwan

Jermet Donelan Esq^{re}

The Minutes of the last Meeting having been read.

Read - Copies of Circulars from the Coleraine, Carrick on Shannon, Donegal, Thurles, Board of Guardians relative to the 1stst article of the Commissioners Order.

also a Circular from the Ballinasloe Union on Medical Charities.

The Clerk reports that he sent One Hundred and twenty nine Circulars to the Chairman of the different Board of Guardians in Ireland, in compliance with the Resolution of the Board passed on the last day of collecting.

Read - a Letter from the Poor Law Commissioners dated 27th November 1844. No 23,265 D/44, requesting to know why the application for the Loan has not been transmitted.

Read - a Letter from the Poor Law Commissioners dated 1st December 1844, No 23,675 D/44. Sanctioning one Shilling in the Pound as remuneration to Rate Collectors for the two vacant Districts.

The following Form of application was perfected,

Ireland

Ireland

To The Commissioners for the Issue of Loans for Public Works and Fisheries &c. Under the Act of the 5th Vic. Sec 2 Cap 9.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

We the Guardians of a certain Union in Ireland, constituted under an Order of the Poor Law Commissioners in pursuance of the provisions of the 1 and 2 Vic. Cap. 56, bearing date the 19th day of September 1839; and commonly called the Tham Union, - have the honor to transmit to you herewith, a Copy of an Order which we have received from the said Commissioners, bearing date the 1st day of September 1844 - whereby the said Commissioners have authorized and directed us to borrow the sum of one Hundred pounds for the purpose of enabling the said Commissioners to defray the remainder of the Expenses incurred in providing the Workhouse for the said Union. The sum of £8,400. obtained as a loan under a previous order of the said Commissioners, bearing date the 20th day of June 1840, having been found insufficient for that purpose, in pursuance of the said Order of the 1st day of September 1844, and of the provisions of the said Act enabling us in that behalf - We do hereby make application for the sum of one Hundred pounds for the

purpose

purpose specified in said Order, and we propose to secure the repayment of said advance by Twenty equal Annual Instalments - with the Interest which may from time to time accrue thereon in pursuance of the provision in the 90th section of the said Act in that behalf contained, by a Charge or Charges on the future Poor Rates of said Union.

Signed this 23rd day of December 1844.

John Andrew Kirwan
Chairman of the Meeting
signing on behalf of the
Majority. -

Thomas O'Connell
James Kirwan
Two of the Guardians present.

John Hopkins Clerk of the Union.

Tenders for the Collection of the Rate having been opened -

Read - a Tender from Edward Ridge of Castlegrove for the Collection of the Rate for No 2 District at nine pence in the Pound - and offered as his security

Andrew Blake Esq^r of Castlegrove and
Mr William Lynch Esq^r of Clareon

Read a Tender from John J. Lynch of Cloonkeely for the Collection of No 2 District, and offered as his security

Thomas B Lynch of Cloonkeely and
John Meade of Carrass

Read

Read - a Letter from John Meade stating his willingness to become John J. Lynch's security.

Read a Tender for the Collection of the Rate from Patrick Walsh of Tuam, for No 2 District, and proposed as his security,

James Kelly of Tuam and
Paul Mannion of Tuam.

Read - Letters from them stating their willingness to become his security.

Read - a Tender from John Golding of Cloonkeely for the Collection of the Rate of No 2 District, offering as his security James Larr of Spring Lawn, John B Lynch of Cloonkeely, and Michael Lynch Esq^r of Cloonkeely.

Read - a Tender from John Morris of Tuam for the Collection of the Kiltiereran, Abbey, and Movine Electoral Divisions, and proposed as his security John Sandford of Tuam and Tho^s Miller of Tuam.

Read - Letters from his proposed security stating their willingness to become his security.

Resolved - that John Morris of Tuam be appointed Rate Collector for the Kiltiereran, Abbey, and Movine Electoral Divisions, and that we approve of Mr John Sandford of Tuam and Mr Tho^s Miller of Tuam as his Securities.

Mr John Morris was accordingly appointed Rate Collector for No 5 District.

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A Division having taken place on the appointment of Collectors for No 2 District

An Amendment was proposed. That this Meeting do adjourn for one month.

A Division having taken place there appeared for
for adjournment 7.
against 17.

The Board then proceeded to the Election of a Rate Collector for No 2 District when there appeared

Mr Edward Ridge 10.

Patrick Walsh 8.

John Golding 5.

A Second Election having taken place between Edward Ridge and Pat^l Walsh there appeared

Mr Edward Ridge 14

Patrick Walsh 9.

Resolved that Edward Ridge of Castlegrace be appointed Rate Collector for No 2 District at nine pence in the Pound, and that we approve of Andrew Blake Esq^r of Castlegrace and Mr William Lynskey of Claron as security for Edward Ridge. Edward Ridge of Castlegrace was accordingly elected Rate Collector for No 2 District.

Proposed by Robert Bodkin Esq^r
Seconded by Dermot Donelan Esq^r

Resolved - That a seizure having been made at the suit of Mr Thomas Brennan in the Workhouse, we request our Solicitor to inform Mr Brennan that Collectors for all the Electoral Divisions are now appointed, and the Rate in course of immediate Collection, so we have

have every reason to hope that all the debts of the Union will be forthwith discharged, and that further time be extended to us by him.

Read - The following Circular from the Thurles Union
Proposed by Richard Sance
Seconded by John Burke

Resolved - That in answer to the Letters of the different Board of Guardians respecting the 41st article of General Orders of the Poor Law Commissioners forwarded to this Board that the Clerk be directed to forward to all the Boards of Guardians in Ireland the following Resolution as passed by the Thurles Board on the 5th November Inst, viz: - That this Board strongly recommend them to become Repealers or Federalists, and join with the friends of this Country in seeking by all legal means a Repeal of the Union between this Country and England, by so doing Ireland will have an opportunity of passing good Laws, and getting rid of those Poor Law Commissioners altogether.

Resolved - That the next Meeting of this Board be held on Monday the 20th January 1845

John Andrew Kirwan

Jeremiah Tully

John J. Browne

John Hopkins

Clerk of the Union.

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Gentlemen,

I enclose herewith, the application
for the Loan for the One Hundred, executed
by the Board at their Meeting on yesterday.

I have the honor to be

Gentlemen,

Your very obedient Servant

John Hopkins

Clerk of the Union.

The Poor Law Commissioners

to s. d. J. H.

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Galway County Council Archives

1st & 2nd VICTORIA, CAP. 56.

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.

[Handwritten signature]



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