



# A Calendar of the Minutes & Records of Dungarvan Town Commissioners & Urban District Council

1855–1950.



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## Introduction

None of the early Corporation records survive among the present documents, all of which date from after 1855 when the Town Commissioners were established. Some of these earlier records may be included amongst the Lismore and Chatsworth papers.

When the Old Market House in Lower Main Street was sold by the Duke of Devonshire in 1861 other records may have been destroyed as the first floor of this building housed the Corporation rooms.

A note in the Minutes dated April 1885 records that Edmond Keohan and other Commissioners were to 'examine and class the papers in the office, to take proper steps for their preservation'. It is not clear whether these papers included any pre 1855 documents.

There are several references throughout the minutes to the Letter Books, unfortunately these have not survived which is a great pity as they included letters from notable personalities and political figures. It is thought that other records were destroyed in the 1950s during an over enthusiastic clean out of the Town Hall in Friary Street. However some documents may have escaped destruction over the years and are now in private hands.

In 1990 Dungarvan Museum came into possession of a large box of papers which appear to have been from among the papers of John Hunt of Bayview House, Ballinacourty, Dungarvan. Hunt had been solicitor to the Council from about 1870 to 1920. These papers are listed separately in this Calendar.

In spite of the loss of the earlier records there is much of interest in what remains for those interested in the history of Dungarvan from 1855. Items covered in the documents and minutes include various railway projects, the new Gas Works in 1857, the building of the new Town Hall, Bridge Street, the Cunnigar Bridge, Dungarvan Tramway 1885, Moresby shipwreck, construction of new streets and houses, shipping records etc.

The entries from the minute books included in this calendar are a selection of the more interesting items. Due to pressure of space I have not included a detailed listing of the Port Books but just the date of each and the type of information they contain. The earliest of them dates to 1912, it is regrettable that books before this date are not among the Town Hall records nor do they appear to be held in any of the National repositories. Charles Smith in his History of Co. Waterford 1746 refers to the Custom House Books dating from 1724 to 1744.

The number at the start of each entry refers to the original page entry in the minute books. The minutes after 1925 have not been copied. I have included some extracts from the Sanitary Minutes, these are worth further study as they provide insights into health and housing conditions in Dungarvan from 1874.

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A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE CORPORATION, TOWN COMMISSIONERS etc.  
OF DUNGARVAN

According to an Act of Parliament held at Wexford under Edward IV in 1463 a Corporation was then in existence called:- 'The Portreeve & Commons of the Town of Dungarvan'. The document stated - 'As the Seigniorship of Dungarvan was the most great and antient honor belonging to the King in Ireland, which through war etc., was for the most part destroyed... it was ordained that the Portreeve and Commonalty may have and enjoy all manner of free grants, liberties, privileges and customs as the tenants and inhabitants of the honorable Manor of Clare in England enjoyed, with a further power to take customs of all kinds of merchandise bought and sold within the franchises as the Mayor and Commons of Bristol did, the profits to go to the reparation of the walls and towers under the survey of the Earl of Desmond'<sup>1</sup>.

In 1511 Jermyn Tuke was Portreeve of Dungarvan. An interesting document dating from 1537 titled - 'Presentment of the Tenants and Burgesses of the Manor of Dungarvan'<sup>2</sup> has the following list of Jurors:-

Moses Taylor, Matthew Hore, William Nugent, Edward Hore Senr., William Hore, Thomas Hore, John Nagle, Jacob Nugent, John FitzWilliam, John Collan, Patrick Gere, John Russell, Teigh O'Molgan, Edward Hore junr., Edward Davies (Davis), Walter Power. It is interesting to note the numerous members of the Hore family (whose principal seat was Shandon House) and the single native Irish name.

An Inquisition of March 7th 1566 by Michael FitzWilliam, General Surveyor of Ireland noted that the Borough had several lands and houses to the value of £203 per an.<sup>3</sup> In 1582 James Hore was Provost and James Nagle was Portreeve.<sup>4</sup>

In 1591 Patrick Goegh<sup>5</sup> was Attorney for Seisin and by August 1602 he was Portreeve.<sup>6</sup> This is probably the 'Patriche Gough' who is commemorated on a stone dated 1615 which is now incorporated into a house at No. 24 Church Street.

James the I granted a charter to Dungarvan on January 4th 1609/1610.<sup>7</sup> This charter refers to the Act of 1463. It states that there should be a corporate body within the borough consisting of a Sovereign, Brethren and Free Burgesses. The Brethren to be twelve, the Sovereign to be one and they should be elected from the Free Burgesses, the rest of the Burgesses to be elected from 'the more honest and best deserving of the inhabitants' by the Sovereign and Brethren when they think fit: Named The Sovereign & Brethren & Free Burgesses of the Borough of Dungarvan'. The Sovereign and Brethren were given power to elect a Sovereign from among themselves annually. The Sovereign, Brethren and Free Burgesses could adopt by letters patent and under their seal, a person to be Recorder and appoint a Town Clerk - 'to hold his office during good behaviour and two Serjeants at Mace and a water bailiff'.

The charter also granted the power to hold a Court of D'Oyer Hundred twice a year for making Bye Laws. The Sovereign, and Recorder to be Justices of the Peace in the borough and of Co. Waterford. A Court of Record was to be held every Monday. The Sovereign was to be Escheator, Assay Master, Clerk of the Market and Coroner of the Borough. A Court Leet was to be held twice a year. 'They should have in the said Court the assize of bread and all the other victuals coming to be sold'. The Sovereign was to obtain all fines etc. from the Court Leet for the repair of the walls.

Two weekly markets could be held on Wednesday and Saturday and two fairs, one to be held on the Feast of St. Barnabos and the following two days, and the other on the feast of St. Simon and St. Jude and the following two days. They could also hold Courts of Pied Poudre. The Corporation were also to build a gaol. They were given the office of Admiral with control over the coast from Rynemenard near Ardmore to Stradbally, and could hold a Court of Admiralty and keep the profits from same. The charter also granted the use of the customs of murage, cranage, keyage, anchorage and lastage of all merchandises imported and exported to and from the port. Also the great and petty customs, payment of 1/- in the pound for all merchandise imported or exported.

The grant concludes by creating a Corporation of the Staple with the same power as that in Dublin.

The following burgesses are mentioned in a Transplanter's certificate of 1653<sup>8</sup>- Patrick Russell, James How Fitzthomas, Thomas Gough, John Coppinger 'the younger', and Michael Hore.

The charter was renewed by Richard Cromwell in April 1659 at the request of Richard Harris. A further charter was granted by James II in April 15 1689.<sup>9</sup>

The Corporation was to consist of Sovereign and 22 burgesses, a Recorder and Town Clerk, the latter to be appointed by the Chief Governor of Ireland.

There were also to be three serjeants and a water bailiff. Charles Smith says that 'these privileges were not long enjoyed, for upon the coming in of King William, the Charters of King James being granted after his abdication, became useless'. Smith also refers to the value of the borough lands mentioned in the Inquisition of 1566 'which are now (1746) set at five times as much'.<sup>10</sup>

The Reports from the Commissioners on Municipal Corporations of Ireland 1833 pointed out that this charter (1689) proved the existence of a Corporation in Dungarvan up until c. 1689. However, it seems the Corporation had ceased to exist even before this date. Sir Richard Cox writing in the 1680s noted that 'the town is a decayed corporation which still sends Burgesses to Parliament'.<sup>11</sup>

The Commissioners report of 1833 has the following statement:-

'we examined one gentleman, of very great age, a native of this town, who stated that he had never known or conversed with any person who recollected the existence of a Corporation, or any Corporate officer in the town'.

It is interesting to note that there is no reference to Dungarvan or its corporation officials in the Poll Money Ordinances of 1660/61.

Does this indicate that the corporation had ceased to exist by this date?

The right to elect members of Parliament passed from the Corporation to the freeholders and householders of the Manor of Dungarvan. The Manor was comprised of three parishes:--Dungarvan west, Abbeyside & Ballinroad or Nugent's Parish. This Manor was created by a Patent granted on November 8 in the second year of James I to Sir George Thornton. The Manor passed from his descendants and was sold by Edward Carew in 1618 for £4,000 to Sir Richard Boyle, Earl of Cork.<sup>12</sup> William Williams wrote in 1867 that the records of the Corporation including the arms & seal were sold by a member of the corporation named FitzAnthony, to the Earl of Cork. However he gives no source for this statement.<sup>13</sup>

The document granting Dungarvan to Boyle was said to have been accidentally destroyed by William Conner (the Devonshire's agent at Lismore) in the 18th century.<sup>14</sup> Through the Earl of Cork the Manor passed to the Dukes of Devonshire who became Lords of the Manor. The Duke had the power to appoint a Seneschal under the Patent of James I. The duties of the Seneschal were to act as returning officer at elections of the representatives for Dungarvan. To preside in the Manor Court and to summon and preside at the Court Leet once a year on October 30th. He also received the Port Dues from the harbour master and ensured that they were spent on the repair of the quay. The harbour master's salary was deducted from the Dues. In 1832 the harbour master had a salary of £15 a year. The Commissioners report of 1833 noted that the powers of the Seneschal and other privileges claimed by the Duke of Devonshire were very like those of the old extinct Corporation. But they did not know whether these rights were transferred to the Duke before the dissolution of the Corporation or whether he exercised the rights without authority. The Duke was also thought to have taken over extensive property which had belonged to the old Corporation.

SENESCHALS

Thomas Barbon 1746-98.

In 1746 Thomas Barbon was appointed Seneschal of the Manor of Dungarvan, Clerk of the Market & Paymaster by the Earl of Burlington. He is listed as a subscriber to Smith's History of Waterford 1746. Barbon is noted in Lucas's Directory 1788 as Seneschal and Sovereign. Other officials listed include: John Green-Port Surveyor, James Reeves-Tide Surveyor, Beverly Hearn-Deputy, William Anderson-Surveyor of Excise, James Williamson-Register of corn returns, Roger Dalton-Attorney, Deputy Clerk of the Peace, Notary Public etc.

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Thomas Garde (Devonshire's agent) wrote of Barbon in a letter dated 1792:--  
'In the year 1761 Lord Mansfield, a surviving trustee of Lord Burlington's will, demised to Thomas Barbon the tolls and customs of the Borough of Dungarvan for a term of 3 lives at a yearly rent of £30. The said Barbon for several years before held these tolls and has a schedule of them certified in 1739 by John Ussher,

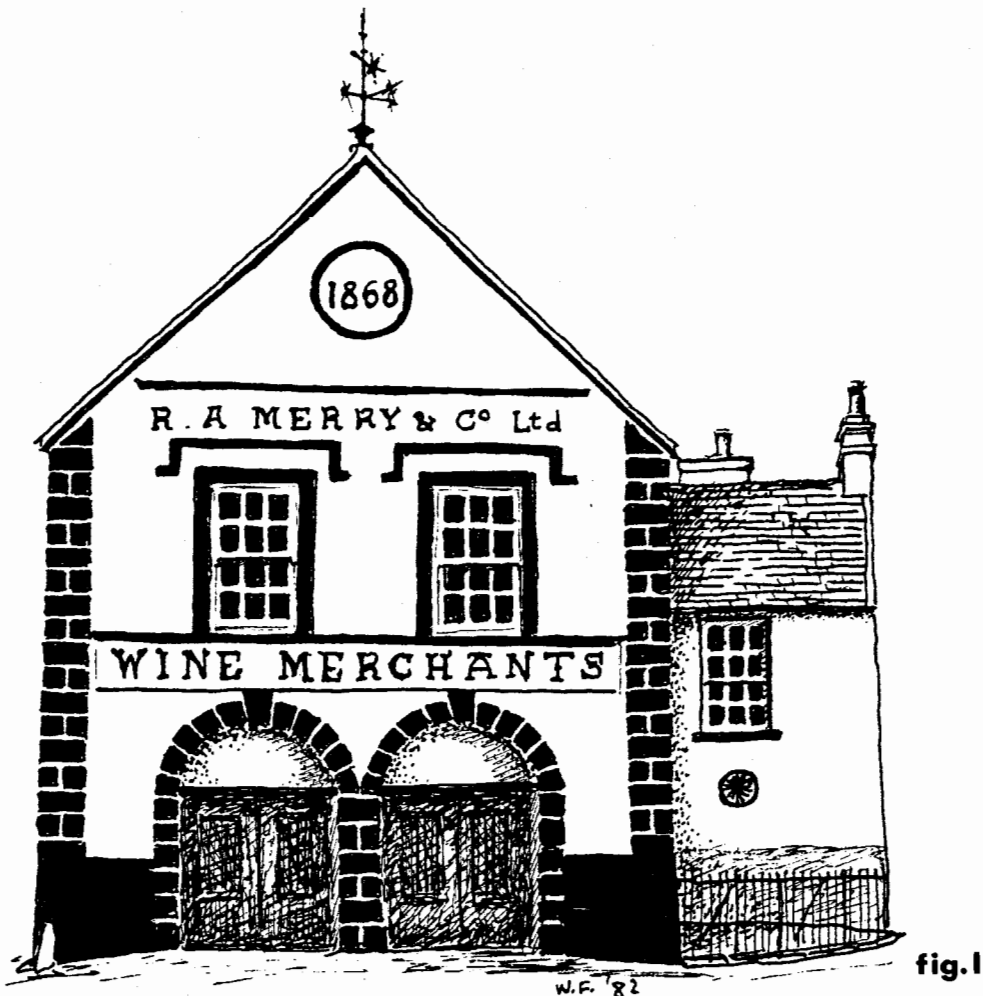


then agent to Lord Burlington...In October last he (Barbon) informed me that Mr.Green & Mr.Keily spirited up the inhabitants and farmers who bring in corn and other goods subject to toll,to this town,against paying such,but for some years has not been paid,nor did he pay the reserved rent...By the increase of trade in,and exportation of corn from this town,these tolls are become of very considerable value.I believe Thomas Barbon is the last life in the lease, and that he is 80 years of age and very infirm'.

In 1798 Thomas Garde was recommending that Thomas Hearn,an attorney'who lives near Dungarvan'be appointed Seneschal,presumably because of the death of Thomas Barbon.<sup>16</sup> In May 1807 Peter Bayly of Abbeyside was appointed Seneschal.

William Penny's tombstone in the Church of Ireland cemetery records that he was 'Late Seneschal of Dungarvan'.He died on April 11 1811 aged 42.<sup>17</sup>

John Hudson moved to Dungarvan from a house called'Park' near Youghal around 1809 to work for the Duke of Devonshire.He was appointed Seneschal possibly after the death of William Penny and was probably the last person to hold this position.



## ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDINGS

The Reports from the Commissioners on Municipal Corporations of Ireland 1833 note that-'There was formerly a manor gaol and court house in the town, but a new county bridewell and court house have been lately built by the county grand jury...The building that was formerly used as the manor gaol and court house is now in the possession of the Duke of Devonshire'. Where was this old manor court & gaol house situated?

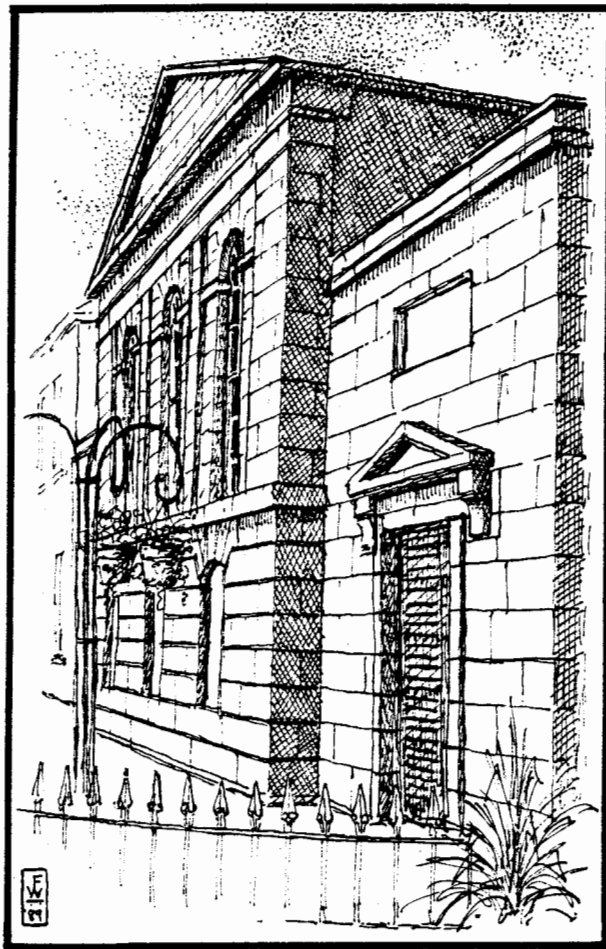
The Charter of James I instructed the Corporation to build a stone Guild Hall as soon as possible. A Town Hall was in existence by 1642 when its capture is recorded.<sup>18</sup> It has been suggested that this Town Hall is incorporated in the present Old Market House in Main Street. The present Market House is mentioned in Smith's History of Waterford 1746.<sup>19</sup> -he notes that there are in the town a 'decent Session and Market House'. There is an engraved plate of Dungarvan in the book which shows the roof of the Market House with a small cupola and weathervane on the west gable facing up Main Street. The building originally had an open arcade on three sides of the ground floor which was used as a Butter Market. The upper floor was probably used as Corporation chambers. **fig. 1** It is not clear whether the building was also used for holding the Sessions. The evidence suggests that the Sessions or Court House and Gaol were located in a building elsewhere in the town.

There was an unusual T-plan building on Davitt's Quay which was demolished to create the car park. It had a small yard enclosed by a very high wall facing the quay, which had barred window openings. These features gave a gaol-like appearance to the building. Henry Bowman (Duke of Devonshire's agent Lismore) in a report dated January 23 1796 refers to the gaol in Dungarvan- 'The gaol at Dungarvan is in a ruinous state. I have ordered some temporary repairs to the roof and cover. It is said to have been always kept in repair by the Burlington and Devonshire families'.<sup>20</sup>

Ryland writing in 1824 has the following comment on the Courthouse- 'the court-house, where the sessions are occasionally held was considered unsafe for the purposes for which it was originally intended'.<sup>21</sup>

Unfortunately he does not tell us where it was situated.

The present Courthouse in Bridge Street was built c. 1829/30 probably to a design **fig. 2** by one of the Pain brothers. The gaol or bridewell was situated directly behind and had a T-plan. It was demolished in the early 1960s.



◆ THE COURTHOUSE

fig.2

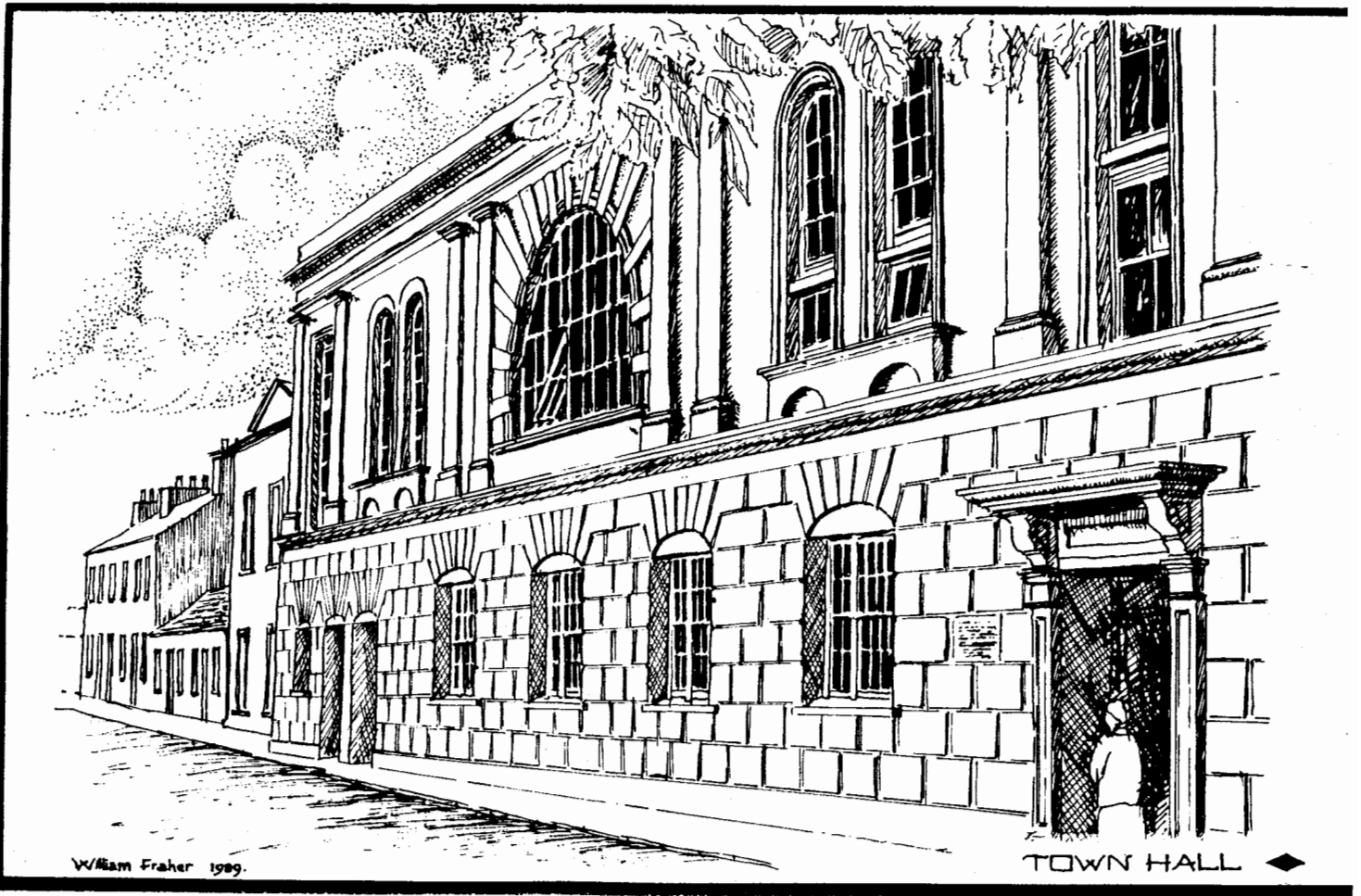


fig.3

### A NEW TOWN HALL

On February 22 1871 the Commissioners agreed to purchase an old store in St. Augustine Street from a Mrs Mahoney for £50 in order to convert it into a 'Town Hall & Public Library'. The store was held under lease by Mrs Mahoney from the Marquis of Waterford.

The store was built c.1800 by a Dungarvan merchant, Thomas Buckley. He got into debt and signed the building over to a Dublin merchant, Francis Codd. Buckley stayed on as tenant and they formed a corn business under the name 'Codd & Buckley'. By 1859 the store had become a ruin.

The Commissioners applied to the Government for £800 to purchase the lease and renovate the building. The plans for the conversion of the store were drawn up by Charles Langley, Surveyor of Tay Lodge. A notice of intention to borrow the money appeared in the Waterford News on November 24 1871.

By November 6 1872 £1,726-6-2 had been spent on converting the building and the Commissioners had to borrow a further £200 to complete the work. In June 1874 Michael Beary, Borough Surveyor submitted an elevation and plans for the Town Hall. By December 1876 all the Commissioner's effects had been removed from the old office in the Courthouse to the new Town Hall. In 1884 the Commissioners were furious to learn that a Mr. Ruddell (of the firm of Merrick & Ruddell, a drapery & china shop which was situated round the corner from the Town Hall) was about to purchase the interest in the Town Hall from the Marquis of Waterford without consulting them.

The Council eventually acquired the interest in the lease for £300 from Ruddell's partner, Samuel J. Merrick of Youghal in February 1906.

They were selling because of 'the illness of Mr. Ruddell'.

In 1908 J.A. Ryan, architect, was asked to supply plans etc., for repairs to the Town Hall. The Local Government Board refused to sanction the loan for repairs 'in view of the defective condition of the front wall'.

In December 1909 George Stokes's tender of £309-17-6 was accepted for re-building the Town Hall. The entire front facade was demolished to ground floor level. The work on the front and the interior, which included a new Council chamber, was not completed until 1911. The new facade had a large half-moon window in the centre and decorative plaster embellishments were carried out by a Mr. Butler a local craftsman. **fig 3**

DUNGARVAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS

The Town's Improvement Act 1854 was adopted by the people of Dungarvan and according to Edmond Keohan 'A public meeting was called in accordance with its provisions and by a large majority it was decided to have the town under Municipal Government'.

The first election of the Town Commissioners was held in the Magistrate's room in the Courthouse on January 29th 1855.

The following Commissioners were elected:

DUNGARVAN WARD

Andrew Carbery, Michael Mahony, Patrick Coady, John R. Dower, Patrick Ronayne, Christopher O'Brien, Richard Garde Hudson, John Hannigan, Edward Shaw, James Byrne, John Wall, John O'Sullivan.

Andrew Carbery was elected Chairman and Edward J. Longan was elected Town Clerk.

ABBEYSIDE WARD

Beresford Boate, J. Nugent Humble, Maurice Goff.

Michael Byrne was appointed Inspector of Nuisances & Rate Collector.

Richard H. Roberts was appointed Local Surveyor in August 1856.

The Commissioners had their offices and held their meetings in the Courthouse in Bridge Street until they moved to the present Town Hall in 1876.

THE DUNGARVAN HARBOUR, MARKETS & IMPROVEMENT ACT 1863.

On June 8th 1863 the following Act was passed:-

'An Act for the Improvement of the Port & Harbour of Dungarvan; for vesting the Markets of that Town in the Town Commissioners of Dungarvan, & for enabling the said Commissioners to extend & regulate the same: for the transfer from the Grand Jury of the Co. of Waterford to the said Commissioners of the Management of the Roads & Bridges in the said Town; for the Improvement of the said Town; and for other purposes'.

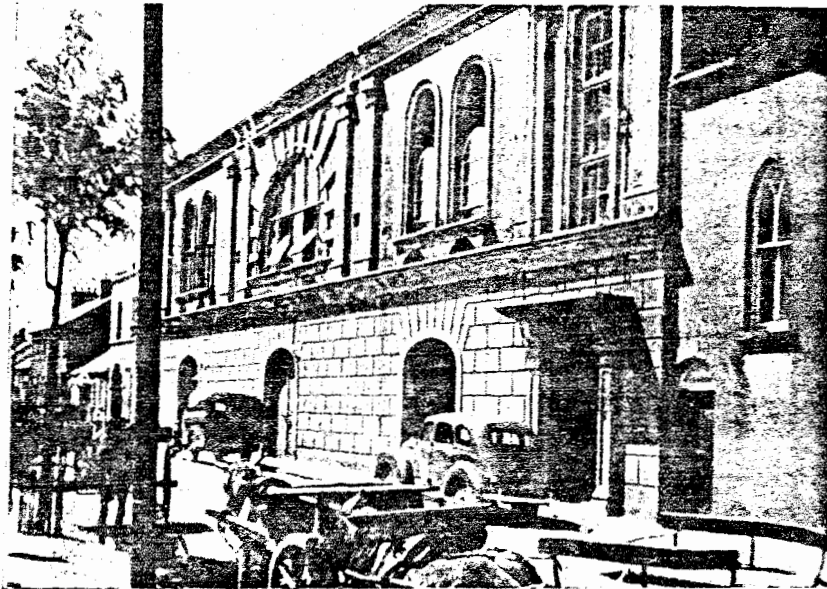
This was a very important document as it enabled the Commissioners to hold property and lands, to act as a Harbour Authority and collect Harbour Dues. It allowed them to collect rates, borrow money, and have control of the markets and roads within the town.

They were to be known as 'The Town Commissioners of Dungarvan' and 'by that nameshall be One Body Corporate, with Perpetual Succession and a Common Seal, and with power under that Name & Description to sue and be sued, to purchase, take, hold and dispose of lands'.

The following works were to be undertaken for the improvement of the harbour:

'First, a Graving Bank or Dock on the Strand or Slob of the Harbour, on the eastern side of the Bridge. Second, a line of Quay commencing at or near the said Graving Bank ..and terminating at the Sand Quay in the Abbeyside District'.

- (1) Charles Smith, 'The Antient & Present State of the County & City of Waterford' Dublin 1746. p.83.
- (2) 'Social State of the Southern & Eastern counties of Ireland in the 16th century' Ed. by J.Hore and James Graves. Dublin University Press 1870. pp.215-220.
- (3) Charles Smith, p.84.
- (4) Osborne Mss, Newtown Anner, Co. Tipperary. -Notes by Julian Walton and K. Nicholls 1985.
- (5) Op.cit.
- (6) Mandeville Cartulary, N.L.I. Ms.6136. p.24.
- (7) Rot.Pat. 7 Jac.I. p.3, m.6.
- (8) John P. Prendergast, 'The Cromwellian Settlement of Ireland,' Appendix II pp.363-368. 3rd.ed. Melifont Press, Dublin 1922.
- (9) Rot.Pat. 5 Jac II. p.1, m.10.
- (10) Charles Smith p.88.
- (11) Decies XXXVI 1987 pp.25-33.
- (12) Grossart, 'Lismore Papers', Vol I. pp.181, 182.
- (13) 'A Memorial of the Arms & Common Seal of the Borough of Dungarvan' William Williams, Dungarvan, 1867. Published in the Waterford Co. Gazette, April 8 1953.
- (14) Chatsworth Papers P.R.O.N.I. 1983. -Thomas Garde, Garryduff, to Heaton, April 10 1792. p.48.
- (15) Chatsworth Papers, Thomas Garde to Heaton, Bath, January 8 1792 pp.45,46.
- (16) Chatsworth Papers, Garde to Heaton, July 16th 1798, p.66..
- (17) His daughter Ellen married Jesse Hartley, the engineer who was brought to Dungarvan by the Duke of Devonshire to supervise the construction of the Square etc
- (18) Urban Archaeology Survey, Co. Waterford. Part XIII(i) John Bradley, Andrew Halpin & Heather King. 198 .
- (19) Charles Smith Op.cit. p.89.
- (20) 'The Duke of Devonshire's Irish Estates 1794-97'. Analecta Hibernica No.22 1960. p.300.
- (21) Rev. R.H. Ryland, 'The History, Topography & Antiquities of the County & City of Waterford' London 1824. p.308.



*Photo by T. Tobin*  
Dungarvan Town Hall, which was extensively renovated in 1952.

TOWN CLERK'S CORRESPONDENCE

7/4/1855 to 17/3/ 1874



PAGE 1

DATE: APRIL 7th 1855.

Letter from Edward J. Longan, Town Clerk to J. Clarke Co. Inspector Abbeyside re 'Town Improvements Act 1854' directing the Police to its provisions.

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DATE: MAY 7th 1855.

From Edward Longan, Town Clerk, to each of the Town Commissioners "That a committee of the Town Commissioners be appointed for the important & urgent purpose of attending to and forwarding the presentment for the repairs of the Quay".

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DATE: MAY 8th 1855.

Letter from Edward Longan, Town Clerk to Richard Griffith esq, 108/109 Baggot Street Dublin. Enquiring about the cost of a map of Municipal Borough of Dungarvan on a scale of 80 perches to the mile.

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DATE: MAY 18th 1855.

"Resolution - that a committee be formed to apoint in carrying out the repairs of the quay & particularly with the aim of increasing the subscription to the necessary term of £150 & are requested to use every exertion & to submit every assistance tending to promote same."

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DATE: SEPTEMBER 20th 1855.

Letter from Michael Mahoney to Francis Curry (Duke of Devonshire's agent) Lismore Castle. Enclosing resolution passed by the Town Commissioners to address the Lord Lieutenant & the Duke of Devonshire & asking for a date to present the Addresses.

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DATE: JANUARY 14th 1856.

Edward Longan, Town Clerk to each Commissioner re: Meeting to consider the appointments for a Butter Taster & Weigh Master.

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DATE: JANUARY 30th 1856.

Edward Longan, Town Clerk to the Editor of Cork Examiner.

Re: Placing an advert in the paper to advertise the position of a Butter Taster & Weigh Master for Dungarvan.

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DATE: JULY 7th 1856.

Edward Longan, Town Clerk, to each Commissioner.

"You are requested to attend this day in your room at half past ten o'clock to consider whether the present proposed line of railway to Waterford would be a benefit or not."

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DATE: JULY 31st 1856.

Letter from Edward Longan, Town Clerk, to Richard H. Roberts<sup>1</sup> (surveyor)

Requesting him to have his letter in to be considered as new surveyor.

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DATE: NOVEMBER 11th 1856.

Edward Longan, Town Clerk, to R. H. Roberts (new Surveyor)

Requesting that he report at next meeting re:... "Houses ... now building by Mrs Whelan of Abbeyside, situate in King Street."

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DATE: JANUARY 27th 1857.

Letter from Edward Longan, Town Clerk to the Chief or under Secretary Dublin Castle. Enclosing list of officers appointed by the Town Commissioners to date:

Edward Longan	Town Clerk	Appointed February 5th 1855
Richard H. Roberts	Local Surveyor	" August 4th 1856
Michael Byrne	Inspector of Nuisances	" February 5th 1855

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DATE: FEBRUARY 24th 1857.

Edward Longan, Town Clerk to each Commissioner.

"You were named one of the committee to wait on the shopkeepers of the town & ratepayers to know to what extent they are likely to become shareholders in the construction of Gas Works to supply the town with light at £5 per share."

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PAGE 100,101.

DATE: AUGUST 31st 1857.

Edward Longan, Town Clerk to M. Byrne, Inspector of Nuisances.

"I am directed to your attention for the future to the obstruction of horses & carts, particularly in Main Street, on Butter Market days & to request of those parties who may have butter to have it sent in to weigh house & not to allow their horses & cars to continue on the street & when the butter is sent in to have their cars arranged at the north side of the street near the church."

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DATE: FEBRUARY 4th 1861.

Copy of Memorial from Town Commissioners, Dungarvan to the Post Master General re: new pillar letter receiver for Dungarvan.

"That the Municipal Borough of Dungarvan comprises of two wards, first that of Dungarvan & secondly the Abbeyside Ward. That in the said Borough there is but one letter receiver, which is situate in the Dungarvan Ward. That the Abbeyside Ward contains over 300 houses with a population of over 900 inhabitants ... is placed at a considerable distance from the present post office in Dungarvan & consequently is much in need of a pillar letter receiver.

That there are over twenty shops carrying on extensive business in the flour, bread & grocery trade, beside several coal merchants, that a large portion of the sea faring population reside therein also several ship owners sailing out of the port of Dungarvan.

That there is there in a Roman Catholic Chapel, also a Police Station the fixed strength of which is ten men- the Parish Priest, the resident Magistrate & County Sub Inspectors of Constabulary also reside there & as such the great want of a pillar letter receiver becomes quite apparant. That in the opinion of memorialists one receiver is quite inadequate to supply the wants of the rising town of Dungarvan, & that a second is much required contiguous to Bridge Street, where there are so many public offices.

We trust you will comply with its request & direct that one or more letter receivers be erected in the places pointed out by the memorialists or in such place as to the district surveyor shall seem fit."

Signing on behalf of the meeting,  
Henry Anthony<sup>2</sup>, Chairman.

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Letter from Rowland Hill, Secretary, General Post Office, February 8th 1861 to Henry Anthony, Chairman, Dungarvan Town Commissioners.

Acknowledgeing receipt of memorial re: new post box.

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PAGE 114, 115.

DATE: FEBRUARY 14th 1861.

Resolution from Dungarvan Town Commissioners to the right Hon. Maziere Brady, Lord Chancellor of Ireland, concerning the resignation of Richard Garde Hudson & the appointment of John. R. Dower<sup>3</sup> in his place as chairman of Town Commissioners & also asking that Dower be appointed Magistrate.

"That by a long career of successful & honourable mercantile industry Mr. Dower has realised an independant fortune & materially promoted the trade & commerce of this now important town.

That there is a peculiar necessity for such a Magistrate in Dungarvan, as not withstanding its large & sea faring population its parliamentary elections, weekly markets & monthly fairs."

PAGE 117.

DATE: MARCH 6th 1861.

Letter from Patrick McCarthy Town Clerk, Dungarvan to Mr. Nagle Officer of Customs, Church Street, Dungarvan.

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Concerning finances for new gas lamps.

"The present rate will amount to about £320, being the total amount at their disposal to meet Mr. Hollway's (gas Engineer, Kilkenny) demands of £150 for the lighting and £170 for supplying the public lamps."<sup>4</sup>

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PAGE 120.

DATE: APRIL 15th 1861.

Patrick McCarthy, Town Clerk, Dungarvan to the right Hon the Lords of Her Majesty's Treasury Whitehall London.

Looking for portion of the grant for improving the Harbours of Ireland to carry out works at Dungarvan Harbour.

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PAGE 121.

DATE: APRIL 26th 1861.

Letter from Patrick McCarthy, Town Clerk to John Warner, Crescent, Cripplegate, London, re: ordering a set of weights & measures for the town.

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PAGE 146.

DATE: JULY 29th 1861.

Petition from Dungarvan Town Commissioners to the right Hon. Lord Stuart de Decies, Lord Lieutenant of Co. Waterford.

Asking that John R. Dower, Brewery Lodge, Dungarvan be appointed Magistrate.

PAGE 147, 148.

Letter from Lord Stuart De Decies, Buxton, August 25th 1863 to Dungarvan Town Commissioners.

Refusing to appoint John R. Dower as Magistrate, explaining that as the Magistrate issued public House licenses & Dower being involved in the beer trade it would not be appropriate to appoint him to the position.

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PAGE 150.

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

Letter from Henry James, General Post Office, Limerick, to Dungarvan Town Commissioners.

Complaining of the poor state of the Post Road from Dungarvan to Youghal, particularly from the Roman Catholic church on the Buttery to Two Mile Bridge, noting that the mail car uses the road.

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PAGE 151.

Letter from Lord Stuart De Decies, Dromana, September 30th 1862 to Dungarvan Town Commissioners.

Accepting the Commissioners case that John R. Dower be appointed Commissioner of the Peace for Co. Waterford.

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PAGE 155. 156.

Letter from Patrick McCarthy, Town Clerk, Dungarvan, Wednesday July 15th 1863 to D. A. Nagle Esq. Cork.

"Dear Sir, Herewith I send you by direction of the Town Commissioners the enclosed having been adopted by them at a meeting of their body held this day, as their future Arms & Seal, and am to request that the arms be done on a scale of  $2\frac{1}{2}$  x 2 inches, that the seal to be 2 inches in diameter and am directed to convey to you that it is their expressed wish that if you can get them properly done in Dublin, that you should get them done here instead of London so as to give the Irish artist the preference.

You have full particulars on the plates, representing Arms & Seal as to how they are required to be done, I also wish to remind you that I require to get the sketches back with a view to have them chromo-lithographed at some future time. It is necessary to consult Sir Bernard Burke in the matter of Arms."

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PAGE 160.

Letter from Patrick McCarthy, Town Clerk Dungarvan, November 11th 1863, to A. Thom, 87 Abbey St. Dublin.

Enquiring if they have executed any seals for Corporate Bodies in Ireland "the Town Commissioners here being about to get a Common Seal of Incorporation engraved on die & matrix with Lever or Press, they are anxious to know what the probable cost may be".

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PAGE 174-178.

Letter from Patrick McCarthy, Town Clerk, Dungarvan to John Woodhouse, Dublin, July 21st 1864.

"Dear Sir, I beg to enclose you a letter received from Mr. William Williams<sup>5</sup> relative to the Arms & Seal etc. I thought it better not send them till I should have heard from you on the subject."

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PAGE 182.

Letter from Patrick McCarthy, Town Clerk, Dungarvan to W.H. Collins, Lt., Royal Engineers, Clonmel, September 7th 1864.

"Sir, I am directed by the Town Commissioners to forward you the accompanying copy of an order made by them at their meeting held on 5th inst. The Commissioners consider, as the military authorities are now about to part with the Barrack here, that no further necessity exists to the authorities for the use of the fire engine, which for a long period has lain quite useless in the barrack being out of order. Trusting that you will have the goodness to reccomend that the engine & fittings be given to the Town Commissioners for the benefit of the Town.

PAGE 184.185.

Letter from Patrick McCarthy, Town Clerk, to D. A. Nagle Solicitor,  
Cork, January 24th 1865.

"Dear Sir, at a meeting held on yesterday, the Commissioners were discussing the desirability of opposing the several railway projects now proposed to come into this town .. one of them the Waterford & Dungarvan crosses by an embankment & bridge about midway between the Causeway & the Old Fever Hospital, to a point midway on the other side between Mr. Purser's Brewery<sup>6</sup> & Mr. Williams residence at Shandon, the intervening space (slob) between the proposed embankment & the causeway to be used as a terminus.

Another of the proposed lines runs near the gas works cuts thro Shandon road by the above embankment & monopolises the whole of the road from that point to nearly the extreme end of our quay for tramway purposes:- They give a substitute for the road as far as the bridge but none what so ever for the quay, so that by this project we are not long permitted to enjoy what cost us so much money to obtain, a special Act of Parliament."

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PAGE 186,187.

Letter from Patrick McCarthy, Town Clerk, to William Bryden Esq. London,  
February 8th 1865.

Enclosing the following list of objections to the railway projects.

The Southern Railway Project.

1st. We object to the gradients given for the several roads within the township, particularly the one to Dungarvan Bridge shown on plan as one in 20 - this we consider ought be at least one in 35.

2nd. We object to the promoters using our quay for tramway purposes, that portion of it which they require for the tramway being estimated at over £1,000. Beside the loss the Commissioners would sustain in being deprived of this the most valuable part of the quay; you will bear in mind that the amount of the Messrs Tracy & Nagle's bill of costs for obtaining the Dungarvan Harbour Markets & Improvement Act 1863 was £897.



The Waterford Lismore & Fermoy.

1st. We object to the several gradients.

2nd. We object to the taking away of the Shandon road & substituting a most objectionable one in its place... this intended new line of road will take away the western wing of the bridge ... which will make it most unsightly.

3rd. The line of deviation shown on plan for the proposed embankment & bridge, will enable the promoters to enclose or take in over twenty acres which at present is covered by the tide.

4th. This Line contemplates the destruction of the public wells.

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PAGE. 188.

Letter from Patrick McCarthy, Town Clerk, to Messrs Kernaghan & Saunders  
3 Inns Quay, Dublin, February 17th 1865.

Informing them that their letter & copy petition were well received by the Town Commissioners & stating that they would have no objection to their plan (the Southern Railway Project) if a clause was inserted.

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PAGE 189,190.

Letter from Patrick McCarthy, Town Clerk to William Bryden 6 Great Queen  
Street London. Re: Railway Projects.

"The Commissioners are not opposed to the Clonmel Lismore & Dungarvan railway because it does not go further than Dungarvan, but the Waterford Lismore & Fermoy line would ruin the town of Dungarvan as it would take from Dungarvan its present trade & transfer it to Waterford so that the Commissioners are well disposed towards the Southern as it proposes to make Dungarvan their termini & having it the entreport for the commerce & trade of a large portion of the counties of Cork & Tipperary."

PAGE 196, 197.

Letter from Patrick McCarthy, Town Clerk, to Messrs Kernaghan & Saunders  
Dublin March 8th 1865.

"Gentlemen, In reply to yours of 4th inst, I beg to inform you that the petitions against the Waterford, Lismore & Fermoy railway bill & against the Clonmel Lismore & Dungarvan are lodged, both of which contain a clause taken from your draft petition ... this clause the Commissioners considered tantamount to a petition in your favour, and under the circumstances of your having agreed to pay the costs of those petitions the Commissioners considered it may appear suspicious if a petition were presented directly in your favour - as to the secrecy of the arrangements you may rely on the whole affair being secret. You may also rely on Mr. Maquire's Co-operation as we will have little difficulty in getting him to aid you at any time you may require his services.

'I can give you very little information as to the quantity of fish caught but one thing is certain that the greater part of it is dispersed of in the Co Tipperary - at present the number of loads of dried haake, ling & cod fish, sent out of town to Clonmel & other parts of Tipperary would average between 10 & 15 loads weekly I think this is much under the mark & bear in mind it has reference only to dry fish."

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PAGE 199.

Letter from Patrick McCarthy, Town Clerk, to Michael Whelan, Barronstrand  
Street Waterford, March 13th 1865.

Complaining of damage to Dungarvan quay by Whelan's boat the 'Dobson'.

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Letter from Patrick McCarthy Town Clerk to Richard H. Roberts surveyor  
April 18th 1865.

Informing him that his appointment in connection with the harbour had now expired after one year & his services were no longer needed.

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Letter from Patrick McCarthy, Town Clerk to George Kiely Esq., Springmount  
May 29th 1865.

"Sir, I am directed by the Town Commissioners to forward you the accompanying copy of an order ... to request you would kindly consent to Mr. Roberts re-opening it (a well at spring) as the object they have in view is to provide a supply of pure clean water for the use of the inhabitants. Which the commissioners consider they cannot obtain outside in as much as washing clothes & the filth of the cars, besides the droppings of mules & donkeys become mixed up with the water in the present well, and is then carted to town for sale."

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Letter from Patrick McCarthy, Town Clerk to Thomas A. Mahoney, William St.  
Dungarvan, September 18th 1865.

"Sir, the Town Commissioners having under their consideration at their meeting of this day, your tender for supplying them with a site for a Butter Market House - made the following order:-

The Commissioners having considered Mr. Mahoney's tenders for a plot of ground for the intended Butter Market which they consider high, but will give £300 No. 1. lot containing 64 or 65 feet frontage."

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Memorial from M. A. Anthony, Chairman of Dungarvan Town Commissioners  
to the Grand Jury of Co. Waterford. 9th July. 1866.

"The Memorial of the Town Commissioners of Dungarvan sheweth that a long time has elapsed since the project of connecting Dungarvan with Waterford by a shorter line of road than that at present in use & for which large sums of money has been expended by the county in building a new bridge at Ballyvoil & by the Board of the Public Works in fencing & levelling 1,147 perches of a new line of road between Carrigahilla Cross & Seafield.

That the completion of this road would tend to improve the traffic between Dungarvan & Waterford as it would shorten the distance between both places by at least 3 miles ... Memorialists therefore beg to bring under your consideration the desirability of completing the above mentioned 1,147 perches of new line of road with the hope that at a future time the line may be extended from Ballyvoil Bridge to the Sweep & thus carry out the original intention for which this bridge was Built."

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PAGE 234.

DATE: AUGUST 15th 1866.

Edmond Morrissey, Town Clerk Dungarvan to ?

Re: Cast clothes sellers in Dungarvan.

"I have been this day informed that two of those cast clothes dealers have left here for Liverpool for the purpose of importing clothes perhaps from hospitals or other infectious localities: I consider that prompt & vigorous measures should be adopted for the purpose of preventing such goods from being landed in any Irish port free from any disease."

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PAGE 237.

Letter from Edmond Morrissey Town Clerk to Roger Baker, Duckspool, October 30th 1866.

Concerning a dangerous chimney on Mr. Purser's Bakery, Dungarvan, which building was jointly owned by Baker & Lord Waterford.

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PAGE 238,239.

Letter from Edmond Morrissey to Mr. Curran, Abbeyside, February 14th 1867.

"Sir, I regret much that you consider the tenor of the circular I forwarded to you as insulting to your regiment. I assure you it was never intended as such towards either the officers or men of the 12th Lancers the words were entirely directed to one individual of the regiment who was guilty of the murder of both O'Brien & Captain Keily. The circular was framed at a public meeting held in this town for the relief of the widow & orphans of O'Brien who are in extreme poverty & well knowing the officers of the British Army to be always generous, I forwarded an application for relief which of course I would not do by circular intended to convey an insult. I trust therefore that you will accept this explanation of any thing which may appear hurtful to your feelings."<sup>7</sup>

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Letter from Edmond Morrissey, Town Clerk, to Messrs Leadbetter & Co.,  
13 & 15 Garden Street Glasgow, May 25th 1871,

"Gentlemen, the Town Commissioners have accepted your tender for the pump & lamp pillar for the sum of £12-10-0 barrel four inches instead of  $4\frac{1}{2}$ , the depth of well is 28 feet without, glass globes or gas fittings they will require two sets of patent brass boxes."

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Letter from Edmond Morrissey Town Clerk, April 26th, 1872. to Messrs  
Perrott & Leadbetter & Co & Benjamin Graham looking for a quotation for four metal pillars of "Best Casting" 9 feet 8 inches long, diameter 13 inches at base, to be able to support a heavy floor.

NOTES

- (1) Richard H. Roberts was Borough Engineer in 1867 with an address at Bridge Street.
- (2) Henry Anthony was a surgeon and register of births, deaths and marriages. He lived in Church Street.
- (3) John R. Dower is noted as a brewer and mineral water manufacturer in 1879. He was also a Justice of the Peace and lived at 'Brewery Lodge' later known as The Beeches. His father John ran the St. Brigid's Well Brewery.
- (4) The Gas Works were constructed behind the present Waterford Co-Op buildings.
- (5) The Harbour & Markets Act passed in 1863 required the Dungarvan Town Commissioners to have an official seal & arms. William Williams (1820-1875) executed the designs. He was born near Mitchelstown and came to Dungarvan in 1850 where he spent the remainder of his life. He lived in Devonshire Square (now Gratten Square). He established the Keating Society, translated numerous poems into Irish and was an authority on Ogham.
- (6) Benjamin Purser -  
Purser was originally from Dublin where he worked in Guinnesses Brewery. When he came to Dungarvan he had a bakery and also opened a brewery c. 1860 on the site of the present Waterford Co-Op. In 1867 he was involved with a Mr. Coady, they were known as 'Purser & Coady, Brewers, Fair Lane'. When his brewery ventures failed he concentrated on his flour milling business & had an old mill at Colligan. He and his family lived in the Hermitage in Abbeyside. His daughter Sarah was a notable figure in the Irish art world.
- (7) The events referred to in this letter occurred on December 28 1866 during the election of members of Parliament for Co. Waterford. The candidates at this period were De la Poer and Captain Talbot. It was common at this time to have the military escort voters to the polling booths. The fact that many people were coerced into voting for Talbot resulted in a series of disturbances. The 12th Lancers who were stationed in Dungarvan were called out to keep order. According to contemporary reports a group of the 12th Lancers and the 67th Infantry were attacked with stones. They retaliated by charging the crowd who had run towards the quay. One man, William O'Brien was hit on the head and trampled by the crowd and the military horses and died from his injuries. Captain Bartholomew Kiely came out of his house on the Quay (Lannens) to see what was happening. As he came out through a side door he was struck by a lance and died from the wound. An inquest later stated that William O'Brien had been killed by the Lancers in an unlawful charge and in Captain Kelly's case a verdict of wilful murder by the Lancers was returned.

MINUTES.

29/1/1855 to 9/4/1860

PAGE 1.

DATE OF ENTRY:- MONDAY 29th JANUARY 1855.

"Minutes of the proceedings at the first meeting of the Town Commissioners of Dungarvan held in the Magistrate's room in the Court House on the above day."

Commissioners present at the meeting;-

Andrew Carbery, Michael Mahoney, Beresford Boate, Patrick Coady, John R. Dower, Patrick Ronayne, Christopher O'Brien, Richard G. Hudson, John Hannigan, Edward Shaw, James Byrne, John Wall and John O'Sullivan."

Andrew Carbery elected Chairman - ordered that the Commissioners advertise for a Town Clerk, Inspector of Nuisance, Collector of Rates.

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PAGE 3.

DATE OF ENTRY:- MONDAY FEBRUARY 5th 1855.

Edward Longan<sup>1</sup> elected as Clerk £25 per an. Michael Byrne elected Inspector of Nuisances and Rate Collector.

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DATE OF ENTRY:- FRIDAY 6th APRIL 1855.

"Proposed, that a petition be prepared and presented to the Duke of Devonshire praying for a Grant or Lease by him to the Town Council of the Markets in this town belonging to him and that a Deputation consisting of our Chairman and such town Councillors as may wish to attend do present said petition through F.S.Curry."

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PAGE 19-21.

DATE OF ENTRY:- 16th APRIL 1855.

Petition of Dungarvan Town Commissioners to the Right Honourable William Spencer Duke of Devonshire about leasing the Dungarvan Markets to them.

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PAGE 24-25.

DATE OF ENTRY:- MONDAY 23 APRIL 1855.

REPORT OF DEPUTATION FROM DUNGARVAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS TO FRANCIS CURRY (DUKE OF DEVONSHIRE'S AGENT, LISMORE CASTLE) RE: LEASING OF MARKET IN DUNGARVAN & REPAIR OF QUAY.

"He stated his anxiety to co-operate...in effecting the repairs of the quay & that for that purpose his grace the Duke of Devonshire was willing to subscribe towards an equal sum to that which may be subscribed by the inhabitants of Dungarvan but not to exceed £150-0-0."

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PAGE: 60,61.

Return of the Names & Qualifications as required by the Town's Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 of the Town Commissioners of the Town of Dungarvan.

DUNGARVAN WARD

<u>Names</u>	<u>Ag'es</u>	<u>Valuation</u>	<u>Occupation</u>
<u>Andrew Carbery</u>	<u>60</u>	<u>£395-10-0</u>	<u>Esquire</u>
<u>Michael Mahoney</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>120-0-0</u>	<u>Merchant</u>
<u>Patrick Coady</u>	<u>60</u>	<u>116-0-0</u>	<u>Merchant</u>
<u>John R.Dower</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>181-0-0</u>	<u>Brewer</u>
<u>Patrick Ronayne</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>89-0-0</u>	<u>Shopkeeper</u>
<u>Christopher O'Brien</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>47-0-0</u>	<u>Merchant</u>
<u>Edward Shaw</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>25-0-0</u>	<u>Shopkeeper</u>
<u>John Hannigan</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>12-0-0</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>James Byrne</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>39-0-0</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>John Wall</u>	<u>46</u>	<u>181-0-0</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>Richard G.Hudson</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>Above 50</u>	<u>Solicitor</u>
<u>John O'Sullivan</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>19-0-0</u>	<u>Solicitor</u>

ABBEYSIDE WARD

<u>Sir N.Humble</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>Above£40</u>	<u>Baronet</u>
<u>Beresford Boate</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>Above£50</u>	<u>Esquire</u>
<u>Maurice Goff</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>Above£50</u>	<u>Merchant</u>

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DATE OF ENTRY:- FRIDAY 21st SEPTEMBER 1855.

ADDRESS TO WILLIAM SPENCER, DUKE OF DEVONSHIRE BY DUNGARVAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

"May it please your grace, we the Town Commissioners of Dungarvan beg leave to congratulate your Grace & sympathise with the joy of the County of Waterford at your Graces return to this country in improved health, we trust that the magnificent renovation of your Ancestral Castle of Lismore bespeaks an intention of that prolonged residence of your grace in Ireland ... we would be ungrateful did we not ... acknowledge your grace's magnificent expenditure for the improvement of our town - an expenditure measured by that generous hand which in years gone by erected our fine bridge & markets at his own cost & within the present year subscribed one hundred & fifty pounds towards the repair of our Quay."

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LETTER FROM SIR JOHN H. KEANE CAPPOQUIN HOUSE, MARCH 15, 1856  
TO TOWN COMMISSIONERS DUNGARVAN

"Sir, at the last Waterford Assizes the following gentlemen viz;-  
The Lord Stuart de Decies, Sir John H. Keane, Bart, Richard Musgrave  
Esq, Richard Chearnly Esq, Francis E. Curry Esq., were appointed to  
form a committee & collect subscriptions to defray the expenses of  
a survey for a line of railway to commence at Clonmel & to proceed  
through the Barony of Glenahiry & by the valley of the river Finisk  
to Modeligo with a branch from thence to Dungarvan on the east, &  
to the river Blackwater near Cappoquin on the last.  
The Co. Surveyor has in the most liberal manner offered his services  
and Sir John H. Keane has been requested to submit the matter to the  
influential inhabitants of the district, through which the proposed  
line is intended to be made, or who would be benefitted by its  
construction & to solicit their subscriptions to carry out this  
preliminary step. On receiving the report of the County Surveyor  
the committee will lay the matter before the next Grand Jury, on a  
meeting of the rate payers of the County, as may be deemed advisable.  
If you are disposed to favour the undertaking, your remittance  
addressed to Sir J.H.Keane, Cappoquin House will oblige."

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DATE OF ENTRY:- MONDAY 7th JULY 1856.

"Proposed, that the Town Commissioners of Dungarvan having maturely  
considered the subject of the proposed lines of Railway from this  
town to Clonmel & from this town to the city of Waterford are of the  
opinion if there are no engineering difficulties that the former is  
the preferable line & more likely to be remunerable."

PAGE 226-227.

DATE OF ENTRY:- MONDAY 19th JANUARY 1857.

LETTER FROM JAMES BRODERICK (CHRISTIAN BROTHERS, DUNGARVAN) TO  
TOWN COMMISSIONERS, DUNGARVAN (NO DATE GIVEN).

"Gentlemen, having seen our dwelling house taxed in your books, I beg most respectfully to observe that the Barrister at the Quarter Sessions in this town having decided that our dwelling house was by Law exempt from liability to pay poor rates, the Poor Law Guardians on account of that decision, did not demand it.

I also beg to observe that our former dwelling house at Shandon is valued as highly as if tenanted, whereas it is used at present only as a barn & as a residence for our caretaker who pays no rent for it. Our annual collection only seldom exceeding £50 would little more than half supply the wants of this community consisting of seven members. Hence the necessity of having recourse to the management of the land in our possession the profits of which are as necessary for the education of our poor boys as your own charitable contributions annually bestowed for this community & are they to be taxed."<sup>2</sup>

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DATE OF ENTRY:- MONDAY 19th JANUARY 1857.

Proposal from William Morley Stears, Gas Engineer & Contractor of London- "Being desirous of establishing a Gas Works in or near the Town of Dungarvan for the purpose of supplying shop, houses, street lamps & other public & private buildings with Gas."..

Listing conditions for setting up same.

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DATE OF ENTRY:- MONDAY 16th FEBRUARY 1857.

"That a committee be formed consisting of the commissioners with power to add to their numbers to wait on the shopkeepers & ratepayers to know to what extent they are likely to become shareholders in the construction of Gas works to supply the Town with light at £5-0-0 per share."

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DATE OF ENTRY:- MONDAY 9th MARCH 1857.

LETTER FROM F.E.CURRY (AGENT TO DUKE OF DEVONSHIRE) LISMORE  
TO ANDREW CARBERY.

"Dear Sir, if anything further is to be done at present about lighting Dungarvan or erecting Gas Works .. it would be desirable to have a meeting of the inhabitants ... I would attend & give any information in my power & be prepared to state what assistance the Duke would give in the event of a local company being established. I should not be inclined to recommend ... any agreement on the part of the Duke towards such a proposal as that laid before the Town Council by Mr. Stears."

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PAGE 300-301.

DATE OF ENTRY MONDAY 13th JULY 1857.

"Resolved, that we have heard with regret that the Grand Jury of the County of Waterford have consented that a guarantee of 5% should be given for the construction of a line of Railway from Waterford to Dungarvan which has to pass by this town & which could not by any possibility serve its trade & business but on the contrary would be destructive to its best interests."

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DATE:- MONDAY 13th JULY 1857.

"Resolved, that we have heard with pleasure that the people of Clonmel have entered into a resolution of forming a company for the making of a line from Clonmel to Dungarvan, Cappoquin etc., & that the success of such company has our very best wishes... it will open up the markets of the County Tipperary, Limerick, Clare, Cork & Kerry."

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DATE :- MONDAY 1st FEBRUARY 1858.

LIST OF SHAREHOLDERS FOR A PROPOSED NEW GAS WORKS

Andrew Carbery	20 Shares of £5 each	£100-0-0
John R. Dower	" " " " "	£100-0-0
Patrick Cody	10 Shares " " "	50-0-0
Michael Mahoney	5 " " " "	25-0-0
John Wall	4 " " " "	20-0-0
Patrick Williams	" " " " "	20-0-0
Edward Kennefick	" " " " "	20-0-0
Henry Anthony	" " " " "	20-0-0
Patrick Ronayne	" " " " "	20-0-0
Richard G. Hudson	5 " " " "	25-0-0
Rev. Dr. Hally P.P.	" " " " "	25-0-0
E. D. Rae	2 " " " "	10-0-0
James Kennedy	10 " " " "	50-0-0
Francis Sheehan	4 " " " "	20-0-0
John Hannigan	" " " " "	20-0-0
Edward Shaw	5 " " " "	25-0-0
William Orr	6 " " " "	30-0-0
Benjamin Purser	20 " " " "	100-0-0
Christopher O'Brien	10 " " " "	50-0-0
Patrick Flood	" " " " "	50-0-0
M.B. Olden	" " " " "	50-0-0

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James Boland	2	Shares of £5 each	£10-0-0
Patrick Flynn	1	" " " "	5-0-0
P. W. Fitzgerald	4	" " " "	20-0-0
Eliza Ahearne	10	" " " "	50-0-0
Timothy Curran	4	" " " "	20-0-0
Richard Keiley	"	" " " "	20-0-0
William Ryan	1	" " " "	5-0-0
Maurice Keane	4	" " " "	20-0-0
George Fitzmaurice	5	" " " "	25-0-0
Rodolphus Keiley	2	" " " "	10-0-0
Patrick Fitzgerald	4	" " " "	20-0-0
John Mooney	2	" " " "	10-0-0
Declan Hannigan	4	" " " "	20-0-0
Patrick Lynch	1	" " " "	5-0-0

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TOTAL: - £1070-0-0

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DATE:- MONDAY 1st FEBRUARY 1858.

"Resolved, that we do invite a competent Gas Engineer to make an estimate of the probable expense of lighting the town & reporting the best site for a Gasometer."

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LETTER FROM EDWARD LONGAN, TOWN CLERK, COMMISSIONERS OFFICE DUNGARVAN, FEBRUARY 8th 1858 TO DENNY LANE ESQ., SECRETARY TO THE CONSUMERS COMPANY CORK.

Enquiring if their engineer, Mr. Anderson would come to Dungarvan to make an estimate for lighting the town with Gas."

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LETTER FROM GEORGE ANDERSON, WATERFORD, 4th MARCH 1858  
TO EDWARD LONGAN, TOWN CLERK, DUNGARVAN.

"Sir, would it suit your convenience that I visit Dungarvan about Tuesday or Wednesday next after that I would not do so for some time as parliamentary business will be on."

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LETTER FROM ANDREW CARBERY, DUBLIN, 7th APRIL 1858 TO EDWARD  
LONGAN, TOWN CLERK, DUNGARVAN.

"Dear Edward, I return you Mr. Anderson's specification for Gas works. Roderick's Quay would be too expensive for the Gasometer, I pay a head rent for this lot of £18... my interests which would value too high as I intend this place for what I think more valuable to me or to those who come after me. There are other places in Dungarvan which could be rented."

"Resolved, that the intended sites for the Gasometer be pointed out to Mr. Sinnott that he may make a survey & map of each."

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DATE: FEBRUARY 1858.

"Resolved, that Mr. Samuel Rogers be empowered to make an estimate and plan for the introduction of water sufficient to supply the town of Dungarvan from the lands of Killongford ... the font to be situate on the Square of Dungarvan & to be of sufficient extent to supply the private houses of the entire town."

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NEW TOWN HALL

LETTER FROM THE DUKE OF DEVONSHIRE, ? NEWTOWN IN BARTWEL  
SEPTEMBER 7th 1858, TO ANDREW CARBERRY, CHAIRMAN DUNGARVAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

"Sir, I beg to acknowledge the receipt of a memorial signed by you as chairman on behalf of the Town Commissioners and inhabitants of Dungarvan. I can only say that being desirous of making some enquiries I am unable to give an immediate answer. But I can assure you that the subject shall receive my best attention.

I remain your Servant, Devonshire.

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DATE :- SEPTEMBER 1858.

"Resolved, that the reply now received by our esteemed chairman from his Grace the most noble Duke of Devonshire to the memorial already forwarded from the Town Commissioners petitioning his grace for the erection of a Town Hall in Dungarvan, be hereby most gratefully acknowledged."

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DATE :- MONDAY 4th OCTOBER 1858.

"Resolved, that a fire engine being much required in this Town, in fact absolutely necessary for the protection of property from fire. That we call upon the insurance companies, agents in this Town to express a hope that they will provide such a necessary article as well as for their own protection as that of the public - copy to be sent to the different insurance companies in the Town."



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DATE: - MONDAY 13 DECEMBER 1858.

"That we are of opinion that the embankment of the Cunnigar concerns the public of this Town deeply, we request a public meeting of the Town to have their opinion as to the course to be adopted. Ordered, that 50 placards be got calling a meeting of the inhabitants of Dungarvan as to the course to be adopted with respect to the taking in of the Western Bay."

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LETTER FROM JOHN FRANCIS McGUIRE, CORK, DECEMBER 15th 1858 TO EDWARD LONGAN, TOWN CLERK, DUNGARVAN.

RE: Lodging a petition against the Bill for the Cunnigar Embankment. "I really do not at present know the time for lodging a petition, but think it is about the middle of January at any rate. I advise you not to abandon your position for by establishing your right to be heard - you may defeat the project should it be shown to be injurious and you may obtain better terms on behalf of the ratepayers, if it be proved to be good."<sup>3</sup>

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LETTER FROM JOHN FRANCIS McGUIRE, CORK, JANUARY 27th 1859 TO EDWARD LONGAN, TOWN CLERK, DUNGARVAN.

RE: Cunnigar Embankment Bill.

"Resolved, that the clerk do apply to the company who propose enclosing the Western Bay for the information of the Commissioners...a copy of the Bill laid before Parliament."

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LETTER FROM JOHN FRANCIS MCGUIRE, CORK, FEBRUARY 2nd 1859 TO  
EDWARD LONGAN, TOWN CLERK, DUNGARVAN.

Advising the Commissioners not to abandon their right of petition in relation to the Cunnigar Bill ... "And loose the position from which they can dictate terms to mere speculators, who do not care a straw about Dungarvan."

"Resolved, that the Board request my Lord Commissioners of the Admiralty to send an Inspector to investigate under the Preliminary Engineers Act 1851 at the expense of the promoters the effect or injury to the navigation of the Harbour."

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LETTER FROM JOHN FRANCIS MCGUIRE, 17 MANCHESTER BUILDINGS, COMMERCIAL  
ROOMS, WESTMINSTER, FRIDAY 16th 1859 TO EDWARD LONGAN, TOWN CLERK,  
DUNGARVAN.

"I am happy to inform the Commissioners that the Admiralty deem the Dungarvan Bill of such importance that they have resolved on instituting a local Court of Inquiry."

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"COPY OF A PETITION ADOPTED WITH REGARD TO THE DUNGARVAN HARBOUR  
EMBANKMENT BILL."

'Dungarvan Harbour Embankment Bill - Petition against ;-

To the right Honourable the Lords Spiritual & Temporal in Parliament Assembled. The humble petition of the Town Commissioners for the Borough of Dungarvan.

Shewith, that a Bill has been introduced into your right Honourable House entitled "An Act for reclaiming from the sea the Cunnigar Strand in the County of Waterford & for other purposes."

That by the said Bill and the plans deposited for the same the promoters seek power to embank certain lands in the inner Harbour of Dungarvan now under water at full tide, with the intention of reclaiming the same for agricultural purposes.

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That the said lands comprise an area of about 2,000 acres lying adjacent to the Town of Dungarvan & at high water there is a depth of water of 14 feet at one end & 8 feet at the other, the land so covered being about two miles in length & from half a mile to a mile in breadth.

That a great number of the inhabitants of the Town and Farmers adjacent thereto draw an extensive supply of sea weed & sand for agricultural purposes ... That the maritime trade of the said Town has very much increased during the past 10 years, there being at least 60 vessels of from 80 to 250 tons & upwards of 50 fishing smacks the property of the merchants of the town engaged in the deep sea fishery, who are represented by your petitioners & whose trade & interests will be very seriously affected should the said Bill pass into a Law."

In the event of the Bill being passed the Commissioners asked that 4 clauses be inserted.

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LETTER FROM GEORGE HERWOOD, IPSWICH, MARCH 5th 1859 TO EDWARD LONGAN, TOWN COMMISSIONER, DUNGARVAN.

"Sir, I beg to send you a notice of the intended inquiry, I propose to hold relative to the above measure, as ten clear days notice is required to be given. I shall thank you immediately upon the receipt of the notice that you will have it posted on the Town Hall."

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LETTER FROM WILLIAM BRYDEN, 4 NEW PALLACE YARD, WESTMINSTER, MARCH 23rd 1859, TO EDWARD LONGAN, TOWN COMMISSIONER, DUNGARVAN.

RE: 'Dungarvan Harbour Bill.'

"Dear Sir, I have received your favour of the 21st inst. & the copy of a resolution passed by the Town Commissioners for my guidance setting clauses for the protection of the town. The committee on this Bill was appointed last night to meet on Tuesday next the 29th inst. at 11 o'clock. The committee consists of the following peers; Lord .....?..... (chairman), Earl of Airlie, Earl of Ducie, Lord Feynham, Lord Vivian. I think some one or more of the Commissioners should be deputed to come over at once to London to assist me to settle the clauses with the promoters."

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DATE: MONDAY 19th SEPTEMBER 1859.

Proposed, "whereas the Channel of the Harbour is being gradually filling up for some years back by the sand from the various sand banks in the Harbour being drifted about ... and that the operation of a Harbour Bill under the wise management of a Local Board would prevent the evil. Resolved, that a petition be sent to Parliament ... for the purpose of obtaining the benefits of a Harbour Bill for this port."

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DATE: MONDAY 7th NOVEMBER 1859.

'THE MEMORIAL OF THE TOWN COMMISSIONERS OF DUNGARVAN TO HIS GRACE THE DUKE OF DEVONSHIRE.'

"Sheweth, that memorialists have learned with regret the intention of his Grace to dispose of the property held by him in the town of Dungarvan. That memorialists being the only public body in Dungarvan constituted to express the feelings & wishes of its inhabitants, would beg to represent to his Grace on their behalf, their earnest hope that his Grace will concede to them the right to hold the premises in the town of Dungarvan used for market purposes<sup>4</sup>, and known as the meat shambles, fish shambles, root shambles & butter weigh house, free of rent, as has hitherto been his Grace's wish.."

Memorial to be forwarded to F. E. Currey, Lismore for presentation to the Duke.

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DATE: - MONDAY 7th NOVEMBER 1859.

"Resolved, that permission be given to John Hollwey Esq, Gas Contractor, to open the streets of the Town for the purpose of laying down his Gas Mains etc."

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LETTER FROM PATRICK MCCARTHY, SECRETARY, DUNGARVAN GAS CONSUMERS  
COMPANY LIMITED, JANUARY 12th 1860. TO CHAIRMAN OF TOWN COMMISSIONERS  
DUNGARVAN.

"Sir, the Directors of the above Company propose to the Town Commissioners to light extinguish & keep clean, 50 or if required 60 street lamps for 9 winter months ... at the rate of £3 per lamp. The gas to be produced from equal parts of best Newcastle & Cardiff coals."

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LETTER FROM F. E. CURREY, LISMORE CASTLE, MARCH 2nd 1860 TO RICHARD  
GARDE HUDSON.<sup>5</sup>

"Mr. Dear Sir, In reply to the application made by the Town Commissioners of Dungarvan to the Duke of Devonshire relating to the markets. I am desired to inform them through you that his Grace will be willing to place the meat, fish and vegetable markets under their management & control; But the old Court House<sup>6</sup> where the butter market is held will be disposed of in the same way as the rest of the property."

NOTES

- (1) The Longan family lived at Ballinacourty House and were noted as one of principal families of Co. Waterford in 1710.
- (2) The Brothers built the house and school at Shandon in 1807 and had the school until 1835 when a new building was constructed at Youghal Road. However, the Brothers continued to live at Shandon but in 1850 they built a new monastery at the Youghal Road. The old school building at Shandon was demolished in 1990 but the house remains behind the Park Hotel.
- (3) John Francis McGuire was M.P. for Dungarvan in 1852, 1853, 1857 and 1859.
- (4) The market place referred to was situated on the site of the present Post Office in Bridge Street.
- (5) Richard Garde Hudson (1808-1883) was born at 'Park' near Youghal. His father John moved to Dungarvan in the early 1800s to become Seneschal to the Duke of Devonshire. He built Ballycoe House as his main residence. Richard was practising as a Solicitor in 1846 and later became Sub-Sheriff of Co. Waterford which post he held until 1881 when his son John T. Hudson of Glenbeg House succeeded him.
- (6) The 'Old Court House' is probably a reference to the Market House in lower Main Street (now the Library & Museum).

From the WATERFORD NEWS file, Oct. 22, 1856.

**DUNGARVAN AND CLONMEL RAILWAY.**

The prospectus of this line of railway has been issued. The capital is to be £196,000 in 19,600 shares of £10 each; the length of line twenty-eight miles, and as there are said to be few engineering difficulties, the cost per mile is estimated at £7,000. The plan proposed to raise the capital was put forth thus by the noble chairman at the recent meeting in Dungarvan:—One-sixth of the shares are to be taken by an eminent capitalist, who further offers to lend another sixth on easy terms of interest; the Waterford and Limerick railway company, without a shilling in their coffers, never having paid a dividend to the original shareholders, all their income being absorbed in paying interest on debts and working expenses, are to give £30,000; and after those sums are deducted from the proposed capital, the balance now required to be raised is only £90,000. The advantages expected to be derived, independent of the great benefit which railway travelling confers on individuals, are, first, that Dungarvan will become the principal port of Clonmel and Tipperary, and that in summer time the seekers of sea-side recreation would go to Dungarvan instead of Tramore. This line, as was well remarked by Lord Stuart de Decles, can only be considered as likely to serve the western and northern districts of the county exclusively, whereas the line for which the guarantee of the county is pledged, and the only obstacle to which appears to be the apprehension that Lord Redesdale, the chairman of the House of Lords Committee, is against the guarantee principle, would traverse from the extremity to the other of the county, and would prove beneficial to every portion of it. It is certain, however, that only one of these lines can ever be expected to be constructed, and it is for the people themselves to decide which one that shall be.

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DATE OF ENTRY: - TUESDAY APRIL 10th 1860.

PRESENTATION OF AN ADDRESS TO DUKE OF DEVONSHIRE ON HIS ARRIVAL TO LISMORE & TEXT OF SAME.

"We beg to tender to your Grace our grateful acknowledgements of the truly munificent gift so recently conferred by your Grace on our town on those extensive market places which are of so great value to its inhabitants."

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PAGE NO: 6.

DATE OF ENTRY: - TUESDAY APRIL 10th 1860.

DUKE OF DEVONSHIRE'S REPLY TO DEPUTATION OF TOWN COMMISSIONERS:-

"Mr Hudson & Gentlemen,

It has given me great pleasure to receive the address from you the representatives of the Trade & Commerce of Dungarvan. While I deeply regret the termination of the relations which have subsisted during many generations between the town of Dungarvan & my predecessors, it is a great satisfaction to me to know that we separate sincere & cordial friends entertaining mutual sentiments of respect & esteem.

It is an agreeable reflection that our connection while it existed was on many occasions of advantage to the town & I rejoice that at this moment when the last stage of our connection has arrived it has been in my power to prove that I am still desirous to promote the prosperity both of the town at large & of those who have been till recently my tenants.

I thank you heartily for your expressions of kindness & good feeling towards myself and I ardently trust that increasing prosperity may be in store, for your town, in which as a neighbour though no longer as a proprietor I shall still consider it my privilege to take an interest."

Signed 'Devonshire'



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DATE OF ENTRY:-

LETTER FROM ELIZA TRAVERS, DEVONSHIRE ARMS HOTEL, DUNGARVAN, JUNE 8th  
1860 TO THE CHAIRMAN & TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

"Gentlemen,

I beg leave to apprise you that I am about to build six small houses on the Buttery West, situate opposite Fair Lane on the south side. The front wall is 24 feet from the centre of the road on one side - and the other nearly 19...."

"Ordered, that provided Mrs Travers does not intrude on the public passage we see no objection to her building the houses alluded to."

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DATE OF ENTRY:- MONDAY 10th SEPTEMBER 1860.

"A DEPUTATION CONSISTING OF MESSRS H. CONYBEARE, NAGLE (OF THE FIRM OF TRACEY & NAGLE SOLICITORS) AND H. WILLIAMS WOOD, WAITED ON THE COMMISSIONERS ON THE SUBJECT OF A PROPOSED RAILWAY FROM FERMOY THROUGH LISMORE & CAPPOQUIN TO DUNGARVAN, WHEN THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS DULY PROPOSED SECONDED & CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Resolved, that we the Town Commissioners of Dungarvan having heard the statements of Messrs A. ConnyBeare,, Messrs Tracey & Nagle & Mr. H.Williams Wood, as to a projected line of railway connecting the towns of Fermoy, Lismore & Cappoquin with the seaport of Dungarvan - we take this opportunity of expressing our approval thereof & our opinion that the construction of that railway would be attended with the most beneficial results... & that it is our opinion that such project is entitled to & will receive the warmest support from this town."

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LETTER FROM WILLIAM BRYDEN, 4 NEW PALACE YARD, WESTMINSTER, OCTOBER 30th  
1860 TO TOWN COMMISSIONERS DUNGARVAN.

Re: Bill for improvement of Dungarvan Harbour, asking if the Commissioners intend proceeding with the Bill during the coming Parliamentary Session.

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DATE OF ENTRY:- MONDAY 21st JANUARY 1861.

"Mr. E. N. Barron attended, to explain the object of the promoters of the proposed Tramway to Waterford, the meeting was also open to the public, a large number being in attendance. Resolved, that it is the unanimous opinion of the Commissioners that the Tramway which is in contemplation to be made between Waterford and Dungarvan would be the means of insuring the Trade & Commerce of Dungarvan & that we are bound by two former resolutions to support a line of Railway from Fermoy to Dungarvan which we consider will be advantageous to our Town."

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FRIDAY 5th APRIL 1861.

MEMORIAL FROM TOWN COMMISSIONERS DUNGARVAN TO THE 7th DUKE OF DEVONSHIRE ASKING TO PURCHASE THE OLD MARKET HOUSE IN MAIN STREET.

"They therefore pray that your grace may be pleased to sell to them this Market House at such valuation as your grace may set upon it."

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DATE OF ENTRY: - FRIDAY 5th APRIL 1861.

ADDRESS FROM DUNGARVAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS TO THE RIGHT HON. LORD STUART DE DECIES, COMPLAINING ABOUT THE INTENDED REMOVAL OF THE CONSTABULARY HEAD QUARTERS FROM DUNGARVAN TO WATERFORD.

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DATE OF ENTRY: - WEDNESDAY 10th APRIL 1861.

MEMORIAL FROM TOWN COMMISSIONERS, DUNGARVAN, TO THE RIGHT HONOURABLE,  
THE LORDS OF HER MAJESTY'S TREASURY.

"We the Commissioners of the Town of Dungarvan in the County of Waterford on behalf of the inhabitants of the said County & the Town of Dungarvan Humbly Shew;

First - That the Harbour & seaport of Dungarvan & the Town of Dungarvan that the population of the said County amounts to 270,000 & population of said Town of Dungarvan amounts to 14,000 or thereabouts.

Secondly that the Port of Dungarvan is capable of great improvement at an expense ... quite below in point of outlay the great advantages to be derived therefrom to the Trade of said Port...

Thirdly that although the said port has considerably increased in importance by its Trade & Commerce & in its extensive Fisheries very little has ever been done, save as hereinafter mentioned by the Government for its improvement.

Fourthly ... We refer to the works executed at Ballinagoul in this Harbour by the Honourable the Board of Works, whereby the fisheries have been wondrously improved. In evidence of which it may be fearlessly stated that a small fishing village has been, by that means converted into a most extensive fishing station in which not less than 1,500 people are successfully engaged in that branch of the industry.

Fifth - that from the peculiar formation of the Harbour & from the works heretofore executed under the patronage & expense of... the Duke of Devonshire, the said Harbour... may be much improved & made a floating Dock and by flushing it at the low water of spring tides, remove the bar at present offering an obstruction to the vessels...

Sixthly- that many valuable vessels & their crews have been lost in approaching this port from the narrowness of its channel & the want of proper attention to its improvement to the increasing importance. Whereof may be taken as an established fact by reason of the erection of a Light House at its entrance, within the last year by the board commonly called the Trinity Board for Ireland.

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Seventhly - We, beg ... to state that recently in the year 1859, the right Honourable the Lords of the Admiralty, directed a report to be made by their engineer as to the state of this Harbour, and George Sherwood Esq., Civil Engineer in compliance therewith made such report...  
... And that your Lordships may further be placed to direct such sums of money as have been placed at your Lordship's disposal to be laid out in the improvement of the said Harbour."

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LETTER FROM GEORGE ALLMILTON, TREASURY CHAMBERS, 26th APRIL 1861 TO DUNGARVAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Acknowledging receipt of Commissioners letter Re; Grant to improve Dungarvan Harbour and that the work may be carried out under a new Bill in Parliament for the improvement of Fisheries and Harbours of the British Isles.

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LETTER FROM JOHN FRANCIS MAGUIRE M.P., MONDAY, APRIL 22nd 1861, TO JOHN DOWER ESQ., CHAIRMAN OF TOWN COMMISSIONERS, DUNGARVAN.  
RE: HARBOUR BILL.

Referring to a clause which could be added to the Bill & which would enable the Town Commissioners to act as Harbour Commissioners & give them power to impose Harbour Dues, which could be used by the Commissioners as security for borrowing money. "I will... use every influence in my power to secure the insertion of the clause and its safe passage through the House of Commons."

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LETTER FROM F.E. CURREY (LISMORE) APRIL 29th 1861, TO P. McCARTHY,  
TOWN CLERK, DUNGARVAN.

"Sir, I am desired by the Duke of Devonshire to acknowledge the Memorial of the Town Commissioners of Dungarvan requesting that his Grace would sell to them the premises now used as a Butter Market & Weighouse and to inform them that he is advised that in the present position of the proceedings any arrangement to sell by private contract would delay the progress of the sales & that he regrets therefore he cannot entertain their application."

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LETTER FROM 'STUART DE DECIES', DROMANA, 16th MAY 1861 TO J.R. DOWER.

Enclosing reply of Lord Lieutenant Re Commissioners memorial objecting to the removal of the County Inspector of Constabulary from Dungarvan to Waterford.

"Thomas A. Larcom, Dublin Castle, 14th May 1861 to Lord Stuart de Decies her Majesty's Lieutenant for the Co. of Waterford

His Excellency apprehends that the Commissioners suppose that there will be a reduction of the Constabulary force stationed in Dungarvan consequent on the removal of the County Inspector, his clerk & his two mounted orderlies who will be replaced by the two men more available for general duty.

His Excellency therefore trusts your Lordship will agree with him that there is no sufficient cause to justify his Excellency in withholding his assent to the proposition of the Inspector General."

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LETTER FROM PATRICK McCARTHY, DUNGARVAN, JUNE 3rd 1861, TO THE TOWN COMMISSIONERS, DUNGARVAN.

"Gentlemen, I regret that my Store now in course of erection (in Galwey's Lane) should have so far progressed without compliance with the Act on my part ... Owing to a want of information on this matter, I was precluded from giving what I know was not required from any party in the Town but myself.

Your Chairman when building in Thompson's Lane and the addition to the Brewery was not required to furnish a plan & specification, neither was Mr. Purser or Mr. Kennefick required when building in the same lane or street as I am, nor Mr. Ronayne nor Mr. Mansfield in Barrack Lane nor James Alman in Blackpool, nor Thomas Ahearne nor D. O'Keefe in the Main Street, nor P.W. Fitzgerald in the Square, among the above names are to be found four Commissioners and the Act exempts them & compels, me it must indeed be rather a novel statute and ought to be treasured for the honour conferred on the Commissioners by it."

'Resolved, ... we are of opinion that so far from there being an encroachment that Mr. McCarthy has allowed a greater width to the street than heretofore & that the building as proposed is a considerable improvement ... and that such being the case ... we allow Mr. McCarthy to proceed with the building."

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DATE OF ENTRY:- WEDNESDAY 19th JUNE 1861.

"Resolved, that our Chairman be deputed on behalf of the Commissioners to purchase the Butter Market & Cunnigar at the sale of the Duke's property to take place on the 20th of July next."

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DATE: WEDNESDAY 19 June 1861.

Letter from Maria O'Brien to the Clerk of the Town Commissioners, Dungarvan.

"Sir, I beg to inform you that I am intended to build two houses in Old Chapel Lane in the town of Dungarvan, 10feet high from the level, 48feet long and 20feet in breadth". Approved.

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LETTER FROM J. TILLEY, GENERAL POST OFFICE, JULY 16th 1861, TO  
P. McCARTHY, TOWN CLERK, DUNGARVAN.

"Sir, In reply to your letter of the 12th inst. I beg to inform you that it is not considered expedient to erect a letter box at Abbeyside, Dungarvan,... as the expense invovled in doing so would be greater than the circumstances of the case by any means justify."

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DATE OF ENTRY:- WEDNESDAY 27th NOVEMBER 1861.

LETTER FROM PATRICK McCARTHY, CLERK TO COMMISSIONERS, TOWN COMMISSIONERS  
OFFICE 20th NOVEMBER 1861 TO TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

"I am directed by the Magistrates presiding at a Borough Court held on this day ... to bring under your notice the necessity of removing the fruit-women from off the Square. The Magistrates have come to this conclusion from the numerous cases coming before them at sessions for offences committed by these women day after day, such as fighting, scolding and using obscene language, and have expressed their surprise that the respectable inhabitants living on the Square have not long before now protested against the Commissioners."

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DATE OF ENTRY: MONDAY 16th DECEMBER 1861.

"The notice received by clerk from the promoters of the Fermoy, Lismore & Dungarvan Railway relate to a road crossing at Ringnasilloge, having been produced, the following resolution was proposed.  
Resolved, that we are unanimous in assenting to the proposed line of Railway from Fermoy to Dungarvan."

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LETTER FROM THOMAS A. MAHONY, DUNGARVAN, FEBRUARY 18th 1862, TO THE CHAIRMAN OF DUNGARVAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

"Sir, take notice that I am about to build four houses on the Buttery West according to the accompanying plan."

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DATE OF ENTRY: - MONDAY 3rd MARCH 1862.

Report of Borough Surveyor;-

" The plan furnished by Mr. Mahony of the buildings which he is about to erect on the Buttery West, and old Chapel Lane is not in accordance with the plan required by the Act of Parliament - as it does not show the sewerage."

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DATE OF ENTRY: MONDAY 7 APRIL 1862.

LETTER FROM BASIL HOLMES, LONDON & SOUTH OF IRELAND TELEGRAPH CO, DOBYN'S HOTEL, WATERFORD, TO THE CHAIRMAN OF TOWN COMMISSIONERS, DUNGARVAN.

"Sir, I beg to make application on behalf of the above Company, for permission to carry their wires into the town of Dungarvan, to their office in the New Town Hall."

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LETTER FROM JOHN HANNIGAN, DUNGARVAN, APRIL 14th 1862 TO THE CHAIRMAN OF DUNGARVAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

"Gentlemen, being about to erect a dwelling house on the site near the new Town Hall, I claim your permission to straighten the Boundary wall so as to square the frontage."



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LETTER FROM M. MOONEY C.C., DUNGARVAN, MONDAY 14th APRIL 1862 TO  
DUNGARVAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

"Gentlemen, having heard that an application was about being made by Mr. John Hannigan for permission from your board to bring the Eastern angle of his intended new building some few feet ... out on the present footpath. I beg to call your attention to the consequence in reference to the new Town Hall. I purposely kept the front of the Town Hall several feet in from the public pathway in order to enhance the front, by affording a spacious promenade & to facilitate the view therefrom into the Square. If Mr. Hannigan should build in front of his new house on the angle I speak of, it would entirely conceal the view of the Town Hall from Bridge street. I trust gentlemen that no private or personal interests will merit more of your impartial consideration than my efforts for the public welfare & improvement."

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LETTER FROM HANORAH WHELAN, 12th MAY 1862 TO CHAIRMAN & GENTLEMEN OF  
DUNGARVAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

"Sirs, I hereby give you notice & inform you that I intend to build dwelling houses upon the open ground where the Forge was formerly in the possession & occupation of Andrew Drohan, situate at the West side of the Main street & North side of Strandside South, Abbeyside, Dungarvan. Which premises I purchased from the Duke of Devonshire in the Landed Estates Court, Ireland."

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LETTER FROM BARTHOLOMEW JAMES SULLIVAN, CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS, DUNGARVAN,  
AUGUST 29th 1862 TO JOHN DOWER & TOWN COMMISSIONERS, DUNGARVAN.

"Gentlemen, as we find it necessary to build a cottage for our caretaker at the gate of our field. We beg hereby to solicit your permission to straighten the present boundary... The road of the intended cottage will be 32ft 4 inches broad, whereas it is only 20 ft. broad at our bell door."

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LETTER FROM SISTER M. V. FANNING, CONVENT OF MERCY, CHURCH STREET,  
DUNGARVAN, AUGUST 30th 1862 TO CHAIRMAN OF TOWN COMMISSIONERS DUNGARVAN.

"Gentlemen, I trust you will be kind enough to exempt from payment of Town Rate, our Convent & Schools ... On the present occasion I have also to claim exemption for the house formerly held by Mr. Edward Dwyer<sup>2</sup>, and now in course of fitting up by us an infant school for the Poor".

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PAGE 246.

DATE OF ENTRY:- MONDAY 29th SEPTEMBER 1862.

"Resolved, that our Solicitor be called upon to prepare a case for Council's opinion with respect to the enclosure of the Curaheen Commons & to state what claim (if any) the Commissioners have to same."

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DATE OF ENTRY:- MONDAY 20th OCTOBER 1862.

"Resolved, that having taken into consideration the intended project of Mr. Arthur Boate<sup>3</sup>, for the construction of a viaduct & embankment from the Town of Dungarvan to the Cunnigar. We are of opinion that it would be of considerable advantage to this town & surrounding county & have no doubt as to its being a most remunerative speculation. But that it should be carried out under the sanction of the admiralty & not interfere with the navigation as we consider that the situation of the viaduct as shewn on the map should be further south."

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DATE OF ENTRY:-SATURDAY 8th NOVEMBER 1862.

"Resolved, that the notice of application for the Dungarvan Harbour Markets & Improvement Bill, read by Mr. Nagle be adopted by the Town Commissioners."

PAGE 261.

DATE OF ENTRY:- MONDAY 24th NOVEMBER 1862.

"Resolved, that having heard that the Government contemplate the breaking up of the Military Station here, we would strongly urge upon them, the desirability of maintaining it.

... And ... beg to state that from the commercial importance of this Town,... we are entitled to have those Barracks occupied & would respectfully call upon the Government to have a company of Military stationed here, which, for a series of years was the case until a recent period."

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PAGE: 267.

Letter from B.J.Sullivan and P.F.Tobin,Christian Brothers,Dungarvan.

December 15 1862 to Dungarvan Town Commissioners.

"the passage from our school gate to our schools is almost constantly covered with stagnant and putrid water,which issues through our boundary wall from the neighbouring back yards....the health of from four to five hundred children in daily attendance in these schools is connected in no small measure with the health...of the inhabitants at large".

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PAGE 268.

DATE OF ENTRY:- MONDAY 15th DECEMBER 1862.

"Resolved, that Captain's Curran, B. Kiely, J. Whelan & Mr. James Ahearne, be requested to wait upon parties in the town & Abbeyside likely to contribute towards the repair of the pier & jetty at Abbeyside."

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PAGE: 269.

DATE: FRIDAY 19 DECEMBER 1862

"Resolved,That the Bill(Harbour,Markets etc) now read by Mr.Nagle for the improvement of the town and harbour be approved..and that the petition for leave to lodge same be signed and adopted".

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PAGE 277.

DATE OF ENTRY:- WEDNESDAY 21st JANUARY 1863.

"Resolved, that this Board request my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty to send an Inspector to investigate & report under the Preliminaries Enquiries Act 1851, at the expense of the promoters; if any injury would result to the navigation of this harbour from the intended viaduct, embankment & reclamation of a portion of the Western Bay."

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PAGE 279.

DATE OF ENTRY:- MONDAY 26th JANUARY 1863.

"Resolved, that viewing as we do the great distress prevailing amongst the labouring portion of the community as well as many poor householders who cannot be relieved under the existing Poor Law Act, that the following gentlemen with power to add to their numbers form a committee for the purpose of soliciting subscriptions for their relief."

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PAGE 290.

DATE OF ENTRY:- MONDAY 18th MAY 1863.

LETTER FROM JOHN MEADE, 16th MAY 1863 TO TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

"Gentlemen, I beg to apprise you that I am about to erect six small houses at Fair Lane & submit a plan herewith."

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PAGE 299.

DATE OF ENTRY:- MONDAY 15th JULY 1863.

"Resolved, that the draft of Arms & Common Seal now produced be adopted by the Town Commissioners as their Arms & Seal for carrying out the Dungarvan Harbour, Markets & Improvement Bill & that same be engraved."

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PAGE 304.

DATE OF ENTRY:- MONDAY 3rd AUGUST 1863.

"I move that Mr. John Whelan be appointed Harbour Master for the Port of Dungarvan at the salary agreed upon at last meeting viz £50 per annum."

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PAGE 308-309.

LETTER FROM B.W. KIELY, LISFENNEL, AUGUST 17th 1863 TO THE TOWN CLERK, DUNGARVAN.

"Gentlemen, in reply to your letter calling my attention to the road under the Workhouse. I beg to say any alteration made by me adjoining that road occurred over two years since..."

The road in question is included in my purchase from the Duke of Devonshire & Mr. John Kiely then of Strancally Castle each subscribed, the latter £100, on the understanding that the road was to be carried out to the extreme point of Mullowney's farm at Rinasalogue; to enable their tenants to draw sand & seaweed which was the only traffic contemplated ... But when the board found that a sum of over £2,000 would be required to make the road through the slob, they discontinued it & £40 was returned to Mr. Kiely."

PAGE 313.

LETTER FROM EDMOND WHELAN, BALLINAGOUL, AUGUST 31st 1863 TO THE  
TOWN COMMISSIONERS, DUNGARVAN.

"I propose to collect the Harbour Dues or toll in the broad sound & Ballinacourty at 4/- per pound and tender as my sureties Messrs Henry A. Fitzgerald & John Galvin of Shanakill."

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PAGE 335.

DATE OF ENTRY:- MONDAY 23rd NOVEMBER 1863.

"Resolved, that the Tender of Mr. Woodhouse for the execution of Seal & Coat of Arms etc., for the sum of £12-12-0 be accepted."

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LETTER FROM JOHN WOODHOUSE, 5 KILDARE PLACE, MAY 12th 1864 TO  
MR WILLIAMS ESQ.(DUNGARVAN).

"Dear Sir, I beg to enclose two impressions one from the Seal & one from the Arms ... please let me know if they meet your approbation & also if there would be any objection to give impressions in lead to the Revd. Mr. Gimlett of Waterford who wants to present them to the Archaeological Society at Kilkenny."

Passed.

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PAGE: 394

Letter from Eliza Baker, Dungarvan, June 6 1864 to the Town Commissioners.

"Gentlemen, I beg to call your attention to the passage leading to the rear of our dwelling house known as 'Carter's Lane'<sup>4</sup> from the time when in possession of a person of that name. The place is trespassed upon by the public... I claim your protection and request permission to put up a gate to end of the lane".

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PAGE 404.

LETTER FROM JOHN WOODHOUSE, (DUBLIN) JUNE 20th 1864. TO MR. P. MCCARTHY  
TOWN CLERK, DUNGARVAN.

"Dear Sir, I sent by this train the press & dies for the Town Commissioners and some impressions for Mr. Williams which you will please give him. I also sent you a specimen of our exhibition medal... I also enclose directions so that you will have no difficulty in changing the dies."

PAGE 416.

LETTER FROM DENIS McGRATH, BUILDER, THE SQUARE, DUNGARVAN & OTHERS  
18th JULY 1864. TO TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Tendering for rebuilding part of Dungarvan Quay for £335- Tender was refused. Similar letter from Robert J. Carlisle, Ballyvoile bridge Works, to rebuild Quay for £312- Also refused. Tender of Thomas O'Brien, mason, Dungarvan for £225 accepted.

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PAGE 423.

LETTER FROM R.J. CARLISLE, COVE HILL HOUSE, DUNGARVAN, JULY 27th 1864.  
TO TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Tendering for rebuilding Dungarvan Quay for £287- Tender accepted.

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PAGE 436.

LETTER FROM W. FITZJAMES BARRY R.M., CORK, 21st AUGUST 1864 TO  
MR. P. McCARTHY, TOWN CLERK, DUNGARVAN.

"Dear Sir, Please inform the Town Commissioners that Mr. Holdsworth secretary to the Royal Commission has written to me fixing a public meeting in Dungarvan for Thursday next.."(for fishery enquiry).

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PAGE 436.

LETTER FROM EDWARD BRENNAN, POST OFFICE, DUNGARVAN, 10th AUGUST 1864  
TO TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Complaining about the bad state of the postal roads in Dungarvan area & stating that he had written to Henry James, Surveyor General Post Office, Limerick.

PAGE 449.

LETTER FROM J. DWELLEY C.W., ROYAL ENGINEER'S OFFICE, CLONMEL,  
24th SEPTEMBER 1864 TO PATRICK McCARTHY, CLERK TO TOWN COMMISSIONERS,  
DUNGARVAN.

Replying to Commissioners request to obtain the Fire Engine in Dungarvan Barracks & stating that they should apply to the Secretary of State for War.

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PAGE 463.

LETTER FROM EDWARD LUGARD, WAR OFFICE 10th OCTOBER 1864 TO SECRETARY  
TOWN COUNCIL, DUNGARVAN, IRELAND.

Regretting that they could not concede to Commissioners request to obtain Fire Engine in Dungarvan Barracks.

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PAGE 493.

LETTER FROM JOHN McCORMACK, DUNGARVAN, JANUARY 16th 1865 TO J.R. DOWER.

"Sir, ... I beg leave to bring under the notice of the Commissioners that a Bill of mine lies in their office for some time past, amount being £1 for sketching the Arms & Seal of the Port of Dungarvan."

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PAGE 499-500.

LETTER FROM D.A. NAGLE, CORK, JANUARY 25th 1865 TO P. McCARTHY TOWN  
CLERK, DUNGARVAN.

"Resolved, that the Town Commissioners of Dungarvan do request the Honourable the Board of Trade, to direct a local enquiry ... At the expense of the promoters of the following schemes or some one of them, Viz;- The Southern, The Clonmel, Lismore & Dungarvan and the Waterford Lismore & Fermoy; As to the injury or otherwise in case the promoters should be allowed to run an embankment on the North side of the Causeway of Dungarvan & to reclaim from the foreshore a certain portion of the slob lands over which the water flows at present, lest the same may affect the scour of the inner Harbour or Port."

PAGE 504.

LETTER FROM BRYDEN & ROBINSON, 6 GREAT QUEEN ST. WESTMINSTER, S.W.  
FEBRUARY 1st, 1865. TO P. McCARTHY, TOWN CLERK.

Dear Sir, We send you by this post the Southern Railway Bill with estimates & declarations lodged by its promoters & of those deposited for the Clonmel Bills sat yesterday. We have since ascertained that the Fermoy & Lismore Bill has been abandoned."

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PAGE 510.

DATE OF ENTRY:- MONDAY 6th FEBRUARY 1865.

"Resolved, that our Parliamentary agents in London be advised that the Town Commissioners of Dungarvan have no objection to the laying down of a Tramway along the Quay, provided the promoters of same insert (4) clauses protecting their interests & those of the Public."

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PAGE 518.

LETTER FROM THOMAS SHEEHAN, DUNGARVAN, MARCH 13th 1865 TO TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Concerning damage done to railing at new Quay by Captain Whelan's vessel 'The Dobson'.

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NOTES

(1) New Town Hall

This refers to the Old Provincial Bank building(now Waterford Foods)  
It was built in 1859/60 as a 'Town Hall & Society House' with money raised by a Father Mooney.It is thought that the fundraisers couldn't raise enough money to complete the building and it was taken over by the bank.

(2) Edward Dwyer opened a Classical & Commercial school in 1833 in Church Street.It was situated where part of the present Mercy Convent chapel is. Canon Power described him as 'one of the most highly esteemed teachers of that date..'

(3) The Boate family had their main seat at Duckspool House and they are listed among the principal families of Co.Waterford in 1710.

(4) Carter's Lane may have been situated between a row of houses which once occupied the centre of St.Augustine Street up as far as the Town Hall. The Carters are listed as rope makers in the 18th & 19th centuries.



◆ OLD PROVINCIAL BANK

MINUTES

18/6/1869 to 20/8/1877.

PAGE 37.

DATE:- MONDAY SEPTEMBER 13th 1869.

ORDERS/RESOLUTIONS:- Informing the gas co. that the Town Commissioners intend erecting two gas lamps on the New Quay.

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PAGE 41.

DATE: - MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20th 1869.

Memorial to be forwarded to the right Hon. W. E. Gladstone in favour of a measure towards the settlement of the Land Question.

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PAGE: 82.

DATE:- MONDAY FEBRUARY 21st 1870.

"A deputation composed of two boat owners waited on the Commissioners requesting them to communicate with Mr. Blake Inspector of Fisheries relative to the inefficient state of the boats & gear of this port when the clerk was directed to prepare a memorial & forward same to Mr. Blake."

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PAGE: 114.

DATE:- MONDAY JUNE 6th 1870.

Orders/Resolutions:- "Ordered that Mr. Langley report on the old Finisk<sup>1</sup> sewer on the Buttery, opposite Ryan's the water man."

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PAGE: 171.

DATE: WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 22nd 1871.

"Resolved, that we approve of accepting of the offer of Mrs. Mahony for the sale of her interest in the house or large store in Augustine Street for a sum of £50. and that she be called upon to place her title deeds in the hands of our solicitor Mr. Hunt, for the purpose of preparing a transfer to us provided he approves of her title & interest of same for the use of a Town Hall & Public Library."

PAGE 172.

DATE: - FEBRUARY 22nd 1871.

"Resolved, that an estimate be prepared of the probable cost of putting into repair & fitting up for the purpose of a Town Hall & Public Library, the premises above referred to."

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PAGE 175.

DATE: WEDNESDAY MARCH 8th 1871.

"Resolved, that a deputation consisting of the Chairman, Dr. Flynn, Mr. Hackett & Mr. Kennefick wait upon the Marquis of Waterford to ascertain from him in the event of their taking the premises in St. Augustine St. for the purpose of a Town Hall, what additional terms he would give after the expiration of the present lease.

Ordered, that an advertisement in accordance with the Act be inserted in the Waterford News requiring his excellency's sanction to borrow a sum of £400 for the purposes of a Town Hall & that an estimate & plan be prepared to accompany the application."

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PAGE 188.

DATE WEDNESDAY MAY 3rd 1871.

"Ordered that a memorial to his Excellency be prepared & forwarded to him soliciting liberty to borrow a sum £400 - for the purpose of purchasing premises & fitting them up for a Town Hall & Commissioners Offices."

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PAGE 215.

DATE: WEDNESDAY AUGUST 2nd 1871.

"Resolved, that we cannot allow this opportunity to pass after the removal of the detachment of 51st Regiment under Captain Tiydell without expressing our warm appreciation of the manner in which the men conducted themselves during their stay here of 14 months."

PAGE 222.

DATE: SPECIAL MEETING - SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 2nd 1871.

"Resolved, that we agree to take the store in St. Augustine Street for a sum of £60, from Mrs. Mahony she giving it up to us clear of taxes to this date & rent to the 25th of March last & a further sum of £25 - to Mr. Maurice Higgins he giving up the original lease to the Marquis of Waterford to enable him as agreed upon with Mr. Roberts on his behalf to make a lease of said store to the Commissioners for the term of 99 years."

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PAGE: 226.

DATE: WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 13th 1871.

"Ordered, that Mr. Hunt be called upon to prepare the application to the Chief Secretary for liberty to borrow a sum of £600, for the purpose of preparing the premises in St. Augustine St. for a Butter Market & Town Hall."

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PAGE 245/246.

DATE:- SPECIAL MEETING - MONDAY DECEMBER 18th 1871.

"The clerk convened the above special meeting to take into consideration the propriety of assenting or dissenting to the making of a railroad from Lismore to Waterford, when the following resolution was unanimously carried;- Resolved, that having fully considered the project of the contemplated railway namely the Waterford Dungarvan & Lismore Company we are of the opinion that it will be of the greatest benefit to our town & county.... We shall by every means in our power aid in the progress of it."

Ordered that a copy of the above resolution be sent to Edward Power Esq. with the seal of the Commissioners attached.

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PAGE 249.

DATE WEDNESDAY 10th JANUARY 1872.

Surveyor's Reports:-

"I beg to lay before you for approval the plans of the proposed alterations of Mahony's store into Market House & Town Hall & will be glad to receive your opinion as to the arrangements which I propose."

Charles Langley<sup>2</sup>

PAGE 249. Contd.

ORDERS & RESOLUTIONS:-

"Resolved, that as an estimate of the amount required to be borrowed for the purpose of purchasing a site & building thereon a Market House, Town Hall, Commissioners Offices & Harbour Master's Offices or of improving & enlarging for such purposes any building which may happen to be standing on such site having been laid before us & it appearing that public notice has been given in the Waterford News & General Advertiser newspaper bearing date Friday 24th November 1871 ... It is resolved to borrow a sum of £800 and it is further resolved that the sanction of the Chief Secretary to such money being borrowed... be requested."

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PAGE 267.

DATE: WEDNESDAY MARCH 27th 1872.

"Ordered that an advertisement be issued for a contractor for erecting a Trillia girder roof on the Town Hall."

Ordered that our solicitor Mr. John Hunt be called upon to prepare a conveyance from the representatives of the late Mr. Michael Mahony & also a conveyance from the parties represented by Maurice Higgins of the store in St. Augustine St. as sanctioned by the Chief Secretary's letter of the 16th March 1872."

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PAGE 275.

DATE:- WEDNESDAY APRIL 17th 1872.

"Resolved, that the tender of Mr. Henry Sinnott be accepted for the sum of £86-18-0 for the roofing of the Market House & Town Hall, according to the specification of the Borough Surveyor."

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PAGE 276.

DATE:- WEDNESDAY APRIL 17th 1872.

"Ordered that Mr. Cooke's (of Waterford) offer of flags (for ground floor of Town Hall) 1½ and 2 inches be taken & that a vessel to bring up same be sought for freight not to exceed 4/- per ton flags."

PAGE 279.

DATE WEDNESDAY APRIL 24th 1872.

"Mr. Henry Sinnott was declared contractor for flagging the Market House & constructing gate-ways according to specification for the sum of £25-15-0."

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PAGE 286.

DATE WEDNESDAY MAY 15th 1872.

"Tenders for ceiling the Market House were considered when Mr. Henry Sinnott was declared contractor for the sum of £83-15-0., the contractor to bade & straight joints the boards of ceiling & to stain & varnish same instead of papering."

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PAGE 289.

DATE: WEDNESDAY 22 MAY 1872.

"Ordered that the attention of the Police be called to the disgraceful way in which beggars and tramps are allowed to prowl about the town to the great annoyance of the inhabitants...also to prevent the custom now so often to be complained of allowing the ballad singers to stand opposite houses and collect crowds about them".

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PAGE 311.

DATE:- WEDNESDAY JULY 10th 1872.

Surveyor's Report-

"The work at the Town Hall progresses very slowly, the execution of the work is satisfactory but I would strongly urge the necessity of pressing contractor to complete the work in hands before other contracts are entered upon."

Charles Langley.

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PAGE 317.

DATE:- WEDNESDAY JULY 24th 1872.

"Ordered that the clerk write to the solicitor of Waterford, Dungarvan & Lismore Railway Co. asking if it was true that they proposed moving the station a considerable distance outside the town, as this would affect the commerce of the town."

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PAGE: 322.

DATE: WEDNESDAY AUGUST 7th 1872.

"Resolved, that it is our wish in reference to the intended tunnall at Cuscham Hill that it would be as far as practicable be carried out to meet the views of Sir. J. Nugent Humble Bart., & that a copy of the resolution be forwarded to Ed. Power Esq., the solicitor to the Co."

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PAGE 325.

DATE: WEDNESDAY AUGUST 14th 1872.

"Resolved, that the marked & special thanks of the Commissioners be tendered to Captain Griffin of Her Majesty's 98 Light Infantry & the men under his command & also to the men of the Royal Irish Constabulary for their indefatigable exertions, and at times with great personal risk during The Late Fire<sup>3</sup> & we believe that to them is due the saving from destruction of that part of the Town."

Copy forwarded to Captain Griffin & Sub. Inspector Edward McDermott.

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PAGE: 339.

DATE: WEDNESDAY 2 October 1872.

"A communication was secured from Dublin Castle re.sale of gun powder in town and requesting that the provisions of the Town's Improvement Act be enforced...that we understand that the powder which was on the premises of Mr.Peter Walsh on the day of the Fire is now in the custody of the military".

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PAGE 344.

DATE: WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 16th 1872.

"Resolved, that the tender of James Butler for the plastering of the Town Hall & Market House for the sum of £53 be accepted in accordance with Mr. Langley's specifications."

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PAGE 345.

DATE: WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 16th 1872.

REPORT OF CHARLES LANGLEY, SURVEYOR, TAY LODGE 15th OCTOBER 1872.

"Gentlemen, in compliance with your resolution directing me to report upon the stability of the walls of the Town Hall. I beg to say that I believe them to be in a perfectly safe condition. I have not seen or heard of any injury resulting from the severe tests to which they have lately been subjected & now that all weight & pressure is removed from them I do not hesitate to say that I consider them quite secure."



PAGE 356.

DATE WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 6th 1872.

Clerk's Report:

THE EXPENDITURE ON THE MARKET HOUSE & TOWN HALL INCLUDING THE SEVERAL  
CONTRACTS ENTERED INTO & THE MATERIAL PROVIDED FOR CARRYING ON THE WORKS  
ETC. AMOUNTS TO £784-6-4.

Amounts of contracts entered into	£440-18-10
Amount paid on foot of the above contracts	£314-10-0
Leaving a balance due to the contractor of	£126- 8-0
The material provided for carrying on the building amounts to sum of;-	
	£343- 8-4
Amounts paid on foot of this sum	288- 8-4
Leaving a balance due of	£ 55- 0-0
Your present debt now amounts to	£1726- 6-2.
Including mortgage debts balance due to contractor, balance due to Mr. Graves & balance due for salaries as appears at foot: -	
Due on the 4 accounts	£1465-14-10
Due to Contractors	126- 8- 0
Due to Mr. Graves	55- 0- 0
Due for salaries to officer	79- 3- 4
Total :	£1726- 6- 2

PAGE 369.

DATE: MONDAY DECEMBER 9th 1872.

"Ordered that an advertisement be issued in the 'Dungarvan Gazette'<sup>4</sup> for liberty to borrow a sum of £200- for the purpose of completing the Town Hall & Market House and that the Chief Secretary's sanction be asked for liberty to borrow the same."

PAGE 392.

DATE: MONDAY FEBRUARY 10th 1873.

ESTIMATE FOR ADDITIONAL WORKS NECESSARY FOR THE MARKET HOUSE.

Plastering the inside of Town Hall	£30- 0- 0
Fitting up Office	10- 0- 0
Scales & Weights	10- 0- 0
Main sewer extension with trap.	5- 0- 0
Paving in front of Market House	4-10- 0
Metal pillars & beams	45- 0- 0
Grating to gutters	3- 0- 0
Outer door to merchant's room	6- 0- 0
Plastering outside of building	100- 0- 0

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Total: £213-10- 0

Charles Langley.

Resolved, that the estimate submitted by the Surveyor for completing the Market House be approved of & that a copy of same be sent to the Chief Secretary for liberty to borrow a sum of £200 to complete the building."

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PAGE 408.

LETTER FROM CHARLES LANGLEY, TAY LODGE, MARCH 6th 1873. TO EDMOND MORRISSEY TOWN CLERK.

"Dear Sir, Previous to my leaving Dungarvan on Monday I heard that it was the wish of your Board that I should inspect the railway plans & report on the mode by which it is proposed that the railway shall cross the Causeway. I find that the level of the rail will be 1 foot 6 inches under that of the roadway & their axes will cross as near as possible mid-way between the bridge & Higgin's corner at Abbeyside.

The rail & road meet at a very acute angle & the height of the bridge over the railway should be I think about 15 feet over the road level.

I feel therefore disposed to advise the adoption of the level crossing as proposed for the incline to such a bridge must be very steep at the Abbeyside.."

PAGE: 417.

DATE: MONDAY APRIL 21st 1873.

JOHN MURRAY, HARBOUR MASTER, TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD OF IRELAND.

"Gentlemen, I wish to call your attention to the wreck of the Johanna<sup>5</sup> as I fear she will be doing damage to the fishing boats as she is much in the way for them at night."

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PAGE 425.

LETTER FROM B. BANKS, LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD, DUBLIN 9 MAY 1873. TO DUNGARVAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Sanctioning the borrowing of £200 by the Commissioners to complete the Town Hall.

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PAGE 451.

DATE FRIDAY JULY 18th 1873.

LETTER FROM M. A. ANTHONY, DUNGARVAN, TO THE TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Applying for permission to erect a new house next to the Town Hall.

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PAGE 454.

DATE MONDAY JULY 18th 1873.

REPORT OF CHARLES LANGLEY SURVEYOR.

"In reference to the application made by Mr. Anthony, I am still of the same opinion expressed on the last day of your meeting & advise you to permit him to build the front of his new house to range with a line drawn from the South East corner & the Market House to the corner of Power's house."

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PAGE 474.

DATE MONDAY SEPTEMBER 22 1873.

"Resolved, that no trader in the town of Dungarvan be allowed to carry on the sale of gunpowder in any premises where whiskey or inflammable oils are sold."

PAGE 506.

DATE: MONDAY DECEMBER 22nd 1873.

"A communication was received from Mr. Brennan relative to the printing of the office & soliciting the commissioners order for doing the work which was marked read."

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PAGE: 506.

DATE: MONDAY 12 January 1874.

"Mr.J.Hansard was declared contractor for the printing of the office".

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PAGE 532.

LETTER FROM B. BANKS, LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD, DUBLIN, MARCH 31st 1874  
TO DUNGARVAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Confirming the appointment of Matthew Beary as the new Borough Surveyor at £50 per year.

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PAGE 544.

DATE: MONDAY MAY 11th 1874.

"The Inspector reported the necessity of making a stage in the Town Hall for the use of players etc."

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PAGE 552.

DATE: MONDAY MAY 25th 1874.

"Resolved, that Mr. Ussher of Cappagh be asked to accept the office of Butter Taster & Weigh Master of butter due to the death of Mr. Roderick."

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PAGE 554.

DATE: MONDAY JUNE 8th 1874

"The Borough Surveyor also submitted plans & elevation of Town Hall & a plan of arches to support the wall dividing the Butter Market from the part to be added to it or of span beams to support the wall. Ordered that tenders be invited for the work."

PAGE 560.

LETTER FROM RICHARD J. USSHER, CAPPAGH, JUNE 16th 1874. TO EDMOND MORRISSEY, TOWN CLERK DUNGARVAN.

(Original letter pasted in to book)

Thanking the Commissioners for their resolution appointing his as Butter Taster.

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PAGE 572.

DATE: MONDAY JULY 13th 1874.

"A communication was received from Mr. John W. Downey requesting that a permanent berth be given to the Waterford Steamship Co. at the quay for the accomodation of one of their steamboats, which they intended to run between Waterford & here."

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PAGE 582.

DATE MONDAY AUGUST 3rd 1874.

"A communication was received from Mr. Downey relative to the amount of Harbour Dues which the steamer ERIN was to be charged for a berth at the Quay. Ordered that the Harbour Master collect dues as under all goods one penny per ton. Cattle one penny each, pigs, calves, sheep & lambs 3 pence per score, all emptys free in and out."

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PAGE 632.

DATE MONDAY JANUARY 25th 1875.

"A communication was received from Mr. Edward Roberts, stating that he received directions from the Marquis of Waterford to enclose the grave yard at Shandon.<sup>6</sup>"

PAGE 644.

DATE: MONDAY MARCH 8th 1875.

"A communication was received from the Revd. Mr. Williams requesting that the Town Commissioners would let him the use of the Town Hall for a school room at £12 a year.

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PAGE 650.

DATE: MONDAY APRIL 5th 1875.

"The deputation appointed by this Board to confer with the Revd. Mr. Williams as to his getting the use of the Town Hall as a school room, having made their report in favour of letting it, it is now proposed by Mr. T. Williams and seconded by Mr. Richard Phelan, that the large room in the Town Hall be let to the Revd. Mr. Williams or the Prior for the time being of the Augustinian Convent here, to be used as a school room between the hours of half past nine am & half past three p.m. daily, tenancy to be monthly rent of £1 per month.

The Commissioners reserve to themselves the right to use the Town Hall at all times for public meetings.& to allow the managers of Operas or Theatres to have rehearsals for an hour or an hour & a half occasionally during school hours."

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PAGE 679.

DATE: MONDAY JULY 12 1875.

Proposal by Richard Phelan to send a deputation to the auditor to persuade him to pass the Market Accounts thereby enabling the Town Commissioners to "Enlarge & fit up the Butter Market & Town Hall & Board Room, as the ratepayers are suffering a great loss for want of enlarged accomodation for the Butter Market."

PAGE 771/773.

LETTER FROM MATTHEW SCANLAN, CLONMEL, 18th SEPTEMBER 1876 TO R. J. USSHER  
CAPPAGH - RE: Dungarvan Butter Market.

(Copy of letter sent by Ussher to E. Morrissey, Town Clerk)

"To carry out effectually the working of the Market the present staff must be kept on the system & principle by which it is worked has given satisfaction to byer and seller. I am aware some Dungarvan merchants don't like the principle because it has educated the ignorant & practicle farmer how to sell his butter to advantage & places all buoyers local and otherwise on equal terms, you must bear in mind there are only two direct shippers to England buying in Dungarvan, all the other small men hailing from it buoy for Waterford & Clonmel Merchants hence the necessity of cultivating a good feeling to induce more buoyers to frequent the market."

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PAGE 784.

DATE: MONDAY NOVEMBER 20th 1876.

"Resolved that the clerk be called upon to remove to the apartments in the Town Hall for the purpose of holding the future meetings of the Town Commissioners."

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PAGE 792.

DATE: MONDAY DECEMBER 18th 1876.

"The clerk reported he had removed all the effects from the old office belonging to the Town Commissioners except what required to be taken down by the carpenter."

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PAGE 842.

DATE: MONDAY JUNE 25th 1877.

"Resolved, that we call the attention of the Board of Trade to the fact that if the Railway Company be allowed to construct the line on the low level as pointed out to us & Major General Hutchinson, which will pass at the right hand side of the Causeway entering the town."

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It would have the effect of stopping the navigation of the tidal way of the river Colligan on which there is a large trade in sand, manures & other things."

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PAGE 849.

DATE: MONDAY JULY 16th 1872.

"The Town Commissioners of Dungarvan understanding that the first earnings of the Waterford, Dungarvan & Lismore Railway after payment of working expenses being assigned to reduce County Guarantee of interest at a rate of 5% upon £280,000 borrowed for construction of the railway, and learning that a further sum of £93,000 has been borrowed & interest thereon guaranteed out of the same source, request the Grand Jury will be good enough to inform the Commissioners whether such is a fact."

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PAGE: 61.

DATE: MONDAY 13 MAY 1878.

"Resolved, That having taken the letter of Mr. G. W. Webb of the 6th of May last into consideration... we cannot brand too strongly the statement in his letter in reference to our town and its poor, when he says that it would be an insult to a half fed baboon to compare him to any one of them, this we look upon as a gross insult to our fellow human beings... which we feel it is our duty to fling back upon its author with perfect contempt as we feel the inhabitants of our town can compete with any other in their order and in its sanitary state, poor we undoubtedly have but we are convinced that to a great extent this is due to our connection with the country (England) from which Mr. Webb writes his letter".

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NOTES

(1) Finisk Sewer

This probably refers to the old Phinisk Aqueduct which was constructed c.1750 to bring water to Dungarvan from the river Phinisk 8 miles from Dungarvan. Details of the works are recorded in the Journals of the Irish House of Commons in 1756. The sections of the Aqueduct in Dungarvan were later used as a sewer hence the reference here,

(2) Charles Langley, Surveyor, lived at Tay Lodge and was also Justice of the Peace.

(3) It is not clear where exactly this fire started, but it seems to have begun by an accident involving gunpowder in Peter Walsh's shop. An old billhead tells us that his shop was in O'Connell St. and was established in 1865. As a result of the fire the Town Commissioners made an order in September 1873 that ..'no trader...be allowed to carry on the sale of gunpowder in any premises where whiskey or inflammable oils are sold'.

(4) Dungarvan Gazette

This newspaper which began in 1872 and ran until 1875 was produced and printed by Joseph Hansard (1835-1909). Hansard came from Tipperary having worked in on a Clonmel newspaper. He later moved to Dungarvan where he opened a Stationary and Book Shop in Main Street. In 1870 he printed a History of Waterford City & County.

(5) The Johanna was a schooner built in Dungarvan in 1834 and owned by Curran & Co., Dungarvan.

(6) The old Cholera graveyard can still be seen at the entrance to Waterford Co-Op on the ring road. There is a commemorative cross with inscribed plaques.

MINUTES

3/9/1877 to 12/4/1883

PAGE 3.

DATE MONDAY SEPTEMBER 24th 1877 - SPECIAL MEETING.

"Resolved, that our attention having been called by the inhabitants of Bridge Street to the state in which the street is kept by being made the resort of prostitutes whose conduct is such that the inhabitants have to remove from the front rooms of their houses to the rear so as to avoid hearing the fearful expressions of those unfortunate females, we request the attention of the Constabulary to the removal of such a fearful state of the locality."

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PAGE 14.

DATE MONDAY NOVEMBER 19th 1877.

"Ordered, that paving be put in front of the New Houses lately built by Mr. Mahony in Augustine Street."

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PAGE 51.

DATE MONDAY APRIL 1st 1878.

"A communication was received from Captain Curran stating that he was about building a house<sup>1</sup> on the road leading from Dungarvan to Shandon. Mr. Curran is requested to show on a map where the sewerage of the house & premises are intended to be."

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PAGE 65.

DATE MONDAY 20th MAY 1878.

"The Amature String Band got the use of the room outside the office to practice two nights in the week at 2/- per week."

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PAGE 107.

DATE MONDAY AUGUST 26th 1878.

"The Harbour Master reported he had served Mr. N. Keily with notice to remove the hulk of the Daring<sup>2</sup> now lying at the Graving Bank."

PAGE 129.

DATE MONDAY DECEMBER 30 1878.

"Resolved, that Mr. Edmond Keohan be elected a Town Commissioner in the room of the late Mr. Thomas Armstrong."

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PAGE 161.

DATE MONDAY AUGUST 5th 1879.

"A communication was received from Messrs Milling & Walsh of Abbeyside complaining of a nuisance caused by the hull of the Lady Mulgrave."

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PAGE 214.

DATE FRIDAY NOVEMBER 7th 1879.

"A copy of a resolution was secured from the Corporation of Dublin in favour of asking the Government to take steps to commence public works in Ireland to relieve the distress pending which was adopted."

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PAGE 231.

DATE FRIDAY DECEMBER 12th 1879.

"Resolution, that John E. Mahony, J. F. Ryan, Peter Walsh & D. Hannigan wait on A. V. Stuart of Dromana & ask him to accompany a deputation of the Town Commissioners to the Board of Works to procure the loan of a sum of money at 4% payable in 35 years for the purpose of purchasing the Cunnigar & building a bridge thereto, a work not only useful & beneficial for the employment of our distressed labourers & tradespeople, but it will surely pay for itself in at least 15 years."

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PAGE 232.

DATE FRIDAY DECEMBER 12th 1879.

Resolved, that the clerk be directed to apply to Mr. Patrick Casey, Parliament St., Kilkenny and order from him seventy lamps same as sample.. at 1/2 per lamp."

"Resolved, that we the Town Commissioners of Dungarvan call on the Landed Proprietors & Local Gentry to give employment to the distressed labourers."

PAGE 233-239.

DATE FRIDAY DECEMBER 12th 1879.

"Report on the system of lighting Kilkenny with oil lamps & the advisability of adopting a similar system for the public lighting of Dungarvan" - By Edmond Keohan.

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PAGE 242.

DATE FRIDAY DECEMBER 19th 1879.

"Ordered, that James Heafy be employed by Mr. Beary B. S. in blasting the rocks outside Baker's Bath s<sup>3</sup>."

"A communication was received from H. Villiers Stuart Esq. stating he would be glad to accompany a deputation to the Board of Works for the purpose of getting a loan to build a bridge across to the Cunnigar."

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PAGE 248.

DATE FRIDAY JANUARY 2nd 1880.

"The Inspector called the Board's attention to the dangerous state of Carbery's old store<sup>4</sup> in Abbeyside, the windows of the gable have fallen down & appear dangerous to the public."

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PAGE 263.

DATE MONDAY FEBRUARY 16th 1880.

"Resolved, that the petition from the inhabitants of Ringville & its neighbourhood in favour of a bridge to the Cunnigar be adopted by this Board & that our clerk be directed to forward same to the Board of Trade for their consideration."

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PAGE 264.

DATE MONDAY FEBRUARY 16th 1880.

"Resolved, that we the Town Commissioners of Dungarvan communicate with the Board of Trade & request them to send an engineer to report on the advisability of constructing a bridge from Dungarvan to the Cunnigar."

PAGE 279.

DATE: FRIDAY MARCH 19th 1880.

"The Inspector reported that the receipts & expenditure of the Butter Market for the year ended the 11th March 1880 - The total number of ferkins in market:- 15,906.

Amount received:- £198-16-6., Amount paid to staff:- £33-13-3."

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PAGE 280.

LETTER FROM GEORGE GUNDY, 17 BERESFORD ST., WATERFORD, 13 MARCH 1880  
TO DUNGARVAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

"Sir, I beg to inform you that I laid your letter in reference to the foreshore rights etc, at Dungarvan before Lord Waterford who directed me to say that he is willing to give up his claim thereto provided the proposed undertaking be carried out & his Lordship will also consider about subscribing towards the work."

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PAGE 280. DATE:FRIDAY MARCH 19 1880.

"Resolved, that in reply to the letter of the Marquis of Waterford through his respected agent Captain George Gundy. We the Dungarvan Harbour Board tender our thanks... for the prompt & generous manner in which his Lordship has acceded to the request of the Board for a free grant of a portion of his foreshore in the Western Bay for a site for the intended bridge."

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PAGE 286.

DATE: FRIDAY APRIL 30th 1880.

"Resolved, that we the Town Commissioners of Dungarvan, exclude from this Board, Mr. O'Shea<sup>5</sup>, reporter & to use physical force if necessary."

PAGE 289.

DATE: FRIDAY MAY 7th 1880.

"Ordered, that Mr. Morrissey apply to the Board of Works for information relative to the coming of the Fishery Commissioner to take evidence in connection with the building of the bridge to the Cunnigar."

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PAGE: 291.

LETTER FROM WILLIAM P. DUNDON O.S.A. ST. AUGUSTINE ST. DUNGARVAN, MAY 7th 1880 TO DUNGARVAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

"Gentlemen, I hereby give notice that I shall remove the school from the Town Hall to a more suitable position. I have to take this step on account of the frequent interruptions to the business & having had to allow boys home on several occasions before the time, which caused the parents in many cases to make complaints."

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PAGE 308/309.

DATE: FRIDAY JUNE 18th 1880.

"Ordered, that the clerk write to the Inspector of Irish Fisheries enclosing copy of letter from Board of Works & explaining that the Commissioners do not intend to build a bridge alone but a road of approach to an important fishing station."

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PAGE 315.

DATE: FRIDAY JULY 2nd 1880.

RESOLUTION FROM DUNGARVAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS TO MR. O'DONNELL M.P.<sup>6</sup> FOR DUNGARVAN.

"Resolved, that having heard from the deputation a statement of the grievance of which the Dungarvan fishermen complain in consequence of the Trammel Net fishing not being conducted in accordance with the bye laws, this Board is of the opinion that a local enquiry into the whole matter should be held."

PAGE 339.

DATE: FRIDAY AUGUST 27th 1880.

"Resolved, that as the Inspector's Report is favourable to the project of the Cunnigar Bridge & road we ask the County & Borough members to request the Board of Works to send down at once their engineer."

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PAGE 340.

LETTER FROM HENRY VILLIERS STUART, DROMANA, CAPPOQUIN, AUGUST 26th 1880 TO DUNGARVAN, TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

"Dear Sir, with reference to your enquiry whether I would allow the reef of rocks out lying the land at Gurtnadiha to be used for the purposes of the Cunnigar Bridge & Embankment. I beg to say that I shall have much pleasure in allowing material to be drawn from these rocks ... free of charge ... and I would also allow gravel or any other similar material to be drawn free of charge ... from my property at Gurtnadiha. I shall be glad to know when the engineer arrives as I should like to meet him."

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PAGE 346.

DATE: FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 10th 1880.

"Resolved, that the Town Commissioners of Dungarvan request the Local Government Board to recommend the Lord Lieutenant to convene an extraordinary Baronial Sessions of the Barony of Decies... the Town Commissioners desire to add that it would be of the utmost importance that these sessions be held as soon as possible so that the works (Cunnigar Bridge etc.) may be initiated without delay in as much as the winter months are now fast approaching & it cannot be reasonably expected that the destitution which has been very severe during the past year will not prevail to a great extent during the coming winter & spring."

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PAGE 365.

DATE: FRIDAY NOVEMBER 5th 1880.

"Resolved, that an Address from this Board be presented to Mr. Parnell on his visit to Waterford to attend the Land Meeting."



PAGE 374.

DATE: FRIDAY NOVEMBER 26th 1880.

"Resolved that Mr. Patrick Curran be hereby elected Harbour Master for the Port & Harbour of Dungarvan at a remuneration of £30 a year."

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PAGE 380.

DATE: FRIDAY DECEMBER 10th 1880.

"Resolved, that having had before us a minute of the verdict of the Jury who enquired into the death of Mr. John Mulcahy lately drowned at the quay, we desire to make our sense of the necessity that exists for the erection of some chains."

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PAGE 413.

DATE: FRIDAY APRIL 5th 1881.

"A telegram was received from Mr. Villiers Stuart from the House of Commons stating that the Harbour accounts should be made accountable for the cost of building the Cunnigar Bridge."

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PAGE:494.

DATE: FRIDAY 30 SEPTEMBER 1881.

"Resolved, That an Address be prepared for the purpose of presenting same to Mr. Charles Stuart Parnell on his arrival here on wednesday next and that the same be engrossed by Mr. McCormack and a copy of it be forwarded to Mr. Parnell to Cork".

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PAGE 497.

DATE FRIDAY OCTOBER 28th 1881.

"Resolved, that there having been submitted to us to-day a plan of a proposed project of the reclamation of the Western Bay & other parts of Dungarvan Harbour, together with the erection of a causeway between Dungarvan & the point of the Cunnigar, we express our cordial approval.."

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PAGE 500.

DATE: FRIDAY NOVEMBER 11th 1881.

"Resolved, that we strongly condemn the action of Mr. Gladstone's Government in arresting Mr. Maurice Flynn.<sup>7</sup> A peaceable & most respectable merchant of this town & that this expression of our sympathy with Mr. Flynn & his family be forwarded to Mr. Gladstone & Mr. Flynn.

PAGE 523.

DATE: FRIDAY JANUARY 27th 1882.

"The Borough Surveyor reported that 8 sq. yards of flagging was bad opposite 'The New Post Office.'"

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PAGE 524.

DATE: FRIDAY JANUARY 27th 1882.

"Resolved, that Mr. Maurice Flynn, merchant of this town now a suspect in Naas Gaol having been this day unanimously elected a Town Commissioner such election be communicated to the Chief Secretary with a request that he may be pleased to allow Mr. Flynn to appear before the Board ... to take his seat forthwith."

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PAGE:571.

DATE:FRIDAY 5 MAY 1882.

"Resolved That we the Dungarvan Town Commissioners hail with unfeigned satisfaction the liberation of Messrs Parnell, Dillon, O'Kelly and that endeared son of Ireland Michael Davitt and we take this our earliest opportunity to tender to them our warmest congratulations".

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PAGE 578.

DATE: FRIDAY MAY 26th 1882.

Resolution of the Town Commissioners to the Lord Lieutenant asking him to approve of the appointment of Michael Beary as new Borough Surveyor to succeed his father who had died.

Pasted into minute book is a letter from Local Government Board, Dublin, July 7th 1882, sanctioning the appointment of Michael Beary.

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PAGE: 591/592.

DATE: FRIDAY 7 July 1882.

"Resolved, That we the Town Commissioners take this the first opportunity of tendering to our Borough member Mr. O'Donnell (Frank Hugh O'Donnell). our unqualified approval of his independent and manly conduct in the teeth of such unconstitutional despotism which the designation of infamous so aptly applied to it by him and we the Town Commissioners on behalf of his constituents express a wish that he may soon come to old Dungarvan... in order that we may tender to him personally our admiration of his intrepidity and Irish national pluck so forcibly shown in withstanding the oppressive and tyrannical action of the Base Bloody and Brutal Whigs now as ever the enemies of all constitutional liberty in Ireland".

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PAGE: 596.

LETTER FROM FRANK HUGH O'DONNELL, 84 CRAVEN ST., LONDON, JULY 14th 1882  
TO DUNGARVAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

"Gentlemen, I thank you warmly for the kindness of your action in my regard, I trust very soon to be in Dungarvan to consult with my constituents & to enjoy the pleasure of renewing my acquaintance with my friends. I would write at greater length now but I am rather tired & overworked. I have sent a more formal reply to your resolution addressed to you for publication in the Freeman's Journal."

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PAGE 604/605.

DATE: FRIDAY 18 AUGUST 1882.

"Resolved, that we the Dungarvan Town Commissioners express our dissatisfaction at the harsh sentence imposed on Mr. Edmund Dwyer Gray M.P. by Judge Lawson on Wednesday - A sentence which in our opinion was extremely severe we are prepared to do our part in not only relieving Mr. Gray of any pecuniary penalty, but presenting him with such a testimonial as will commensurate with his indefatigable endeavours as an Irish National Journalist to preserve an independent political opinion in Ireland."

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DATE: FRIDAY FEBRUARY 9th 1883.

"Ordered, that Mr. Beary inspect & where necessary take down ruins such as the forge on Monk's Road (Shandon) called 'Morrissey's' The Old Store (formerly Kiely's) in Quay Lane it being in a decayed state & the ruins opposite the Mercy Convent, Church St."

- (1) This probably refers to Curran's Commercial Hotel, now the Waterford Co. Council Offices.
- (2) This boat was built at Salcombe by Vivian shipbuilders in 1859. She was owned by W.S. Allport and registered at Dartmouth.
- (3) Baker's Baths  
These were located on the site of the present Irish Hide & Skin Co. premises at the Lookout. Built in the 1830s and run by Eliza Baker later taken over by George Stokes and called Stokes's Baths.
- (4) Carbery's Store was originally built as a salt store run by Tallon & Co.
- (5) Mr. E. O'Shea was a reporter for the Waterford News & Star.
- (6) Frank Hugh O'Donnell was M.P. for Dungarvan in 1877 and 1880.
- (7) Maurice Flynn had a hardware shop at 12 Main Street.

MINUTES

16/4/1883 to 27/6/1888

PAGE 3.

DATE FRIDAY 27th APRIL 1883.

"The Harbour Master reported calling on the Chief Officer relative to the removal of the wreck of the Kate Dawson."

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PAGE 23.

DATE: FRIDAY 15th JUNE 1883.

"Resolved, that this Board accepts the offer of Mr. Craig to blow up the 'Kate Dawson' now lying sunk in the Harbour, the Commissioners will supply powder etc., & pay Mr. Craig & his men £10."

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DATE: FRIDAY JULY 6th 1883.

The Harbour Master reported that he had received & forwarded to the Coast Guard Officer at Ballinacourty all the material for blowing up the wreck of the Kate Dawson.

He also reported the arrival, cargoes & reg. tonnage of the following vessels to the port this week:-

	CARGO	REG. TONNAGE
Rhoda	90 Tons Maize	-
Loango	171 Tons Coal	86
Mary	179 " "	95
Lady Stuart	98 " "	62
Darins	140 " "	79
Thomas	111 " "	76
M. McMillan	161 " "	91
Mary Joseph	144 " "	76
William Edward	145 " "	98
Snowden	119 " "	71

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EXPORTS:

	CARGO
M.E.C.	98 Tons Oats
M. McMillan	90 " Pitwood
Ellen	60 " "
Mary	90 " "
Thomas	96 " Oats
Fairy	80 " Pitwood
Carmel	100 " "
Janet & Marion	40 " Timber

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DATE: FRIDAY 3rd AUGUST 1883.

Resolution, from Dungarvan Town Commissioners to Mr. John A. Blake M.P.

Congratulating him on succeeding to have his Bill passed in the House of Commons which provides that a sum of £250,000 be granted for improvement of piers, harbours, approaches to fishing stations etc., in Ireland & also asking him to use his influence to obtain a grant for the Cunnigar project."

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PAGE 60.

DATE: MONDAY 27th AUGUST 1883.

'Special Meeting Re. Cunnigar Bridge!

"Resolved, that the Committee apply to the Board of Works for a form of memorial to be filled up by us in accordance with the provisions of the Sea Fisheries (Ireland) Act 1883."

CUNNIGAR BRIDGE, (DUNGARVAN).

RETURN to an Order of the Honourable The House of Commons,  
dated 24 August, 1880 ;—for,

COPY "of the REPORT of the FISHERY INSPECTOR on the proposed  
CUNNIGAR BRIDGE at *Dungarvan*."

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REPORT of Major *Hayes*, Inspector of Irish Fisheries, on the application for Construction of a ROAD along the *Cunnigar*, and a BRIDGE from thence to *Dungarvan*.

ON Wednesday, the 11th instant, pursuant to the annexed notice, I held a public inquiry at *Dungarvan* on the above subjects in the Court House.

The Court was densely crowded, a very large proportion of those present being fishermen from *Ballinagoul* and *Helvick Head*, and great anxiety was manifested by all that the application would prove successful.

In order that my Report should be fully understood, I have measured roughly on the 6-inch Ordnance maps the distances by the present road, and also by the proposed new road from *Helvick* and *Ballinagoul* to the town of *Dungarvan*; they are as follows;—

Distance from *Helvick* to *Dungarvan* by the existing road, about 9 miles; from the Fishery Pier at *Ballinagoul* by the same road to *Dungarvan*, about  $7\frac{1}{2}$  miles; from *Helvick Head* to *Dungarvan* by proposed new road across the *Cunnigar*,  $6\frac{1}{4}$  miles; from *Ballinagoul* to *Dungarvan* by same route,  $4\frac{3}{4}$  miles; from *Helvick* to *Dungarvan*, crossing the Strand and *Cunnigar*, which can be done at about half tide, 5 miles; from *Ballinagoul* Fishery Pier by same route,  $3\frac{1}{2}$  miles.

At *Ballinagoul* the fishing boats of this part of the coast are stationed, with the exception of three, which are kept at *Sea View*, to the Westward of *Helvick Head*.

Appended will be found, marked (A.) a Return showing the number and tonnage of the fishing boats employed in the locality.

This Return shows 12 hookers and 36 yawls; besides these there is another hooker fishing from *Ballinagoul*, but registered as belonging to *Dungarvan*.

The evidence conclusively proves that the fishermen suffer much inconvenience and loss by reason of the difficulty of getting their fish speedily to *Dungarvan*. The fish is frequently sent up by boat, the bar in the channel is often difficult to cross, and it frequently happens that from one cause or another they are detained on their passage by wind or tide, and arrive at the bar too late to enable them to cross, and they are thus detained several hours, until the tide rises, causing them to miss the early trains, and depreciating the value of the fish about one-third.

At other times they are sent by road, and again occasionally across the *Cunnigar*. On these occasions they are taken by the wives or daughters of the fishermen, who have, when the tide permits, to wade across from the *Cunnigar* to *Dungarvan*, often up to their waists in the water, and it was alleged, in consequence of the shifting of the channel, at considerable danger.



PAGE 62.

DATE: FRIDAY 31st AUGUST 1883.

Ordered that the clerk write to Mr. W. W. Duncan .. "saying we consider a line of Tramway from Cappagh Station (on the Waterford, Dungarvan Lismore line) to Clonmel via Half Way House would be a paying line & well worthy of his consideration whenever he may be in this district. The above route was measured 15 or 20 years ago for a line of Railway."

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PAGE 95.

DATE: FRIDAY 16th NOVEMBER 1883.

Resolution condemning ... "the manner in which the enquiry respecting the Cunnigar Bridge & Approaches Project was held viz. At Helvick (7 or 8 miles distant) & without notice being sent to us or the other promoters of the project" & calling on the Board to hold a new enquiry in Dungarvan.

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PAGE 210.

DATE WEDNESDAY 11 JUNE 1884 - Special Meeting.

"Resolved, that we the Town Commissioners of Dungarvan at a special meeting called for the purpose of purchasing the plot of ground near the bridge for a pleasure ground for the towns - people ... & that a sum of £150 be borrowed for said purpose."<sup>1</sup>

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PAGE 280.

DATE FRIDAY 31st OCTOBER 1884.

"Resolved, that our clerk be directed to write to Lord Waterford & his agent Captain Gandy stating that the Commissioners have heard that he is about to dispose of the ground rent of the Town Hall and we beg to call his attention to the fact that we have on our minutes of the 2nd September 1871, an understanding from Mr. Roberts on the part of Lord Waterford to grant a lease for 99 years on the expiration of present lease."

PAGE 307.

DATE: FRIDAY 26th DECEMBER 1884.

"I hereby move that Messrs Thomas Williams, R. Curran & R. Phelan be asked to wait on Mr. Ruddell on tomorrow & learn from him if he has any intention of purchasing the interest in our Butter Market & Town Hall without proper consideration for the rights, the people of Dungarvan have in these concerns."

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PAGE 311-315.

DATE: FRIDAY 26th DECEMBER 1884.

Letter from Dungarvan Town Commissioners to George Gandy, Beresford St., Waterford., concerning the sale of Dungarvan Town Hall.

"In the year 1794 William Green<sup>2</sup> of Janeville leased certain premises of which the plot now in the hands of the Town Commissioners is the smaller portion, to one Thomas Allen, shopkeeper, Dungarvan at a yearly rent of £28 Irish, equal to £25.17 British currency. The lease to expire in the year 1900, six years after this lease was given, that is to say in the year 1800, Thomas Allen leased it at a yearly rent of £16 Irish, to one Thomas Buckley a Dungarvan merchant, that portion of the original take which is now held by the Town Commissioners; & on which it appears by the leases & assignments now in existance, Thomas Buckley found himself in debt when the store was built, for on the 1st January 1802 he made an assignment of his store to one Francis Codd, a Dublin merchant but the day following, that is on 2nd January 1802, Francis Codd gave a lease of 88 years to the same Thomas Buckley this making him his tenant at a nominal rent of £150 Irish each year but with permission to have it fined down at 9% until the rent was reduced to the £16 a year as agreed upon between Thomas Allen & Thomas Buckley, this lease to expire in the year 1890. Messrs Codd & Buckley carried on a large corn business for many years, but after Thomas Buckley's death, Michael Mahony a Dungarvan merchant in the year 1836 became tenant to Francis Codd & got a lease for 53 years at £80 per an, this lease would expire in the year 1889.

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However Francis Codd died in 1838 leaving the place to his son Francis Augustine Codd & the latter in the year 1851 after the repeal of the Corn Laws sold to Michael Mahony his interest in the concern for the sum of £100.

Michael Mahony died in 1859, the store became a ruin & the representatives of both Mahony & Thomas Allen were very glad to get anyone who would take the concerns off their hands by merely paying the ground rent in the year 1870.

The Town Commissioners wanting a Butter Weigh House & Town Hall, arranged to take the old store off the hands of the representatives of Michael Mahony and also arranged with the representatives of Thomas Allen

for their 10 years interest between 1890 & 1900 when the original lease for the whole take expires. However before closing this with these representatives the then Town Commissioners had several interviews with the late Mr. Roberts, then agent over the property of Lord Waterford, who succeeded the Green family as head landlord, and having arranged with Mr. Roberts, the Town Commissioners bought out the Mahony interest for £60 & the 10 years interest to revert to the representatives of Thomas Allen for £25.

Having got possession the Town Commissioners laid out £1,500 in fitting up their present Butter Weigh House, Town Hall & necessary offices and now consider they and they only have full claim on his Lordship for a renewal of the lease from the year 1900. Having expended a large sum on what was literally a ruin when they got it and even if they never had a promise from Mr. Roberts they will know it was almost a tradition on his Lordship's Estate that no tenant is ever disturbed whilst the rent is paid. The Town Commissioners have in their possession all the other lease and assessments from 1800 to 1872 when the last was made & they are at his Lordship's service whenever he wishes them inspected."

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PAGE 362.

DATE: FRIDAY MARCH 13th 1885.

"Ordered, that the same parties ... wait on Mr. Merrick to ascertain the terms on which he will sell his interest in the Town Hall."

PAGE 382.

DATE APRIL 1885.

Ordered, that a Committee consisting of Mr. Brennan, Mr. Keohan, J.O'B.Williams & W. Dunlea & the Chairman be empowered to examine & class the papers in the office, to take proper steps for their preservation & to carry out and suggest any improvements they think necessary in the board room.

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Letter from Michael Kenny, St. Augustine's Seminary , Dungarvan.

24th April 1885 to the Town Commissioners.

Applying for the use of the Town Hall for Science & Art Examinations.

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PAGE 393.

DATE FRIDAY MAY 1st 1885.

"Ordered, that the Borough Surveyor serve the necessary notice on the owners of the land at Abbeyside on which the old castle<sup>3</sup> stands, to take down the portion of the wall at the top of the castle which is in danger of falling at any moment & endanger life.

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PAGE 402.

Letter from Thomas Fitzgerald, Town Clerk, May 15th 1885 to Richard J. Ussher, Cappagh.

Re: Butter Market Dungarvan.

"£31-18-2 is the average profit on the working of the Market for the past six years ... this small balance yearly to their credit would not pay interest on the sum originally invested in the Town Hall & Butter Weigh House in fact it would not nearly pay the rent of a Market if they were looking for one & this may be the case later on as Lord Waterford when selling his property refused to renew their lease even though it was on the promise of such renewal by the late Mr. Roberts that they were encouraged in 1871 to expend the money then on the building."

PAGE 412.

DATE: FRIDAY JUNE 12 1885.

"Ordered, that a copy of Mr. Ruddell's letter & Mr. Merrick's offer of Fee Simple of the Town Hall & Butter Weigh House for £275 and the Boards resolution acceptance of same be placed on the minutes and copies of the resolution be sent to Mr. Merrick & Mr. Ruddell.

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PAGE 413.

Letter from Samuel Ruddell, Dungarvan, May 21st 1885, to Thomas Fitzgerald, Town Clerk.

"Dear Sir, in reference to purchase of Town Hall etc., Mr. Merrick will sell to the Town Commissioners for £275 or will re let to them on 99 years lease (or a longer term) at yearly rent of £25."

Resolved, that the offer of Mr. Merrick of Youghal as conveyed in Mr. Ruddell's letter of May 21st, to sell the Town Hall to this Board for the sum of £275 be accepted as recommended by the deputation consisting of Messrs Williams, Phelan & Captain Curran.

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PAGE 423.

DATE: FRIDAY JUNE 26th 1885.

Notice of Motion by R.A.Merry:-

"I beg to give notice that on this day fortnight (10 July) I will move that we the Town Commissioners of Dungarvan respectfully call the attention of the Directors of the Waterford Dungarvan & Lismore Railway Co. to the necessity of constructing a Tramway or Light Railway from their Dungarvan Station to the quay so as to facilitate the transit of coal, fish & other goods to & from the harbour to the railway."<sup>4</sup>

PAGE 447/448.

DATE: FRIDAY 7th AUGUST 1885.

Memorial from the Shipowners, Shipmasters & others in Dungarvan to the Town Commissioners Re: Tramway Project.

"Gentlemen, we the undersigned shipowners & shipmasters & others interested of Dungarvan having been made aware that at your meeting on Friday the 7th of August next the question of allowing the Railway Co. to construct a Tramway from their station to the quay will come before you. We respectfully & strongly urge upon you to the construction of the Tramway as we believe it would be the means of largely increasing the shipping trade of the port."

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PAGE 475/478.

Letter from Samuel Ruddell, 25 September 1885 to Thomas O'Brien Williams, Chairman of Town Commissioners.

Re; Purchase of Town Hall.

Ruddell complains that the Commissioners have now changed their mind about Merrick's offer to sell the Town Hall for £275, he mentions that there have been reports in the papers about him backing out "We bought the Fee Simple of the whole block for £550 ... from representatives of the late James Allen ... through you sir I would shake hands with the Board & if agreeable to the majority, I on behalf of Mr. Merrick (who is now in Belgium) & cancel all agreements etc., each party paying for their own costs."

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PAGE 486.

DATE: FRIDAY OCTOBER 9th 1885.

"Resolved, that the Dungarvan Town Commissioners present an Address to Mr. J. M. Healy M.P. & Mr O'Connor M.P. on the occasion of their arrival in Dungarvan next Thursday."

PAGE 501.

DATE: FRIDAY 13th NOVEMBER 1885.

"Ordered, that Mr. Hunt be directed to prepare the Deed of Conveyance of the Fee Simple of the Town Hall & Butter Market premises from Mr. Merrick to the Town Commissioners of Dungarvan in accordance with the terms agreed on & have same perfected as soon as he conveniently can."

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PAGE 510.

DATE: 27th NOVEMBER 1885.

"Proposal by Maurice Flynn, seconded by Thomas McCarthy that the name Blackpool St. be changed to O'Connell St., Main St. to Parnell St. & Devonshire Square to Grattan Square."

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PAGE 513/514.

DATE: FRIDAY DECEMBER 4th 1885.

"Proposal by Thomas McCarthy, seconded by E. Keohan, that the following street names be adopted & that they ascertain the cost of new metal street name plaques.

Sarsfield St.	for	Main St. (Abbeyside)
Rices St.	"	Youghal Road.
Jacknell St.	"	Devonshire St.
T. F. Meagher St.	"	Bridge St.
Emmet St.	"	Buttery East.
Mitchel St.	"	Buttery West.
Davit's Quay	"	The Quay.
St. Mary St.	"	William St.
Home Rule St.	"	Victoria St. (Abbeyside)
Wolfe Tone St.	"	1st Cross St.
Lord Edward St.	"	2nd " "
Tom Moore St.	"	3rd " "
Davis St.	"	1st Lord Georges Lane.
Stephen St.	"	2nd " " "
Barrack St.	"	Castle Street.
Sexton St.	"	Bridge St. (Abbeyside)
Sher's St.	"	Humble St. (Abbeyside).

PAGE 520/521.

DATE: TUESDAY DECEMBER 8th 1885.

Meeting Re; Proposed Tramway on Dungarvan Quay to the Railway Station. Ordered that they write to Messrs Dabbyn, Tandy & McCoy, solicitors, Waterford, stating that the Commissioners require further time to consider maps & plans.

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PAGE 522.

Letter from Thomas Fitzgerald, Town Clerk, to the promoters of the Dungarvan Tramway project, December 11th 1885.

Accepting promoters plans but adding 7 conditions.

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PAGE 528.

DATE FRIDAY DECEMBER 11th 1885.

"Mr. Benjamin Graham's tender was accepted to supply 19 name plates to this Board at 6/6 each.

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PAGE 568.

DATE: FEBRUARY 19th 1886.

Letter from R. E. Brenan to the Town Commissioners, tendering his resignation as a Commissioner, in the letter he refers to the 'failure of the Tramway Project.'

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PAGE 580.

DATE: FRIDAY 19th MARCH 1886.

"Ordered, that the clerk be directed to get posters put up extensively through the town inviting applications for sites for building plots for the erection of Artizan's Dwellings."



PAGE 592.

DATE: FRIDAY 9th APRIL 1886.

"John Donovan's tender was accepted to paint 18 name plates in blue & letters in white ... for a sum of £1-7-6."

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PAGE 667.

DATE: FRIDAY 17th SEPTEMBER 1886.

"Ordered, that the clerk write to the Board of Works to ascertain the terms of a loan for £500 or so in order to rebuild portion of the quay wall which has fallen in, plans & specifications for which work we have received from a competent Engineer."

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PAGE 707/708.

DATE FRIDAY JANUARY 7th 1887.

"Resolution, that we the Dungarvan Town Commissioners condemn in the strongest manner the decision of the Inspector, Captain Neapear of the Royal National Life-Boat Institution, who held a Public Enquiry into the charges of neglect & incapacity on the occasion of the lamentable loss of the Sarah Dixon. As we believe the crew of the vessel would & could have been saved & we consider the decision exonerating the coxwain of the Ballinacourty Life boat contrary to the evidence submitted & that a copy of this be forwarded to the secretary of the National Life Boat Institution, London."<sup>5</sup>

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PAGE 748.

DATE: FRIDAY APRIL 1st 1887.

"Ordered, that Steam Fish Carriers each trip coming to the Quay shall pay one penny per ton Dues & Hulks using the Pool shall pay 2d per ton register from & after 1st May next."

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PAGE 759.

DATE WEDNESDAY 20th APRIL 1887.

Notice of Tender to Contractors:

"The Town Commissioners of Dungarvan invite tenders from competent parties for re-building about 294 feet in length of the Dungarvan Quay wall partly in concrete & partly re-setting cut stone."

PAGE 766.

DATE: FRIDAY 13th MAY 1887.

Tender of John Butler accepted to rebuild Quay wall for a sum of £894-15-0.

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PAGE 832/833.

DATE DECEMBER 16th 1887.

Special meeting Re: Purchase of Town Hall.

Memorial from the rate payers of Dungarvan to the Town Commissioners asking the Commissioners to apply at once to Mr. Merrick of Youghal to purchase the building or to get a continuation of their lease & that a deputation of Commissioners meet Mr. Merrick.

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PAGE 876.

DATE: FRIDAY APRIL 27th 1888.

"The arbitration between our Board & Mr. Merrick of Youghal having been heard by the County Court Judge on the 8th February last, the following award was made at the April Sessions I have determined & I hereby award & decide that Mr. Merrick shall execute a lease of the premises to the Town Commissioners for a term of 99 years to commence on the 1st day of May 1900 at the yearly rent of £14-15-5 payable half yearly."

- (1) This small park was created near the bridge and is now incorporated in the Walton Causeway Park.
- (2) The Green or Greene family came from Kilkenny. William lived at Janeville House near Tallow which had previously been the seat of the Kielys. His elder brother Godfrey was an attorney in Dungarvan. He joined up with Kiely of Strancally in opposition to the Duke of Devonshire.
- (3) This refers to McGrath's Castle which was completely removed in the 1960s.
- (4) An application was made in 1885 to the Lord Lieutenant for authorisation to construct a Tramway from the railway station to the quay. The promoters were - Abraham Denny, Tramore, Frances E. Currey, Lismore, Sir Richard Keane, Cappoquin, Henry White, Harbour View, William Goff Davis Goff, Glenville. One of the main reasons for the project was the extensive traffic between the railway station and the Quay, it was also intended to carry passengers. The cost of construction was to be £2,106,3,4. The project was never carried out but the plans survive.
- (5) This ship went down with all hands in Dungarvan Bay. According to Lloyd's Register the Sarah Dickson was a brigantine built in Nova Scotia in 1839.

MINUTES

6/7/1888 to 23/8/1894

Letter from Provincial Bank Dungarvan, June 3rd 1889 to Town Commissioners

Acknowledging receipt of following 'Bonds of the Officers of the  
Town Commissioners:-

Maurice Walsh - Weigh Master - Bond & Lease  
Patrick Curran - Harbour Master- Bond  
Michael O'Neara Collector.

Letter from Provincial Bank Dungarvan, May 28th 1889 to Town  
Commissioners.

"Received from John Hunt, bond of Thomas McCarthy & sureties to  
the Dungarvan Town Commissioners dated May 25th 1889 £200."

Letter from Provincial Bank Dungarvan to Town Commissioners 15 June  
1889.

"Received from the Dungarvan Town Commissioners lease of the Town  
Hall & Judge Waters Award for safe keeping."

Letter from Provincial Bank to Town Commissioners September 18th 1889.

Acknowledging receipt of letter & 5 promissary notes of Edmond Hannigan  
to Town Commissioners for safe keeping.

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Receipt to Provincial Bank from Dungarvan Town Commissioners 19th May  
1891. Re: Waterworks etc.

Receipt from Town Commissioners August 14th 1894.

Conveyance dated 5th May 1893, R. A. Maxwell & others plus a list  
of prices fixed for Market House, scales & weighbridge, 18 March  
1892.

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Notes on Dungarvan (from Smith's History etc.)

Details of Charters etc, & a note on Dungarvan's Water Supply.

"In 1775 the inhabitants petitioned Parliament for a sum to enable  
them to convey a supply of pure water to the Town & after several  
efforts under the care & frugal management of Mr. Thomas Barbon  
Seneschal of this town, the work was finished & a constant stream  
of excellent water brought into the town from the river Phynisk."

PAGE 13.

DATE: FRIDAY AUGUST 31st 1888.

Proposal by William Gibbons:-

"I now move that the Common Seal of the Town Commissioners be affixed to the leases of the premises now taken from Mr. Merrick of Youghal, consisting of Butter Weigh House Town Hall with general offices attached."

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PAGE 13/14.

DATE: FRIDAY AUGUST 31st 1888.

"Resolved, that we the Dungarvan Town Commissioners tender our warmest congratulations to the eleven young men, the Messrs T. Somers, J Somers J. Rossiter, B. Roachford, P. Finn, J. Hall, M. Turbitt, M. Gaul, M. Norris, J. Power & Wm. Sheil, for the valour they displayed in defending what is now called 'Somer's Fort' in the Co. Wexford, against the combined mercenary named hirelings of Salisbury Balfour & Co., viz. the Bailiffs, the Peelers, the Emergencymen. And that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Canon Doyle, Rams Grange, Co. Wexford & to the Messrs Redmonde M.P."

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PAGE 89/90.

DATE: MONDAY MAY 27th 1889.

"Resolution, we the Dungarvan Town Commissioners beg to call attention to the delay in carrying out the recommendation of the Piers & Harbours Commissioners as to the erection of a Pier at Ballinacourty for the convenience of the fishing fleet."

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PAGE 97.

DATE: FRIDAY JUNE 7th 1889.

"I have this day received from Mr. John Hunt, solicitor, lease from Samuel Merrick, Youghal, to Town Commissioners of Town Hall & Market House for 99 years from year 1900

T. McCarthy, Town Clerk."

PAGE 100.

DATE: FRIDAY JUNE 21st 1889.

"It was proposed by Mr. Maurice Flynn & seconded by Mr. Cornelius Sheehan that a bust of Mr. Wm. O' Brien M.P. & Mr C. S. Parnell M.P. be got for the room."

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PAGE 157/160.

DATE: FRIDAY 27th DECEMBER 1889.

A letter from Mr. J. T. Hudson, Glenbeg, Dungarvan was read asking the commissioners to "Induce the Government to provide additional barrack accomodation for troops in Dungarvan, for the benefit of the Town & of its trade etc."

The following resolution was proposed -

That the Town Commissioners have received the letter of Mr. Hudson Sub-sheriff ... & in reply there to, they consider that they can use their energies in a better cause than in asking a coercive Government to import military into a town remarkable for the peacefulness & morality of its inhabitants.

Had Mr. Hudson who according to his letter feels interested in the prosperity of Dungarvan, suggested to them some means whereby the tide of emigration at present so much to be deplored in this district could be prevented & which in their opinion is due to the harsh & cruel action of the present Government in aiding bad landlords & imprisoning the leaders of the people, - they would be prepared to give such suggestion their best consideration.

They can however view the proposal of the sub-sheriff Hudson in no other light than as an impertinent intrusion, considering that he himself is one of the executive officers of the Eviction Campaign."

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PAGE 186.

DATE: WEDNESDAY APRIL 2nd 1890.

"Minutes of a special meeting convended for the purpose of considering an address & presentation to the newly elected member of Parliament for West Waterford, Alfred Webb, on his visit to Town".

Address was to be presented at Curran's Hotel on April 7th 1890.

PAGE 198.

Letter from J. F. Williams, Solicitor, Dungarvan, 8th May 1890  
to the Town Clerk.

Re: Plot of ground in 'Parsly Lane', Dungarvan, being claimed by  
Mr. J. T. Hudson & in possession of the Commissioners

"Mr Hudson showed me the original lease of the premises granted  
in 1757 under which lease he says he is entitled to the plot."

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PAGE 263.

DATE: FRIDAY 12th DECEMBER 1890.

"Resolution, that this Board respectfully urge upon the directors of  
the Waterford, Dungarvan & Lismore Railway Co. the desirability  
of a Tramway on the Quay Dungarvan for the development of the coal  
trade of the town."

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PAGE 282.

DATE: MONDAY 9th FEBRUARY 1891.

Letter from Maurice Hackett, Patrick O' Brien, Thomas O' Connor  
William Daly & Richard Curran to Thomas McCarthy, Town Clerk.

"Sir, we the undersigned request that you will convene a special  
meeting of Town Commissioners for Monday evening at 7 p.m. to  
consider the propriety of granting to the Revd. Mr. Dunphy the  
open space of ground near Carbery's Store at Abbeyside for the purpose  
of a playground for the new schools which he intends to build  
close by."

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PAGE 282.

DATE: 13th FEBRUARY 1891.

"Resolved, that we sanction the building of the school house at  
Abbeyside as delineated on the map submitted to this board & that  
we also grant to Revd. Mr. Dunphy & the Trustees the use of the  
grass plot in front for the purposes of a playground for the school  
children."



PAGE 323.

DATE: FRIDAY 3rd JULY 1891.

"Resolution, that Mr. Beary be ordered to take down the plate bearing the name of Parnell on Main St."

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PAGE 327.

DATE: FRIDAY JULY 17th 1891.

"I beg to give notice that on this day fortnight I will move that the bust of Parnell be removed from this room - Thomas Power."

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PAGE 386.

Pasted in to Minute book- "Receipts & Expenditures on Butter Market Account for past 6 years (1886-1891).

Copy of returns sent to Mr. Ussher Hon. Butter Taster, Cappagh 4 July 1892.

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PAGE 394.

Two Letters pasted into Minute Book - from R. J. Ussher, Cappagh House, Cappagh, 25 February 1892 to Chairman & Town Commissioners Dungarvan.

Concerning the letting of the Butter Market, Dungarvan.

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PAGE 398.

Two Letters pasted in - from R. J. Ussher, Cappagh House, March 3rd 1892 to Town Commissioners.

Suggesting that the Butter Market be moved from the Town Hall etc.

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PAGE 405.

DATE: FRIDAY 18th MARCH 1892.

Scale of Charges of Ouncil & Scales at Market House, Square.

	Under 10 Stone	1 Bag	Load
Potatoes	$\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{1}{2}$	3
Margolds, Turnips, Greens			5
" " "		Donkey Load	2
Hay & Straw		"	4
"			2
Coal & Timber Etc.		Single Load	4
"		in quantity	2
Donkey Loads		of 20 Loads	2
		& upwards	
Grain & Sack			$1\frac{1}{2}$ .

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PAGE 447.

DATE: THURSDAY 14th JULY 1892.

"Ordered that the clerk call on Mr. Scanlan for plans of houses which he is building in Mitchell Street."

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PAGE 484.

DATE: WEDNESDAY 2nd NOVEMBER 1892.

Report of enquiry held in Court House by C. P. Cotton, Local Government Board, Chief Engineer. Re: Building of Artizans & Labourers dwellings in the field known as the "Yellow Clay".

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PAGE 502.

DATE: THURSDAY 29th DECEMBER 1892

"I give notice that I will on this day fortnight ... move that this Board do erect artizan dwellings to be constructed in Mitchell Street without the intervention of a contractor ... & that a sufficient number of hands be employed to complete the works on the 1st of June or earlier - Edmond McCarthy."

PAGE 505.

DATE: MONDAY 2nd JANUARY 1893.

"Ordered that Mr. Hunt be instructed to prepare purchase deed from Mr. D. J. Brenan of the field known as the "Yellow Clay".

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PAGE 522.

DATE: THURSDAY 9th FEBRUARY 1893.

"Resolution,- that tenders be received this day fortnight for changing & improving Town Hall according to plans & specifications of Mr. Beary, Borough Surveyor."

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PAGE 526.

DATE: THURSDAY 23rd JANUARY 1893.

"The application of Mary Crotty for some little remuneration as water carrier for 43 years to all the people in town, now that her labours are nearly done."

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PAGE 540.

DATE: TUESDAY 11th APRIL 1893.

"Mr. Hunt advised that a cheque for £275 be passed by the Board as the amount arranged to be paid to the Christian Brothers for the fee of the field known as the "Yellow Clay" for the erection of artizan & labourers dwellings."

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PAGE 552.

DATE: THURSDAY 4th MAY 1893.

"Resolution, that we make application to our bankers for the loan of £100 for the Town Hall improvements."

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PAGE 557.

DATE: MAY 19th 1893.

John Butler was declared contractor for improvements to Town Hall at £95-18-0.

PAGE 602/603.

DATE: THURSDAY 31st AUGUST 1893.

List of the pig & cattle buyers & merchants from Limerick & Cork (gives name & address) to be sent to R. J. Ussher, Cappagh House with a view to getting these dealers to come to the Dungarvan monthly fair.

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PAGE 621.

DATE: THURSDAY 5th OCTOBER 1893.

"Ordered, that the Cricket Club be allowed the use of the 'Green Room' underneath the Town Commissioners rooms Ed. Merry President Phil Cahill V.P., Thomas Walsh Treasurer, J. Mahony Secretary."

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PAGE 680.

Letter from Edward P. Williams L.L.D. Solicitor, Dungarvan, 17th February 1894 to the Town Clerk.

Stating that Mrs Leahy accepts the councils offer to purchase her field at Boreheen for £75.

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PAGE 703.

DATE: THURSDAY 3rd MAY 1894.

"Names of Coopers to whom circulars were sent Re; Tare of firkins"

MAY 8th 1894.

James Foley	Cappoquin	Flynn	Stradbally
Cornelius Keily	"	Halpin	Kilrossanty
David Brown	"	Pat McGrath,	Lyratting, Medeligo
Cunningham	Clashmore	John Whelan,	Eriska, Kilmacthomas
James Brien	Aglish	James Fraher,	Nire, Ballymacarbry
Stephen Barron	Lagnavahera,	John Quann,	Lackindara.
	Ballinamult.		

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PAGE 707.

DATE: THURSDAY 17th MAY 1894.

"Captain C. H. Villiers Stuart wrote to say that he was directed by his father, that he should support the Cunnigar Bridge Scheme at the Presentment Sessions tommorrow."

MINUTES

23/8/1894 to 24/9/1900

- (i) (a). Note Re. Ratepayers
- (b). Receipt from the Provincial Bank to Dungarvan Town Commissioners 14th November 1894.

Concerning - Conveyance	Roberts to Leahy	- 12/8/'88
"	Leahy to Town Commissioners	- 19/8/'94
"	Dower to Maxwell	- 19/12/'88

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(ii) Data Re: striking Municipal Rates, Cunnigar Bridge, Waterworks.

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- (iii) (a) List of plant on hands, August 21st 1895, signed R. Curran
  - (b) Property in yard & stables.
  - (c) Working tools belonging to Commissioners, 19th August 1895.
  - (d) Letter from Patrick O' Conner, Town Inspector, Sept. 12th 1895 to Town Commissioners, listing 'stock' under his control.
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(iv) Invoices

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(v) Scale of charges fixed for Weighbridge & Market Scale on Square.

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(vi) Letter from Michael Beary B.S. 25th January 1898.  
Re: Cost of employment of Horses, Donkey's in Roadworks.

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(vii) Newspaper cuttings Re: Local Government Acts 1898.

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(viii) Printed Notice -

'To the Guardians of the poor of the Dungarvan Union ... 1898'  
Re: Alteration of the Dungarvan poor Law electoral division.

PAGE 5.

DATE: FRIDAY 31st AUGUST 1894.

Proposed J. Curran & seconded by R. R. Knowles -

"That the bequest of the late Captain William Gibbons of £1,700 now lodged on deposit receipt in the National Bank (Ltd) be allowed to remain in said office & drawn as required for the special purpose specified."<sup>1</sup>

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PAGE 12.

DATE: THURSDAY 6 SEPTEMBER 1894.

"I hereby give notice that I will on this day fortnight, September 20th 1894, move a resolution to establish & maintain a Public Park John Walsh."

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PAGE 17.

DATE: THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 20th 1894.

"Resolved, that in accordance with 14 days notice of motion given we hereby determine to establish & maintain a Park for the use & enjoyment of the people of Dungarvan."

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PAGE 33.

DATE: THURSDAY 18th OCTOBER 1894.

"Ordered, that the clerk write to parties to be mentioned by Mr. Beary as to the price per acre at which they would sell 6 to 19 acres of land for the purpose of a Public Park. That a deputation ... visit the Bathing Place & that Mr. Beary point out his projected improvement."

Proposal, that we invite tenders from Waterford papers for the advertising of the intention of the Commissioners to establish a Park."

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PAGE. 37.

DATE: FRIDAY 2nd NOVEMBER 1894.

"Ordered that the advertisement be inserted in the Waterford Star for 12/- Re: Notice of adoption of Public Park for Dungarvan."

PAGE 39.

DATE: FRIDAY 2nd NOVEMBER 1894.

"Proposed, that Mr. Beary be requested to make out an estimate for a bridge leading from end of new road at new Chapel St. to Cunnigar."

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PAGE 69/71.

DATE: THURSDAY 10th JANUARY 1895.

"Memorial to the Right Honourable John Morely M.P. Chief Secretary for Ireland from the Town Commissioners of Dungarvan.

Re: Cunnigar Bridge Project (100 copies printed)

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PAGE: 75

DATE: THURSDAY 24 JANUARY 1895.

"Ordered, That our clerk write to the Very Revd. F.O'Brien P.P. conveying to him the very great thanks of the Town Commissioners for his kind offer of giving them the Old Seal of Dungarvan"<sup>2</sup>.

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PAGE. 90.

DATE: THURSDAY 7th MARCH 1895.

"Resolved, that with a view of further improving the appearance of the Esplanade at Abbeyview, we the Dungarvan Town Commissioners tender Mr. J. T. Hudson the sum of £15 for the site of the old house lately occupied by Mrs Archdall."

Land for new Park:-

"Mr Keohan explained to the board the interview he & Mr. Flynn had with Mr. Shanahan & the lowest terms he would offer were:-  
£200 for the purchase of his interest in the 2 plots, containing 3 tenants gardens - 22 perches in each & one garden in his own possession  
1 rood, 12 perches or 2 roods 38 perches in all - or a rent of £6 per year for a term of 60 years - his own title."

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PAGE 91.

DATE: THURSDAY 7th MARCH 1895.

"Resolved, that the arrangement entered into with Mr. Shanahan .. renting his 2 plots of land at Jacknell St., at £6 a year with a lease for 60 years be now agreed & confirmed."



# NOTICE.

THE TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Of DUNGARVAN will, at their MEETING

of Thursday the 27<sup>th</sup> day of

May 1897 receive TENDERS from  
Competent Persons for

12 seats for Park (Iron sides something  
like those supplied by Mr Power) Cathrs  
<sup>thick</sup> 2 inches for bottom and 2 inches <sup>thick</sup> for backs  
8 feet long and painted in lead colour,

The Work to be completed according to the Specification of

Borough Surveyor, on or before                      day of                      189

The Tenders to state the Names of Two Solvent Sureties,  
in their own handwriting, willing to join in a Bond for the  
due fulfilment of the Work. Tenders to be lodged with me,  
at or before 6 o'Clock, p.m., on the above day. The Lowest  
or any Tender need not necessarily be accepted.

The Official Form of Tender only to be used, which can  
be had on application.

By Order

  
Clerk to Commissioners.

Commissioners' Office, Dungarvan,

day of May 1897

PAGE 101.

DATE: FRIDAY 5th APRIL 1895.

"Letter from Father John McSwiney O.S.A. thanking the Town Commissioners for the use of the Town Hall at a nominal rent & surrendering it as a school room in the future as they have provided themselves with a school."<sup>3</sup>

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PAGE 110.

DATE: THURSDAY MAY 2nd 1895.

"Mr. John MacNeill, Hon. Secretary, Gaelic League, wrote Mr. Keohan for his approval & co-operation in forming a branch for the preservation of the Irish language as a spoken tongue in this town."

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PAGE 122.

DATE: THURSDAY 13th JUNE 1895.

"It was ordered that the annexed wording should be put on tablet:  
'These grounds were acquired & ornamented & the bathing place adjoining improved by the Town Commissioners with portions of a bequest of £1,760 left them for specific improvements on the 13th December 1894 by William Gibbons Dungarvan.

Trustees: Rev. Denis Whelan, St. John's College Edmond Keohan,  
Chairman,  
William Evans, National Bank Dungarvan Town Commissioners.

Contractor: George Stokes , Dungarvan.

Engineer: Michael Beary B.S. Dungarvan - Thomas McCarthy Town Clerk.

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PAGE 125.

DATE: MONDAY 17th JUNE 1895.

"Meeting of Town Commissioners summoned specially to consider Mr. E. O' Shea's (sculptor, Callan Co. Kilkenny) design for memorial slab to be placed over gate entrance at park.  
Having examined & considered Mr. O' Shea's designs ... we approve of No. 2 design & we recommend that it be ordered & carried out at once."

PAGE 132.

DATE: THURSDAY 11th JULY 1895.

"Ordered that an inserted stone be placed in artizan's dwellings with date of foundation stone & name of chairman of Commissioners at the time"

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PAGE 143.

DATE: THURSDAY 25th JULY 1895.

"Ordered, that having considered at this meeting the representations of the Revd. Denis Whelan to the Town Clerk & of Mrs Gibbons to the Chairman ... regarding the names to be inserted on the slab over gateway to Bathing Grounds, we unanimously agree to leave off the names of the executors to Captain Gibbons will ... as regards the other names already ordered to be put on, we adhere to our former order ... as we believe in doing so we are only following a custom which as regards historial records are beneficial, advisable & instructive."

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PAGE 166.

Letter from Mary A. Gibbons, Dungarvan, October 3rd 1895 to Thomas McCarthy, Town Clerk.

"Dear Sir, before taking further proceedings, I have been asked to give your Town Commissioners another opportunity of complying with my request regarding the objectionable tablet erected over the park, awaiting your early reply."

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PAGE 177.

DATE: THURSDAY 31st OCTOBER 1895.

"On the advice & direction of Mr. Hunt (on the subject of removing & dispensing of the furniture of the Misses Carbery, now lying in the stables in Barrack Lane) I wrote to the Governor of the Lunatic Assylum in Waterford & received the following reply:-

'District Lunatic Assylum, Waterford 24th October 1895

Sir, In reply to yours of 22nd addressed to Dr. Atkins of this assylum, I am requested by him to state that he thinks it would be better under the circumstances that a sale of the effects of the sisters Carbery shall take place & the proceeds you might send here for their a/c.

Yours etc.

George J. Briscoe, Clerk

PAGE 186.

DATE: THURSDAY 14th NOVEMBER 1895.

"The Borough Surveyor reported that he got the slab at park entrance taken down as ordered."

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PAGE 193.

DATE: THURSDAY 28th NOVEMBER 1895.

Parks Account: E. O' Shea, Callan, - slab over park entrance paid £28-5-1.

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PAGE 207.

DATE: MONDAY 30th DECEMBER 1895.

"Ordered that the Irish Lights Board be written to asking them to supply to the Harbour Commissioners a gas buoy to be placed outside the wreck of the ship "Moresby"."

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PAGE 208.

DATE: MONDAY 30th DECEMBER 1895.

"Resolved, that we the Town Commissioners of Dungarvan in meeting assembled, urgently request the Board of Works to hold an inquiry at their earliest convenience into the loss of 20 lives of the crew of the ship 'Moresby' at Ballinacourty, Dungarvan Bay on Christmas Eve."

"Resolved, that we the Town Commissioners of Dungarvan urgently request the National Life boat Institution to hold an inquiry ... into the causes as to why the Life Boat crew at Ballinacourty made no effort on the 24th December to rescue the crew of the ship 'Moresby'."

"Ordered, that the Town Clerk serve notice by registered letters on Mr. Jacob, Lloyds Agent, Waterford, Mr. Donohue, Receiver of Wrecks Custom House, Waterford, Messrs Thomas Walsh & Sons Auctioneers, Waterford, John Dodd.

PAGE 209.

DATE: MONDAY 30th DECEMBER 1895.

'To: - Messrs John Dodd & Sons 24 Chapel Walks Liverpool,  
Captain Curran, Lloyds local agent, that the Harbour Commissioners  
require it to be one of the conditions of sale of wreck of ship  
Moresby that she shall be removed by the purchaser, Agents,  
or owner from her present position, she being an obstruction on  
the Harbour the notice to be prepared by Mr. Hunt.'

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PAGE 210.

DATE: MONDAY 6th JANUARY 1896.

"On reading correspondence that the owners & underwriters have  
abandoned the wreck of the ship 'Moresby'..  
Ordered, that the Board of Trade & the Admiralty be informed &  
ask for her removal immediately."

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PAGE 219.

Letter from the Board of Trade, January 17th 1896 to Town Commissioners  
Informing them that an inquiry into the loss of ship 'Moresby' will  
be held in the Courthouse, Dungarvan on Tuesday 28th at 11 o'clock.

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PAGE 219-220.

Letter from J. P. ? , assistant collector, Custom House  
Liverpool January 14th 1896 to Thomas McCarthy, Town Clerk.

"Enclosing copy of the names of registered owners & mortgages of  
'Moresby' received from J. Smethurst, Assistant Registrar  
Custom House, Liverpool, Jan. 14th 1896.

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PAGE 230.

Letter from the Captains & owners of vessels, Dungarvan, February  
3rd 1896 to Dungarvan Town Commissioners.

Protesting about the wreck of the 'Moresby' which was a danger to  
shipping & also prevented ships from entering or leaving the port  
at night. Signed:-

SHIPOWNERS

Michael Malony.

Philip Gough.

SHIPMASTERS

Denis Troy.

Pat O' Brien.

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SHIPOWNERS

Stephen Clifford  
Patrick Curran  
Patrick Higgins  
Patrick Christopher  
Peter Gibbons  
Patrick Sheehan

SHIPMASTERS

Pat Whelan  
Mat Connery  
Maurice Keily  
John Slattery  
Patrick Curran  
Patrick Foley  
James Drummy  
Thomas Slattery  
John Flynn  
John Donohue  
William Slattery

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PAGE 247/248.

Questions put by John Hunt, Commissioners Solicitor to S. Ronan Q. C., 45 Fitzwilliam Sq. Dublin, concerning the removal of the wreck of the 'Morseby' & Ronan's answers to same.

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PAGE 270.

DATE: MONDAY 13th APRIL 1896.

"It is necessary to write to Ballinacourty Coast Guards to keep a look out on parties taking anything off the wreck, it is reported that parties are doing so".

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PAGE 284.

DATE: MONDAY 11th MAY 1896.

TENDERS FOR TOWN PARK WORKS:

- (1) Denis McGrath was declared contractor for No. 1 contract viz:- the protection of cliff wall & iron railing ... the cement & plastering if any to be carried out only where ordered for £40-6-7.
- (2) Robert Tutty's tender for building rubble wall opposite Shanahan's houses in park for £14.
- (3) Thomas Butler's tender for clearing strand of stones according to specification; accepted for £10.

PAGE 308.

DATE: MONDAY 6th JULY 1896.

"Resolved, that a copy of the Harbour Master's Report on the wreck 'Moresby' be forwarded to the Parliamentary Representatives of the County & City & Mr. P. O' Brien with a request that they shall use all the influence possible on the Government to take steps to have this wreck removed, which is a terrible & increasing danger to life & property ... that they be informed that the Harbour Board have no funds with which they could proceed to remove the wreck & that a question be asked in the House of Commons as to why the Government do not feel a responsibility in the matter."

THE HARBOUR MASTER REPORTED -

Gentlemen, I most respectfully beg to lay before you the position of the wreck of the 'Moresby' at the entrance to our chanel from seawards, as every day she is causing the obstruction to become more dangerous. A large sandbar has commenced to extend from each end of her, more particulary the N. E. end between her & the shore is the deepest water. On the ebb the tide sets very strongly over the wreck which is also another source of danger to sailing vessels & fishing boats.

P. Curran, Harbour Master.

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PAGE 316.

3 telegrams from board of trade 21st July 1896 to Town Commissioners  
Re: 'Moresby Wreck'.

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PAGE 320.

DATE: MONDAY 3rd AUGUST 1896.

"Resolved, that we forward a copy of the Cunnigar Bridge Memorial to Mr. Gerald Balfour, Chief Secretary of Ireland with a request that he shall apply out of the £500,000 that is being given by his Government for useful works in Ireland, a sufficient sum to construct the Cunnigar Bridge."

PAGE 323.

DATE: MONDAY 17th AUGUST 1896.

"An application was made on behalf of the Moresby Volunteer Crew Fund Committee, to erect a slab on the wall between park & church yard.

Ordered that the request of the committee be granted subject to the approval of Mrs Gibbons."<sup>4</sup>

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PAGE 338.

DATE: MONDAY 14th SEPTEMBER 1896.

"Resolved, that in order to further complete the Strand Bathing Place & approaches thereto & carry out the intentions of the Board in buying Archdall's house out of the bequest of the late Captain William Gibbons, that the house adjoining Archdalls be also purchased from Mr. Hudson, & that the passage from there along the look-out to the end approaching the Ladies Bathing Place be extended as far out as the Board may consider necessary."

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PAGE 358.

DATE: MONDAY 12th OCTOBER 1896.

"Resolved, that we the Dungarvan Town Commissioners in meeting assembled beg to tender to the families of the crew of the late ship Carmel our most sincere condolence in their sad bereavement ... & also tender to Captain Patrick Curran owner of said ship ... our sincere sympathy in the loss he has sustained in so valuable a ship as the Carmel."

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PAGE 408.

DATE: THURSDAY 7th JANUARY 1897.

"The Borough Surveyor reported that he considered four tension bars & wall plates necessary for the preservation of the front wall of the Town Hall, as it is apparent the bulge or inclination outwards is more pronounced."

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PAGE 417.

DATE: THURSDAY 4th FEBRUARY 1897.

"The Harbour Master reported that a great portion of the 'Moresby' has been washed away by the recent southerly gales & makes her position more dangerous as she is now covered at high tide."

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PAGE 450.

DATE: THURSDAY 29th APRIL 1897.

"Ordered, that Mr. Beary make an estimate of the cost of a Band Stand in Park."

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PAGE 460.

DATE: THURSDAY MAY 27th 1897.

"Resolved, that advertisements be sent to the papers in Cork, Limerick, Tipperary & Waterford setting out the improvements in Park & Bathing Place, the excellent Turkish Baths provided by Mr. Stokes & Mrs O' Neill, the band promenade under the able baton of Mr. Barnes, late Bandmaster of the 13th Hussars."

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PAGE 464.

DATE: THURSDAY 10th JUNE 1897.

"Resolved, that the design of the Band Stand now before the board from Messrs McFarlane, Glasgow be accepted subject to Mr. Hunt's advice whether it is a legal expenditure out of the Gibbon's Bequest."

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PAGE 473.

DATE: THURSDAY 8th JULY 1897.

"A deputation from the band committee waited on the Board consisting of Major Maunsell, Messrs James Dunn, J. T. Nundy Michael Power & John Christopher to urge the desirability of getting a band stand erected in the park.

Ordered, that tenders be invited for a metal band stand (Octagon) similar to the design now before the Board ... with an iron roof; but without ceiling.

Tenders to be confined to local traders."

PAGE 481.

DATE: THURSDAY 5th AUGUST 1897.

The application of P. Jennings for permission to exhibit "Edison's Phonograph" in the park was granted on payment of 6d. Tenders for the erection of a band stand were received. Michael Power's tender of £16, accepted.

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PAGE 569.

DATE: MONDAY 28th FEBRUARY 1898.

"Resolved, that we the Dungarvan Town Commissioners in meeting assembled have learned with heartfelt sorrow of the lamented death of our Illustrious Townsman, His Grace Dr. Cleary, Archbishop of Kingston & desire to record our sense of loss ... that as a Dungarvan man we felt proud of him .. & followed his distinguished career ... as a brilliant student in Salamanca as a learned Professor of Divinity & an efficient President of the Diocesan College of Waterford ... & in whose church enriched by his energy & zeal it was their privilege to hear those impressive sermons delivered with that thrilling & lofty eloquence, for which he was so justly admired & as Bishop & Archbishop in Canada where .. he ever took an interest in his native land."<sup>5</sup>

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PAGE 574.

DATE: MONDAY 14th MARCH 1898.

"Resolved that we invite a reply from the Chief Officer Ballinacourty Coastguards, respecting our resolution ... giving permission to the public to remove for their own use all the coals they could from & around the wreck of the Moresby, & we are anxious to know will the coast guards interfere to prevent people so doing."

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PAGE 578.

Letter from George Vinicombe, Station Officer, Coast Guard Station, Ballinacourty, March 26th 1898 to Mr. McCarthy Town Clerk.

Stating that they have no objection to the removal of coal from the 'Moresby' wreck.

PAGE 586.

DATE: MONDAY 25th APRIL 1898.

"The Town Clerk reported that he was waited on this week by William Power, Ballinacourty, who having gone to the wreck 'Moresby' took some small parts of the wreck ... he was immediately interrupted by the coastguards who seized the pieces ... Ordered that the Town Clerk write to the Chief Boatman at Ballinacourty asking him by what authority he interfered with parties taking the wreckage."

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PAGE 721.

DATE: MONDAY 13th FEBRUARY 1899.

"Ordered that a Wigham Buoy be procured & placed on Moresby wreck."

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PAGE 791.

DATE: MONDAY 17th JULY 1899.

Letter from Mr. Hudson requesting that he get a water supply to houses now building in Abbeyview.

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PAGE 793.

DATE: MONDAY 17th JULY 1899.

"Resolved, that Wigham's 31 Day Petroleum Buoy Lamp with gimball arrangement be ordered £87 price also the buoy as suggested by Mr. Wigham, price £150."

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PAGE 800.

DATE: MONDAY 7th AUGUST 1899.

"Proposal: that a committee be appointed to report to the Board the most suitable place to erect a slab to the memory of Edmond Power."

PAGE 821.

DATE: TUESDAY 28th SEPTEMBER 1899.

"Ordered, that the clerk write to Mr. Wigham & request that he arrange with the 'Mayflower' Tug, to tow buoy & accompaniments of all the parts from Cork for £15 including the delivery from Clyde Shipping Company's vessel into the water at Ballinacourty Pier."

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PAGE 836.

DATE: MONDAY NOVEMBER 20th 1899.

"Resolved, that the triangular plot adjoining Mr. Merry's store (Old Market House) be selected as a suitable place to erect a memorial slab to perpetuate the memory of Edmund Power who was executed from above dwelling in 1798; & that Mr. Merry kindly be asked to hand over the peaceable possession of the plot to this council, from who he holds it as yearly tenant, with a view to having it erected within the anniversary of the execution."

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PAGE 842.

Letter from Robert A. Merry, 5/6 The Mall, Waterford, November 27th 1899 to Thomas McCarthy, Town Clerk, Dungarvan.

Edmond Power memorial.

"In reply I would ask the council to reconsider their resolution & ask some other practical means of perpetuating Power's memory a fountain or a public clock ... I believe such a memorial as I propose would be far more acceptable to the people of Dungarvan Of course if the council do not see their way to this proposal I shall only hand over the angle adjoining my store under protest."

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PAGE 845.

DATE: MONDAY 4th DECEMBER 1899.

"Letter from Mr. Wigham, Dublin, that he expected the buoy would be finished in 10 days & that he sent a man to Glasgow to inspect & see that it was completed in all its details."

PAGE 870.

DATE: MONDAY 12th FEBRUARY 1900.

"Letter from Mr. Wigham that he paid the freight to Clyde Shipping Co. to Cork £10-16-0 carriage of light buoy from Glasgow - that he had also written to Mr. Palmer owner of 'Mayflower' when he would be prepared to take the buoy here & advise this council."

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PAGE 909/910.

DATE: WEDNESDAY 9th MAY 1900.

"Address to James Gibbons (son of Capt. William Gibbons) from the Dungarvan Urban District Council."

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PAGE 911.

DATE: MONDAY 21st MAY 1900.

"Letter & samples (3) of memorial monuments suitable for the Edmund Power '98 Commemoration Memorial, were sent by Mr. Patrick Molloy, Sculptor, Callan, Co. Kilkenny & were referred to the Ed. Power Committee."

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PAGE 917.

DATE: MONDAY 4th JUNE 1900.

"That we the Dungarvan U.D.C. beg most respectfully to call the attention of the Fishery Commissioners to the Eye Law made by them on the 10th July 1897, prohibiting steam trawlers off the coast of Helvick Head - that this Eye Law was not enforced as the steam trawling is pursued off Helvick still to the destruction of the Helvick & Ballinagoul fishing industry."

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PAGE 924.

DATE: MONDAY JUNE 11th 1900.

"Resolved, that we the Dungarvan U.D.C. have learned with sincere regret that Mr. H.C.Villiers Stuart of Dromana was dangerously wounded in South Africa, & we desire to express our deep sympathy with Mr. Stuart & his family - we wish to record our appreciation of him as a humane & liberal landlord a generous friend to the poor ... he is not an absentee landlord, but one who spends his money at home ... & we sincerely hope that we will soon see him back again in restored health to Dromana."

PAGE 926.

Letter from Mrs G.F. Villiers Stuart, Cadogan Hotel, Sloane St,  
London, June 14th 1900 to members of Dungarvan U.D.C.

Thanking council for their resolution about her Husband & stating  
that she was leaving for South Africa on Saturday & that she  
will bring their resolution directly to him."

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PAGE 958/959.

DATE: MONDAY 27th AUGUST 1900.

Resolved, that the circular read by Mr. Thomas Power  
Re: Edmond Power Memorial be adopted & that 500 copies be printed  
Copy of Circular:-

Dungarvan Co. Waterford - 13th August 1900.

Dear Sir,

At a meeting of the Urban District Council held on the  
7th August 1899, it was resolved that a memorial consisting of  
a celtic cross with emblamatic engravings & inscription be erected  
to the memory of Edmond Power of Ballygegan, a ninety eight  
man, hanged from the Old Market House of the town in the year  
1799.

The following were appointed a committee with power to add to  
their numbers for the purpose of carrying the proposed undertaking

James Hayes, Chairman U.D.C.	Thomas Power U.C.C.	Thomas O'Connor U.D.C.
Patrick Sheehan U.D.C.	Michael Barry U.D.C.	E.Keohan "
Patrick Veale "	Wm. Lawlor "	Michael Power "
James Dunne "	James Whelan "	John Griffen "
Thomas Veale "	Thomas Barry "	

The men charged with the erection of the monument feel that while  
Dungarvan shall do its full share, an opportunity should be given  
to the Nationalists of the Co. Waterford at home & abroad of  
contributing to this, the only memorial within the co. of Waterford to the  
men of '98.

Subscriptions will be received by any of the above named gentlemen  
or the undersigned or may be lodged in the National Bank, Dungarvan  
& will be duly acknowledged in the National Press."

The following is inscribed on the back endpaper of minute book.

Copy of an inscription taken from the Greene & Foley Slab over  
Burial vault in Kilrush Graveyard & handed to me this day by  
Stephen Foley, the only survivor of the Foley family - Thomas  
McCarthy - May 29th 1895.

The information was required by John J. Greene Esq, 23 Herbert  
Place, Dublin who was looking for information on the Greene family.

"Here lieth the body of Jerimiah Foley who dept. this life 18th  
April 1815 aged 65 years, also 6 of his grand children died young  
Hewey Greene, Robert Joseph Greene, Teresa Greene, Joseph Greene,  
Polly Greene, Catherine Greene.

Also the body of Michael Foley dept. this life May 10th 1815  
aged 60 years, also the body of Patrick Foley who dept. this  
life January 20th 1817 aged 58 years & also the body of  
Ellen Foley alias Moresey who dept this life January 5th 1820  
aged 30 years. Here lies the remains of Catherine Greene otherwise  
Foley who dept this life in which she experienced persecution  
sorrow & woe on the 9th day January 1822 aged 36 years, lamented  
by the few she would be acquainted with."

NOTES

- (1) This bequest was to be used to form a public park at the Lookout and at Ringnasilloge. The latter part of the project was never carried out.
- (2) A brief article on this seal appeared in the R.S.A.I. journal 1895 -  
'Writing in reference to the old Seal of Dungarvan, which he recently gave to the present Commissioners of that town, the Rev. Father O'Brien, P.P., says that, in the second year of the reign of James I., about the year 1604, the Manor of Dungarvan was granted to Sir George Thornton, and subsequently was, with the Castle, by Act of Parliament, vested in the Earl of Cork, from whom it descended to its present proprietor, the Duke of Devonshire. The Devonshire Arms are engraved on the seal, and as the Duke of Devonshire exercised any manorial rights he possessed, through a seneschal, it is presumed that the seal was that used by the seneschal in this capacity.'
- (3) The Augustinians purchased an old house from a Mrs Baker, next to their Priory in 1883 and set up a small school there. In 1904 this was demolished and a new three storey school was built on the site (At present used as offices by Waterford Foods).
- (4) This limestone plaque was erected on the wall next to the offices of the Leather factory facing on to the Lookout.
- (5) James Vincent Cleary was born in Main Street Dungarvan in 1829. He studied for the priesthood in Rome, Maynooth and Salamanca. He was appointed Professor in St. John's College, Waterford and was made President in 1873. He was appointed Parish Priest of Dungarvan in 1876. While in Dungarvan he was responsible for major alterations to the parish church, which included new stained glass windows, new floor and the removal of the old balconies. In 1881 he was made Bishop of Kingston in Canada where he died in 1898.



MINUTES

8/10/1900 to 10/6/1907

(i) (a) Printed- "Statement of Liabilities on 20th February 1899 of Dungarvan Urban District Council" Printed by Brenan & Co. Dungarvan

(b) Election of Urban District Councillors - Dungarvan Ward. Election Circular issued by James Fitzgerald Ryan, Main St. Dungarvan December 1898.

"Dear Lady Friends & Fellow Townsmen:-

The occasion is now opportune to wipe out a dark & long lingering stain that universally makes Dungarvan a laughing stock, through the farcical, contemptible & disgusting workings of some members of our Town Board for many years past; & so abominable & offensive has the conduct been of the old Commissioners of the past, that it has been the duty of eminent ecclesiastics to denounce them from the sacred pulpit ... see how our beautiful Harbour is neglected. See how the shipping industry is almost a thing of the past & when an old inhabitant reviews the present with 20 or 30 years past, what a difference in the quay workings, in the number of hands employed."

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(ii) 8 pages on the History of Dungarvan written by Michael Beary Borough Surveyor; 9th August 1907 - sent to Patrick Mulcahy Town Clerk, Dungarvan.

"The Anglo Normans built a fine chapel there, as also a Church dedicated to St. Nicholas (Note: I believe the site of this Church to be at the rere of Mr. Merry's premises. There is still a fine arch there & traces of the building going out to Church St. (the plot on which this portion is named a vicarage in 1775 map. There was a square tower or belfry and laneway out to Main Street, at the store gate presently). The more ancient looking one (church) is in Barrack St. down at Mr. Stoke's Creamery."

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(iii) Printed Circular - Close of Town Hall Purchase, By William Gibbons, May 20th 1888.

Re: Purchase of Town Hall building from Mr. Merrick, Youghal.

PAGE 6.

DATE: MONDAY 6th OCTOBER 1900.

"A deputation of the (Gaelic) League waited on the Council requested that the names of the principal streets, should be marked by a tablet giving the names of each street translated & written in the Gaelic Characters".

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PAGE 8.

DATE: MONDAY 15th OCTOBER 1900.

"Ordered, that Mr. John Hunt be authorised to take all necessary steps with a view to buying the Cunnigar by compulsory acquisition."

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PAGE 11.

DATE: THURSDAY 18th OCTOBER 1900.

"Mr. John Hunt, solicitor waited on the Council at this meeting to inform them, that in his opinion they could obtain compulsory powers to purchase the Cunnigar from the occupying tenant Laurence Walsh & the owner Mr. John R. Dower."

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PAGE 13.

Letter from Heenan & Froude C/O C. J. Seaman, Manager, Newtown Heath Iron Works, Manchester September 19th 1900 to Michael Beary Borough Surveyor, Dungarvan.

Concerning an Iron Bridge to the Cunnigar which would cost £11,829-15-0.

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PAGE 37.

DATE: MONDAY 17th DECEMBER 1900.

"Letter from Mr. J. J. O'Shea from clerk Youghal giving details of the expenditure in protecting the strand at Youghal from being swept away."

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PAGE 78.

DATE: MONDAY 11th MARCH 1901.

"Ordered, that Mr. Hunt prepare bond & contract for Mr. D. McGrath's tender for £387 for rebuilding Quay."

PAGE 88.

Scale of Charges for Weighing - March 1892.

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PAGE 95/99.

DATE: MONDAY 22nd APRIL 1901.

Report of Michael Beary, Borough Surveyor, on Dungarvan Quay.

"The old Quay wall did not go below the level of strand and its width at bottom was only above 2 feet & bad rubble work, whereas they had at the middle of height a 5 foot thick wall & the heavy coping put on it. This was the way over to R. Phelan's & at Pat McCarthy's store which previously fell."

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PAGE 99/100.

DATE: WEDNESDAY 24th APRIL 1901.

Dungarvan Fire Brigade.

"That a Volunteer Fire Brigade be formed of elligible young men of the Town, who would be ready & willing to submit themselves to training... When the Fire Brigade is formed that Sergt. Grace would exercise & instruct them technically."

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PAGE 118.

Letter from J.McCann Ring Old Parish, 28th May 1901 to Thomas Power, Dungarvan.

"Dear Mr. Power, I beg to inform you that a collection towards the 'Edmond Power Memorial Fund' shall be made next Sunday at the Chapel gates of Ring & Old Parish in accordance with the request of the Dungarvan U.D.C."

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PAGE 133.

DATE: MONDAY 15th JULY 1901.

"Letter from Messrs W.D.J. Abery Ltd., Metropole Buildings, King St. Cork. Asking for permission to erect an auto weighing machine penny slot in the park, against side wall & allowing caretaker 25% of total receipts." Permission Granted.

PAGE 139.

DATE: MONDAY 29th JULY 1901.

"Mr. Samuel O' Farrell owner of the 'Hobby Horses' came before the Board asking for permission to erect his plant on the plot opposite John Griffen's Abbeyside, for which he would pay 10/- a week ... permission granted & that we hold him accountable for shrubs."

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PAGE 186.

DATE: MONDAY 2nd DECEMBER 1901.

"Mr. Thomas O' Connor wrote calling attention to the Edmond Power Memorial that nothing has been done lately about forwarding the object of the memorial - the Chairman & members of the council expressed that it was want of funds that prevented them going on."

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PAGE 191.

DATE: MONDAY 16th DECEMBER 1901.

That Mr. Hunt be instructed to make a conveyance to Co. Council of piece of ground N.E. side of Court House facing the bridge for extension & proposed offices for Co. Council.

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PAGE 268.

DATE: MONDAY 16th JUNE 1902.

New Houses at 'Mountain Villas'

"Resolved that Mrs Durand be granted permission to build according to the previous arrangement with the additional permission to put bay windows in front of buildings as on plan submitted to Mr. Beary."

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PAGE: 271.

"The following letter was handed by Mr. Craig, Secretary Life Boat Committee here to Mr. Hayes who is a member of the committee.

Royal National Life Boat Institution  
14 John St., Adelphi; London W.C.  
12th June 1902.

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"My Dear Sir, I had the pleasure to lay before the committee of management at their meeting to-day all the documents received from you on the subject of the loss of a fishing boat, The "Self Reliance" of Howth in consequence of her striking on the wreck of the ship 'Moresby'.

The Committee in compliance with the request of the local committee decided to communicate with the Board of Trade, urging them to cause the wreck to be removed .. the committee also considered the services rendered by the six coastguards who put off in their boat & rescued the fishing boat's crew of eight men.

A reward of ten shillings each was granted to the six salvors

Faithfully yours,  
Charles Dibdin, Sec."

To Mr. Francis Craig, Dungarvan.

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PAGE 276.

DATE: MONDAY 30th JUNE 1902.

"Letter from Mr. Christopher Leland, The College, Howth, owner of Fishing Boat 'Self Reliance' lost on or about 28th May on 'Moresby' wreck asking to give him particulars as to how long the Moresby has been in the Harbour."

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PAGE 295.

DATE: MONDAY 11th AUGUST 1902.

"It was ordered that a cheque for £125 be signed payable to Mr. J. G. Eudson for payment of old salt store & that a sum of £125 be transferred from deposit receipt (£500) in National Bank to the current account in same bank - residue of the Gibbons bequest."

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PAGE 308.

Letter from A.W. Barlas, Assistant Sec., Local Government Board,  
Dublin. 22nd August 1902 to the Clerk U.D.C.

Sanctioning a loan of £1,000 to the U.D.C. for building "working  
class lodging houses".

Pasted into minutes:- 'Notice to Contractors - Town Hall, Dungarvan  
24th September 1902, Thomas McCarthy, Town Clerk.

'The Dungarvan U.D.C. will at their meeting on Monday 6th October  
receive tenders from contractors for the erection of 9 cottages  
in their building ground Mitchell St.'

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PAGE 314.

DATE: MONDAY 6th OCTOBER 1902.

John McGrath's tender of £1,107 for building 9 cottages, Mitchel St.  
was accepted.

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PAGE 324.

DATE: FRIDAY 24th OCTOBER 1902.

"Proposed that the following be named to attend the auction of  
the deal yard (near bridge) on the Mahony Estate, in Dublin on  
the 29th."

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PAGE 343.

DATE MONDAY 15th DECEMBER 1902.

"Ordered, that Mr. Scanlan be requested to submit plans of foundations  
& drainage of new houses he is about to build in Emmett St."

PAGE 349.

DATE: MONDAY 12th JANUARY 1903.

"Mr. Hunt applied for order to oppose at the meeting of the Rural District Council the application of the Co. Council to charge at Presentment Sessions to be held on the 15th inst. The U.D.C. with half the cost of the rebuilding of Ballyneety Eridge which was swept away by flood."

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PAGE 355.

DATE: FRIDAY 23rd JANUARY 1903.

"Proposed by Thomas Veale - that we most respectfully appeal to Father Kavanagh O.S.J. to give a lecture in our Town Hall. The proceeds to augment the sum now on hands to erect a suitable monument to Edmond Power."

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PAGE 373.

DATE: MONDAY 23rd MARCH 1903.

Letter from Board of Trade; Officers of Customs, Waterford  
"that a money gift of £3 and the Silver Medal of the Board of Trade would be sent to the Collector of Customs here in recognition of the services & bravery of Mr. Patrick Cullen of Abbeyside who with three others manned a ship life boat & rescued the crew of the shipwrecked ketch 'Lord Salisbury' off Ushant in the Bay of Biscay & requesting that the chairman of the U.D.C. would kindly make the presentation in as public a manner as possible."

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PAGE 378.

DATE: THURSDAY 2nd APRIL 1903.

Presentation to Patrick Cullen of Silver Medal etc by Thomas O'Connor, Chairman U.D.C.

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PAGE 414.

DATE: MONDAY 10th AUGUST 1903.

"Letter from Mr. Molloy, Callan, asking to send the inscription that is intended for the Edmond Power Memorial and if any ceremony."



# Dungarwar Electric Light & Power Co. Ltd

CASTLE ST., DUNGARWAR

31st October 1923

The Chairman Members Urban District Council

Dungarwar

Estimate for Electrical Installation

Dear Sir,

We undertake to supply and fit up all the Electric light boxes, switches, fuses, fittings etc for the supply of Electricity to 13 points for the sum - 22 - 2 - 0

The work will be carried out in strict accordance with Specification of our Engineer

Yours faithfully

Del. [Signature]

PAGE 418.

DATE: WEDNESDAY 12th AUGUST 1903.

Resolution of U.D.C.-

"That, we the members of the Urban Council of Dungarvan desire to place on record our high appreciation of the heroism displayed by Sergt. Tyndall R.I.C. on last Thursday evening when under most dangerous circumstances he succeeded in saving the life of a young boy, Arthur Williams who fell into the water from a boat near the Quay at Dungarvan. The seargent standing some distance away while talking to the Harbour Master heard the commotion & running to the edge of the quay saw the boy disappear under the water without a moments hesitation not even to divest himself of a partice of clothing he jumped in and catching the boy by the arm he succeeded in swimming with him to the boat & thus saved the life of a boy who was unable to swim & was only 8 years of age..."

Copies of resolution to be sent to Royal Humane Society  
Inspector General of the Royal Irish Constabulary, Mr. Wyndham  
Chief Sec. for Ireland & Co. Inspector.

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PAGE 424.

DATE: MONDAY 7th SEPTEMBER 1903.

"Letter from Agriculture Fisheries Dept., Cork, asking that our fire brigade go to witness the exhibition & competition of fire brigade extinguishing.

Write to Count Plunkett that we have no fire brigade."

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PAGE 425.

DATE: MONDAY 7th SEPTEMBER 1903.

"Ordered that Messrs McCarthy & Higgins make all arrangements in connection with the unveiling of the Edmond Power Monument."

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PAGE 428.

Letter from George Stokes & Sons, Dungarvan, September 21st 1903 to U.D.C.

"Gentlemen, we have erected an Electric Light Plant at the Baths & would be much obliged for permission to put up poles between there & the Square ... that we could distribute the light for private & public use".

PAGE 438.

DATE: MONDAY 19th OCTOBER 1903.

"That the outstanding liabilities in connection with the Edmond Power memorial be discharged and a balance sheet & list of subscribers published.

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PAGE 440.

DATE MONDAY 19th OCTOBER 1903.

"Ordered, that the Military Authorities be asked to allow the fire engine remain in the Military barrack & the U.D.C. will pay Sergeant Grace for preserving & keeping it in order".

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PAGE 443.

DATE: MONDAY 16th NOVEMBER 1903.

"The Royal Humane Society sent bronze medal & certificate as a recognition to Sergeant J. F. Tyndall R.I.C. asking that they should be publicly presented."

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PAGE 448.

DATE: MONDAY 16th NOVEMBER 1903.

"Letter from Messrs Shand Mason & Co. London, enclosing illustrated catalogue of manuel fire engines at all prices up to £150 & also description & specification of 2 second hand engines, one to be thoroughly repaired & overhauled, painted & lettered, the whole complete & delivered free - with the following - shafts for horse draught, drag handle for men, 1 copper branch pipe, 2 gun metal jet pipes, 2 lengths of suction pipes with couplings, 2 hose wrenches, 1 copper strainer with screw, screw driver with handle nut wrench, pair copper lamps with brackets, basket strainer with strap, 300 feet of best quality canvas hose, in 3 lengths with couplings, leather guard strap & buckle. The whole delivered free & guaranteed in perfect order for the sum of £50.

Mr James Hayes proposed & Mr. James Dunne. that we get the second hand fire engine as quoted by Shand Mason & Co."

PAGE 469.

DATE: MONDAY 22nd FEBRUARY 1904.

"Ordered that the fire engine be put into the Market House."

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PAGE 474.

DATE: MONDAY 7th MARCH 1904.

"Sergt. Grace wrote that he made a second test of the fire engine & was of the opinion that it was a good machine & good value for the money."

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PAGE 485.

Letter from Sergeant Michael Grace, 25 Main St., Dungarvan to the Chairman U.D.C.

"Gentlemen, in accordance with the resolution passed by your council on 25/4/1904, I have got together 20 men to form a fire brigade. They have had one practice on the evening of the 9th & done fairly well ... I would ask your permission to have another practice.  
Names of Brigade.

William Butler, James Connor, Bartholemew Daly, Dennis Daly, Michael Duggan, William Duggan, P. Duggan Junr, Thomas Cahill, John Guerin, Pat Hennessy, Thomas Murphy, Michael Nagle, Thomas O' Brien, Pat Organ, Pat Walsh."

Ordered, that the men be paid 1/- each for practice & that quarterly meetings of the fire brigade be held for practice 4 times in the year."

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PAGE 504.

DATE: 15th JULY 1904.

"Resolved, that the U.D.C. of Dungarvan having had before them evidence of the heroism of John Kyne of Dungarvan aged 13 years in saving from drowning on 13th July 1904 Thomas Boyle also of Dungarvan aged 14 years, desire to record their high appreciation of the unselfishness & bravery displayed by young Master Kyne.

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The facts of the case are:- That Thomas Boyle having got into distress, while bathing in a strong incoming tide beyond his depth & being unable to reach the breakwater ... had sunk twice when young Kyne seeing his danger, at once plunged to his rescue dived under him brought him to the surface, kept him up with one hand & himself afloat with the other for a considerable time until both were finally rescued ... by Mr. Nevins Manager of the Provincial Bank. The U.D.C. strongly reccomend his action to the Royal Humane Society."

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PAGE 576.

DATE: MONDAY APRIL 3rd 1905.

"Resolved, that we the U.D.C. of Dungarvan call on the Estates Commissioners not to advance money to Charles Nugent Humble Esq. D.L. for the purchase of his holdings of the estate of his brother Sir John Nugent humble Bart, now about being sold until provision is made for the evicted tenants on both the estates of Sir Nugent Humble & Charles Nugent Humble.

Charles N. Humble is a large landed proprietor & has on his own hands nearly 2,000 acres of land, from most of which we understand tenants have been evicted."

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PAGE 622.

DATE: MONDAY 21st AUGUST 1905.

"Ordered, that Mr. McGrath be requested to submit plans of houses now building in Old Chapel Lane."

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PAGE 668.

DATE: MONDAY 22nd JANUARY 1906.

"Ordered, that a committee comprising Messrs E.Keohan, M. Mahony M. Scanlan, F. Stuart inspect the Town Hall with a view as to its improvement & also with a view to construct a gallery."

PAGE 682-683.

Letter from S. J. Merrick, Youghal 28th February 1906 to Thomas  
McCarthy, Town Clerk, Dungarvan.

Dear Sir, Owing to the illness of Mr. Ruddell we have thought it best to dispose of our business in Dungarvan. If the Urban Council were agreeable, I would sell my interest in the lease of Town Hall for £300.

If you ask a few of the Council & tell them to consider in private, consider the fixed price, no secret if they will buy but I don't wish it to become public property."

'Resolved, that we agree to purchase the freehold of the Town Hall from Mr. Merrick at the sum which he has offered it viz £300 & that Mr. Merrick be immediately informed of the decision."

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PAGE 693.

DATE: MONDAY 19th MARCH 1906.

"Tender of Daniel Coughlan, Waterford, accepted for blowing up Moresby wreck at £550."

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PAGE 721.

Letter from Daniel Coughlan, Diver (Waterford) 14th May 1906  
to Dungarvan U.D.C.

"Gentlemen, I have gone down at the wreck of the Morseby & find a fishing boat is in my way, called the 'Self Reliance' all her bottom is down there & it will take a lot of dynamite & labour to remove it. I searched as near as I could & it will take £50 to remove her, all her frames are of oak & it will take a lot of time to break them.

I am after blowing away the bows of the Moresby I would be very thankful to you if you could see your way to give me one draw of £100 as I will have to get a big staff for breaking etc."

Miscellaneous Bill

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 1906

Copy re Mosby

Contract

AND

Bond

— of —

Daniel Coughlan of Waterford

for Removing Wheel Mosby from Dungarvan Harbour

for the Dungarvan Urban D. Council

With

Walter J. Farrell and  
Frank Power Esquires  
as Sureties

Contract Money £550.

Sureties to £1000.

Copy D  
18/10/06

For Contractor

*[Signature]*

John Hunt  
Solicitor for Dungarvan Urban Council

Dungarvan

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"Letter from A. R. Barlas, Secretary, Local Government Dublin  
8th June 1906 to the U.D.C. Dungarvan.

"Informing council that a local inquiry will be held in Town Hall on Thursday 21st June. Re: Loan to purchase Town Hall."

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PAGE 740.

DATE: THURSDAY 21st JUNE 1906.

"In pursuance of instructions from the Local Government Board & the public notice advertised & given, Mr. A. D. Price Local Governemnt Board Inspector ... attended at the town hall to hold an inquiring into the application of the U.D.C. to borrow £300 for purchasing Town Hall & the annual rent of same £14-15-5 from Mr. Samuel Merrick of Youghal."

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PAGE 760.

Harbour Master Reported - 17th September 1906.

"I have pleasure in certifying that Mr. Daniel Coughlan has about 130 tons of iron from the wreck of Moresby, presently landed on quay. There is at present from 17 to 18 feet where the wreck was formerly, a part of her mast & yards still remain & some of the bottom flat of vessel 'Self Reliance' This wreck has been completely blown up, her boiler & engine with ballast, chains & remaining portion of wood work has been landed on Quay."

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PAGE 779-781.

DATE: MONDAY 2nd NOVEMBER 1906.

Mr. J. J. O'Shee wrote asking that the history of the Cunnigar Embankment & Western Bay should be given & some person to give evidence before The Royal Commission on Coast Erosion.  
Mr. Beary B.S. made the following report.

"Gentlemen, the proposed work of a causeway from Dungarvan to the Cunnigar has been more often described as a "Bridge To The Cunnigar" The bridge in the 2 schemes of 1853 & 1880 would be across the Brickey River, visible on the strand at low water & the remainder



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would be necessarily a causeway exactly similar to that across the estuary under the Waterford & Lismore Railway Line. We abandon the bridge & divert the Brickey river along Gurtnadina at the line of pasture & slob.

We thus reclaim 1,000 acres of slob land & leave a sluice outlet of 4 feet by 3 feet or so for the springs & rain drainage at low water. In 1893 you had prepared an application to try & get this passed by the two Baronies & I prepared a map & section on that basis. The application was favourably received but fell through within the past month I have seen Lewis's Topographical Dictionary of Ireland which was published in 1837 - It is stated that according to a survey made by Mr. James Kearney C. E. the south western recesses of the bay are to be separated by an embankment to be thrown up across the garden at east side of church yard to the Cunnigar, a distance of 122 perches, a roadway 22 feet wide & sufficient openings with sluices it was also proposed to cut a canal from the river Brickey near Two Mile Bridge, through Killongford & the southern verge of the strand across the Cunnigar & out at eastern main bay & harbour Mr. Kearney had with him a large staff of pupils & workmen opened up the Co. Waterford by roadways & bridges at this time & was the first Co. Surveyor appointed under the grand jury, & for the Co. Limerick his own county. His pupils subsequently carried out the banking drainage & embanked below Killongford to where we propose to commence.

Mr. Kearney's project of 1835 or so by having sluices instead of a bridge would improve the tidal conditions of ingress & egress for vessels. His estimate for that part, across direct was £14,621-9-9 & quantity of land to be reclaimed 1,234 acres as far as John Walls now."

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PAGE 797.

DATE: FRIDAY 21st DECEMBER 1906.

"The Harbour Master reported that the contractor for the removal of the Moresby wreck had the contract now completed & the entire iron vessel had been removed.

Resolved that we the members of the U.D.C. of Dungarvan desire to place on record our entire satisfaction at the expeditious manner in which the contract was carried out by Mr. Daniel Coughlan of Waterford & Cork."

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PAGE 799.

DATE: MONDAY 7th JANUARY 1907.

"Resolved, that the Dungarvan U.D.C. sharing profoundly in the widespread feelings of sadness that have come upon the town through the death of Thomas McCarthy, Town Clerk."

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PAGE 813.

DATE: MONDAY 28th JANUARY 1907.

"The chairman declared Mr. Patrick Mulcahy elected Town Clerk & executive Sanitary Officer."

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'Miss Evans' a Dungarvan Grounding.

Letter from John Holman & Sons, Managers, 50 Lime St., London  
to the Harbour Master, Dungarvan. August 12th 1907.

"Dear Sir,

The above vessel is entered with us & we have read from the Master as to his grounding owing to the buoys being wrongly marked ... he had to pay £2 for assistance in getting a float. We shall be glad to receive cheque from you for this amount."

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PAGE 21.

DATE: MONDAY 16th SEPTEMBER 1907.

Cunnigar Embankment, New Road & Reclamation of the Western Bay  
Meeting between J. J. O'Shea & Dungarvan U.D.C.

"Resolved, that this Council approves of the project for the construction of the Cunnigar Embankment & the New Road etc. & that the Town Clerk be directed to ask the Chief Secretary for Ireland to receive a Deputation from the Council on the subject."

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PAGE 23.

DATE: MONDAY 30th SEPTEMBER 1907.

'Glenaheiry Outrage'

Proposal by John O'Shea.

"I propose that we the Dungarvan U.D.C. call on the Government to institute a full & searching inquiry into the recent outrage that occurred at Glenaheiry Co. Waterford under the Explosive Substance Act."

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PAGE 32,33.

DATE: NOVEMBER 1907.

CUNNIGAR EMBANKMENT

"Resolved, that we the Dungarvan Urban Council desire to express our satisfaction at the reply given by Mr. Birrell Chief Secretary for Ireland. To the deputation which waited on him on Friday last with reference to the allocation of the remainder of the Railway balance in the hands of the Treasury, namely £35,000 to the County of Waterford for the carrying

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out of the scheme ... the Embankment of the Currigar & the Reclamation of Western Bay, the Improvement of the rivers Blackwater, Bride and Suir.

We note also what he said with regard to the balance, that he did not know what action the Treasury would take in case a further application were made to them by the Corporation of Waterford for the purposes of a Free Bridge."

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PAGE 90.

DATE: TUESDAY 18th JUNE 1908.

Town Hall

The following was proposed:- "That J. A. Ryan B.E. & Mr. Beary C.E. report to next meeting as to the condition of the Town Hall as to the making it safe & the probable cost."

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PAGE 94.

DATE: TUESDAY 14th JULY 1908.

Proposed "that Mr. Ryan, Architect, be ordered to supply plans & specifications for the repairs to Town Hall according to terms of his report."

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PAGE 98.

DATE: TUESDAY 11th AUGUST 1908.

"Letter read from Local Government Board requesting specification & estimate of Town Hall. Letter read from Mr. Ryan C.E. Waterford saying he was making plans & specifications of Town Hall."

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PAGE 103.

DATE: TUESDAY 15th SEPTEMBER 1908.

"It was agreed to apply for £300 for repairs to Town Hall application signed by Chairman & maps and plans sent to Local Govt. Board."

PAGE 116.

DATE: TUESDAY 1st DECEMBER 1908.

Notice of Motion Re; Town Hall.

"Mr Stokes moved his motion re inviting tenders for the partial rebuilding of Town Hall."

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PAGE 134.

DATE: TUESDAY 26th JANUARY 1909.

"That the park at Abbeyside which is now called Griffen's Park be known in the future as Curran's Park."

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PAGE 154.

DATE: TUESDAY 6th APRIL 1909.

Twin Brothers

"Resolved, that we congratulate Captain Whelan on the way he commanded his ship & crew and saved their lives by stratagem and that we call upon the Board of Trade to enquire into the cause of the Coast Guards in not having kept a watch or responded to signals of distress made by Captain of the "Twin Brothers".

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PAGE 160.

DATE: TUESDAY 18th MAY 1909.

"Letter (6th May) read from Marine Dept. relative to the wreck of the "Twin Brothers" & pointing out that in the circumstances the Board of Trade considered that no blame attaches to the Coast Guard."

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PAGE 201.

DATE: TUESDAY 19th OCTOBER 1909.

Town Hall.

"I propose that we proceed with the work needed to the Town Hall & as both Mr. Beary our ex Town Surveyor & Mr. Ryan our present Town Surveyor, state that the metal columns & the floor will secure the safety of the front wall."

PAGE 213-214.

Letter from J. E. Devlin, Assistant Sec., Local Government Board  
Dublin, 12th November 1909 to the Town Clerk, Dungarvan U.D.C.

"Sir, the Local Government Board for Ireland have had before them the Minutes of Proceedings of Dungarvan U.D.C. on 20th ultimo, containing an entry relating to the loan of £275 sanctioned for the purpose of improving the Town Hall; I am to state that in view of the defective condition of the front wall of the hall, the Board are not prepared to consent to the proposal to emdify the plans by omission of the re building of the wall.

"Ordered, that tenders be invited to carry out the improvements on the Town Hall according to the plans & specifications."

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PAGE 221.

DATE: FRIDAY DECEMEER 3rd 1909.

Address to Mr. John Dillon & the other Members of Parliament attending  
Demonstration.

"In compliance with the request of the letter of the Dungarvan Branch of the U.I. League, that an Address be presented to Mr. John Dillon & the other members of the Irish Parliamentary Party who are announced to attend the demonstration on Sunday next. The Town Clerk to prepare the Address."

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PAGE 227.

DATE: FRIDAY 3rd DECEMBER 1909.

Tenders for Improvement of Town Hall.

George Stokes & Sons tender of £309-17-6 accepted.

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PAGE 272.

DATE: TUESDAY 14th MAY 1910.

"Resolved, that separate tenders for the erection of the houses under new scheme be invited viz:- for the 4 houses to be erected in Scrammin's Lane & for 11 houses each in the remaining lot in Thomas St."

PAGE 273.

DATE: TUESDAY MAY 17th 1910.

Harbour Master's Report,

"The Harbour Master reported damage done to Harbour by steamers 'Agnes Ellen' & 'Mourne' Ordered that Harbour Master apply to owners for amount of damage due."

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PAGE 297.

Letter from George S. Mayers (Eld) Chairman, select Vestry Dungarvan to U.D.C. (no date) Re. 'Churchyard Railings'. St. Mary's C of I.

"Unfortunately for many years the churchyard has been shamefully desecrated, the tombs, crosses, church & school house windows have been broken by reckless stone throwing, horses, donkeys, mules and goats were constantly driven into graze in churchyard. Card playing was practised daily on the tombs. In these and other ways the graveyard has been so misused that a great scandal has arisen. To remedy a deplorable state of things & without interfering in any way with the right of way through the churchyard, railings defining the right of way have been erected at large expense.

The Vestry without prejudice to the rights of "The Representative Church Body" will be pleased to meet your council with a view to seeing what arrangements could be made to enable the public to have permissive use of the walks through the Church yard.

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PAGE 307.

DATE: TUESDAY 19th JULY 1910.

Telephone for Dungarvan

"Mr Christopher appeared before the Council relative to the above & asked the Council if they were prepared to guarantee one third the deficiency between £80 & the revenue they need the following resolution was proposed

The following resolution was proposed-

That we give the Telephone Co, the guarantee they require for their lesser need from Mr. Christopher to enable them to introduce the telephone system to the town".



PAGE 340.

DATE: TUESDAY 8th NOVEMBER 1910.

Rescue of Life by Mr. Percy Power, Main St.,  
Dungarvan.

"The Royal Humane Society forwarded a certificate for bravery ...  
The following resolution was passed - that we the members of the U.D.C.  
place on record our warm appreciation of the noble & heroic action  
of Mr. Percy Power, our esteemed young townsman, in saving the life of  
James Purcell from drowning and thereby risked his own life.

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PAGE 347.

DATE: FRIDAY 2nd DECEMBER 1910.

Hospital at Abbeyside for Sanatorium.

"Proposed - that the Dungarvan U.D.C. would suggest to the favourable  
consideration of the Board of Guardians the suitability of the  
unused Hospital at Abbeyside to be converted into a residence for  
consumption patients." passed.

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PAGE 347.

DATE: FRIDAY DECEMBER 2nd 1910.

TOWN HALL LOAN.

"That owing to urgent nature of the Town Hall repairs that we  
request the Local Government Board to sanction as early as possible  
the supplemented loan of £300 & that we wish to inform the Local  
Government Board that we consider an enquiry unnecessary as the  
Inspector, Mr. Price already has held an enquiry into the condition  
of the Town Hall and he would be in a position to report to them on  
the matter."

PAGE 386.

DATE: FRIDAY MARCH 31st 1911.

Committee's report re: Town Hall.

"They consider that there are several items in the specifications not carried out and the committee recommend the urgent attention of the borough surveyor to this matter especially as the ratepayers are at a loss owing to delay in finishing the contract."

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PAGE 418.

DATE: MONDAY JULY 3rd 1911.

Resolution re: wainscotting of Town Hall.

"That the wainscotting of the large room in Town Hall be completed on a level with the portion already wainscotted."

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PAGE 419.

DATE: MONDAY 3rd JULY 1911.

M. Dee's tender of £3-12-0 accepted for materials to make table for new council chamber.

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PAGE 437.

DATE: MONDAY 28th AUGUST 1911.

George Stokes & Sons tender of £5-2-0 for erecting gas fittings to new Council chamber accepted.

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PAGE 474.

DATE: DECEMBER 1911.

Writ served on Council by J. A. Ryan, Engineer for fees for plans specifications etc., for Town Hall improvements & for 26 Artizan's dwellings (Thomas Terrace) total amount:- £122-19-3.

PAGE 475.

DATE: MONDAY 27th NOVEMBER 1911.

Cunnigar Bridge

Resolution thanking Mr. O'Shee M.P. for his great efforts in obtaining £15,000 grant from Treasury for erection of Cunnigar Bridge etc.

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PAGE 486/487.

DATE: FRIDAY 5th JANUARY 1912.

List of tenants for new houses, St. Eridget's Place (6 houses) and St. Thomas Terrace (20 houses)

St. Bridget's Place. (1) John Elstead. (2) James Donohue. (3) Miss Walsh. (4) Thomas Murphy (5) Michael Halpin. (6) Maggie Morrissey.

St. Thomas's Terrace.

(1) Robert Craig. (2) Denis McGrath. (3) James Condon. (4) P. Condon. (5) John Fitzgerald. (6) Thomas Wall. (7) Miss Flaherty. (8) Thomas Cahill. (9) James Power. (10) Pat Walsh. (11) David Mahony (12) Daniel Stokes. (13) John O' Donnell. (14) Mat Walsh. (15) James Clancy. (16) Hannah Dee. (17) Jack Harnigan. (18) Declan Mulcahy. (19) Denis Greany. (20) No Tenant.

"Resolution:- that Scrammin's Lane be called in future St. Eridget's Place."

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PAGE 505.

DATE: MONDAY 19th FEBRUARY 1912.

"Application for share of Council's advertisements from Mr. Lynch Editor of 'Dungarvan Observer' approved unanimously."

PAGE 574.

DATE: FRIDAY 21st JUNE 1912.

"Meeting of trustees of Band, Bandsmen & Members of the Late  
Committee in accordance with resolution at last meeting of Council  
in connection with Band Instruments Etc.

Resolution, that this meeting of the Band Committee etc., recommend that the U.D.C. be requested to act as temporary guarantors of the Brass Band."

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PAGE 590.

DATE: MONDAY 5th AUGUST 1912.

Resolution Re: Electric Light.

"That a committee be appointed to go into the question of an Electric Light Scheme for Dungarvan.

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PAGE 595.

DATE:

Letter from Band Members, Dungarvan, August 12th 1912 to the Chairman  
& Members of Urban Council.

"Gentlemen, we the undersigned request you the Urban Council of Dungarvan to hand us over the Band instruments with the object of having the band start its promenades at once. Visitors & natives alike miss the melodious strains of the local band & anxiously await the moment when practice is resumed."

Signed: James A. Lynch, Charles Lawn, William Power, John Phelan, J. Lynch, John A. Murphy, James Condon, Patrick Duggan, William Foley. & P. O'Sullivan.

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PAGE 602-603.

DATE: MONDAY SEPTEMBER 9th 1912.

Special Meeting held in connection with the Band.

"Resolution- That a committee consisting of the Chairman Mr. O' Shea, Thomas Foley & Denis Ryan meet the orchestral society with a view to coming to an amicable arrangement as regards the future working of the Brass Band & the Orchestral Band."

PAGE 611-612.

Letter from J. F. Williams, Solicitor, Dungarvan, to U.D.C.

October 5th 1912. Re: Purchase of Cunnigar.

"Dear Sir, As directed I communicated with Mrs Mahony representative of the late Lawrence Walsh, the tenant of the Cunnigar & Mr. John R. Dower the landlord in order to ascertain at which price they would be prepared to sell their respective interests. Mrs Mahony stated she was prepared to sell her interest ... for the sum of £500, but if allowed retain the dwelling house together with 2 gardens containing in or about 2 acres, she was prepared to sell for a sum of £300, I have not heard from Mr. Dower."

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PAGE 614-615.

Letter from John R. Dower, Montain View Dungarvan to John F. Williams Solicitor 12 October 1912.

Gives details of how his father purchased the Cunnigar on July 8th 1861. He was directed by the then Town Commissioners to purchase it at the sale of the Duke of Devonshire's property in Dublin & acquired it for £910, but the Town Commissioners subsequently refused to take over the property & his father was left with it on his hands. Dower was now offering it to the Council for £910.

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PAGE 633.

DATE: FRIDAY DECEMBER 6th 1912.

"The clerk informed the meeting that it was principally convened for the purpose of considering the question of Electricity. It was eventually agreed that the clerk write to Mr. Arthur E. Porter also Mr. Lawless, intimating to them that they could if they wished come and see the town & make a report ... this to be done without charge to the Council."

PAGE 641.

DATE: MONDAY 23rd DECEMBER 1912.

Resolution of Appreciation or Mr. R. E. Brenan for his long services  
in connection with Post Office.

"That we the Dungarvan U.D.C. desire to place on record our appreciation of the efficient manner in which Mr. R. E. Brenan, the late Postmaster at Dungarvan, discharged the owners duties of his position & of his having given entire satisfaction to the public during his long term of office. We also wish to join with him his capable chief clerk Mr. Thomas Ryan who assisted Mr. Brenan so ably... and whose management now of the local Post Office is meeting with general approval."

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PAGE 651.

DATE: MONDAY JANUARY 20th 1913.

"Resolution passed on the heroic action of Father O'Shea and his men from Ardmore on rescuing 24 Frenchmen."

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PAGE 674.

DATE: MARCH 28th 1913.

Report Re: Market House.

No 1. Store: Which is let to Mr. Paxman we would recommend it be entirely free for the use of the fire engine & accomodation of Butter Buyers. We would also recommend that the engineers attention be called to the walls at the back as the place seems to be infested with rats.

No. 2 Store: Used for storing Harbour goods.

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PAGE 681.

DATE: MONDAY 21st APRIL 1913.

'Advertisemnt Re: Electric Lighting.'

"The U.D.C. Dungarvan invite proposals from firms of electrical engineers for a scheme of electrical lighting for the town of Dungarvan."

PAGE 690.

DATE: MONDAY 19th MAY 1913.

"Mr. Williams, Solicitor, submitted an agreement to be signed & sealed by the Chairman & 2 members, also their clerk for the purchase of the Cunnigar from Mrs. O'Mahony within a period of 3 years for the sum of £165. The council agreed to these conditions."

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PAGE 713.

DATE: SATURDAY 2nd AUGUST 1913.

Special Meeting Re: Purchase of Cunnigar from John R. Dower.

"Resolution, the finance committee after having had an interview with Mr. Dower relative to the purchase of his interest in the Cunnigar unanimously recommended the U.D.C. to make an offer to him of £210 representing 30 years purchase of the rental."

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PAGE 716.

DATE: MONDAY 4th AUGUST 1913.

"Resolution that we hand over from the Urban Council the Brass Band instruments to the new Band Committee who has sent a deputation to this meeting."

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PAGE 744.

DATE: MONDAY OCTOBER 6th 1913.

"Letter read from town clerk of Tipperary as regards the increased popularity of Dungarvan as a tourist resort. He also mentioned the excellent orchestra which gave great delight to the visitors."

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PAGE 758.

DATE: MONDAY 6th OCTOBER 1913.

Life Saving

"Testimonials from Royal Humane Society to Messrs Willie Millar & Dan Phelan. The council on behalf & at the request of the above society presented the testimonial read from them at this their public meeting."

PAGE 775.

DATE: MONDAY JANUARY 5th 1914.

"Letter read from Local Government Board stating that they had sent the necessary notices Re: inquiry Cunnigar Project & to have them posted around town."

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PAGE 802.

DATE: MONDAY 23rd FEBRUARY 1914.

Purchase of Cunnigar

Agreement between Patrick E. Curran, Ballinacourty & Dungarvan U.D.C.

Draft agreement by U.D.C. to purchase land at Ballinacourty North abutting on the Cunnigar for £95 & setting out terms.

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PAGE 15.

DATE: MONDAY 5th OCTOBER 1914.

"Resolution of sympathy was passed on the death of Mr. Pat Foley's son who went down on board war ship in the North sea during the war."

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PAGE 23.

DATE:

War Fund:- Letter from Secretary, Patriotic Fund relative to Mrs John Power's son who was killed in the Battle of Mons, mother left in town."

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PAGE 27.

DATE 16th NOVEMBER 1914.

'Compensation for Loss of Soldiers in the war'

"Letter read from the Hon. Sec. of Royal Patriotic Fund, enclosing cheque for £3 to Mrs Mary Power for the loss of her son at the Battle on Mons."

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PAGE 31.

DATE: 16th NOVEMBER 1914.

Royal Patriotic Fund.

"The above corporation sent £3 for Mrs Dunne, mother of James Dunne who was killed in the war."

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PAGE 39-40.

DATE: MONDAY DECEMBER 22nd 1914.

Christmas presents from American Children.

"Resolved:

That on arrival of the presents sent by American children for the benefit of soldiers & sailors' families serving in the war a special meeting of the Poor Relief Committee be convened and an application to be sent to the Local Government Board for a share of the cheese sent by the Canadian Government."

PAGE 40.

DATE:

Letter of resignation from P. Curran, Harbour Master, Dungarvan  
to the Chairman & members of U.D.C. 21 December 1914.

"Dear Sirs, I beg to tender my resignation as Harbour Master. I have been thirty four years in your service & I sincerely wish to thank the members for their very great consideration to me during that time. My son James who has been helping me for a long time, will act for me until you appoint my successor."

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PAGE 65.

Lord & Lady Aberdeen's departure from Ireland.

'Letter from Lord Aberdeen, vice Regal Lodge, Dublin, February 6th 1915, to P. Mulcahy, Town Clerk, Dungarvan. Thanking the U.D.C. for their resolution stating their regret at the departure of Lord & Lady Aberdeen from Ireland."

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PAGE 102-103.

DATE: APRIL 1915.

Orchestral Society

"A deputation consisting of Messrs James Dunne, K.E. Hardwick, McGrath, Draper, Stuart & Crotty waited on the Council with a view of approaching the Committee of Industrial Association for the purpose of getting funds in aid of the bands."

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PAGE 116.

DATE: MONDAY 2nd JUNE 1915.

Royal Patriotic Fund.

"Sergent Grace, wrote council asking them to make an application to above fund on behalf of John Driscoll, father of Augustine Driscoll killed at the war."

PAGE 152.

DATE: MONDAY AUGUST 24th 1915.

"Resolved, it having come to the notice of the U.D.C. that the police have stopped some respectable young men from having an innocent game of cards in the park, we would respectfully ask the authorities to lease such annoyance as the presence of those young men has often averted serious calamities to bathers, such as has occurred last week here."

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PAGE 175.

DATE: MONDAY 18th OCTOBER 1915.

Death of Captain Christopher & 3 other Sailors by drowning off the Ship 'Morning Star'.

"We the Urban Council beg to tender our sincere sympathy to the widow of the late Captain Christopher & the relatives of the other victims who were lost in the wreck of the 'Morning Star' off Boat Strand."

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PAGE 184.

DATE: MONDAY 18th OCTOBER 1915.

Vote of sympathy to John Dower on the death of his son, the third to be killed in the war.

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PAGE 219/220.

Letter from Michael Curran 6354, Hanley, Brentwood, Y.U.C.A. Essex, England to Town Commissioners. (no date).

"Dear Sir, kindly convey to the members of your council the thanks of the Dungarvan boys in the Irish Guards for their kindness in defending them from the foul attack made on them behind their backs by that cowardly ruffian Sergt. O'Neill.,. some of them are sleeping their last long sleep in France to-day & others are prepared to fight & still they are called 'Corner Boys' by one who is afraid to go himself, again thanking you for your kind words."

PAGE 221.

DATE: JANUARY 1916.

Borough Surveyor's report on Abbeyside Castle.

"In accordance with a complaint received this day I inspected the 'Old Castle' Abbeyside & found portions becoming dangerous & as this place is much frequented by children, some steps ought to be taken to have the necessary inspection carried out."

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PAGE 238/239.

Letter from J.F. Williams, Solicitor, Dungarvan, March 3rd 1916  
to P. Mulcahy, Town Clerk - Re Sale of Cunnigar.

"A provisional order confirmed by Act of Parliament has been obtained by the Council (1914) giving them power to acquire the said lands of the Cunnigar about to be sold & other lands compulsory."

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PAGE 240-241.

DATE: MARCH 1916.

'Recruiting'

Letter was read from Claud Anson to Mr. Sexton asking to have a house  
to House Canvas.

"The feeling of the board is that as there are no men available in the town which can be spared. The Council cannot see their way to make a house canvas for recruits at present as the Town has already sent about 800 men."

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PAGE 244.

Letter from J. F. Williams, Solicitor, Dungarvan, March 7th 1916  
to the Local Government Board Re: Purchase of Cunnigar.

"With reference to the purchase & taking amongst others of the lands of the Cunnigar containing 44 acres & 8 perches then and now in the occupation of Bridget Mahony, Administratrix of Lawrence Walsh and in the ownership of John R. Dower ... No further steps have been taken by the Urban Council to acquire the lands as owing to the war & other causes. The said Bridget Mahony, occupier of the lands ... has put up for sale on the 15th inst. her tenant right in the said lands.

The tenant and her late husband Lawrence Walsh insisted of parties frequenting the Cunnigar paying a toll for some years past. They furthermore obstructed fishermen & others from Ballinagoul who had a right of way along those Cunnigar lands, thereby lessening the distance from Ballinagoul to Dungarvan.

The U.D.C. think it would be well to purchase the tenant rights without going to the trouble of expenditure at present of buying out the owner's interest. They expect the purchase price will be in or about £150 which sum their Treasurer will advance if they have the sanction of your Board."

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PAGE 246.

Letter from C.R. Borlas, Secretary, Local Government Board, Dublin,  
March 13th 1916 to J. F. Williams.

Asking that the Council postpone their action to purchase tenants rights to Cunnigar until such time as they are in a position to purchase all the interests in all the lands included in the Act (Compulsory Purchase Act 1914).

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PAGE 267.

DATE: MONDAY 15th MAY 1916.

Resolution Re: imprisonment of Messrs Dan Fraher & Philip Walsh.

"Resolution passed calling on the Government to liberate the above."

PAGE 268.

DATE: MONDAY 15th MAY 1916.

Unhappy & Tragic occurrences in Dublin.

"Resolution passed regretting the recent & tragic occurrences that occurred in Dublin, tendering to the citizens our sympathy on the destruction of same & respectfully begs on his Majesty's ministers the necessity of mercy in dealing with the rank & file who in the main were unanimous of their position etc."

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PAGE 278.

DATE: MONDAY JUNE 19th 1916.

"Resolved that we the members of the Dungarvan Urban Council ask the traders of the Town to close their shops during office of high mass tomorrow as a mark of respect to the memory of our fellow countrymen who have been executed in Dublin & elsewhere in Ireland."

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PAGE 281.

DATE: MONDAY 19th JUNE 1916.

Resolution Re: Partition of Ireland.

"That we the Dungarvan U.D.C. protest in the strongest manner against the Partition of Ireland at the instigation of Mr. Lloyd George & that we demand the fulfillment of the Home Rule Bill ... for which the flower of Ireland's sons are presently shedding their blood for in France."

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PAGE 316.

DATE: MONDAY SEPTEMBER 11th 1916.

Harbour Master's Report.

"I beg to report that I have put out with the assistance of the ring fishermen 'Wigham Buoy' into its old position at Ballinacourty."

PAGE 337.

DATE: MONDAY NOVEMBER 6th 1916.

Notice of motion to appoint officer of Fire Appliances in room of Sgt. Grace, resigned.

"I beg to give notice at next meeting owing to the resignation of Sgt. Michael Grace as Controller of Fire Appliances, that Thomas Walsh be appointed on the same terms set out to his predecessor."

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PAGE 347.

DATE: MONDAY DECEMBER 4th 1916.

Mr Thomas Walsh proposed for 'Officer for Fire Appliances' at £10 per an, as no applications were received for the post. Passed.

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PAGE 359.

DATE: MONDAY 15th JANUARY 1917.

'Food Supply for the People'

"The Town Clerk read the circular he sent to the owners & occupiers of land & none of them offered land for the purpose of sowing potatoes." The circular was sent to 38 owners & occupiers of land within a radius of the town."

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PAGE 369.

Food Supply:- Letter from J. F. Williams, Solicitor, Dungarvan, 26th January 1917 to U.D.C.

Concerning offer of 12 acres of land at Skehacrine, Abbeyside by Mr. J. F. Moloney to the council for setting potatoes.

Offer Accepted."

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PAGE 381.

DATE: MONDAY FEBRUARY 19th 1917.

"Permission to erect hoarding for the public protection outside Scanlan's house whilst carrying out improvements by Mr. J. Mulcahy Clonmel." Granted.



PAGE 392.

DATE: MONDAY 12th MARCH 1917.

"Drawing of lots as regards plots in field " (at Skehacrine, Abbeyside)

The following were drawn:-

No. 1 Plot - William Brazill. / No. 2. - Dan Fraher.

No. 3 - W.Fraher. / No. 4 - George Stokes./ No. 5. - William Stokes.

No. 6 - Dan Stokes. /No. 7. - Garret Walsh. /No. 8. - Martin Walsh.

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PAGE 457-459.

Letter from B. S. Ussher, Cappagh House, Cappagh, 12-8-1917 to U.D.C.

Concerns the councils demand for Harbour Dues from Ussher for storing timber (from his Estate at Cappagh) on Dungarvan Quay.

Ussher replied that Captain Curran had agreed to take the timber in his own ship the "Richard Cobden" then sailing to south Wales, but that he had to wait for 2 months for the ships return from Wales.

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PAGE 481 .

DATE: MONDAY 1st OCTOBER 1917.

"Address to be presented to Count Plunkett & the other Sinn Fein speakers at demonstration in Dungarvan on October 14th.

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PAGE 527-528.

DATE: 12th JANUARY 1918.

Report of S. J. Considine, Auditor to Council.

Refers to the export of 7,800 tons of timber from Dungarvan in 1917.

PAGE 528.

"Damage to Harbour by ship 'Heldina'

Letter from Joseph Monks & Co., Liverpool, January 24th 1918 to the  
Town Commissioners, Dungarvan.

"Your letter of 22nd inst. to hand. We do not appear to have received any information of alleged damage and unfortunately the vessel has not been heard of since the 14th inst. We suppose there is no doubt as to the damage by our vessel."

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PAGE 562.

Letter from Patrick Morrissey, Rice's St., Dungarvan, (on behalf of James Morrissey owner) to the Chairman & members of U.D.C., May 20th 1918.

"Gentlemen I beg to offer to your Council 1 rood and 7 perches in addition to the area known as 'Cooney's Lough' at Ringasilogue for sum of £30 stg." Accepted.

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PAGE 588.

DATE: MONDAY 29th JULY 1918.

"It was arranged that the council buy the park." Tuesday 30th July 1918:-  
In accordance with arrangement made on previous night as regards purchasing the 37 years lease of park at £6 per year ... It was agreed to purchase the park & also if possible the houses attached to it in the interests of the town."

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PAGE 596.

Purchase of Park.

Letter from E. Keohan & son, 17 Main St. Dungarvan, August 19th 1918. to Chairman & members of U.D.C.

"Gentlemen, you can have the park as per conditions of sale at your offer of £100. Would you kindly pass cheque for deposit of £30 which will be one fourth the purchase money & 5% commission."

PAGE 629.

DATE: JULY 1918.

Resolution of protest against the 'Treatment of the late Richard Coleman, Political Prisoner who died at ? Usk Prison England'.

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PAGE 654.

Letter from: Austin Cahill, Patrick Whelan, Martin Queally, Frank Dalton, Patrick Walsh, John Duggan, Peter Dalton, John Whelan, Daniel Johnson, Chris McGrath, Edmond Whelan & Luke Dalton, Dungarvan, February 27th 1919. to T. Mulcahy Town Clerk.

"Sir, we the undersigned members of the Dungarvan Brass & Reed Bands beg to apply for the use of the band instruments now in the custody of the Urban Council, our object in doing so is, that we may prevent the instruments from going to ruin as they undoubtedly will if they are left idle & also to resume practices with a view to restarting the band."

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PAGE 676.

DATE: MAY 16th 1919.

"Mr. Patrick Byrne, Abbeyside wrote calling attention to the bad supply of water at the fountain on the 'Bachelor's Walk'.

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PAGE 23.

DATE: FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 19th 1919.

Report of Mr. Walsh, Fire Officer.

"Gentlemen, now that Sheehan & Co. have removed their things from the middle portion of the store under the Town Hall I would ask that it be kept exclusively for the Fire Engine & appliances."

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PAGE 41.

DATE: FRIDAY 24th OCTOBER 1919.

"Resolution passed on the plucky action of Sgt. Harrington in rescuing the boy Donovan from drowning. The clerk was directed to write to Secretary Royal Humane Society & Carnegie Hero Fund for recognition of his service."

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PAGE 47.

Letter from M. Keane, Friary St. (on Behalf of timber Merchants)  
Dungarvan, 11 November 1919 to J. F. Williams Solicitor.

Concerning a notice from U.D.C. that timber belonging to timber merchants should be removed from the roadside at Shandon & stating that as a result of the council's order they would be forced to send out staff through another railway station. "It might surprise some of the members of the Urban Council to know that during the past 12 months we have been paying in wages in this town from £250 to £300 per month to men engaged at this timber business."

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PAGE 65.

Letter from James Price, Harbour Engineer's office, Cork  
November 29th 1919 to James Curran, Harbour Master, Dungarvan.

"Offering £60 for Wigham Buoy - lamp not required. Referred to Harbour Master."

PAGE 87.

DATE: 13 MARCH 1920.

Dail Eireann

"Resolution:- that this council of the elected representatives of the Dungarvan Urban Council ... hereby acknowledge the authority of Dail Eireann as the duly authorised Government of the Irish People."

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PAGE 95.

DATE: 26th MARCH 1920.

"Resolution of protest against the arrest of Mr. Patrick Whelan U.D. Councillor by the British Authorities without charges."

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PAGE 116.

DATE: FRIDAY 4th JUNE 1920.

"We the members of the Dungarvan U.D.C. express our great pleasure at the return of our fellow member Patrick Whelan from Wormwood scrubs where he has been incarcerated & on hunger strike."

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PAGE 144.

DATE: 17th SEPTEMBER 1920.

Electric Light.

"Mr. E. A. Ryan, Solicitor appeared before meeting of council to get permission for erecting poles etc. in town - the following order was made:- that we grant permission to the Dungarvan Electric Light & Power Co. to place standards & poles on the streets of Dungarvan."

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PAGE 163.

DATE: FRIDAY 26th NOVEMBER 1920.

"Resolved, that we the members of Dungarvan Urban Council tender our sympathy to the families of our fellow townsmen who have been arrested."

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PAGE 168.

DATE: FRIDAY 10 DECEMBER 1920.

"Letters of acknowledgement from Mrs Hassett, Mrs O'Mahony, Mrs Mulcahy, Mrs Moloney & Mrs Dee on the recent arrest of their husbands."

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Letter from James Curran, Harbour Master , 4 Western Terrace  
Dungarvan, 29th January 1921 to Chairman U.D.C. Dungarvan.

"Dear Sir, I beg to apply for an increase of salary in my position as Harbour Master, being now over 6 years in office. I have done my best to look after the interests of council. My reason for not applying before this was that the revenue from Harbour Dues was not very great while the war was on, now the dues are double what they were formerly & shipping has considerably improved."

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PAGE 190.

DATE: FRIDAY FEBRUARY 11th 1921.

Electric Lighting Scheme.

"Mr. Dunphy appeared before the meeting & submitted plan from the Electric Lighting Co. of the poles, lights etc., some changes & suggestions having been made & the matter generally discussed to safeguard the council, the following order was made- resolved that John McGrath B.S. interview Mr. Williams Solicitor Re: Electric poles etc."

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PAGE 191.

Letter from J. C. MacCosgair. Minister for local Government,  
Dail Eireann, Local Government Board. Dublin. 30th January 1921.

"The Local Government Board has had under consideration the many difficulties which Local Authorities in Ireland have had to sustain through the persistent attempts of the British Government to destroy Local Administration. Since December 1918 English policy in Ireland has been directed towards stifling republican representation which was evidenced by the P.R. Act 1917.

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The main purpose of this act was to secure a strong representation of persons loyal to England, the Act failed so far as this motive was concerned & further attacks developed on the finances of Local Authorities.

In effect they desired to have Local Authorities pass resolutions of loyalty to the English Government, failing which no monies due to them would be paid. It was anticipated that the withdrawal of these funds estimated to represent one seventh of the entire revenue of Local Authorities would precipitate a financial crises & render Local Government impossible."

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PAGE 196.

DATE: FRIDAY FEBRUARY 25th 1921.

"It was ordered that a circular be sent to shopkeepers with a copy of pledge to be signed by them undertaking not to deal with Belfast firms & firms in surrounding areas, also asking the people to withdraw their accounts from Belfast, Northern or Ulster Banks."

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PAGE 200.

DATE: FRIDAY MARCH 18th 1921.

"Resolved, that we the members of Dungarvan U.D.C. hereby adjourn this meeting as a protest against the action of the Government for executing by hanging 6 of our fellow countrymen in Mountjoy Prison on last Monday 14th inst.

Vote of sympathy on murders of Ald. George Clancy, Mayor of Limerick Councillor M.O'Callaghan, ex Mayor & J.O'Donoghue."

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PAGE 208.

DATE: FRIDAY 22nd 1921.

Notice of application for Compensation for criminal injury to Property.

Minnie Fitzgerald, Abbeyside:- for burning of her house/shop known as Strand Hotel, also premises occupied by Thomas Cashman, furniture, goods, clothes etc. £10,00£.



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Thomas Cashman:- for burning of his furniture, clothing etc. £100.  
Margaret Burke:- for house at Abbeyside partly destroyed £50.  
Hannah Crotty:- for house destroyed by fire at Abbeyside £600.  
Bridget O'Neill:- clothes, jewelery, bicycle, burned at Abbeyside  
£125.  
Thomas Cashman:- Abbeyside, burning of clothing etc. £200.  
Kate Terry:- for her house at Abbeyside, partially destroyed £150.  
Thomas Fahey:- for destruction of his house at Abbeyside, furniture  
etc. £2,500.  
William Power:- Abbeyside, clothes etc. burned £40.  
James Brennan:- furniture, goods etc., destroyed at Abbeyside £800.

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PAGE 213.

DATE: FRIDAY 13th MAY 1921.

Malicious Injury Claims.

Notice on behalf of Bridget Boyle £700 for furniture etc. Destroyed  
Annie Power:- £200 for malicious injury.  
Minnie Fitzgerald:- £10,000 for burning Strand Hotel etc.  
Margaret Moran:- £1,500 for murder of her husband.

R.I.C. Reports.

on William Power's house Abbeyside.

" Mrs. Burke's house Abbeyside occupied by William Power.  
" James Brennan's house "  
" Hannah Crotty's " "  
" Thomas Cashman " "  
" Thomas Fahey's " "

William Moran who obviously met his death by being shot.

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DATE: FRIDAY 27th MAY 1921.

Malicious Injury Applications.

Notice was received from J. Murray Solicitor on behalf of :-

Bridget Boyle	for	£700
Margaret Moran	"	£1,500
Margaret Burke	"	£50
Annie Power	"	£200
Thomas Cashman	"	£200
William Power	"	£40
Kate Terry	"	£150
Hannah Crotty	"	£600
Bridget O'Neill	"	£125
James Brennan	"	£800
Thomas Fahey	"	£4,500

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PAGE 217.

DATE: FRIDAY MAY 27th 1921.

Tenders were received for the public lighting of the town, one from W.P. Lonergan, Manager of Gas Works & the other from John Dunphy on behalf of Electric Light & Power Co. of Dungarvan.

Proposed - that the tender of the Electric Light Co. be accepted (at £4 per lamp).

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PAGE 237.

DATE: FRIDAY JULY 29th 1921.

Political Prisoners.

"Resolved that we the members of Dungarvan U.D.C. demand the immediate release of all political prisoners & particularly the members of Dail Eireann to enable them to meet in conference with the leaders in Dublin at such a critical period in our History."

PAGE 243.

DATE: FRIDAY 26th AUGUST 1921.

Malicious Injury Claim.

"A. Carroll, Solicitor, Fermoy sent notice of his intention to apply for £65 for clothes etc. the property of Margaret Meagher which were destroyed or burned on 14th August 1921."

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PAGE 246.

DATE: FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 9th 1921.

"Ordered that the Wigham lighted buoy be advertised for sale".

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PAGE 262.

DATE: FRIDAY 11th NOVEMBER 1921.

"Resolved, that we the members of the U.D.C. wish to convey our heartiest congratulations & welcome to our brother member Thomas McCarthy on his release from Ballykinlar Prison."

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PAGE 265.

DATE: FRIDAY NOVEMBER 25th 1921.

Application from the owners & masters of ships to the Dungarvan Harbour Commissioners.

Asking for replacement of Moresby buoy light signed K. Williams & Co. on behalf of :

A. Moloney & Sons Ltd.

P.J. Moloney

Shandon Shipping Co. Ltd.

P. Dunne.

Denis Ryan

E. O'Conner, Master, Parton.

T. Donohue - M.V. Mackussund

William Reason - S/S Cargan

Patrick Curran

? Whelan.

PAGE 268.

DATE: FRIDAY NOVEMBER 25th 1921.

Letter from Ex. Servicemen 'Dungarvan Legion'  
John Danninel, Chairman, Richard O'Donnell Pro,  
Maurice Kyne, Secretary - Asking the Ministry of Labour to provide  
funds for road repairs to give employment to the unemployed ex. Servicemen  
'to Relieve the great hardships they are enduring, especially  
during the winter months'

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PAGE 271.

DATE: FRIDAY 9th DECEMBER 1921.

"Resolved, that we the members of Dungarvan U.D.C. tender our  
Céad Míle Fáilte to Messrs M. Brennock, T. Fahey, & P. Mulcahy on  
their release from internment."

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PAGE 280.

DATE: TUESDAY 3rd JANUARY 1922.

'Special meeting to consider what action will be adopted by the  
Council in present position of National Affairs.'

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"Resolved, that we the elected representatives of the U.D.C. of  
Dungarvan, hereby convened a special meeting for the express purpose  
of voicing the opinions of our constituents regarding the ratification  
of the Peace Treaty.

The vast majority of our constituents are of opinion that the Treaty  
while not giving us all we claim as a Nation gives us more solid basis  
for the building up of the national life of our country than we have  
enjoyed for almost eight centuries & are willing to give it a trial seeing  
no alternative before them but ruin & misery ... & we hereby in their  
name request our deputies to vote for the ratification of the Treaty."

PAGE 287.

Letter from R.E. Keane (Master of West Waterford Hunt) Cappoquin  
Bacon Factory, Cappoquin, Devonshire Arms Hotel, January 25th 1922.  
to the Chairman U.D.C. Asking for use of the Town Hall for Hunt Ball-Granted.

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PAGE 300.

DATE: FRIDAY 24th MARCH 1922.

Borough Surveyor's Report.

"I received a circular from Dail Eireann in connection with our claim for excessive British military traffic. I am in addition to this including damage done to quay at Look out, a pier at the tip-head, loss to the Council for possession of the Hall for two weeks, also damage to same as a result of several raids etc. I am also of the opinion a claim should be made for the use of the fire engine in connection with the ? fires at Abbeyside & for the men employed there."

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PAGE 353.

DATE: FRIDAY 25 AUGUST 1922.

Death of Michael Collins.

Proposed - "That we tender to the Provisional Government our deep sympathy on the death of one of Ireland's greatest sons - Michael Collins - words cannot express our intense sorrow nor that of the whole Irish Race & we also tender our heartfelt sympathy with all his relations."

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PAGE 374.

DATE: FRIDAY NOVEMBER 10th 1922.

Peace Resolution

"John R. Dower clerk of R.D.C. enclosed a copy of resolution .. calling for a truce & asking that delegates be selected by Public Boards to act as a central body between the Provisional Front & the I.R.A. leaders in order to try and secure peace. The Chairman appointed delegate."

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PAGE 389.

DATE: FRIDAY 29th DECEMBER 1922.

Railway Guarantee Fund.

"President Cosgrave wrote Mr. Butler T.D. in reference to £26,000 for county schemes which remains in hands of the British Treasury. The Treasury he feared will not readily admit to hand over the amount to the Free State, but he had sent a letter to the Treasury on the matter."

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PAGE 397-398.

DATE: THURSDAY 1st FEBRUARY 1923.

Special Meeting Re: Communication from I.R.A.

The acting clerk read the following communication:-

Waterford Brigade, I.R.A. field H.Q. to the Urban Council Dungarvan  
C/O Clerk to Council.

"Sir, notice given hereunder is to be read at a special meeting of the Council to be called for the purpose. You be personally held responsible for the calling of the meeting & reading of notice to council.

Irish Republican Army - Public Notice.

To the people of Dungarvan,

Owing to the fact that some of our comrades at present held prisoners of war by Free State forces in Waterford are in danger of execution. You are hereby called upon in the name of the Republic to protest in the strongest possible manner by public demonstrations, public memorial & every means at your disposal against the intended murder of our comrades. Thus showing to the world that the action of the Free State Government has neither the support or sanction of the Irish people failure by you to comply with this order will be taken as upholding the Free State Government action & will necessitate the taking of certain measures as punishment against the inhabitants of the town."

"Resolved, we the members of Dungarvan U.D.C. urge on the Government to stay all executions..."

PAGE 401-402.

DATE: WEDNESDAY 7th FEBRUARY 1923.

"Minutes of proceedings at Special Meeting of U.D.C. called on requisition of 5 members to consider wire received from General Mulcahy."

"After considerable discussion it was eventually decided to put the query or queries submitted by General Mulcahy's wire to consider which the meeting was called.

"Query No. 1. Is your Council or any member of it prepared to negotiate the Treaty with Great Britain." was then submitted to a vote. 5 voted for approval of Treaty, 2 against.

The acting clerk was directed to wire result to General Mulcahy."

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PAGE 430.

DATE: FRIDAY 13th APRIL 1923.

"Ministry Home Affairs wrote regretting the council's request for old R.I.C. Barrack could not be granted as the site & all the materials will be required for restoration for the use of the Civic Guard."

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PAGE 443.

DATE: FRIDAY 1st JUNE 1923.

John McGrath, Borough Surveyor's report.

"Gentlemen, I beg to report that D.V. Stokes started work on the 4 houses at Mitchell Street site this week."

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PAGE 464.

DATE: FRIDAY 22nd JULY 1923.

Malicious Injury Claim.

"William H. Dunne, Solicitor forwarded claim for £44-10-0 on behalf of National Bank Co. Ltd., damage done to bank premises in Dungarvan during occupation of Free State Troops."

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DATE: FRIDAY 22nd JULY 1923.

Malicious Injury Claims.

<u>Thomas Power:-</u>	Detention of Lorry etc.	£367-2-2
<u>Goode Brothers:-</u>	Shop Goods	£80
<u>Thomas Power:-</u>	Bacon, Bread etc.	£38-2-2
<u>Hannah Crotty:-</u>	Sundry Articles, bedding etc.	£60-2-0
<u>A. P. Thornton:-</u>	Motor Cycle	£100
<u>G. A. Boardman:-</u>	Bicycle etc.	£16-9-9
<u>M. F. Lynch:-</u>	Injury to Motor Car	£58-10-0
<u>Robert P. Byrne:-</u>	Injury to Motor Bicycle	£30

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PAGE 519.

DATE: FRIDAY 25th JANUARY 1924.

"Mr. D. V. Stokes wrote informing the council that the houses at Abbeyside & Mitchel Street were now completed."

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PAGE 553.

DATE: FRIDAY 25th APRIL 1924.

Guide to Dungarvan.

"The Waterford News Ltd., wrote stating they intended publishing this summer a Guide to Dungarvan, if they get sufficient help in the way of advertisements."

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Ministry of Fisheries Re: Fishing Boats.

The Secretary, Ministry of fisheries enclosed copy of letter addressed by P. Curran, fish buyer, Dungarvan to the Government on the subject of facilities for Arklow fishing boats at Dungarvan Harbour.

Dungarvan, May 2nd 1924.



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A Chara, I have been requested by Arklow Fishermen (who land a large quantity of Herrings at this port) to ask you to use your authority in compelling the local Harbour Commissioners to grant us access to the mooring posts, also for sufficient room to pass along the edge of the quay wall to make our ropes for moorings fast to with safety, as at night the posts cannot be found or is it safe to walk edge of quay as the place is completely covered over with timber. When we are lucky to have a good catch we are completely handicapped for a gangway to land our herrings owing to the same cause, otherwise all other facilities are good.

Signed on behalf of the fishermen,  
P. Curran, Fish Buyer.

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PAGE 587.

DATE: FRIDAY 25th JULY 1924.

History of Dungarvan

Mr. E. Keohan applied for advertisement in book he is getting published "History of Dungarvan".

Ordered that a full page advertisement @30/- be given to Mr. Keohan.

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PAGE 630.

DATE:

Letter from Michael J. Casey & Co. Dungarvan to Chairman & Gentlemen U.D.C. 14th November 1924.

"Gentlemen, we beg to apply for that plot of ground at end of the causeway & opposite Mrs Griffin's house as a site for a Sweet Factory ... we have succeeded in interesting a very large Manchester firm in the project."

Granted, terms to be arranged later."

PAGE 631.

Motor Driven Fishing Boats.

Letter from Thomas Flynn & Robert Mulcahy, Abbeyside, Dungarvan  
14th November 1924, to Dungarvan U.D.C.

"Gentlemen we understand the Board of Agriculture (Fisheries Dept) will supply on certain terms, motor driven deep sea fishing boats the members of the council will fully appreciate the vital need there is for such boats in this town: the acquisition of same would greatly decrease the number of unemployed whilst at the same time afford a training for young fellows for a seafaring life which opportunity is denied them since there are no schooners trading out of the port. We may add such training would enable them to subsequently obtain berths is steamships. We therefore respectfully ask you to communicate with the Board of Fisheries & do what is needed to help us in this matter."

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PAGE 658.

DATE: FRIDAY 30th JANUARY 1925.

Grant for Quay Wall.

The following was received from Ministry Local Government to Town Clerk, Dungarvan.

"Grant one thousand pounds sanctioned, Quay Wall, on undertaking by council to complete forward plans, specifications & detailed estimate."

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PAGE 690.

Sale of Park

Letter from E. A. Ryan & Co., Dungarvan, 19th March 1925 to U.D.C.

"Dear Sir, We are acting for the personal representatives of the late Nellie J. Lennon & have received instructions in the administration of her estate, to put up for sale her fee simple estate & interest in the park, in respect of which the council pay a yearly rent of £6. Will you kindly bring the matter before your council, whom we presume will be anxious to acquire the place for the town & submit their offer to us at earliest convenience."

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24/4/1925 to 7/5/1928.

PAGE 24.

DATE: FRIDAY 12th JUNE 1925.

Cooney's Lough.

"Mr. William O'Donnell made a request for payment of price of land adjoining 'Cooney's Lough', possession of which had been handed to Mr. McGrath B.S. some time ago."

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PAGE 32.

DATE: FRIDAY 3rd JULY 1925.

Bathing

"The lack of accomodation & condition generally of ladies Bathing places was discussed at considerable length. It was suggested that Mr. Dower owner & Mrs Stokes lessee of the place at Jacknell St. should be approached with a view to acquiring same or having it put in order."

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PAGE 34.

DATE: FRIDAY 10th JULY 1925.

Report of John McGrath Borough Surveyor, Dungarvan 10/7/1925

Detailing the progress in rebuilding the Quay walls.

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PAGE 47.

DATE: FRIDAY 24th JULY 1925.

The Holidays Information Bureau requested authority to publish free of cost an "Official Guide to Dungarvan" Granted.

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PAGE 62.

DATE: FRIDAY 14th AUGUST 1925.

Ladies Bathing Place.

"Mr. John R. Dower, owner of the Bathing Place sent following particulars about the holding as he hadn't been able to attend the meeting as arranged.

The holding is in fee with Landed Estates Court title, & is subject to a lease to the late George Stokes of which 30 years are expired the rent reserved is £3-6-0 year. He would be glad to receive & consider any proposal the council may make regarding the holding."

PAGE 78.

DATE: FRIDAY 11th SEPTEMBER 1925.

Purchase of Building sites at Abbeyside by U.D.C.

"Thomas Donohue tendered (1) frontage of 180 feet facing Home Rule St.,  $12^s/3^d$  per foot, (2) frontage of 90 feet facing Sarsfield St.,  $24^s/6^d$  per foot, (3) or for entire plot ... £110. Donohues offer was therefore declared accepted."

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PAGE 103.

DATE: MONDAY 19th OCTOBER 1925.

Tender for Building 20 Houses

"Resolved, that Mr. D. V. Stokes be declared the contractor for 20 houses at Dungarvan & Abbeyside subject to the inclusion of wooden sashes etc. ( to cost £274 each)."

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PAGE 115.

"All-in Estimate of Housing Scheme - Dungarvan.

John McGrath, Borough Surveyor, 30-10-'25.

Total Cost £6,333-8-0.

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PAGE 131-132.

Letter from John R. Dower, Mountain View, Dungarvan, 17 November 1925  
To William O' Meara, Town Clerk, Dungarvan.

"Dear Mr. O'Meara, I acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 16th inst, enclosing copy of resolution of the U.D.C. offering me £60 for the holding known as the Ladies Bathing Place. I desire to state I accept same subject of course to the tenancy of the reps. of the late George Stokes."                      Approved.

PAGE 197.

Letter from A. F. Owens, Dept of Local Government & Public Health  
Housing Dept., Dublin, 26th February 1926. to the Town Clerk,  
Dungarvan.

"Sanctioning the council's request to erect 20 houses (Mitchel St. & Abbeyside) in brick at £294 per house & also approving of Council's purchase of O' Donoghue's land at Home Rule St. & Foley's in Abbeyside for £100 each.

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PAGE 207.

DATE: FRIDAY 19th MARCH 1926.

Dungarvan-Official Guide.

Holidays Information Bureau wrote to say their new representatives will be in Dungarvan shortly & they hoped the guide would be ready in about a month.

Ordered, that views be procured from Mr. Keohan

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PAGE 238.

DATE: FRIDAY 7th MAY 1926.

"The clerk reported a representative from Post Office Dept. waited on him ... & asked him to put before the council the desirability of having the telephone installed in the council office. Ordered that an instrument be installed."

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PAGE 264.

Letter from J. O' Neill, Manager , Munster & Leinster Bank, Dungarvan  
11th June 1926 to William O' Meara Town Clerk.

"Sanctioning a loan of £200 to U.D.C. for purchase of Park & Ladies Bathing Place."

PAGE 280.

DATE: FRIDAY 9th JULY 1926.

"Resolved that the building of the 5 houses on Mr. Foley's plot be proceeded with immediately."

IMPROVEMENTS TO TOWN HALL.

Resolved that the Council invite tenders for the renovation of the Town Hall according to specification of borough surveyor (plastering, painting etc.)

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PAGE 304.

DATE: FRIDAY 20th AUGUST 1926.

New Houses on Mitchel St. Site.

"Ordered, that clerk write to Mr. D. V. Stokes & request him to complete the construction of 11 houses in Mitchel St. site at once."

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PAGE 307.

DATE: FRIDAY 20th AUGUST 1926.

Report of Borough Surveyor.

"Gentlemen, some short time ago I was asked by you to repair the Weigh-House on the Square. It is scarcely worth repairing. I would suggest that it be replaced by a small concrete structure about 12' x 12' with a concrete roof.

Resolved that the old Weigh-House be removed & a concrete structure be put up instead."

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PAGE 327.

DATE: FRIDAY 17th SEPTEMBER 1926.

Cunnigar Bridge.

Resolution from U.D.C. to the Local Government Dept. & Minister for Finance, reminding them of the £14,000 to £20,000 promised by the British Government for the Cunnigar Bridge. Reclamation of Western Bay & asking for same to be given to them now.

PAGE 336.

DATE: FRIDAY 8th OCTOBER 1926.

"Ordered, that new terrace of 15 houses recently built on Mitchel St. be called St. Garvan's Terrace.

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PAGE 364.

"Letter from J. Hanson, Dept of Local Government & Public Health  
Dublin, 10th November 1926.

Granting approval for the Council to raise a loan of £100 for purchasing the park.

"Ordered that Mr. Lennon's interest in the park be purchased for £100."

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PAGE 410.

DATE: FRIDAY 4th FEBRUARY 1927.

"On the motion of Mr. McGrath it was decided that the terrace of houses on Donoghue's plot, Abbeyside, should be called St. Augustine Tce. & that those on the New Line should be called St. Monica's Tce."

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PAGE 467.

DATE: FRIDAY MAY 6th 1927.

Tenders for building New Market House.

Tender of Laurence Greaney, Abbeyside, Dungarvan, accepted for building new Weigh-House on square for £96.

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PAGE 510.

DATE: FRIDAY 15th JULY 1927.

"Ordered, that Old Market House on Square be dismantled on Tuesday & sold on Wednesday Fairday."



PAGE 694.

Report of Borough Surveyor on condition of 8 houses in Cross Strand Street - Dungarvan 26th April 1928.

The following tenants are named:- Richard Moylan, William Mulcahy, Bartholemew Daly, J. Flynn, James Lannon, Patrick Nagle, William Moylan Mrs Flynn & H. Barry.

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PAGE 696.

Typed Report by Dr. Daniel T. McCarthy, Abbeyside, Dungarvan, 20th April 1928. Refers to Birth & Death Rates, Housing etc.

"In the Urban District there are between 200 & 300 houses unfit for human habitation. There are about 20 houses in immediate danger of collapsing & injuring occupants."

MINUTES

11/5/1928 to 14/8/1931.

PAGE 135.

DATE: FRIDAY 30th NOVEMBER 1928.

Shannon Electricity Act 1925

"Notices were received from the Minister for Industry & Commerce. Re, the erection of poles for the carrying of transmission lines over lands in the townland of Dungarvan, Abbeyside etc."

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PAGE 143.

DATE: FRIDAY 21st DECEMBER 1928.

Presentation.

"Mr Farrell representative of the Italian Government at Waterford attended the meeting for the purpose of presenting to Mr. Joseph Downey of Dungarvan a certificate from the Italian Government expressive of their high appreciation of his bravery.

Mr Downey accompanied by some other seamen from the S/S Gredon succeeded in rescuing in mid-ocean from the burning Italian ship Fratelli Montenivi. The captain & one member of the crew the only two survivors. Mr. Farrell the chairman & members of the Urban Council expressed their admiration of the courageous action of Mr. Downey & joined in their congratulations & hoped for his success in the future."

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PAGE 251.

DATE: FRIDAY 26th JULY 1929.

"The Electric Light & Power Company wrote requesting payment of balance of contract £135, as they expected to be taken over by the Electricity Supply Board before 31st inst."

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PAGE 270.

DATE: MONDAY 19th AUGUST 1929.

Minutes of meeting of Dungarvan U.D.C. held on this date for purpose of meeting Mr. Algan from the Electricity Supply Board to arrange for public lighting of the town for coming year.

"Resolved, that this council agree to pay the sum of £245 for public lighting of the town from 20th August 1929 to 31st March 1930."

PAGE 278.

Letter from P.S. Ua Caoin, Cork, 14th August 1929 to William O'Meara  
Town Clerk Dungarvan.

"A Cara, I have been directed to convey to you & your Council the thanks of the Gaels of Cork for the magnificent reception accorded our tour on arrival on Saturday last at Dungarvan also for the Address presented by your body. I assure you it is much appreciated & adds to the friendship already existing between the people of Dungarvan & Rebel Cork."

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PAGE 338.

DATE: FRIDAY 6th DECEMBER 1929.

Death of Dan Fraher

"Resolved, that we the members of the Dungarvan U.D.C. desire to place on record an expression of our sincere sorrow & regret on the occasion of the death of our famous fellow townsman Mr. Daniel Fraher. To his family & relatives we direct that our deep sympathy be conveyed & as a tribute of respect to his memory adjourn this meeting without transacting any business."

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PAGE 366.

DATE: FRIDAY 24th JANUARY 1930.

Kilrossenty Memorial

The use of the Town Hall was granted for a meeting on 2nd February in connection with the Kilrossenty Memorial.

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PAGE 370.

DATE: FRIDAY 31st JANUARY 1930.

Purchase of Building Sites.

Mr. Patrick Egan accepted council's offer of £125 for site at Shandon.  
D. V. Stokes accepted council's offer of £90 for site at Sarsfield St.,  
Abbeyside.

The council decided to accept Mr. Foley's site 200ft frontage by 140 ft depth at £95 fee simple.

Mr. Dower refused offer of £230 for Fairlane site.

Mr. Bluett refused council's suggestion to reduce his price by £20 & increase depth of plot.

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PAGE 372.

DATE: FRIDAY 7th FEBRUARY 1930.

Mr. John Bluett wrote agreeing to give the council 20 feet additional depth in site at Loughmore ... for sum of £120 - accepted.

PAGE 374.

DATE: WEDNESDAY 12th FEBRUARY 1930.

'Special meeting to consider plans in connection with proposed housing schemes'.

"Mr. McGrath B.S. submitted several plans -  
it was decided to build on Egan's site, Shandon, 8 three roomed houses according to plan L.  
On Bluett's site Loughmore, 9 two storey houses on Mr. McGrath's plan.  
On Foleys & Stokes sites Abbeyside it was decided to build 7 and 5 three roomed houses."

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PAGE 375.

DATE: FRIDAY 14th FEBRUARY 1930.

New Addition to Augustinian College.

"Rev. T. Conlon O.S.A. applied for permission to erect a hoarding & scaffolding on the footpath at Parnell St., opposite & adjoining their college in connection with new building work there."

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PAGE 429.

DATE: FRIDAY 9th MAY 1930.

Guide to Dungarvan.

"Messrs Ed. J. Burrow & Co. Ltd., Cheltenham, offered to produce a guide to the town free of all cost to the council. It was passed - that Messrs Burrow & Co. be authorised to publish a guide (official) to Dungarvan for a period not less than 4 years."

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PAGE 439.

DATE: TUESDAY 27th MAY 1930.

Public Libraries Act (Irel.) 1855.

"Resolved, that the U.D.C. having adopted the Public Libraries Act 1855 that this resolution come into operation on 27th June 1930."

PAGE 444.

DATE: FRIDAY 30th MAY 1930.

Public Library Scheme.

"The Carnegie United Kingdom Trust wrote enquiring if the Council were to participate in the scheme set up by the Waterford Co. Council & enclosed details of grants etc., in connection with same, which the trust were giving Co. Council. The acting clerk stated he had replied informing the trust that the U.D.C. had adopted the Public Libraries Act 1855; had made provision for a rate of 1<sup>d</sup> in the pound for library purposes & that the U.D.C. intended to relinquish their powers to the Co. Council."

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PAGE 460.

DATE: FRIDAY 27th JUNE 1930.

Abbeyside Park.

"Resolved, that the Abbeyside Park at Griffin's be made available for Public Tennis Courts on lease for 3 years. Park at all times to be kept open to the public & courts open to all at fee approved by Council."

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PAGE 477-479.

DATE: TUESDAY 5th AUGUST 1930.

Details of tenders for building new houses at Abbeyside.

also PAGE:- 485, 491, 494.

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PAGE 493.

DATE: FRIDAY 29th AUGUST 1930.

Library Committee.

"The Co. Secretary, Mr. O' Sullivan wrote stating that the County Council will at a special meeting to be held on 2nd proceed to the appointment of a Library Committee & asked the U.D.C. to suggest some names for the committee.

The following names were suggested:- John Butler, J.F. Maloney, M. J. Keane, Bernard Dee, Thomas McCarthy, James Hackett, William O'Donnell Charles Lawn & Brother Gibson."

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PAGE 507.

DATE: FRIDAY 19th SEPTEMBER 1930.

"The Chairman said that the Library Committee were looking for suitable premises in the town for a depot & lending centre.

After discussion it was decided to offer the Sinn Fein Room to the Library Committee at 5/- per week."

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PAGE 520.

DATE: FRIDAY 17th OCTOBER 1930.

Typed report from Inspector, Dept of Local Government on progress of the new houses at Abbeyside.

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PAGE 563-564.

DATE: TUESDAY 6th JANUARY 1931.

Housing Accomodation at Garda Station

"Resolved, that this Council request the Chief Commissioner, Garda Siochana to reconstruct or put into habitable order the spacious married quarters at the Garda Station, Dungarvan, with a view to providing accomodation for some married men of the force who find it difficult or impossible to find houses in town. Some of the Garda already occupy council houses which were built for the working classes."

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PAGE 594.

DATE:

Letter from J. V. Owens, Dept Local Government & Public Health, Dublin to Town Clerk Dungarvan 25th February 1931.

Approving of U.D.C. proposal to erect 9 houses at Abbeyside & 6 houses at Mitchel St.

SANITARY MINUTES

28/12/1874 - 11/5/1893.



The following items are pasted in to front of Minute Book:-

(1) Government circulars on Precautions Against Cholera 1892 & Public Health Act & Waterworks Clauses Acts.

(2) Reports of Charles A. Cameron, analyst for Co. Waterford, Dublin 15 Pembroke Road on water quality & supply in Dungarvan & district 1876 1905.

(3) Details of the water supply drawn in barrels to Dungarvan from the Spring Well, February 1890.

"The water is sold at  $\frac{1}{2}$ d per crock and 6d, 7d, & 8d a barrell, the 'Fort Well' at Brewery end is used by the poor inhabitants of Fairlane Gallows Hill & Lord Georges Lanes."

(4) Notes on Waterworks.

PAGE 24.

DATE: FEBRUARY 11th 1876.

"The Sanitary Officer reported that Patrick Costin, Michael Brien, Patrick Brien, John Keane, John Daniel, Patrick Murphy & Margaret Callaghan kept horses, mules & donkeys in their dwelling houses."

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PAGE 32.

Details of how to obtain a new water supply for Dungarvan & Abbeyside by John J. Boyle, Abbeyside, 15th September 1876. (pp7)

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PAGE 36.

"Dungarvan Water supply" upon certain available sources of water supply adjacent to the town - a preliminary report by S. G. Frazer, Civil Engineer, Richmond House, Cappoquin. September 23rd 1876 (pp. 10).

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PAGE 139.

DATE: FRIDAY DECEMBER 5th 1879.

"Resolution - that we the Town Commissioners of Dungarvan propose to borrow the sum of £400, from the Board of Works in order to give employment to our destitute labourers & distressed tradespeople & to enable us to improve our bathing strand so as to make Dungarvan a more attractive watering place."

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PAGE 225.

DATE: FRIDAY JULY 5th 1889.

"The sanitary officer reported that in accordance with the order of the Board he inspected the new construction in deal yard & found that same was not used as a fish curing establishment, but solely as a photographic gallery."

PAGE 283.

"Report of Medical officer of health of Dungarvan, James C. Holland  
12th December 1890.

Gives information on occupiers, owners, condition of houses in  
Loughmore, BATTERY ST., Wolfe Tone St., Lord Edward St., Thomas Moore St.,  
Thomas ST., Old Chapel St.

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PAGE 302.

(a) Copy of Tender for Contract No. 1. Dungarvan Waterworks by  
Edmond W. Finn, Curriglass, Charleville, Co. Cork for £1,644 April 9  
1891.

(b) Also copy of tender for contract no. 2.

(c) Letter from Edmond W. Finn.

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PAGE 324.

DATE: FRIDAY 24th 1891.

Letter from J. T. Hudson enclosing plans of 6 cottages to be built at  
the Esplanade (Look out).

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PAGE 348.

Letter from M. Mahony, Secretary, Dungarvan United Trades & Labour  
Federation, 20 January 1892.

"That considering the wretched & unsanitary conditions of the houses  
of the poor & working classes of the town & the standing menace to public  
health & safety involved by allowing these houses to continue in their  
present state we hereby call on the Town Commissioners to compel the  
landlords to put their houses & premises into proper tenantable order."

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PAGE 416.

DATE: THURSDAY 22nd DECEMBER 1892.

Details of plans of New artizans dwellings, Dungarvan by Mr. Cotton  
Chief Engineer of Local Governement Board.

"Plan comprises ten two stories each, on ground floor - hall &  
staircase, parlour & kitchen, on the upper floor - 3 bedrooms two  
being provided with fireplaces, an enclosed yard & a garden plot & gate  
in front of each house.

SANITARY MINUTE BOOK

25/5/1893 to 8/8/1904

PAGE 24.

DATE: THURSDAY 17th AUGUST 1893.

Application from A.C. Fox Davies, Granville House, Arundel St.,  
London W. C. agent for F.C. & E.C. Jack, Grange Publishing Works  
215, Causeway side, Edinburgh.

Looking for a copy of the ' Seals, Charters & Arms of Dungarvan to be published in a book of the Arms & Seals of Counties, Towns & Boroughs of the United Kingdom.'

"Ordered that the Seal & Arms of Dungarvan be sent by the Clerk to the parties requiring them."

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PAGE 42.

DATE: WEDNESDAY 8th NOVEMBER 1893.

"The foundation stone of artisans dwellings was laid at south west corner of Yellow Clay field & in the stone was laid in a sealed bottle the names of all the present Town Commissioners of Dungarvan & their officers."

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PAGE 50.

DATE: THURSDAY 7th DECEMBER 1893.

"Resolved that we the Dungarvan Town Commissioners desire to condemn in the most emphatic manner those responsible for the disgraceful scene which took place on the 6th inst, under the following circumstances as related by a member of the Board who witnessed it: -

That as a coffin which enclosed the remains of Mrs. Christopher, an old & respectable native of the town who being borne on the shoulders of some neighbours through the grave yard at Abbeyside ... the lid was blown off by the wind ,striking the Rev<sup>d</sup> Mr. Walsh on the head, and causing as we are informed a serious wound, such a spectacle must have been shockingly painful to the feelings of those present. That we call the immediate & serious attention of the guardians to the manner in which these coffins are supplied whose duty it is to prevent the possibility of such revolting occurrences in the future."

PAGE 55.

Letter from Thomas A. Mooney Secretary , Local Government Board  
Dublin, 29th December 1893 to U.D.C. Dungarvan.

The letter refers to an extract from Dungarvan Board of Guardians concerning the condition of Kilrush graveyard, situated on the farm of John Daniel & asking the following queries:- (answers supplied by Town Clerk).

Q. " Whether it is invested in any individual or public body?

A. I understand from Dr. Williams L.L.D. whose father purchased the adjoining Glebe that it is in the Commissioners of Church Temporalities.

Q. The length of time during which it has been used as a graveyard?

A. Time immemorial the structure & traces of the little church ruins appear to be 1,000 years old.

Q. Its Area?

A. 1 rood 25 perches.

Q. Whether it can be approached from public road without passing through Mr. Daniels land?

A. No.

Q. The number of interments which would appear or are reputed to have taken place in it?

A. Impossible to estimate so crowded & full.

Q. The no. of interments which have taken place within the past 3 years?

A. Mr Daniel tells me about 20 adults & 25 to 30 children."

Extract from Board of Guardians Minutes, 14th December 1893.

"The graveyard is situated within the Union & within the township of Dungarvan in John Daniel's land & close to his house Sir R. C. Power Bart of Kilfane is owner, chiefly used by unknown persons who die in the locality."

PAGE 75.

DATE: TUESDAY 10th APRIL 1894.

Report on inquiry held at the Workhouse Dungarvan on the conditions of Kilrush graveyard, includes list of families who claimed right of burial there.

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PAGE 95-96.

DATE: TUESDAY 21st JUNE 1894.

Gibbon's Bequest

"In the High Court of Justice in Ireland, Chancery Division.  
A notice served by J. F. Williams, Solicitor on the Town Commissioners per the Town Clerk, at the suit of the Executors & Executrix of the will of the late Captain Gibbons verses the beneficiaries of the will viz. Mrs Mary Gibbons, Cork, Helena Gibbons Dungarvan, James Gibbons Dungarvan, & the Town Commissioners Dungarvan, giving notice & asking them to be represented at the Vice Chancellors Court on 2nd July next."

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PAGE 97-98.

Letter from O'Donovan Rossa, Cork June 19th 1894 to Thomas O' Connor Chairman, Town Commissioners Dungarvan.

"Dear Mr. O'Connor, I heartily thank you & the Dungarvan Town Commissioners for your 'Welcome Home' to me. Thirty years ago this year I travelled around Dungarvan with James Xavier O' Brien, then the two of us met in prison in London & I was put on a starvation diet for talking to him. Resolved that we form ourselves into an O'Donovan Rossa Reception Committee to invite him to our town."

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PAGE 131.

DATE: THURSDAY 11th OCTOBER 1894.

"Resolved, that an Address from this Board be presented to Mr. Davitt on his visit to Dungarvan on the 28th."

PAGE 170.

DATE: FRIDAY 1st MARCH 1895.

"Meeting was held to consider the desirability of renting or purchasing the gardens owned by Mr. Shanahan adjoining the Men's Bathing Place as an improvement to that place."

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PAGE 183-184.

Report of Chairman Edmond Keohan on new park & Bathing Place 23rd April 1895.

"I am much pleased at Mr. Stokes progress of his contract & the general appearance of bathing ground which must be a source of great attraction to visitors. Grass seeds are now showing over ground ... the trees with only one or two exceptions are doing splendidly."

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PAGE 542-543.

Letter from John McCann P.P. Ring, 8th May 1900 to Thomas McCarthy, Town Clerk Dungarvan.

Dear Mr. McCarthy .... I beg to state for the information of your board that I believe that any aid of whatever kind made to the Ring fishermen will not prove of the least avail until the grievances which they suffer through English Steam Trawlers off the near coast be abated. Already I have done my best to remedy this evil, which if not timely arrested will put an extinguisher upon the gradually decaying industry of Ballinagoul & Helvick.

This fact is evidenced from the correspondence which I herewith enclose. At the time of publication it may have probably escaped the notice of your Board, not appearing in a provincial newspaper ... the correspondence discloses the palpable fact that the making of a Bye Law was more a grim mockery rather than as a means of protection of the property of the poor & in many cases destitute fishermen, many of whom are burthened with large families."



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The correspondence referred to by Father McCann appeared in the 'Freeman' Newspaper - it comprises of a letter by Father McCann Ring, December 29th 1898 to the Editor of the Freeman & acknowledgments from the Office of Irish Fisheries.

The article is headed 'Steam Trawling off Wexford Harbour & Co. Waterford'. "Here about 18 months ago a Bye Law was passed for the protection of the local fishermen at Ring, where there are about 120 men engaged in the industry & who supply fish to the neighbouring town & to all towns within 30 miles of Dungarvan. Owing to the predatory incursions of the Steam Trawlers, the nets of the local fishermen were frequently destroyed. It was found necessary owing to the local fishermen's mode of subsistence being seriously imperilled to pass the following Bye-Law. "It is hereby prohibited to use from any steamer or steamship or vessel propelled by steam the method of fishing known as beam trawling ... off the coast of the counties Cork, Waterford & Wexford."

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PAGE 766.

"Letter from Charlotte De Fages, South Terrace Dungarvan 21st July 1902 to Mr. T. McCarthy, Town Clerk.

"Thanking council for their offer of £22 for part of old salt store at Abbeyside."

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PAGE 776.

DATE MONDAY 18th AUGUST 1902.

Ordered that the old salt store be taken down & the material piled in a convenient place.

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PAGE 826.

DATE: MONDAY 16th FEBRUARY 1903.

"A rumour being circulated that the constabulary are about removing from their present position on the square to the Military Barracks it was proposed that we the Dungarvan U.D.C. object to the removal of the military from their present central position."

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PAGE 868.

DATE: MONDAY 17th AUGUST 1903.

"Ordered that the lines written by Mr. Thomas Higgins for Edmond Power Memorial be sent to Mr. Molloy."

DUNGARVAN HARBOUR RECORDS.

1912 — 1954

ARRIVALS & SAILINGS — 4/4/1912. to 30/9/1919.

Details:- Date, Name of Vessel, Register Tonnage, Sail or Steam, Observations.

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HARBOUR REGISTER — 7/8/1915 to 26/11/1921.

Details:- Ships name, Masters Name, Reg. tonnage, Harbour Dues, Consignee Cargo, Dues on Cargo & Total Dues.

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HARBOUR REGISTER — 31/5/1919 to 26/3/1927.

Details:- Vessels Name, Master Shipper, Cargo Dues on Cargo.

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HARBOUR SAILINGS (EXPORT BOOK) — 2/4/1927 to 17/8/1935.

Details:- Vessels Name, Master, Shipper, Cargo, Dues on Cargo.

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MINUTES OF HARBOUR MEETINGS — 24/1/1930 to 22/8/1947.

PAGE 14.

DATE: FRIDAY 28th MARCH 1930.

Report of Harbour Master, James Curran.

"I got the lamp of William Buoy relighted. The works seem to be in good condition. All necessary repairs to lamp are carried out. It would improve the Harbour immensely if some dredging were carried out between Abbeyside port & Barracks. There is very little water at this part of the Harbour & Steamers coming to Dungarvan are held up & cannot get to their berth owing to the shallowness of this port".

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HARBOUR MEETINGS CONTD.

PAGE 54.

Typed copy of a letter from James Curran, Harbour Master to  
Dungarvan U.D.C. (No date).

Concerning an increase in his salary & stating his increased duties  
" The trade of our Harbour is increasing & boats bringing 450 tons of super - phosphates come regularly & get quick dispatch. The trade in all other classes of goods such as cement, feeding stuffs etc. are also increasing."

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PAGE 131.

DATE: FRIDAY 1st FEBRUARY 1935.

"The Harbour Master read a report dealing with revenue & expenditure for some years back & explained the different items of expenditure during the period. The restricted imports of maize, flour & manure etc., were the main cause of the fall in revenue."

"It was decided to communicate with other Harbour Authorities similarly placed, with a view to making a joint appeal for a subsidy."

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PAGE 164.

DATE: FRIDAY 22nd MAY 1936.

Increase of Harbour Rates.

"Ordered, that the position in regard to the Harbour be placed before the department with a view to having immediate action taken, otherwise the Council will consider closing down the Harbour altogether."

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REPORTS FROM THE HARBOUR MASTER — 27/8/1937 to 9/7/1948.

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SAILINGS — 14/7/1941 to 17/12/1954.

Details : Date of Sailing, Vessels name, Master Shipper, Cargo, Dues on Cargo.

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IMPORTS & EXPORTS — 3/12/1921 to 4/7/1931.

Details: Ship'sname, Master, Reg. Tonnage, Harbour Dues, Consignee, Cargo, Dues on Cargo, Total Dues.

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NOTE:

The General Account Book. 1944 - 1950 has a section on Harbour Matters from 31/3/1944 to 30/12/1950 pp. 451-502.

MINUTE BOOK  
OF CUNNIGAR EMBANKMENT, NEW ROAD & RECLAMATION OF WESTERN BAY.

20/9/1907 to 24/4/1910 (pp. 16)

PAGE 1.

DATE: FRIDAY 20th SEPTEMBER 1907.

Meeting of Ratepayers.

The following circular was directed to be sent out by the Chairman of the Urban District Council also by J. J. O'Shee M.P.  
Town Hall, September 1907.

Sir, I am requested by the Chairman of the U.D.C. having regard to the resolutions passed unanimously on Monday night in support of the project of the Cunnigar Embankment, New Road & Western Bay, to invite you to attend a meeting to be held at the Town Hall at 8 o'clock P.M. on Friday the 20th inst. to promote this project which is of great importance to this town & district.

Your Obedt. Servant.

P. Mulcahy, Town Clerk.

In response to the foregoing circular the following attended:-  
Messrs Capt. Moloney, John F. Williams, W. G. Hadden, E. A. Ryan, Michael Barry, John Christopher, J.V. Kiely, George Stokes, Thomas O' Connor, Edmond Keohan, Frank Stuart, Thomas Sheehan, P. Sexton, J. F. Boyle, T.F. O'Higgins, W. Stack, W. Foley, J. Moloney, Capt. Foley James Dunne, Lce. Foley, Patrick Shine & Maurice Foley.

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PAGE 2.

DATE: FRIDAY 20th SEPTEMBER 1907.

Resolution passed at Meeting.

"That a committee be now formed consisting of those present with power to add to their number for the promotion of the Cunnigar Project & that committee meet whenever called upon by Chairman."

PAGE 3.

DATE: 20th SEPTEMBER 1907.

"Resolved, that this committee will give every support in their power to the proposal to obtain from the Treasury £10,000 of the sum of £35,000 remaining on hands for the improvement of the rivers Blackwater, Suir & Eride which would result in considerable benefit by the conveyance of heavy goods on these rivers at low freights & people of the district served."

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PAGE 6.

DATE: FRIDAY 27th SEPTEMBER 1907.

"That the Secretary inform Major Stuart of the Cunnigar Bridge Project and that a deputation is to wait on the Rural District Council & Co. Council in reference thereto & that he be requested to give the matter his support."

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PAGE 9.

DATE: 31st OCTOBER 1907.

The Secretary read the following telegram received from Mr. O' Shee M.P. "Chief Secretary fixes eight November for deputation arrange details. Get dozen copies McConnell's report type written - O'Shee."

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PAGE 15.

DATE: SUNDAY 24th APRIL 1910.

"Resolved, that we the members of the Dungarvan Urban Council & the general committee for the Cunnigar Project present at this meeting ... agree to support any arrangement by which the sum of £20,000 shall be made available for the Cunnigar Embankment Road & Reclamation Project out of the money in the hands of the Treasury and £10,000 for the improvement of the navigation of the rivers Blackwater, Eride & Suir as we understand that Waterford City is pressing for a further grant of £5,000 toward the Waterford Bridge."

LOOSE NOTES, LETTERS, ETC.

Notice from Patrick Mulcahy, Town Clerk, 22nd April 1910 to  
U.D.C. members & members of the Cunnigar Committee.

"Cunnigar Project" - meeting to be held in Town Hall on Sunday  
24th to confer with Mr. O' Shee M.P. on the matter.

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Hand written resolution from M. J. Casey & P. Sexton.

"Resolved that this council meeting and assembly tender to Mr. J.J. O'Shee  
M.P. our best thanks for his noble efforts in getting us the money  
to improve the Cunnigar Etc, etc,."

Signed. J. Walsh.

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Letter from J. J. O'Shee, Carrick - on - Suir, August 8th 1909 to  
Patrick Mulcahy, Town Clerk, Dungarvan.

Stating that he would be happy to accompany a deputation to meet the  
Chief Secretary & asking if they would find out if he would visit  
Dungarvan.

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Letter from J. J. O'Shee, Carrick - on - Suir, 26th August 1907 to  
Patrick Mulcahy, Town Clerk.

Re. Meeting the Dungarvan U.D.C. on 16th September.

"When I hope they will give their unanimous support to a project of  
such vital importance to the development of Dungarvan & District &  
suggesting ways of raising the £5,000 required.

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Typed resolution of Dungarvan U.D.C. & the general Committee for  
Cunnigar Project. (no date).



Borough Sessions Registry

24/5/1865 to 11/7/1872.

Entries include the following details:-

- (1) Number (2) Date (3) Complaint & defendants Name & Address.
- (4) Adjudication (5) if committed, date when. (6) Amount received
- (7) Observations.

Complaints consisted of:- Bad Language, keeping animals in houses, being drunk & disorderly, etc.

The following warrant is loosely inserted in the register & printed by Joseph Hansard Main St. Dungarvan.

"Warrant of Execution (Summary Jurisdiction) dated 25th October 1870.

The Town Commissioners against Edmond Morrissey, Kilmolash.

Fined two shillings & six pence for being drunk on the streets of Dungarvan & if defendant doesn't pay fine he is to be imprisoned for 48 hours.

Signed, Justice of the Borough

& E. McDermott, Sub Inspector of Constabulary  
Dungarvan.

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Register of proceedings:- Dungarvan Borough Sessions

10/4/1915 to 23/3/1918.

Includes index of all Defendants & loose summonses inserted.

RETURNS OF RENTS FROM MEAT MARKET,  
& PLAYS IN THE TOWN HALL, DUNGARVAN 1888 - 1898.  
ALSO CONTAINS INCIDENTAL EXPENSES, ROAD ACCOUNTS, ETC.

List & Date of plays, operas etc, held in Town Hall (not complete)

1888 -1930.

1888.

July 14th Dungarvan Literary Society - 'Colleen Bawn' Play.

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1889.

May 8th : Duncairn H Mellen.

May 25th: Miss Jennie Le Tellier (6 nights).

July 25th M. Mouillot - 'Little Lord Faunterly' Play.

August 14th: Mrs Nellie Towers

November 18th: The Lyons Family.

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1890.

January 20-22 : Kennedy Miller for Theatricals

April 28th : Miss Veitch

May 8th: Herr Dobler

September 17th The Walsham Opera Co.

November 14th & 19th : The Walsham Opera Co.

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1892.

May 6th: The Ormond Family.

July 6th-8th: J. R. Nugent.

July 16th: The National Opera Co. (Mr Payne Manager)

August 2nd & 26th: 'Pepper's Ghost' (play?)

August 5th: Preston & Cooke.

September: National Comedy Co. (Agent Mr. Bailey).

September 26th: National Opera Co.

October 5th -6th Comedy Opera.

1893.

January 28th: American Dramatic Co. (for one week)  
manager Mr. Lewis.  
June James O'Brien, Queens Co.

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1894.

March 28th: Mr Banks Varieties.  
July 16th: Fred Smith - 'Bonny Boy Blue'.  
July 23rd: M. Morton & Miss Merry Weather.  
August 23rd; Fred Smith - 'Bonny Boy Blue' & 'Randolph the  
Reckless.

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1895.

May 20th: Hardi Von Lew.  
July 23rd: Garde & Wharton.  
July 25th: O'Brien & Gibson.  
July 25th Middleton Amateur (Dramatic Society?)

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1897.

March 29th/30th: Lewis's American Dramatic Co.  
Manager: Arthur Warren.  
April 29th Whale - Lismore.  
July 30th: Hayes - Cinematographer.  
October 22nd: O'Shea Lismore.  
November 8th: Val Henry.  
November 18th: Graham Brothers.

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1898.

January 17th Payne Siddon.  
January 18th: Fine Arts Pottery, Staffordshire (1 week)  
February 4th: Valentine Cook.  
February 11th: Willy Lee.  
February 11th: Rothbury Evans.  
July 5th: Redding Opera Co.  
July 13th: Redding Opera Co.  
August 10th Ira Smith.  
August 15th: E.J. Meade Minstrels

1898.

November 12th: Whittaker.

November 19th: Lewis.

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1901.

April: Corly Stuart American Mysteries (for one night)

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1903.

October : Play - 'Robert Emmet' (one night) Application from  
William F. Harkham, Youghal to stage play in aid of the Christian Brothers.

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1904.

June: Harry Milne Opera Co.

July 18th: Elster Grime Opera Co. ( for one week).

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1905.

November 16th: Music & Lecture by Father O'Dinneen, Dublin  
organised by Dungarvan Gaelic League.

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1907.

September : Concert by E.T. McLean.

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1910.

January: Elster Grimes Opera Co.

Meagher of the Sword Co.

(both looked for refund due to bad  
attendences)

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1912.

April: Queen's Theatre, Dublin (Application from M.C.F.  
Wright.)

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1914.

Monday October 5th: Mr Willie A. Millar applied on behalf of  
Dungarvan Choral Society for use of Town Hall for practice each Thursday.

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1915.

July / August: International Concert Party, Liverpool  
Manager Ernest Trowbridge.

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1920.

April 28/29 & July 22: Dungarvan Dramatic & Operatic Society  
play "Famine"

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1921.

November 10th - 12th: The McNally Operatic Co.

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1923.

February: The Carrick Play Co.

October : The Conway Play Co.

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1924.

May 4th: Furness Williams Opera Co. (for one week)

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1926.

December Mr. McCrave, Variety Show.

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1927.

January 2nd: Bowyer/Westwood Opera Co.

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1928.

July 30th O'Hara Opera Co. (1 week).

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1929.

May 13th: Flintoff Moore.

May 13th: Application from Sean O Muineacain, Secretary of  
'Feis na Deise' for use of Town Hall on Sunday June 2 3 for musical  
& Dramatic competitions.

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1930.

January 31st: Application from 'Miss Millea' for room for Irish  
Step dancing classes. Granted.

Names of Stallholders in Meat Shambles 1888- 1899.

Philip Flynn	£0-1-0
Thomas Burke	0-1-0
John Lyndon	0-0-6
Thomas Murphy	0-0-6
Michael Foley / E. Meade.	"
Michael Queally	"
Catherine Queally	"
Thomas Purcell	"
Michael Foley	"

Roger Lyons was collector of Rents at a salary of £1 per an.

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*Would you kindly let  
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if the Hall is booked  
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for London.*

*Yours faithfully,  
Charles Doyle*

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In the matter of the Tramways (Ireland) Acts, and the Acts incorporated therewith, and of an application to the LORD LIEUTENANT in Council for an order authorizing the construction of a Tramway to connect the Quay, Dungarvan, with the Dungarvan Station of the WATERFORD, DUNGARVAN and LISMORE RAILWAY, and for other purposes.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that application is intended to be made by **ABRAHAM DENNY, Esq., FRANCIS E. CURREY, Esq., Sir RICHARD FRANCIS KEANE, Bart., HENRY WHITE, Esq., and WILLIAM GOFF DAVIS GOFF, Esq.,** or the survivors of them (hereinafter called "the Promoters") through the Grand Jury of the County of Waterford, at the next Spring Assizes for the County of Waterford, and through the Dungarvan Town Commissioners, at a time nearly corresponding with the time of the said Assizes to the LORD LIEUTENANT in Council, pursuant to the Provisions of the Tramways (Ireland) Act, 1860, the Tramways (Ireland) Amendment Act, 1861, the Act 34 and 35, Victoria Chapter 114, intitled "An Act to Amend the Tramways (Ireland) Acts, 1860 and 1861," and the Tramways (Ireland) Amendment Act, 1881, for an Order in Council for all or some of the following, amongst other purposes, that is to say:—

To enable the promoters to make, maintain, and work a Tramway, single line, of a gauge of 5 feet 3 inches, and of the length of 2 furlongs and 65 yards or thereabouts, with all proper rails, plates, works and conveniences connected therewith, or some part or parts thereof, said Tramway commencing in the Townland of Shandon, in the Parish of Dungarvan, and County of Waterford, by a junction with a siding of the Waterford, Dungarvan, and Lismore Railway, at a point 230 feet or thereabouts, to the North-west of where the said Railway crosses the Shandon Road, and terminating on the Quay, in the Township of Dungarvan, at a point 190 feet or thereabouts, measured in a South-easterly direction from the North-east corner of the Fish Market abutting on said Quay, and which said Tramway will pass from, through, or into the Parishes, Townlands, Townships, and extra parochial places following, that is to say:—

The Parish of Dungarvan, the Townlands of Shandon and Dungarvan, the Township of Dungarvan, including the following places in the said Township of Dungarvan, viz.:—Shandon Road, lands contiguous thereto, Bridge approach from Bridge-street to the Bridge over Colligan Estuary, and the Quay, all in the County of Waterford; and the extra parochial place of the bed and shore of that part of the Bay of Dungarvan, called Colligan Estuary.

To enable the Promoters to purchase or acquire Lands and easements for the purposes of the said undertaking by compulsion or agreement.

To enable the Promoters from time to time to make all such Crossings, Passing Places, Sidings, Junctions and other Works, in addition to those particularly specified in this Notice, as may be necessary or convenient to the efficient working of the Tramway or for providing access to any Stables, Carriage Houses, Engine Houses, Warehouses, or Works of the Promoters.

To enable the Carriages to be used on the said Tramway to be moved by animal power or steam power or any mechanical power, or partly by one and partly by the other kind of power.

To enable the Promoters, their Lessees or Assigns to demand and take Tolls and Charges for or in respect of the use of the said Tramway and the conveyance of Passengers, Animals, and other Traffic over the same.

To enable the Promoters from time to time to enter into agreements with the Waterford, Dungarvan, and Lismore Railway Company or with any person or persons or corporation or corporations for the working or working and use of the Tramway or any part of same for such time and upon such terms as they may deem fit.

To enable the Promoters to demise lease or grant the said undertaking, and the tolls thereof, or any part thereof, respectively to the Waterford, Dungarvan, and Lismore Railway Company, or to any Person or Persons or Corporation or Corporations, for such term, and upon such conditions as may be agreed upon.

To enable the Promoters, for the purposes of the said Tramway and the construction thereof, to cross, pass along, alter, widen, narrow, divert, or construct, either temporarily or permanently, any Roads, Streets, Highways, Foreshores, Streams, Sewers, Pipes, or other works, and generally to enable the Promoters to do all such Acts, Matters, and Things, and to confer upon them all such Rights, Powers, Authorities, and Privileges as may become necessary for making, maintaining, or working the said Tramway and every part thereof.

In connection with the said undertaking, the Promoters intend to apply for Powers for the compulsory purchase of Lands.

**AND NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN**, that on or before the 1st day of December, 1885, the following Documents, viz.:—(1) A Copy of this Advertisement to be published pursuant to the Tramways (Ireland) Act, 1860, (2) a Published Map to a scale of not less than a quarter of an inch to a mile, with a line of the proposed Tramway delineated thereon, so as to shew its general course and direction, and (3) a plan, book of reference and section prepared according to the regulations contained in Schedule (A.) to the Tramways (Ireland) Act, 1860, Part II will be deposited with the Secretary of the Grand Jury of the County of Waterford, at his Office, at the Court House, Waterford, with the County Surveyor of the County of Waterford at his Office, at the Court House, Waterford, with the Clerk of the Dungarvan Town Commissioners, at his Office, at the Town Hall, Dungarvan, and with the Surveyor of the Dungarvan Town Commissioners, at his Office, at the Town Hall, Dungarvan, and with the Clerk of the Poor Law Union of Dungarvan, at his Office, at the Workhouse, in or near the Town of Dungarvan.

Dated this 24th day of November, 1885.

**DOBBYN, TANDY, & MCCOY,**

Solicitors for the Promoters.

2, Beresford-Place, Dublin.

MAPS, PLANS ETC.

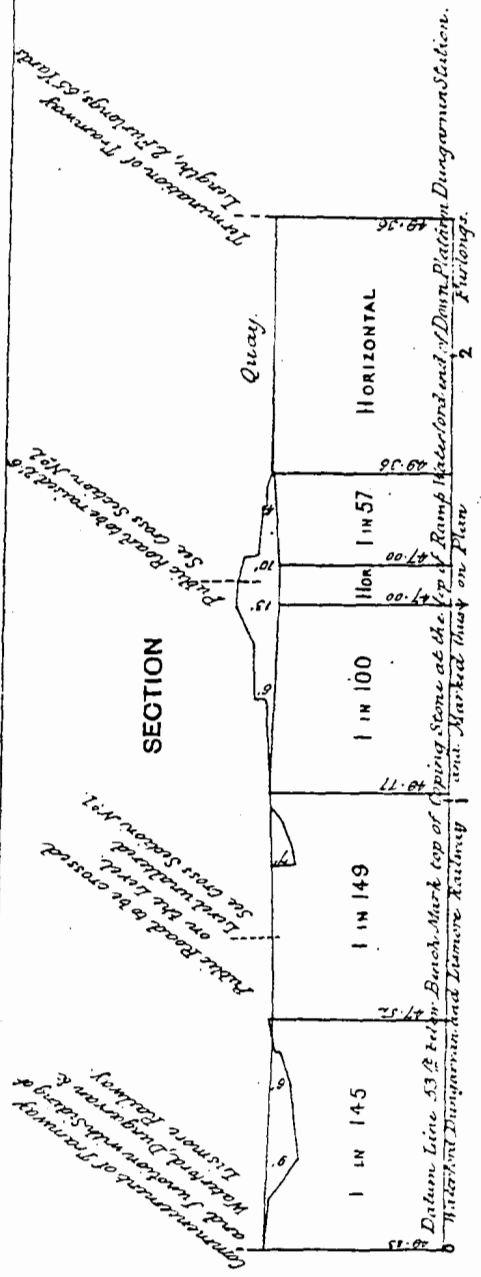
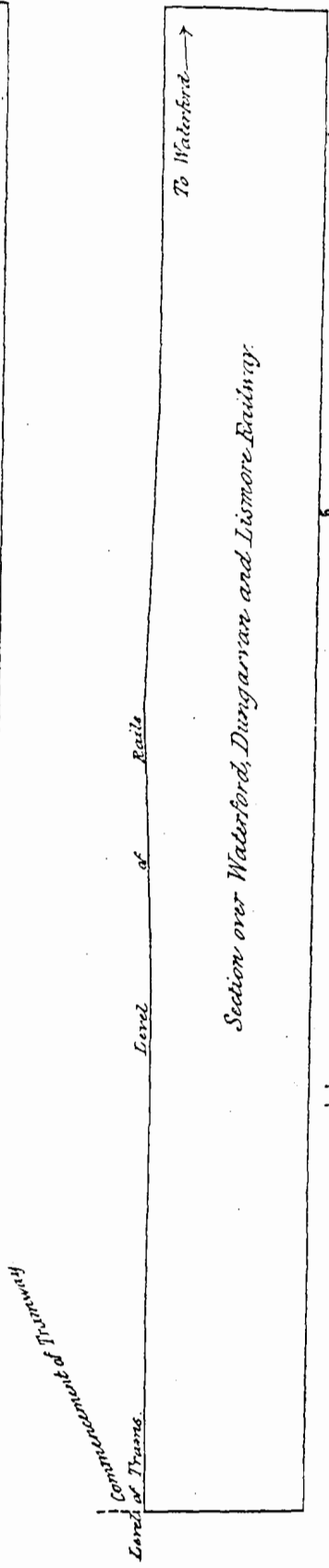
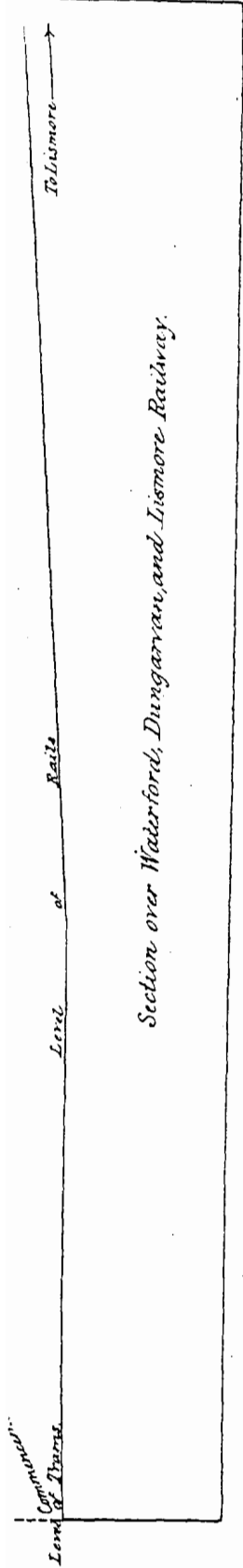
- (1) Dungarvan U.D.C. - Proposed Housing Scheme.  
Design A. Scale 4 feet = 1 inch (no date)  
Depicts: Front & back elevation of single storey cottage.  
Plan & Section.
  
- (2) Acquisition of lands at Killadangan, Kilgobnet, Ballyknock Lower  
Ballyneety. By Dungarvan Town Commissioners for reservoir &  
Waterworks at Kiladangan.  
Final award of Joseph Abbott, Arbitrator 1890.

- (3) "Dungarvan Tramway" Memorial to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland  
1885 & reply of Lord Lieutentant.

Memorialists were: Abraham Denry of Tramore, Francis E. Currey  
of Lismore, Sir Richard Francis Keane of Cappoquin House, Henry White  
of Harbour View, William Goff Davis Goff of Glenville.

The Tramway was to run from Dungarvan Railway Station to the Quay.

Documents include: Map, sections, schedule of lands & 'Notice of  
Application to the Lord Lieutenant, dated 24th November 1885, signed  
Dobbyn, Tandy & McCoy, Solicitors to the promoters, 2 Beresford Place  
Dublin.



Scale for Plan and Horizontal Scale for Sections.



Vertical Scale for Sections.



*John J. Higgins*  
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Rents Ledger 1937 to 1938.

Refers to the Band Committee who were paying 1<sup>d</sup> a week for room in Town Hall also the Library Committee who were paying 5/- a week for use of a room for a Town Library.

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General Account Book 1944-1950.

First few pages have newspaper cuttings of tenders for works in the Urban Area e.g. building of new houses at Bohereenatra 1950s / 1960s Harbour matters on p. 451 - 502.

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General Register 1954 - 1958.

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Register of Public Entertainments - 1/2/1961 to 29/11/1964.

Includes:- Boxing club, Southern Province Band, Tower Dance Band, Ceoltoiri Eireann & Various other Local Clubs.

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PRINTED VOLUMNES:

"The Statutes at Large - passed in the Parliaments held in Ireland"

Printed in Dublin by George Grierson (3 Vols only) (the volumes carry the book - plate of William Gun Paul.)

Vol. 1 1310 to 1612.

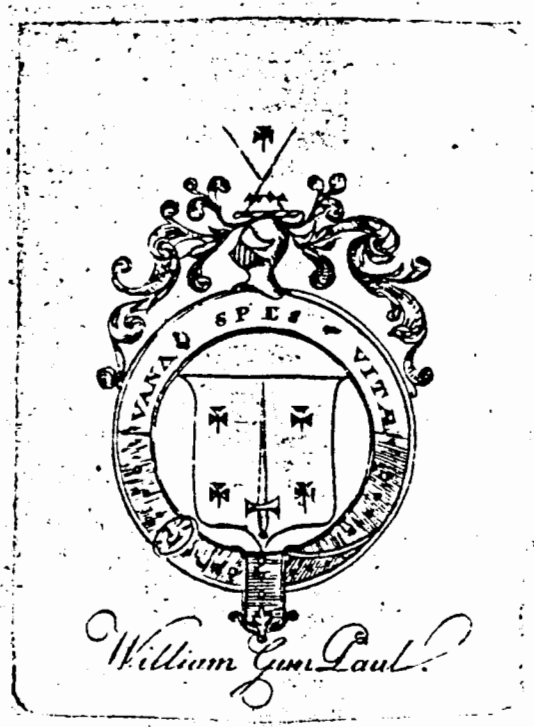
Includes (a) "An Act for the parsonage of Dongarvane" p. 166.

(b) "An Act touching the manor & Castle of Dongarvan " p. 237.

Vol 2. 1634 to 1662.

Vol3. 1665 to 1698.

Includes "An Act for a new bridge over the river Blackwater at Cappoquin 1665" p. 175.



Book-plate of William Gun Paul  
The Paul family lived at Ballyglan House,  
near Woodstown and at Paulsworth near Ardmore.

DUNGARVAN U.D.C. RECORDS

IN THE ARCHIVES OF DUNGARVAN MUSEUM.

Folder of Documents relating to the ship 'Moresby' wrecked in  
Dungarvan Bay on Christmas Eve 1895.

- (1). Rough draft of an indenture between Daniel Coughlan of Waterford and  
Dungarvan U.D.C., 1906 Re. removal of 'Moresby' wreck.

The U.D.C. were to pay Coughlan £550 for removing the wreck which was to be brought to Ballinacourty Pier or Dungarvan Quay. Pasted into the back of the document is a letter by Michael Beary, Borough Surveyor, for a 'Specification for blowing up & removal of the remains of the Iron ship 'Moresby' from Dungarvan Harbour'. Pasted into the inside back page is a Draft Bond.

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- (2). Copy contract & bond of Daniel Coughlan of Waterford for removing the  
'Wreck Moresby' from Dungarvan Harbour for Dungarvan U.D.C.

Walter J. Farrell & Frank Power are noted as sureties, contract money £550, sureties to £1,000 for contractor.

Signed:- John Hunt, Solicitor, for Dungarvan Urban Council.

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- (3). Indenture Marked - Amendments submitted to U.D.C. special meeting held  
19th April 1906 when they agreed by resolution is amended in red ink  
Signed J. H. (John Hunt.)
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- (4). Letter to 'Mr. McCarthy' from J. R. Dower, Mountain View, Dungarvan, March 1896.  
Enquiring about McCarthy's claim for expenses against the 'Moresby Fund'.
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- (5). Letter from John Hunt Solicitor to T. McCarthy, Town Clerk, Dungarvan  
May 7th 1906.

Concerning the Moresby wreck & preparing a bond.

- (6) Letter from John Hunt to James Hayes, Chairman U.D.C. Dungarvan,  
23rd April 1906.

"Dear Sir, As regards the Moresby wreck; you cannot make the materials of the wreck as part payment to a contractor. You must enter into contract for a full sum to be paid to a contractor for removing the wreck and placing the same on, say, the quay. You will then have to call an auction of the materials of the wreck by seven days notice & you will then be entitled to put the proceeds of that auction against the expenses incurred."

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- (7) Letter signed by, James Hayes, Chairman U.D.C., John Hunt, Solicitor  
& Thomas McCarthy Town Clerk, Dungarvan Town Hall. May 25th 1906.

Approving of draft copy of a Bond for the removal of the Moresby wreck by David Coughlan 'Diver & Contractor'.

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- (8) Letter from Thomas McCarthy, Town Clerk to John Hunt, Solicitor, Town Hall  
July 10th 1906.

Enquiring if the Council could borrow money on the Harbour Accounts for removing Moresby wreck -

"They want over ten years to pay for the removal of the Moresby wreck & have applied to their treasurers the Munster & Leinster Bank for the loan ... I may mention that 12 years ago the Town Commissioners borrowed £1000 on the security of the Harbour Dues, for 10 years for rebuilding the quay."

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- (9) Letter from Thomas McCarthy, Town Clerk, Town Hall, May 1st 1906 to James  
Hayes, Chairman, U.D.C.

Concerning a resolution passed by the council that Mr. Coughlan's contract be adhered to & that he should start at once on the removal of the wreck & ordering that Mr. Hunt give statutory notices to the owners of the Moresby & that they should be published.



- (10) Letter from Thomas McCarthy, Town Clerk, July 12 1907 to John Hunt Bayview.

Enclosing a copy of the 'Queries & Answers' given by Mr. Ronan Q.C. in 1896 concerning the Moresby & asking Hunt to check that they 'bear the chairmans reading of them'.

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- (11) Copy of extracts from U.D.C. minutes of 24 February 1896 concerning the Moresby.

"By order of the Town Commissioners Mr. Hunt consulted Counsel S. Ronan Q.C. re: Moresby wreck, the following are the Queries & Replies, Signed S. Ronan, 45 Fitzwilliam Square 20th February 1896.

Letter from Charles A. Robinson, 119 Stephens Green, Dublin, May 4th 1906 to John Hunt, Solicitor, Dungarvan.

Concerning the Urban Councils authority to remove the Moresby wreck & stating that the iron alone of the wreck could be worth between £1,500 & £1,600.

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- (12) Copy of resolution concerning the resignation of John Reader as Commissioner Boat-man of the Ballinacourty Lifeboat.

Copies to be sent to Dungarvan Board of Guardians & Town Commissioners for adoption. (no date)

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- (13) Rough Draft of Former Resolution in pencil.
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- (14) Copy of a Memorial sent by the people of Dungarvan to the 'Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty.' (no date).
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- (15) Rough Draft of Latter Memorial.
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- (16) Notice of motion by James Hayes January 24th 1906.

Asking that tenders be invited for blowing up Moresby Wreck.

To The

Lords Commissioners  
of the Admiralty

The Memorial of the people of Dungarvan sheweth that they have learned with deep regret of the resignation of Mr John Reader from his position of Commissioner Boat-Man of the Ballincrossy Coast Guard Station in a moment of haste and excitement <sup>without due consideration</sup> ~~and~~ mindful now and ever shall be of the valuable volunteer and heroic services rendered by him and some others on the occasion of the sad wreck of the ship "Moresby" in our harbour on Christmas Eve last, when at the risk of his own life, he with others went to the rescue of the Crew and succeeded in saving seven lives from a watery grave.

Now we respectfully approach your Honourable Board with this Memorial praying that you and Mr Reader superior officers may take a favourable view of his case, by allowing him to withdraw his resignation and once more to re-enter the service in his former capacity.

During the two years Mr Reader has been stationed here, he has by his uniform civility, his sober habits and general good character secured for himself the respect of the people of Dungarvan and surrounding districts. He is comparatively a young man, with a large and helpless family, and at the time when he sent in his resignation, was much distressed in mind & body, by reason of his wife and family having been laid up with a trying and tedious illness of a protracted nature, and which necessitated his presence at their bedside both by day and night.

All these circumstances have elicited our sympathies on his behalf, and which taken side by side with his good and long service records as Commission Boat-man here and elsewhere, warrant us to hope that the prayer of your petitioners will not be in vain, and we therefore respectfully subscribe ourselves,

**This Indenture** made this  
day of \_\_\_\_\_ 1866. Between, Daniel  
Boylan of Waterford Contractor hereinafter  
and in the Specification & Schedule hereto,  
called "The Contractor" of the one part, and  
The Council of the Urban District of Dungarvan  
acting as the Harbour Authority on board,  
under and by virtue of (The Towns Improvement  
and Act 1854 and The Dungarvan  
Harbour Markets and Improvements Act 1863,  
hereinafter and in the said Schedule and  
Specification, called "The Council", of the other  
part, *Witnesseth* - That in consideration  
of the covenants hereinafter contained on the  
part of the Council, The Contractor hereby  
contracts with the Council as follows: -

1. The Contractor shall provide all the  
materials for, and shall faithfully do and  
complete in the best and most workmanlike  
manner and to the satisfaction in all  
respects of the Council, their Harbour Master,  
and Borough Surveyor, for the time being  
appointed by them to superintend and oversee  
the work executed under this contract, who  
are in this contract, the Schedule & Specification  
called the Harbour Master & Borough Surveyor,  
all the works which are set forth in the  
Schedule & Specification hereto, with any  
alterations incident thereto which may from  
time to time be required by the Council, and  
shall carry out, provide all material and complete  
the

(17) Notice of Motion by John Walsh, June 14th 1906.

Concerning Daniel Coughlans acceptance of £40 from the Council for removing the remains of the fishing boat 'Self Reliance' which had run aground on the Moresby wreck.

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(18) Letter from John Hunt Solicitor, Dungarvan 23rd April 1906 to Thomas McCarthy, Town Clerk.

Concerning the removal of materials by the council from the Moresby wreck.

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(19) Notice of Meeting - Thomas McCarthy, Town Clerk to each member of the U.D.C. 25th April 1906.

"To consider the present position of the contractor for the removal of the Moresby Wreck."

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COLLECTION OF BILLHEADS & TENDERS (EARLY 1900<sup>S</sup>)

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"Landed Estates Court Ireland - February 10th 1871.

Estate of Thomas Mahony - Copy Conveyance to Mrs Francis L. Foley, (of  
Tourtane Co. Waterford.)

Terence O'Reilly & Sons Solicitors 5 North Great Georges St. Dublin.

"Francis Letitia Foley of Tourtane Co. Waterford, widow, grants her part of the lands of Lackenfune, part of Curraheen Commons, the small quay yard Dungarvan, timber yard near the bridge at Dungarvan, quay yard Dungarvan, five dwelling houses in Buttery West, dwelling house (now used as a stable) dwelling house in William Street & two other houses in William St. (Mary St.) Ten dwelling houses in Clubberts Lane, house on east side of Devonshire Square & two houses on the west side of Devonshire Square."

Attached is a Schedule giving tenants names etc. & three mss. Maps (copies)

(1) Properties in Clubbert's Lane (St. Augustine St.), The Buttery William St. (Mary St.), the Quay, etc (signed Perdoe Wilkinson, Major R. E. & S. J. Lynch, 18th January 1871.)

(2) Map Showing three houses in Devonshire Square.

(3) Map of Lackenfune & Curaheen Commons.

<sup>00</sup>  
Dungarvan 2<sup>nd</sup> March 1900

The Urban District Council  
Board Room

To Dungarvan Gas Consumers' Co. Dr.  
LIMITED.

Date		£	s	d.
	To 11,000 cubic feet of gas consumed from 15 <sup>th</sup> August 1899 to 1 <sup>st</sup> March 1900 at 6/6 per 1,000 feet.	3	8	9
	meter Rent		2	11
		£3	11	8

FROM EDMOND KEOHAN,  
GENERAL NEWS AGENT,  
ADVERTISING AND COMMISSION AGENT, &c.

EVERY PAPER PUBLISHED IN THE UNITED KINGDOM SUPPLIED TO ORDER.  
PHOTOGRAPHIC STUDIO ON THE PREMISES. PORTRAITS TAKEN DAILY.

17, PARNELL STREET,

Dungarvan (May 4<sup>th</sup> 1899)  
CO. WATERFORD.

To John Hunt Esq.

13 copies typed  
of W. Woods notice  
25 folios @ 4<sup>d</sup> - £1-1-8  
paid  
Edmond Keohan

WHOLESALE TIMBER, IRON,  
METAL HARDWARE,  
SEED, MANURE & SALT IMPORTERS  
AGRICULTURAL ENGINEERS  
AND IMPLEMENT AGENTS.



TELEGRAMS. REPS. FLYNN, DUNGARVAN.

Dungarvan Aug 27<sup>th</sup> 1901  
Co Waterford.

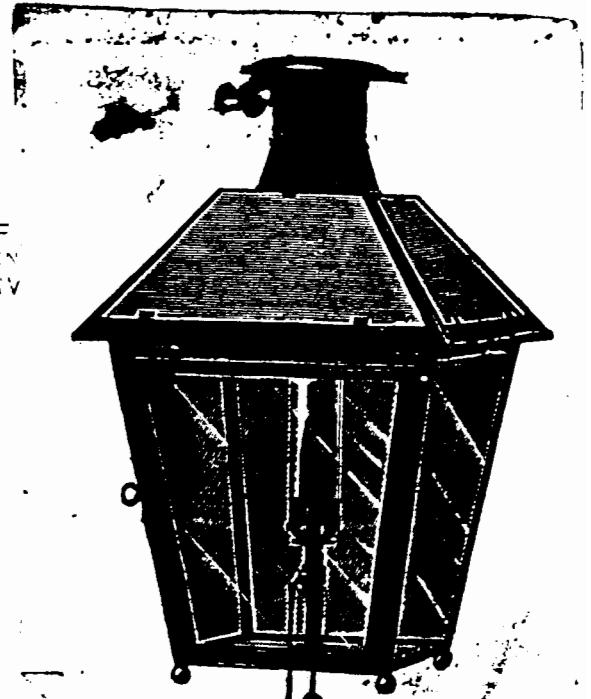
To Dungarvan Urban Council.

Dear Sir  
we beg to tender for the supply  
of 30 14" Iron Street Lamps  
specially constructed for  
incandescant Gas as patterns  
for the sum of 11/- (Eleven Shilling)  
each and for two Harbour  
Lamps with one pair of  
red in one and one pair  
of green glass in the other for  
the sum of 12/6 each  
all delivered free

Yr Obedt  
acceptd

30 lamps  
Wm. Stone  
JD

REPS. OF  
GEN  
DUNGARV



PRINTED POSTERS ISSUED BY DUNGARVAN U.D.C. 1908 - 1916

MAPS & PLANS.

- (1) "Map showing quarries at Shandon, Dungarvan", drawn by Michael Beary, Borough Surveyor, April 12th 1907.  
Map depicts quarries owned by Patrick Curran & Mr. Wall, the old Limekiln, Shandon House, Railway Station.  
Executed in ink & watercolour.
- (2) "Map depicting 8 houses titled 'Clonanagh Burning December 1907' (Coolagh Road, Abbeyside) showing front elevations & ground plans  
Drawn by Michael Beary Borough Surveyor January 3rd 1908  
(executed in ink)
- (3) 'Ground Plan of three cottages recently destroyed by fire at the Burgery Abbeyside.'
- (4) 'Ground plan of drains in Mary St. Dungarvan' drawn by Michael Beary January 1908.
- (5) 'Plan of proposed shelter for Cunnigar.'  
Drawn by John McGrath A.B.S. 24/7/1916 (ink & coloured pencil)  
Depicts a concrete cross shape within a circle with seats on each arm of the cross - 'Adjourned for future consideration'.
- (6) 'Plan & Elevation of Bathing shelter at Abbeyside for Dungarvan U.D.C.  
Drawn by T. Biggs C. E. Dungarvan 20/5/1914. (ink & wash).  
Also includes 2 pages of specifications.



FOLDER OF DOCUMENTS CONCERNING THE CUNNIGAR EMBANKMENT, & RECLAMATION  
OF WESTERN BAY & THE NAVIGATION OF THE RIVERS BRIDE & BLACKWATER.

- (1) Typed letter from Patrick Mulcahy, Town Clerk, Dungarvan 20th July  
1908 to ?.

Western Bay, rivers Blackwater, Bride & Suir projects concerning  
a deputation to the Treasury re: above projects.

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- (2) Letter from S. J. Moynihan, Commissioners office, Dungarvan to the  
Clerk Dungarvan U.D.C. Town Hall, 31st January 1935.

Acknowledging receipt of Council's resolution re: Cunnigar Embankment  
& Reclamation of Western Bay.

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- (3) Envelope written on in pencil concerning details/resolution re:  
Cunnigar Bridge, Western Bay reclamation (no date).

Concerning a deputation to wait on the Rural District Council  
deputation consisted of :- Messrs Thomas Power, E. Keohan,  
John V. Kiely, E. A. Ryan, George Stokes, Captain Michael Moloney  
Rev John McCann P.P., John Christopher, James Hayes, Revd P.F. Coakley  
J.J. O'Higgins, John F. Williams & John Curran

Signed: T. Power.

Note:- The Deputation be requested to meet Mr. J.J. O'Shee M.P. on his  
arrival.

'Ordered that the Secretary inform Major Stuart of the Cunnigar Bridge  
& Project & that a deputation is to wait on the Rural District Council  
and Co. Council in reference there to & that he be requested to give the  
matter his support.'

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- (4) Declaration by Dungarvan U.D.C. Re: Cunnigar Embankment Western  
Bay & the improvement of Rivers Bride & Suir (no date)

(5) Printed Report:

Cunnigar Bridge (Dungarvan)

Copy of the report of the Fishery Inspector on the proposed Cunnigar Bridge at Dungarvan.

Mr. O'Donnell - ordered by the house of commons to be printed 11 August 1883.

Report of Major Hayes, Inspector of Irish Fisheries from a Public Enquiry held in Dungarvan Court house on 11th August 1880. Attached to the report is an appendix giving a list of sea fishing boats at Helvick, Ballinagoul & Seaview giving details of owners names, name of boat, description, reg. tonnage etc. & no. of men employed. Also a copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Guardians Dungarvan at a meeting held on August 5th 1880.

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(6) Letter from J.J.O'Shee, Carrick - on - Suir to P. Mulcahy, Town Clerk, Dungarvan, June 11th 1908.

Thanking him for "Mr. Duffin's Report & Maps & stating that they must arrange a deputation to the Treasury.

Enclosed with the letter are copies of reports on the (a) Navigation of the Blackwater to Cappoquin & (b) The Improvement of the Navigation of the River Bride' by W. E. L'Estrange Duffin, Co. Surveyor, 5th June 1908.

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(7) Letter from P. J. Power, House of Commons, to Patrick Mulcahy, Town Hall, Dungarvan - July 27th 1908.

Acknowledging receipt of copy of minutes of a special Council meeting 'held last November'.. concerning the reclamation of Western Bay & improvements to rivers etc.

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(8) Copy Memo from Patrick Mulcahy, Town Hall 1st April 1909 to each Member of the Committee concerning a meeting of the Cunnigar Embankment Project.

- (9) Letter from Michael Beary, Borough Surveyor, Dungarvan, to Thomas McCarthy, Town Clerk, September 5th 1906.

Explaining that the original plan for the Cunnigar Embankment included a bridge from the park to the Cunnigar, which would have interfered with the harbour & that the present proposal did not include this feature.

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- (10) Typescript from A. MacConnell C.E. Duncannon to J.J. O'Shee M.P. Solicitor, Carrick-on-Suir May 11th 1907.

Titled:- "Proposed new road embankment, new road & reclamation at Cunnigar, Dungarvan."

The report accepts that the project is feasible & gives details of the construction of the embankment & stating that the entire work would cost about £25,500.

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- (11) Resolution that Mr. Patrick Mulcahy be appointed Secretary to the Cunnigar Bridge Committee. (no date)
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- (12) Four pages of notes & resolutions concerning Cunnigar Embankment, Western Bay etc.
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- (13) Notice of special Council Meeting:- Thomas McCarthy, Town Clerk, October 30th 1906 to each member of the Council.

The meeting was to consider the report of the Harbour Master concerning the reclamation of Western Bay & to obtain evidence for the Parliamentary Committee etc.

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- (14) Notice of meeting concerning 'Western Bay Embankment' at which J.J. O'Shee M.P. would attend, from P. Mulcahy, Town Clerk, 16th September 1907 to each member of the Council

Resolved: - That we the Dungannon Urban Council desire on this the  
best opportunity to express our satisfaction at the early reply given  
by Mr. Binell, Chief Secretary of Ireland, to the Deputation which  
waited on him on Friday last with reference to the allocation  
of the remainder of the Railway balance in the hands of the  
Treasury, namely £25,000 to the County Waterford for the carrying  
out of the scheme laid before him, the Embankment to the Curragh  
and the reclamation of the Western Bay, the improvement of  
the Rivers Blackwater, Bride, and Suir a project if carried out  
would materially add to the prosperity of our County in al-  
most every District as it would afford an immense amount  
of employment and would make our surroundings an increased  
attraction for Tourists. We note with satisfaction that Mr. Bin-  
rell in his reply gave full expression to the conviction that the  
granting of this sum for our scheme would only in some way  
compensate the Ratepayers of the Waterford for the hardships  
they had borne for a number of years past by the payment  
of the Railway guarantee and we note also that he said  
with regard to the balance that he did not know what action  
the Treasury would take in case a further application were made  
to them by the Corporation of Waterford for the purposes of a Free  
Bridge, but already the City of Waterford had secured £33,000 of  
this balance for that purpose, and we would now under the cir-  
cumstances respectfully request the Corporation of Waterford  
not to press any further claim on the Treasury and any lessening  
of the Balance would materially effect the projects we have in  
view and which have been supported by a united County Waterford,  
and more especially as the County is to pay a large sum year by  
year for the Free Bridge and we would also impress upon the Corporation  
of Waterford that the Parliamentary representative of their City  
has written us promising our Scheme his earnest support  
and one he would promote to the best of his ability."

Proposed by: Edmond Keogh

Seconded by: Thomas Sheehan

Resolved unanimously

James Hayes, Chairman

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# THE URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL OF DUNGARVAN

Will, at their Meeting of Monday  
the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of June 1912, receive

## TENDERS

from Competent Persons for

*The use of men's Bathing Place  
and Boxes for the season.*

*Towels & Bathing costumes to  
be provided by Contractor.*

The Contractor to Pay for Bonds.

The Work to be completed according to the Specification of  
Borough Surveyor, on or before                      day of                      19

The Tenders to state the Names of Two Solvent Sureties  
in their own handwriting, willing to join in a bond for the  
due fulfilment of the Work, and Tenders to be lodged with  
me at or before 12 o'clock, ~~11~~ on above day.      The Lowest  
or any Tender need not necessarily be accepted.

The Official Form of Tender only to be used, which can  
be had on application.

By Order,

*P. Mulcahy*

Clerk to Urban District Council.

Urban District Council Office, Dungarvan,

day of May 1912

DUNGARVAN ELECTIONS 1902 - 1918.

Declarations of Dungarvan U.D.C. Councillors for 1911.

Printed declarations signed by:-

- (1) William Stack, Jacknell St. (2) Daniel Stokes, O'Connell St.  
(3) Michael J. Casey, Main St. (4) James Dunne, Grattan Square.  
(5) John Joseph O'Shea, Mary St. (6) Matthew Scanlan, Main St.  
(7) Thomas Foley, Grattan Square. (8) Michael Flynn, Grattan Square.  
(9) Thomas Power Blackpool. (10) John Francis Moloney, Main St.  
(11) John V. Kiely, Main St. (12) William Lawlor, T. F. Meagher St.  
(13) John Curran, Grattan Square.
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Declaration of P.J. Moloney as Councillor for Abbeyside Ward 1915

" " Patrick Sexton, O'Connell St. as Chairman U.D.C. 1918.

" " Thomas Power, O'Connell St. " " " 1913/14.

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Notice to fill vacancy for Abbeyside Ward due to the death of F.J. Crotty.

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Form of Nomination Paper - Urban District of Dungarvan;

No. 1 ward 1905 - for James O'Brien, Shopkeeper, O'Connell St.

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Election expenses for election of Co. & Rural District Councillors for  
the year 1902 & for Dungarvan Urban District

Two letters re; elections for J. J. O'Shee returning officer, Carrick-  
on-Suir, 18th June 1902.

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Various Tenders & Notices for Tenders for Works in Dungarvan Urban  
Area, 1895 - 1912.

Tenders include:- Works at the Esplanade, Scavenging Streets, Quarries,  
Seats for new Park, works at the new artizan's dwellings, letting of  
Men's Bathing Place & boxes etc.



# DECLARATION OF URBAN DISTRICT COUNCILLOR.

URBAN DISTRICT OF DUNGARVAN.

Dungarvan No. 1 WARD.

I, Thomas Power of Blackpool Dungarvan,  
in the County of Waterford, having been Chosen a Councillor for the  
Urban District of Dungarvan, hereby DECLARE that I take the said Office upon myself  
and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof, according to the best of my judg-  
ment and ability.

Signed Thomas Power

Made and subscribed this 23 day of February 1911 before me  
being Town Clerk of the above Urban District of Dungarvan.

Signed Peter Power

Miscellaneous Papers (Folder A)

- (1) Letter From R.P.Byrne,18-10-1935 To Wm,O Meara  
Re.Bye Laws for sale of meat in Urban area.

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- (2) Letter From J.F.Williams,Solicitor,Dungarvan,18 October 1935  
Re, Dance Licence for Town Hall,Dungarvan.

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- (3) Letter From Department Of Co,Medical Officer For Health,Court  
House,Dungarvan,16 October 1935.  
Re. maintenance of graveyards.

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- (4) Certificate declaring that Eileen Gough aged  $7\frac{1}{2}$  years of Mitchell Street  
is suffering from Diphtheria. Signed by John W.Williams,M.D.,Jan 30th 1919.

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- (5) Letter From R.Ryan, Bay View,Abbeyside,October 16 1935 To  
William O Meara-Re Rates.

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- (6) Letter From P.Mulcahy,Town Clerk,13 March 1907 To John Hunt  
Solicitor,Referring him to enclosed letter from Mrs Burke  
Maryboro.

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- (7) Vote Of Sympathy By Dungarvan U.D.C.On The Death Of Thomas  
Hackett-Copies to be sent to -Dr.Hackett,Rev.Fr.Hackett,St Johns  
College Waterford & Mr.Joseph Hackett.



- (8) Letter From Michael Beary, Borough Surveyor To Thomas Mc Carthy  
Town Clerk, 17 December 1902.

Re. Removal of gravel at Ballyneety Bridge by J. Condon, Carman.

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- (9) Single Sheet Of Paper Dated 1911 Which Includes-

- (a) Estimates for cost of erecting lamp posts at Youghal Road.
  - (b) Estimates for work required in large hall to gas fittings.
  - (c) Estimate for gas fitting in new council chamber.
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- (10) Agreement for letting of No. 7 Artizans Dwellings between the  
Dungarvan Town Commissioners & Mary Curran, Mitchel St.  
13 October 1894.
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- (11) Summary of duties of Borough Surveyor to Dungarvan Town  
Commissioners.
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- (12) Single Sheet Marked The Dungarvan Urban District Council To  
John Hunt Solicitor.

Refers to court cases, removal of Moresby Wreck, Town Hall Etc.

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- (13) Petition From Tenants Of St. Garvans Terrace To U.D.C. 1-11-1934

Complaining of rents - signed: Patrick O'Brien, Elizabeth Caren  
Edmond Spratt, John Whelan, Michael Whelan, Roger McGrath  
Peter McGrath, Denis Walsh, Michael O'Flynn.

- (14) Letter From E.A.Ryan,Solicitor,Dungarvan To William O Meara  
Town Clerk,October 2 1934.

Re,Housing Miscellaneous Act 1933-Dungarvan Urban Housing  
Scheme-New housing scheme,LoughMore.

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- (15) Typed Letter From John A.Cartwright Agent Mountain View,  
Dungarvan October 2 1934 To The Chairman & Members Of The  
U.D.C.

Marked-Estate Of John R.Dower Deceased.

Agreeing not to let houses in the condemned & clearance areas after the  
tenants have moved to new houses at Loughmore.

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- (16) Letter From Michael O Farrell,Co.Medical Officer Of Health,  
October 15 1935 To Thomas Walsh,Sanitary Sub-Officer,Friary St.

Concerning a complaint by Mrs Goff Dower,South Terrace, about a piggery and  
closet on either side of her house.

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- (17) Merrick To Dungarvan Council,Draft Requisition For Negative  
Registry Search- Addressed to the Register Of Deeds In Ireland-  
John Hunt,Solicitor,28 September 1906.
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- (18) Memo to attend a meeting of Abbeyside Sinn Fein Club.(No Date).
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(19) The Local Government Board, Dublin, To The Clerk Of Dungarvan U.D.C

December 22 1915. Enclosing copy of Auditor's Report of Accounts  
Of Waterford County Joint Committee Of Technical Instruction.

OFFICERS NAMES:- John F.Boyle:-Secretary

Thomas Halpin:- Manual Instructor James Lanigan:-Manual Instructor

J.J.Lavelle:-Art Teacher, Michael Mc Carthy:-Introductory,

Thomas O Grady;-Navigation, Thomas Veale:-Irish Teacher,

E,Cahill:-Domestic Economy.

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(20) Printed Circular 1899 From Local Government Board Re regulating  
the districts, duties of collectors of Poor Rate etc.

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(21) Letter From Francis Bergin B.E. 36 Westmoreland St, Dublin,

March 12 1909 To John Hunt, Solicitor, Dungarvan.

Concerning a set of plans for the Local Government Board.

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(22) Ten Letters Concerning Ballyneety Bridge, 1903/1904

Refers to the fall of this bridge, construction of new bridge etc.

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(23) Draft of advert advertising for the post of Borough Surveyor in Dungarvan.

- (24) Dungarvan Urban District Council To The Munster & Leinster Bank  
Ltd-Copy Mortgage, Dated 18 May 1923 John F. Williams, Solicitor.

Concerning an Indenture of November 1915 between John T. Hudson Glenbeg, and Thomas McCue of Quarry Lane, mariner, stating that the dwelling house offices and garden in the occupation of McCue were demised to McCue for a term of 10,000 years from 1915 at a yearly rent of one peppercorn. McCue died intestate on January 31 1918 and Administration was granted to his widow Margaret McCue, she transferred her interest in part of the property to the Dungarvan U.D.C. for the unexpired portion of the term of 10,000 years on April 11 1923. The lands were purchased by the U.D.C. for the purpose of erecting houses for the working classes. The U.D.C. were looking for a loan of £675 from the Munster & Leinster Bank for this project.

Sealed with the seal of Dungarvan U.D.C.

M. Brennock, Chairman.

In presence of William O'Meara, acting Town Clerk,

T.F. Foley U.D.C.

John Daly, solicitor's assistant, Dungarvan.

John Moore Councillors.

Sealed with the seal of the Munster & Leinster Bank.

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- (25) Letter From J.J.O Shee, Carrick-On-Suir, June 13 1908 To Patrick  
Mulcahy Town Clerk, Dungarvan.

Report on the river Suir, which had been sent to Mr. Duffin and complaining about the delay in receiving a copy.

- (26) Letter From Thomas Mc Carthy, Town Clerk, 26 June 1905 To  
John Hunt, Solicitor.-Roadworks.
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- (27) Dungarvan U.D.C. To The Munster & Leinster Bank Ltd., 18 May  
1923. Draft Mortgage-John F. Williams, Solicitor.  
Re. Loan of £675 for purchase of site & building houses.
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- (28) Circular From Thomas Mc Carthy, Town Clerk To Members Of  
Dungarvan U.D.C.  
Roads.
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- (29) Letter From Mr. J.R-119 Stephens Green, Dublin, October 18 1906  
To John Hunt, Solicitor, Dungarvan.  
Re. 'Humble Estate' Dungarvan and enclosing maps of lands at Bohodoon and other lands.
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- (30) Copy Probate Of Last Will & Testament With Three Codicils  
Of Sir John Nugent Humble Bart.  
John Hunt, Solicitor, Dungarvan-August 2 1877.
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- (31) Letter From P. Mulcahy, Town Clerk 28 July 1909 To John Hunt  
Solicitor.  
Requesting him to attend Inquiry concerning Houses of the Working Classes.
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- (32) Printed Act;-  
An Act To Confirm Certain Provisional Orders Of Local  
Government Board Of Ireland, Relating To Kilkenny, Dungarvan  
Holywood, Etc-July 8 1914.

"Whereas the U.D.C. of Dungarvan...require to purchase and take the lands and

(32) Contd-

premises described in the Schedule hereto for the purpose of laying out, planting, improving and maintaining the same as a recreation ground or public walk, although, not within the urban district would be convenient for the use of the inhabitants of the district:-

Schedule

No Of Deposited Plan	Description Of Lands	Owners Or Reputed Owners	Occupiers.
1.	Lands Of Cunnigar With Building ThereOn Containing 44a Or 8p	John R.Dower	Bridgit Mahony Administrix Of Lawrence Walsh
2.	Lands At Ballinacourty North Containing 8a 3r 22p	Patrick E.Curran	Patrick E.Curran
3.	Lands At Ballinacourty Containing 1a Or.24p	"	"
4.	Lands At Cunnigar Containing 4a 3r.28p	John R.Dower	John R.Dower
5.	Lands At Ballinacourty North Containing 4a 2r.17p	Patrick E.Curran	Patrick E.Curran.

- (33) Letter From Count De La Poer, Gurteen Le Poer, Kilsheelin  
Co, Waterford, To The Clerk U.D.C. Dungarvan-24 August 1914

Concerning the Council's resolution to appoint their Chairman to the Commission of the Peace.

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- (34) Printed Act,  
An Act For The Improvement Of The Port & Harbour Of Dungarvan  
For Vesting The Markets Of The Town In The Town Commissioners  
Of Dungarvan Etc. 8 June 1863.

Printed By Eyre & Spottiswoode, London 1885.

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- (35) Letter From Thomas Mc Carthy, Town Clerk, Dungarvan, 31 July 1895  
To John Hunt Solicitor, Dungarvan,

Concerning the Commissioners purchase of a site at the Look Out for £20 from Mr. Hudson. Requesting Hunt to prepare the necessary documents.. "as quickly as convenient, to make the place attractive during the Bathing Season."

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- (36) Letter From Thomas Mc Carthy, Town Clerk, August 7 1901.

Concerning an order of the council that Mr. Hunt be asked to close the question and complete the purchase of the Old Salt Store (On the Look Out) from Mr. Hudson for the sum of £125.

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- (37) Dungarvan U.D.C. As Harbour Authority-Abstract Of Accounts For  
The Year Ended 31 March 1951 (3 Typed Pages).

- (38) Printed Circular From M.Healy, Town Clerk, Killarney To T.Mo Carthy, Town Clerk, Dungarvan, 22 August 1902.

Resolution concerning the borrowing powers of Local Authorities.

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- (39) Printed Circular-Payment Of Poor Rates, Signed: R.Edward Brennan, Collector, Poor Rate Collectors Office, 16 Grattan Square Dungarvan, November 1898.
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- (40) Printed Act:-  
General Rules For The Transaction By Urban District Councils Of The Business Transferred To Them By Section 27 Of The Local Govt, (Ireland) Act 1898-21 March 1899.
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- (41) Printed Instructions For Deputy Returning Officers Urban District Of Dungarvan.

- (42) Printed Pamphlet:-  
'Sligos P.R.Lead' -Sligo Municipal Election January 1919.
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- (43) Hand written list of the number of houses (Dwellings) in the Urban District November 1938 (pp.4). Lists every street in Dungarvan.
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- (44) Expenditure On Artizans Dwellings 1938?

Notes on wages, materials etc.

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- (45) Printed Notice From Thomas Mc Carthy, Town Clerk, Town Hall, Dungarvan Concerning Misuse, Polluting, Wasting Of Water 1890.



- (46) Proportional Representation Election . Of Urban District Councillors  
Held At Dungarvan-27 June 1934-Result Sheet.

Ditto for Abbeyside Ward.

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- (47) Explanatory Report & Approx, Estimate Of Cost On Proposed Housing  
Scheme Dungarvan,Co,Waterford..

For Dungarvan U.D.C.

Prepared By A.A.Murphy Mr.IAI,, Dawson House,13-15

Dawson St, Dublin-25/4/1933.

Total cost of scheme:-£25,065.(For 86 Houses).

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- (48) Scale Of Expences At Elections Of Guardians & County Councillors  
In Urban County Districts In The Administrative Co,Of Waterford  
1898-
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- (49) Printed circular from the Department of Agriculture & Technical Instruction  
for Ireland - Facts As To Food Production and Supplies 1918.
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- (50) Bundle Of Letters Re.Dungarvan Water Works Scheme

Correspondence between John Hunt,council's solicitor and others dated 1908.

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- (51) Dungarvan WeighBridge

"Scale of charges given me this day by W.Condon

William O'Meara,Town Clerk,Dungarvan,16 August 1929."

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- (52) Resolution Proposed By M. Brennock,September 10 1920,Town  
Hall Dungarvan-

(52) Contd-

"Resolved, That as a protest against the inhumanity of the British Cabinet towards the heroic Lord Mayor of Cork and the other Irishmen who are being allowed to die in British dungeons... We hereby adjourn the business of this council."

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(53) Note From Patrick Curran (Harbour Master) Dungarvan September 25 191? To Mr. Mulcahy, Town Clerk.

" Dear Sir, I consider it necessary to call a meeting of the Harbour Committee.. to consider what legal steps are necessary concerning the Nanny Wignals captains refusal to make room for the Parton to load oats, thereby occupying the berth which the Parton was legally entitled to".

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(54) Draft Of A Letter From William O Meara To D. Dalton, Secretary Of Dungarvan Dramatic Club C.1900.

Enquiring if the club would produce a play to help raise funds for the annual Christmas coal fund.

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(55) Housing Of The Working Classes Act 1890 & The Public Health (Irel) Act 1878.-Dungarvan Urban Sanitary Authority-Application For Sanction Of Local Government Board To Loan £2,000 For Building Labourers & Artizans Dwellings,

Giving details of ten houses to be erected.

Signed Thomas Power, August 4 1892

Countersigned Thomas Mc Carthy.

Miscellaneous Papers (Folder B)

- (1) Letter From A.R.Barlas,Secretary, Local Government Board,Dublin  
To Dungarvan U.D.C.,18 July 1906.

Concerning council's application for sanction of a loan of £300 to purchase the building used as a Town Hall.

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- (2) Letter From Thomas J.O Neill, 1 Audley Place,Cork July 6 1913  
To Dungarvan U.D.C.

Applying to rent the Town Hall for three months for showing films.

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- (3) Letter From J.Hodnett & Sons,Solicitors,Youghal,September 22 1906  
To John Hunt,Solicitor,65 Lower Gardiner St.Dublin.

Concerning Mr.Merrick & Dungarvan U.D.C. In The Purchase Of  
The Town Hall.

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- (4) Letter From J.Hodnett,Solicitor,Youghal,August 13 1906 To  
John Hunt,Solicitor,65 Lower Gardiner St.Dublin.

Merrick To Dungarvan U.D.C.Town Hall,

"Dear Sir,I have received yours of the 11th Inst, I hope to send on the Deeds to my town agent tomorrow,but the death of Mr,Ruddell may take Mr.Merrick from home for the day."

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- (5) Abstract Of Accounts Of The Dungarvan U.D.C.  
For Year Ended 31 March 1951.

Includes £3,056 For Town Hall Improvements 1950.

# National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children.

## DUNGARVAN AID COMMITTEE.

An Aid Committee of this Society was established in Dungarvan in November, 1895, and since then ~~was investigated~~ <sup>were investigated</sup> 39 Complaints of Cruelty concerning the welfare of 123 Children. The Inspector of the Society has Visited this town on Twenty occasions during the Year, to examine these complaints and inquire into the state of the children concerned.

His visits have had a most beneficial effect, and in many cases the parties charged have altered their conduct and treated their children in a very different manner.

One very successful case was where a poor woman had been left for over three years by her husband, who had sent her nothing during that period for the support of herself and Three Children. The Society traced this man to New South Wales, and the captain of the vessel he was on got him to send her home £3 then, and will try and get him to send money regularly in the future.

In another case, a husband had gone to Waterford leaving his wife and family totally unprovided for. The Inspector found him in Waterford and got him to send her £1, and 10s. the week after, and he has promised to contribute regularly to their support in the future.

There have been Two Prosecutions in Dungarvan during the year, viz. :— Two mothers charged with neglecting their large families, whom the Inspector found in a very wretched condition. He warned them repeatedly of the result of their continued inhuman conduct, but all to no purpose, and was then obliged to summon them. The cases were adjourned for 14 days to see if they would mend their ways, but as they failed to do so, the Magistrates sent them to Jail one month each.

When the Inspector visits Dungarvan, he calls on the persons against whom complaints have been made, and these visits have a very beneficial effect on the welfare and condition of the young children who are unable to help themselves and for whom the Society has undertaken the work of assisting them and alleviating the cruel wrongs which they receive at the hands of unkind and unnatural parents or guardians.

VERY REV. W. SHEEHY, P.P., V.G., Chairman ;

R. J. USSHER, J.P., Member of Committee ;

THOMAS McCARTHY. Honorary Secretary.

# Report Re Ferry

13 Aug. 37.

I beg to report that Boats engaged with the business of Ferrying or taking over passengers from Dunggawan to Cunniger should be in a sea-worthy condition, ample room for the comfort and safety of passengers should be available on these Boats.

There should be no over-crowding and no. of passengers on board should be regulated according to carrying-capacity size & other conditions.

Boats should be manned by proper sea-men.

Bars, Thole-pins & other necessary gear for proper navigation of Boats should be available also. Planks etc. to facilitate landing.

Should weather be threatening or Wind blowing from S. W. additional care to be taken.

& no smaller Boat should ply under adverse circumstance

H. G. Bland  
H. M.  
M. B.  
13/8/37

a notice should be put up at Cunniger warning, Bathers at Bar, as to care to be exercised when tide is falling

Signed  
J. M. Cunniger H. M.

- (6) Two Letters From W.J.Verlin,Solicitor,Youghal,1891 To Dungarvan  
U.D.C. Re.Cooneys Lough At Quanns,  
Part of the Kiely Estate which the council wished to drain.
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- (7) Letter From Michael Beary,Borough Surveyor,Dungarvan,October 2  
1891 To Thomas Mc Carthy,Town Clerk.  
Re.Pond At Quanns-Cooneys Lough?

"Relative to acquiring by agreement or otherwise the site of pond in James Quann's farm and this site having been a portion of the strand some thirty or thirty five years ago.I think it right to state Mr.Joseph Carbery may claim a right to the portion opposite to Gambions house and the ruin adjoining".

A watercolour sketch plan of the site is drawn on the letter.

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- (8) Printed Circular;-

National Society For The Prevention Of Cruelty To Children  
Dungarvan Aid Committee.

The circular states that the Committee was formed in November 1895 and gives examples of several cases.

Signed By:- Very Rev.P.P.V.G-Chairman.

R.J.Ussher J.P.- Member Of Committee.

Thomas Mc carthy- Hon Secretary.

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- (9) Summary Of Duties Of The Town Inspector & Sanitary Sub-  
Officer To The Town Commissioners,Dungarvan.  
(Rough Draft,No Date.)

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(13) Town Hall Purchase,

Notice From Thomas Mc Carthy, Town Clerk, 19 June 1906 To Each  
Member Of The U.D.C.

"Sir, I beg to inform you that Mr. Price, Local Government Inspector, has advised that he will hold the Inquiry at the Town Hall on Thursday next the 21st Inst. at 11.30a.m., for the purpose of considering the application of the Urban District Council to borrow £300 for the purchase in fee of the Town Hall."

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(14) Notice Of Motion From D.V. Stokes Reconstruction Of Dungarvan

Town Hall,

"I hereby give notice that at the meeting to be held on Tuesday 17 November, I will move that Tenders be invited for the partial re-building and improvements to the Town Hall so that the work could be started as soon as possible."  
Signed Patrick Mulcahy, Town Clerk, November 4 1908.

(15) Notice Of Motion From D.V.Stokes-Reconstruction Of Town Hall.

"I will move at the meeting to be held on Tuesday December 29th that the repairs to the Town Hall be executed immediately as owing to the report of its insecurity by Mr.Price,Local Government Engineer, a serious responsibility would be on the members of the council if any accident should occur through their neglect in expending the works".

Signed P.Mulcahy,Town Clerk.17 December 1908.

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(16) Notice Of Motion From Mathew Scanlan—Town Hall

"That no further loan be applied for in connection with improving the Town Hall until the present contract be completed".

Signed P.Mulcahy,Town Clerk.20 December 1910.

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(17) Notice Of A SPecial Meeting— P.Mulcahy,Town Clerk,8 September 1909

To make arrangements to meet Captain O'Meagher Condon and John O'Callaghan who are to pass through here on Thursday morning at 10.55.

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(18) Six Letters Re-Land Claims;

(1) From Patrick Neill,Ballylemon,Cappagh To The Town Clerk Dungarvan

(No Date)

(2) Mary ?(No Surname Given) 3 Gladstone St.,Waterford,14/9/1920 To

Aunt Colette,

(3) Mrs Alice Flynn & Maurice Flynn To The Town Clerk? (No Date)

(4) Eugene Hickey,Knockaniska,BallyDuff 26/9/1920 To The Sec-  
retary BallyDuff Sinn Fein Club.

(5) John Doyle,26 Denny St,Tralee 5/10/1920 To P.Mulcahy Town  
Clerk,Dungarvan.

(6) Michael F.Sheehan,BallyHaise,Kilmacthomas,24/8/1920 To  
P.Mulcahy Town Clerk,(Refers to the latter)



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- (19) Letter From E.F.Moloney, Grianan, (Youghal Rd?) Dungarvan,  
18/8/1921 To William O Meara, Town Clerk, Dungarvan.

Applying for a certificate for a house constructed at Borheen.

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- (20) Resolution By Dungarvan U.D.C. To Eamonn Dee (No Date).

"We the members of Dungarvan U.D.C. tender our heartiest congratulations to Eamonn Dee on his release from interment at Ballykinlor Camp"

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- (21) Memo From P.Mulcahy, Town Clerk To Each Member Of The Council  
10/11/1916.

Resolution from Matthew Scanlon concerning the resignation of Sgt. Michael Grace as Controller of Fire Appliances and the appointment of Thomas Walsh in his place.

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- (22) Draft Letter By P.Mulcahy, Town Clerk To Electricity Companies  
1920.

Stating that the council was about to introduce electricity to Dungarvan and looking for information on installing it.

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- (23) Co. Waterford Joint Committee Of Technical Instruction, 20 Main  
St, Dungarvan- August 6 1921.

Letter from James Lanigan, Principal and Secretary, to William O'Meara, acting Town Clerk.

Concerning council representatives on their Committee.

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- (24) Letter From J.R. Gill Secretary Dept. Of Agriculture & Technical  
Instruction (fisheries Board) 3, Kildare Place Dublin, 4/8/1921.  
To Dungarvan U.D.C.

Acknowledging receipt of council's letter concerning the hiring of the dreger-fag an Bealach, to remove mud banks.

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# APPENDIXES

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ANNO VICESIMO SEXTO

## VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.

*Cap. xlv.*

An Act for the Improvement of the Port and Harbour of *Dungarvan*; for vesting the Markets of that Town in the Town Commissioners of *Dungarvan*, and for enabling the said Commissioners to extend and regulate the same; for the Transfer from the Grand Jury of the County of *Waterford* to the said Commissioners of the Management of the Roads and Bridges in the said Town; for the Improvement of the said Town; and for other Purposes. [8th June 1863.]

**W**HEREAS the Port and Harbour of *Dungarvan* is much resorted to by Trading and Coasting Vessels, and there is no Authority in existence for the Conservancy of the said Port and Harbour, by reason whereof the same is rendered unsafe for the Shipping frequenting such Port and Harbour: And whereas it is expedient that the Town Commissioners of *Dungarvan* (in this Act called the Commissioners), acting under the Authority of "The Towns Improvement (*Ireland*) Act, 1854," (in this Act called the Act of 1854,) be incorporated and constituted Conservators of the said Port and Harbour

17 & 18 Vict. c. 103.

[Local.]

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bour



Patrick Sexton, Chairman of Dungarvan U.D.C. 1914.

Photo: Dungarvan Museum Society Archive.



Thought to be a photo of the Town Clerk, Thomas McCarthy, taken c.1900. The clock in the background can still be seen in the Town Hall. Photo: Mai O'Higgins.

## TOWN CLERKS 1855-1991.

EDWARD J. LONGAN	5th February 1855 to September 1859
PATRICK McCARTHY	September 1859 to December 1865
EDWARD MORRISSEY	December 1865 to March 1874
EDMOND E. MORRISSEY	1879 to 1883 when he resigned due to ill health Granted a pension in 1884 of £52-18-4 per an.
MICHAEL BEARY	Acting Town Clerk for six months until January 1884.
JAMES HANNIGAN	Appointed on 4th January 1884 with a salary of £50 per an.
THOMAS FITZGERALD	Appointed on 6th February 1885 on the death of Mr. Hannigan.
THOMAS McCARTHY	Appointed on 26th November 1888. Died in January 1907.
WILLIAM O'MEARA	Acting Town Clerk in 1921.
PATRICK MULCAHY	Appointed January 28th 1907 to 1922
WILLIAM O'MEARA	November 1922 to October 1946
EUGENE DEERY	19th August, 1946 to 24th November 1956
JOHN HOWLETT	August 1957 to February 1963
PATRICK J. DOYLE	29th June 1963 to 1st August 1967.
JOHN PAUL ROBINSON	1st February 1968 to 14th February 1972
MATTHEW O'CONNOR	19th September 1972 to 17th January 1973
RICHARD KEANE	4th February 1974 to 12th August 1974.
B. WHITE	27th June 1975 to-date.



Photo thought to be of Michael Byrne  
U.D.C. Councillor 1908-1918, also a  
member of the Board of Guardians.  
There is a plaque to his memory on the  
front of the Town Hall.

OLD LETTERHEADS

Town Commissioners' Office,

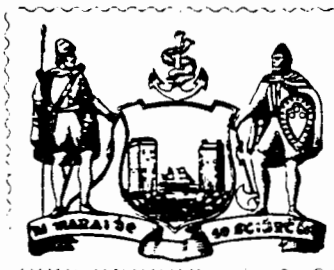
TOWN HALL,

*Re*  
*Dungarvan 22<sup>nd</sup> May 1898*

Urban District Council,

Town Hall, Dungarvan,

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Urban District Council,

Town Hall, Dungarvan,

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TELEPHONE NO. 30.



Urban District Council

Town Hall, Dungarvan,

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COMHAIRLE  
BHAILECHEANNTAIR  
DUNGARBHAIN

PHONE  
(058) 41069  
(058) 41117



DUNGARVAN  
URBAN DISTRICT  
COUNCIL

TOWN HALL  
DUNGARVAN  
CO. WATERFORD

HOW THEY WOULD LEGISLATE.

The following scene, which occurred at the last meeting of the Dungarvan Town Commissioners, speaks for itself:—

Mr. John Cullinan asked a number of questions concerning the rate collector and the arrears sheet, and said—We won't spare our rate collector.

Mr. O'Mara (rate collector, excitedly)—I don't care a d—n about you, man, or any other man. You are not such a warrant yourself to pay rates.

Mr. O'Connor—Don't be so quick.

Mr. O'Mara—I will be quick. I don't care a d—n about anyone.

Mr. Cullinan, in following up the arrears sheet, said that a member of the board (Mr. Curran) had a decree given against him by the County Court Judge for a house that was now marked vacant.

Mr. Curran said that Mr. Cullinan was bringing this forward for a bit of amusement, but he should be ashamed of his conduct. At present the statement he had made was a barefaced and unfounded lie. (Sensation.)

Mr. Cullinan—I will prove it.

Mr. P. Walsh—I was in court, and the barrister would not give a decree in the case.

Mr. Cullinan—He did give a decree.

Mr. Curran—It is bad taste of Mr Cullinan to be bringing forward these things without foundation.

Mr. Cullinan—I am doing my duty.

Mr. Curran—It is a nasty duty. You would wish the bailiffs went into every house in Dungarvan for rates.

Mr. Cullinan said if they had to pay for water—

Mr. Curran—Yourself and Brennan are all rates. Brennan and the poorhouse are on your brain. You are fit to be in an asylum.

Mr. Cullinan—You are fit to be in an asylum. You never want anywhere only where you could job.

Mr. Curran—You don't like an election.

Mr. Cullinan—I never got anything by an election. Such a cur as this man here to be dictating to me!

Mr. O'Connor here rose and left the room.

Mr. Cullinan—D—n you, you cur. I'd break your — Chairman—Mr. Cullinan!

Mr. Cullinan—Why should that cur dictate to me? It is painful to any Commissioner to be coming here to be attacked by an officer like O'Mara.

Mr. McCarthy—You were a little hot yourself.

Mr. Cullinan—An officer should not attack a member of the board.

Mr. P. Walsh—It is human nature.

Mr. Cullinan—I think we will stop at home for the future, and leave Mr. O'Mara and yourself—

Captain Gibbons—We would be very lonely without you, John.

Mr. Curran—He will forget all this to-morrow.

Mr. Cullinan—You would be all right if there was a job for straw or something else.

Mr. McCarthy—None of us can throw stones.

Mr. Cullinan—But I am only pointing out what is wrong. Look at the late clerk leaves a *ledheen* to the board.

[Mr. Cullinan here took his hat and was leaving.]

Mr. Curran—Don't go, John, and I'll be with you in a minute, and we will have a couple of half-ones.

Mr. Cullinan—D—n a much half-ones you ever had or paid for either.

Mr. Flynn—Don't go, John; don't go.

Mr. Cullinan—Oh, I will go, and leave it all to you.

Mr. Cullinan here left, and the board settled down to business.—*Dublin Mail*, 17th November, 1888.

This extract from the Dublin Mail of 1888 is an amusing account of a meeting of the Town Commissioners. It is difficult to believe that business was carried on in this manner. The Commissioners were in fact widely known for their boisterous meetings which often ended in chaos. It must have made entertaining coverage for the newspapers!

## THE ARMS & SEAL OF DUNGARVAN

The Harbour and Markets Act required that the Commissioners have an official seal and arms. The original arms had been lost with the lapse of the old Corporation in the 17th century. The Commissioners carried out a search for the old arms but failed to discover it. However, there is a seal matrix in the Town Hall depicting a shield containing three stags topped by a large stag's head, beneath is the word Dungarvan. Could this be a representation of the lost arms or is it, perhaps, the seal of the Seneschal?

William Williams (1820-1875) an antiquarian and Irish scholar, who lived at Devonshire Square designed a new arms and seal. This was adopted by the Town Commissioners in July 1863 - .. 'the arms to be done on a scale of 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ X2 inches... the seal to be 2 inches in diameter, you should get them done here instead of London so as to give the Irish artist the preference... I require the sketches back with a view to having them chromolithographed at some future time..' The moulds for the arms & seal were made by John Woodhouse of Dublin.

The following is William's own explanation for the designs written in 1867.

### THE SEAL

'The central group of figures on the seal represents the old National Feis or Parliament, which was held at Tara, presided over by the Ardriagh, attended by the Provincial Kings and nobles. At a large table in the centre are seated the Brchons examining and writing on vellum rolls . . . the inscription reads 'Seal of the Common Council of Dungarvan'.

### THE ARMS

The castles of the shield are . . . portraits of existing structures, as they appeared about a century since. That to the left is the Dun or castle of Abbeyside . . . That to the right represents a wing of the old . . . Dungarvan castle. Between the castles is seen a ship in full sail approaching the harbour. . . Our supporters are two ancient Irish warriors wearing the National costume and armed with the National weapons of other days.

Our crest, an anchor and dolphin entwined, and our motto, taken in its literal sense, are all indicative of the Maritime situation of the town.

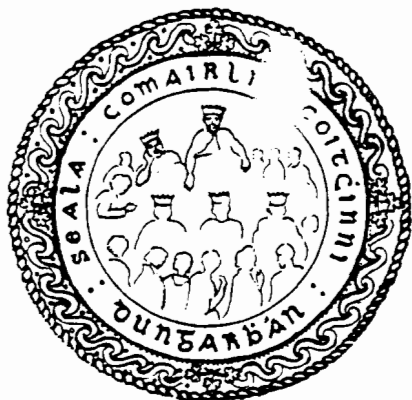
Our motto :- 'Ni Maraide Go Stiurtoir' - 'Not a Mariner Till a Steersman' is intended to teach an important moral lesson. Individually we are admonished to make ourselves acquainted with the duties of our various callings, in order that we may be able to direct our own affairs; and collectively, that, if we desire to see the town satisfactorily governed, we must grasp the reins with our own hand'

Note. The images of Dungarvan and Abbeyside castles used by Williams in his design were taken from an engraving in Charles Smith's History of Waterford City and County 1746.





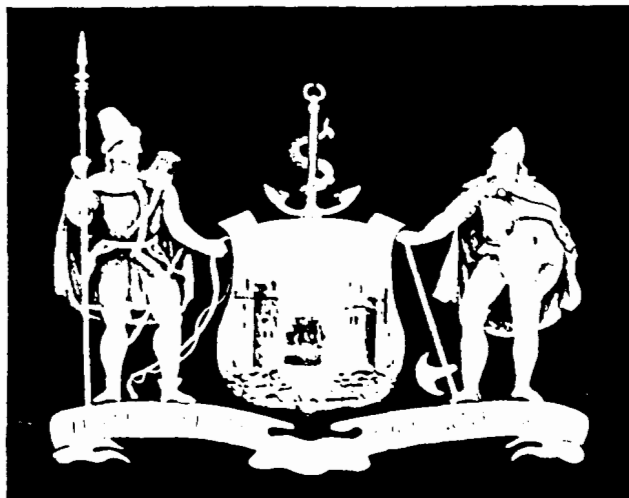
Old Wax seal matrix, date unknown



Embossed seal by Williams 1863



Arms designed by Williams 1863



Pencil sketch of Dungarvan's coat of arms photographed in Dublin, undated. Photo: Margo Kehoe.

An Ancient Seal.—Writing in reference to the old Seal of Dungarvan, which he recently gave to the present Commissioners of that town, the Rev. Father O'Brien, p.p., says that, in the second year of the reign of James I., about the year 1604, the Manor of Dungarvan was granted to Sir George Thornton, and subsequently was, with the Castle, by Act of Parliament, vested in the Earl of Cork, from whom it descended to its present proprietor, the Duke of Devonshire. The Devonshire Arms are engraved on the seal, and as the Duke of Devonshire exercised any manorial rights he possessed, through a seneschal, it is presumed that the seal was that used by the seneschal in this capacity.

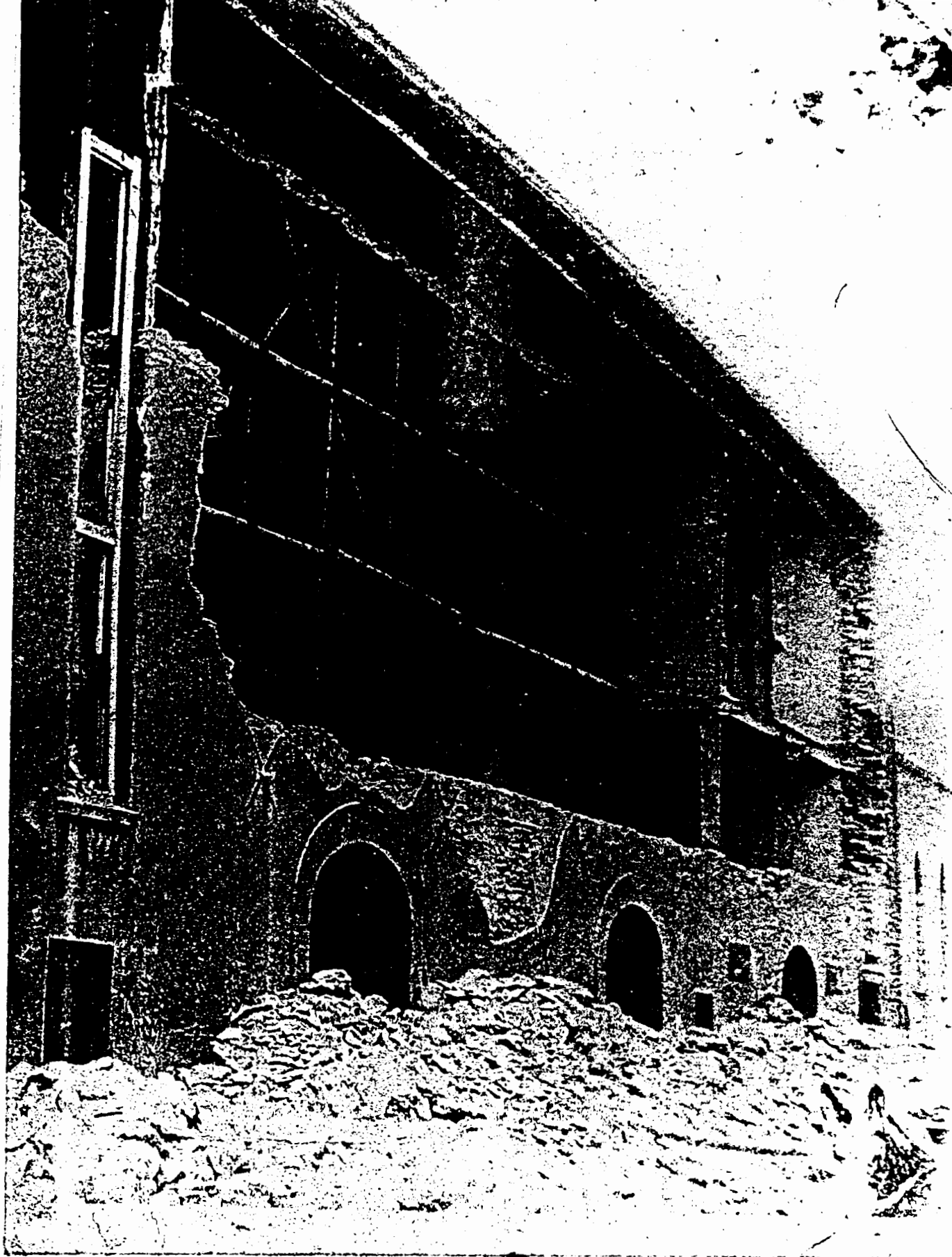


Photo of the old Town Hall during reconstruction c.1910.

Photo: Dungarvan Museum Society Archive.

DUNGARVAN TOWN BOARD,

1884 TO 1887,

WITH

HISTORY AND SALE OF TOWN HALL  
AND BUTTER MARKET

BY THE

MARQUIS OF WATERFORD

IN 1884.

WATERFORD:

PRINTED AT "THE NEWS" OFFICE, O'CONNELL-STREET.

TO THE  
ELECTORS OF DUNGARVAN WARD.

GENTLEMEN:

At the repeated solicitation of several very influential Burgesses of your Ward, I have allowed them to nominate me to fill one of the Vacancies at the Municipal Board, for which I feel highly honoured. I would not have consented, only I considered it necessary I should do so, as the Rate-payers are being taxed with

INCREASED RATES, THROUGH MISMANAGEMENT!

and also as there are several very important matters affecting the welfare of Dungarvan, that require to be developed. The principal source of revenue to Dungarvan is

ITS FISHERY, WHICH IS NOW SADLY NEGLECTED!

Even though nature has favoured Dungarvan with the most bountiful and suitable fishery in Ireland—a mine of wealth—still your representatives, the Town Commissioners, whose duty it is to take a prominent part in all matters affecting your interests, have done nothing to encourage it. It is pitiable that out of the large fleet of fishing boats that lie at our Quay, not one of them belongs to Dungarvan. See what has been done in Baltimore, Skibbereen, and along the western coast, where really well-meaning men were interested in the people's welfare. Look at the fine fleet of boats that belong to Arklow, with one of the most dangerous harbours in Ireland. No wonder those comfortable, well-fed fisherman often ask—"what kind of Commissioners have you in Dungarvan?"

Not even a landing stage or other structure to suit the hours of tide has been erected to meet the wants of

those boats. Consequently, they had to leave Dungarvan and resort to Dunmore, to the very serious

**LOSS OF THOUSANDS OF POUNDS**

to the shopkeepers, traders, mechanics, &c. It was cheerful to see the bustle along the Quay, sailors, labourers, and carmen all employed. Another important matter—the Tramway—which would have made

**DUNGARVAN THE LARGEST IMPORTING COAL DEPOT  
IN IRELAND,**

was opposed by some of the Commissioners now seeking re election. Our deserted Quays speaks volumes.

**THE ARTIZANS' COTTAGES**

project was also frustrated by those mis-representatives to aid their friends, the tenement landlords. And later still

**THE EXTENSION OF THE QUAY,**

a very necessary work, was also knocked on the head for no other reason than purely personal feeling.

Our Town Hall, which cost the Ratepayers over £2,000, has passed into the hands of a private individual through their want of judgment—in fact stupidity! There are several other matters that would have been a benefit to Dungarvan, which were also sadly neglected!

Ratepayers! I am sure it is not necessary for me to call your attention to the manner in which

**YOUR MONEY HAS BEEN THROWN AWAY!**

in giving Mr. Barry, of Cork, £17 17s. for simply coming down on a pleasure trip to take a look at the Quay.

What is still of greater importance, you are at this moment called on to pay a Rate of 1s. 6d. in the £ as Road Rate, to keep about two miles of roads in repair. I must ask you, Ratepayers, to put this question to yourselves—how is it that when 14 miles of Borough Roads were on the Commissioners' hands they were kept in repair for 1s. in the £, and for many years at 9d. in the £? Now two miles of roads cannot be kept in repair by the present Commissioners without a rate of 1s. 6d. in the £. You are also taxed 1s. in the £ for improvement purposes, and at present

there is not a flag in the possession of the Commissioners that could be laid down in any part of the town, but simply using cement in their place, a very useless expenditure.

These are the questions that you have to take into consideration, if you have any interest in (to use a phrase of Mr. W. Gibbons) "your breeches pocket."

**WHAT ARE THE WILD WAVES SAYING?**

Response: Vote for Patrick McNamara, and beware of the out-going members—Gibbons and Phelan—who seek re-election, that blocked the Artizans' Dwellings, in order to keep up the rents for their friends, the Weekly Tenement Landlords.

If elected, I will pay careful attention to your interests at the Board, and will support any project having for its object the benefit of my native town.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

PATRICK McNAMARA.

Bay View, Dungarvan, Oct. 13, 1887.

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TO THE  
RATEPAYERS AND PEOPLE  
OF  
DUNGARVAN.

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GENTLEMEN :

In compliance with the promise made after the late Municipal contest, that an opportunity would be soon taken of "rendering an account of our stewardship" since the Election of 1884, the writer, as Chairman of the Town Commissioners, is asked to return thanks to the Ratepayers who selected the successful candidates, for it is thus admitted the action they took since they had seats at the Town Board has been approved of. Only two out of four returned three years ago, the writer and Mr. R. Phelan, are at present members of the Board. We then promised the Ratepayers we would use our best endeavours to forward their interests in every way, and we now say we have, *so far as we could under the circumstances*, fulfilled that promise.

Now, when I and those who worked with me became members we found much confusion before us, every thing at "sixes and sevens," particularly as regards finance, for the then Clerk was acting Treasurer, the National Bank having ceased for some time to honour the cheques of the Town Commissioners. It came out afterwards that a loss of £63 was incurred owing to that arrangement.

Soon after our return in 1884 a Finance Committee was appointed, consisting of Messrs. Williams, Merry, Phelan, and the writer, and after much trouble we succeeded in getting a credit for the Board from the Provincial Bank, and our cheques have been regularly honoured ever since.

We found debts before our election had been steadily increasing, until things were brought to a *deadlock*, owing to the precaution wisely taken by the National Bank. In round numbers we found about £1,300 due on the 'Towns' Improvement and Road Accounts, including the balance due of a flagging loan got in 1881. We found many bills outstanding with no funds to meet them, and not a few cheques had been discounted for people who wanted money badly. After a short time it was found necessary in the interests of the ratepayers, to transfer our account from the National to the Provincial Bank; but, strange to say, we of the Finance Committee were opposed in this by some members, who pressed us very hard to join the Board in 1884, as they put it, to put "some check on jobbery and useless outlay," and to help to get the Board out of a financial difficulty; one member actually threatened to get us surcharged with any interest accruing on the account at the Provincial Bank, and we had some difficulty in foiling that very shabby trick. Now, I would say I had as much interest as anyone at the Board in the well-being of the National Bank; but then I looked to the interests of the ratepayers, and as we were, in our difficulty, offered better terms by the Provincial than the National Bank, I felt bound, as a member of the Finance Committee, to recommend the Board to accept the offer of the former.

Well, strange to say, having done what we could to set the finances of the Board right, our difficulty ever since has been to keep down unnecessary expense, for we have frequently found members very desirous of increasing outlay, whilst putting obstacles in the way of even collecting the rates, just as if the desire was to *bring about a deadlock again*.

Many a time we have had to strive against members, who, perhaps, to oblige a friend, or to gain a little *cheap popularity*, pressed hard for some special outlay; but when asked where was the money to come from, could only answer, "Oh, it's but a trifle; it won't come to half a farthing in the £." Yet the Finance Committee were told at the same time we should not put an increase of 2d. in the £ on the Road Rate, though we had promised the Bank we would do all in our power to decrease the debt speedily, and, on the strength of this promise, got the Provincial Bank in 1884 to make specially good terms with our Board.

It may be seen from the foregoing our "stewardship" was not a pleasant one; yet we would never trouble our townspeople with a line or a word as to the ordeal we have had to go through, were it not that we have been represented as men who had most shamefully neglected their trust, the charges being rather vaguely set forth in an address, signed "Patrick McNamara;" but people here know who the real authors are, and *their* motives are easily seen through. I will now endeavour to put before the public the exact facts in connection with matters about which there might be some doubt, particularly as reports were privately circulated without stint, so as to prejudice those who had votes against "some of the outgoing Commissioners," meaning, of course, Gibbons and Phelan.

Now in the address there is little worthy of notice—it might be looked on as a very common-place electioneering squib, with the exception, indeed, of the charge as to the "*passing of the Town Hall into the hands of a private individual*." I wish it to be put on record that I and some few others did all we could to secure the property for the town, and if we were not *then* successful the fault, I can easily show, was not ours. I need not go into any explanation of the action taken by us on the Tramway Scheme, the Artizans' Dwelling Scheme, and all the other schemes on the fishing interest, &c., brought forward here from time to

time for the benefit, I think, of private individuals, and helping, perhaps, to fill up newspaper reports; but I will just remark here that though several meetings were held, and many speeches made on various grievances, there was never a word said on a real grievance for our town—that is, the confiscation of our Town Hall and Butter Weigh-house. Now, as to the hint in the electioneering squib, in reference to our Town Hall, there is much need for a full explanation of the exact facts, for, I think, few people in our town really understand what that difficulty is, and how it came about.

Let me say at once that in 1884 Lord Waterford sold to Mr. Merrick, of Youghal, at about 20 years' purchase, the ground on which the Butter Market and Town Hall stand, and in 13 years from now *it will be in Mr. Merrick's power to evict the Town Commissioners.*

The purchase was made before our election in 1884; but as the then Commissioners had not even heard the property was for sale, and that it was made without their being either consulted or considered by buyer or seller, they cannot be blamed for the practical confiscation of an outlay of £1,500 (equal to £75 a year) made in 1871, and made, let us bear in mind, on the promise made by Mr. Roberts, then agent to Lord Waterford, that their lease would be renewed at the old rent of £14 15s. 5d. a year.

Now let me explain what happened afterwards. In November, 1884, it leaked out that the ground rent of our Town Hall and Butter Market was sold to a Mr. Merrick, of Youghal; but as it was not credited at the time, a letter was written to Lord Waterford's agent, Captain Gandy, on the subject. He, in his reply, asked to have a copy of the record as to promise in our Minute Book sent him. This was forwarded in due course, with a lengthy statement, showing how the people of Dungarvan had a large interest in their premises, and pointing out that it would be most unfair to our townspeople to have their large outlay, made on what *was a ruin when they got possession in 1870, thus*

*secretly sold* at a moderate rate of purchase to a Youghal gentleman.

After much delay, and some fencing on Mr. Gandy's part, he finally wrote to say our claim came too late, for Mr. Merrick, of Youghal, had some time before purchased our property. Well, when we found the people of Dungarvan were sold between the Marquis of Waterford and Mr. Merrick, of Youghal, a meeting of Town Commissioners was held to decide on the steps we ought take under the circumstances. We appointed a deputation—Messrs. T. Williams, Richard Curran, and Richard Phelan—to wait on Mr. Samuel Ruddell, agent to Mr. Merrick here, and, as we learn, both of the firm Merrick and Ruddell. We wished to hear what he could do for us, as we wanted only to secure for our town the £1,500 invested. Our aim was to buy from Mr. Merrick our ground rent on the same terms as he bought from Lord Waterford, or let us have what we were to get on Mr. Roberts's promise—a renewal of our lease without our rent being increased. Our deputation had an interview with Mr. Ruddell, when it came out £530 was paid for the whole head rent of £25 17s. a year, that is of the ground on which our building stands, and of the ground on which are built the Methodist Church, the corner house, and the ware-shop house, of which head rent the Town Commissioners pay £14 15s. 5d.; and it was this we wanted to buy, so as to secure ourselves, as Mr. Ruddell said his friend bought the whole head rent to secure the interest he had bought in the premises I have named above. When I make reference to Mr. Ruddell, it must be understood we deal with him as the agent and friend of Mr. Merrick, of Youghal. After an interview our deputation reported to the Board that Mr. Ruddell met them in a most conciliatory spirit, said he never intended to make any profit out of the purchase, and, finally, offered them our portion of head rent for £275.

We, that is the Town Commissioners, considered we

were then fairly, even liberally treated, and our Clerk was ordered to write a letter of thanks to Mr. Merrick. It seems, however, we were premature, for it was only when our solicitor was preparing a conveyance it came out Mr. Ruddell wanted £275, but he would ask us to go on paying our £14 15s. 5d. for the 15 years still unexpired of our lease. At one of our meetings Mr. Ruddell attended, making a most bewildering explanation, and he certainly confused all who heard him between borrowing at 3 per cent. and lending at 6 per cent. I don't think he could have considered us exactly simpletons, yet it seems very like it. He afterwards said his idea was to give us a *renewal of our lease* for £275, though we expected to get our portion at 20 years' purchase, as he bought himself at this rate. We then got, as an alternative, an offer of a rent increased to £25 a year, but this was declined, as it would be out of all proportion to his own purchase. Later on he said he would take £50 off his first claim of £275, but it was not accepted, as we thought he should not treat Dungarvan so unfairly in all his offers. Now, to do Mr. Ruddell justice, he tried to persuade us he made a bad investment in that part of the take where he held a leasehold interest, and, possibly, he may not see what a really good bargain he made. Let us look at it as a matter which is quite outside the head rent. It seems he pays £36 a year for 15 years from time of purchase for his leasehold interest, this equals in cash down £325; he paid also a couple hundred pounds to Mr. Thomas Downey for an outlay on the houses, in all, putting it at the very most, say £600, as against our £1,500 outlay. Let me value his £600 at £30 a year, and for that he has, in rents of his two houses and the Methodist Church, say £60 a year, less taxes, repairs, and depreciation, £15, which gives him £45 a year, surely a good return for his £600, as it means 50 per cent. nett on his leasehold outlay, all this mind quite outside the head rent, as Mr. Merrick, of Youghal, is now our head landlord in exchange for Lord Waterford. Under these circumstances I think Mr. Ruddell might very well give Dungarvan people their share of the good thing he got from the Marquis in 1884. Perhaps he

may be inclined to reconsider the whole matter, now that he has it put plainly before him.

Now as to the part taken by the writer, and the very few who really wished to keep Mr. Ruddell to his first offer, that gentleman will himself admit we were the men who pressed hard to secure the Town Hall for Dungarvan; but we were not unanimous at the Board. We found some members covertly hostile, others lukewarm, whilst a few put all the obstacles they could in our way. Whether they so acted in order to thwart us, or whether they wished to befriended Mr. Ruddell, is best known to themselves. Strangest of all, one of our deputation, Mr. Curran, differed from Messrs. Williams and P'helan as to the construction put on Mr. Ruddell's offer when he asked £275, and were it not for this we would have pressed the Board to compel the seller to complete the sale, even by a lawsuit if necessary. We could not advise law *when our own deputation did not agree*. We need not wonder if Mr. Ruddell changed his mind when he saw he had *so many good friends* at the Board; he may well say a fig for Dungarvan people whilst I have some of the Town Commissioners my very humble servants. In face of all this we are now told possibly by those very gentlemen, addressing ratepayers over Patrick McNamara's name, that we have allowed the "*Town Hall to pass into the hands of a private individual*." I hope I have proved the contrary to be the fact, and would add I doubt much if Mr. Ruddell is now very thankful to his kind friends. As the Scotch people say, they should "have let sleeping dogs lie." In conclusion, I would ask what would Messrs. Merrick or Ruddell think if any one else in our town, say the writer, had bought the whole head rent, and looked afterwards to get either fines or an increased rent from the Town Commissioners and themselves. It was competent for an outsider to buy if Lord Waterford would only be *friendly* enough to sell, but who would expect it? or who would dare purchase under such conditions? *I know I should not like to be the man.*



Now, having "rendered an account of our stewardship," having given as well as I could the exact facts about the Town Hall purchase, and "having set down nought in malice," I hope I have cleared myself and those who worked with me of a most calumnious charge. Whatever has been done in the purchase of the Town Hall, or in the possible confiscation of a very large outlay made in 1870, it cannot be said no effort was made to prevent it.

WILLIAM GIBBONS,

Chairman Town Commissioners.

Dungarvan, Nov. 10th, 1887.

During the negotiations for purchase from Messrs  
Merrick and Ruddell, the following were members of our  
Town Board :—

BRENAN, R. EDWARD  
CURRAN, JOHN  
CURRAN, RICHARD  
DUNLEA, WILLIAM  
FLYNN, MAURICE  
GIBBONS, WILLIAM  
KEOHANE, EDWARD  
KIRBY, THOMAS  
MAHONY, JOHN E.  
McCARTHY, THOMAS, Chairman four months.  
MERRY, ROBERT A.  
O'CONNOR, THOMAS  
O'NEILL, THOMAS  
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WILLIAMS, THOMAS O'B., Chairman after June, 1885

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