

Borough of Cheltenham

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, December 30th, 1891.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend the Monthly Meeting of the Council, as such, and Acting as Urban Sanitary Authority, and as a Burial Board, to be held in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Offices, on Monday, the 4th day of January next, at Three o'clock in the afternoon, at which Meeting the following business is proposed to be transacted, and any other business that may legally be transacted at such Meeting.

1. To Elect an Alderman to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the late Mr. George Parsonage.
2. To read and sign the Minutes of the last Monthly Meeting.
3. To receive any official communications and take measures thereon.
4. To approve or otherwise the proceedings of

THE STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE. PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE. TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE, and Purchase of Montpelier Gardens Property WATER COMMITTEE. GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE. BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE. BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE. FINANCE COMMITTEE. PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE. SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.

5. The Mayor to Move : " That, having regard to the alterations which will probably be necessary in relation to the duties and salaries of the Town Clerk and other Officers of the Corporation, in consequence of the probable extension of the Borough Boundaries, the scope of the enquiry of the Committee appointed to consider and report to the Council upon the subject of the Town Clerk's duties and salary be enlarged so as to include the duties and salaries of such Officers of the Corporation as will be affected by such extension of the boundaries."

6. Councillor Norman to move : " That Alderman Col. Thoyts be appointed a representative of the Town Council upon the Board of Governors of Pate's Charity, in the place of the late Alderman Parsonage.

7. Notices of Motion.

7. To read the following letters, &c., and pass Resolutions thereon, if need be :—L. W. Montagnon re Roadway in front of School of Science. Jno. Price and others re Sewer in Road between Albert Street and Victoria Street, St. Pauls. J. P. Harris re Private Improvement Works in road between Albert Street and Victoria Street, St. Paul's.

Yours faithfully,

E. T. BRYDGES,

Town Clerk.

BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 23rd day of December, 1891— Present : The Mayor ; Councillors King, Moles, Steel, Parsonage, and Heath (Councillor Parsonage in the chair)—

1--Superintendent's Report—The Superintendent reported that during the recent gale the Finial on the East end of the Nonconformist Chapel was blown down and broken to pieces. The Superintendent also reported the facts in connection with a complaint made to the Board by the Rev. Henry Varley as to the Chapel not having been properly warmed, on the occasion of a funeral conducted by that Minister, on the 15th inst., and produced letters from several persons who had visited the Chapel at the time complained of expressing their approval of the heating, the thermometer being, Mr. Gregory stated, up to 47 degrees.

Resolved, That the Surveyor be instructed to have a new Finial made and fixed ; and that the Superintendent be instructed to keep the temperature of the Chapels at not less than 50 degrees Fahr.

2—The Board's Sexton—It appearing that Mr. E. Broom has been absent from the Borough and has not personally attended to his duties during this past six months, and having also regard to the new arrangements as to the duties of Sexton which will be necessary, in consequence of the agreement come to with the Rector, Mr. Broom be informed that his services as the Board's Sexton will be dispensed with on the expiration of a month from the next Meeting of the Council.

3—Designs—The following Designs were examined and approved : Headstones to Henry Weaver, and John Lindridge Elgee.

EDWARD H. PARSONAGE.

Chairman.

Borough of Cheltenham

MINUTES of the Proceedings of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the Monthly Meeting of the Council, to be held on Monday, the 4th of January, 1892.

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 22nd day of December, 1891—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Col. Thoyts ; Councillors Darby, King, Steel, Heath, and Lawrence (Alderman Col. Thoyts in the chair)—

1-Gas Examiner's Monthly Report—The Monthly Report of the Gas Examiner was read Average Illuminating Power, 16.46 candles. Purity, 17.79 grains of Sulphur per 100 cubic feet. Resolved. That the attention of the Company be called to the abnormal quantity of sulphur on the 2nd and 3rd inst.

2-Gas Inspector's Monthly Report—The Monthly Report of the Gas Inspector was read : Average hourly consumption of Gas per lamp during the month, 4.257 cubic feet.

4-Lamp Book—The book kept at the Police Station was produced and examined. Lamps extinguished during the month, 364 (31 metered); burning dimly, 167 (24 metered).

3-Surveyor's Monthly Report, re Highways—The Surveyor reported that the following works had been done in his Department during the past month:

Repaired with Clee Hill Stone—Hatherley Road, Malvern Road, Gloucester Road (near Gas Works). Patching —Bayshill Road, Whitehart Street, Hewlett Place, Prestbury Road, Gloucester Place, Grosvenor Street, Douro Road, Carlton Street, Princes Street, Tivoli Place,

Repaired with Wickwar Stone—Destructor Road, Hatherley Road (proceeding), Cemetery Road (proceeding).

Patching—Christ Church Road, Sandford Road, Prestbury Road.

Repaired with Local Stone—Marle Hill Road (finished).

Repaired with Clinkers — Rowanfield Road (proceeding).

Curbing, Crossing and Flagging—High Street, Townsend Street, Gloucester Road, St. Luke's Place, Evesham Road, Albert Place, Swindon Passage, Sherborne Street, Winchcombe Street, Lansdown Crescent, Royal Parade, Well Place, Royal Crescent (Private Improvement, proceeding).

Footpaths (Tariff)—Swindon Road.

Footpaths (Gravel)—Marle Hill Road (finished), Evesham Road, Lansdown Road.

Footpaths (Asphalte)—St. Paul's Road, Vernon Place.

Ashes Collected-1,296 Cart Loads.

Gulleys Re-constructed-1 Tewkesbury Road, 1 Whitehart Street, 1 Lansdown Parade.

5—Marle Hill Road—The Surveyor reported that the works ordered in this road had been completed at a cost of £216 9s. 5d., which sum he had apportioned amongst the various abutting owners, in manner set forth in his Report. Resolved, That notice of the apportionment be given to the abutting owners, and demand made for repayment of the sums respectively due from them.

6—Ambrose Street Improvement—The consideration of the question of bringing forward the front of No. 16 was adjourned.

A letter from Mr. William Prew enquiring if the Corporation would accept £350 for No. 28, Ambrose Street, was read. Resolved, That the Committee cannot accept less than £400 for this property.

7—Footpath in front of Lansdown Cottages—The Borough Surveyor submitted a Plan shewing the arrangement proposed to be made with Mr. Austin. Resolved, That the Plan be approved, and that the Surveyor do erect an iron railing with stone plinth, and with gates.

8—Ashes Collection—High Street—A Letter from Mr. E. J. Caudle, enquiring if some better arrangement could not be made for the collection of ashes, &c., in the upper part of High Street, was read. Resolved, That Notice by circular be given to the occupiers of premises in the principal streets that the ashes, &c., must be put out ready for collection by the scavengers not later than 9 o'clock a.m., and that this rule will be strictly enforced.

9—Road between Pittville Circus and " Gwernant "—Mr. Wm. Gardner, having called attention to the state of the above road, which he had for many years kept in repair, Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to bring up a Specification of the repairs required to be done by the abutting owners.

10—Bill Posting in Ambrose Street—Smith—A Letter from Mr. Harry Lewis, stating that his client will not pay the rent demanded as the wall of Mrs. Eamer's house and the wall of Mr. Smith's own property in Ambrose Place do not belong to the Corporation ; at the same time he is desirous of avoiding litigation and unpleasantness, and with that view he desired to treat with the Corporation for the purchase of the strip of land in Ambrose Street and for their interest (if any) in the walls alleged by the Council to be party walls. That Mr. Smith is willing to pay £30 for the whole strip and

the interest in the walls, or £15 for the piece at the front of his house in Ambrose Place, and also that Mr Smith's intention is, if the Corporation sell to him, to submit plans for two cottages, which shall be an improvement to the neighbourhood, was read. Resolved, That the matter be adjourned for further consideration.

11--Glenfall Street—A Memorial from Mr. James Hyatt and others, stating that the footpath and road which they have had notice to repair have been kept in order by the late Commissioners and the Corporation for twenty years, and they think it an injustice to compel them to do what the notice requires, and they hope the Committee will give the matter their consideration and direct the work to be done at the expense of the Corporation, was read. Resolved, That the Memorialists be informed that the resolution ordering the repair by the owners having passed the Council, the Committee cannot recommend any alteration to be made in it, and moreover that the repair by the Commissioners or by the Council does not affect the right of the Council to now require the owners to execute the works mentioned in the specification.

12—Wellington Street—A Memorial from Councillor Neale and others, calling attention to the unsatisfactory condition of the road and footpaths in this street, and requesting the Corporation to give the matter their kind consideration, was read. Resolved That the Surveyor do bring up a Specification of the necessary works to be done by the owners.

13—St. George's Road Bridge—The Town Clerk laid before the Committee a print of the Great Western Railway Bill now before Parliament, and called attention to Clauses 6 and 13 thereof, as affecting the Cheltenham Corporation, the object of the Company being to lengthen the south-eastern side of the bridge carrying St. George's Road over their line, and to be relieved from the obligation to maintain the surface of any road or public highway which shall be carried over the railway's by a bridge or bridges, unless the level of such road is permanently raised. Resolved, That the Surveyor be instructed to report as to the accommodation and other works required, and generally as to the widening and lengthening of the bridge.

14—Street Projections—The Street Inspector reported that the lamps placed in front of Messrs. Blackburn's premises, No 135, High Street, had not been kept lighted till 11 p.m. as directed by the Committee.

He also reported that since the last Meeting a sign had been put up by Mr. W. T. Walton, at No. 49, St. George's Street, in contravention of the Bye-Laws.

Resolved, That notice be given to Messrs. Blackburn to remove their lamps, the conditions on which permission to fix them was granted not having been observed, and that notice be given to Mr. Walton to remove his sign board.

15—Lamps at 229, High Street - A letter from Mr. George Shrives expressing his willingness to comply with the terms of the resolution the Committee passed last month, except the regulation that the lamps shall be fixed 8 feet above the pavement, and pointing out that 8 feet would be of little use as regards his business, as the light is wanted at the centre and bottom of the window, was read. Resolved, That Mr Shrives be informed that the Committee must adhere to their requirement to have the lamps placed 8 feet high, that being, moreover, the height prescribed by the Act.

16—Lamps at Bon Marche—A letter from Mr. Ralph Negus adverting to the notice served upon him to keep these lamps burning till 11 p.m., pointing out that his lamps are not advertising lamps, and they hang almost entirely over his own pavement, and desiring to be allowed to turn them off at the termination of business at night, was read. Resolved, That Mr. Negus be referred to his application

of date the 8th day of October, 1890, and that he be informed the Committee cannot depart from the resolution then passed, as modified last month.

17 -Bridge over Chelt —The Surveyor submitted Plans for re-constructing this bridge, and he was instructed to have the same done at a cost not exceeding £15

18—Trees—Resolved, That the trees marked by this Committee in Pittville Circus Road and the Pittville Estate be removed.

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19-New Buildings—The Surveyor laid before the Committee Notices and Plans received by him from the following persons intending to erect New Buildings, viz :—

Mr. J. E. Davies for a house in Cleveland Street, which was approved subject to the ash-bin being built over the drain, and to 3 proper ventilation being provided in the wing bedroom, and from

Mr. E. C. Howard for additions to No 2, Spring Grove Villas, which was approved, and consent granted to the addition to the front of the house as shown on the Plan.

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 24th day of December, 1891 — Present : The Mayor; Alderman Wethered ; Councillors Darby, Hands, King, and Parsonage (Alderman Wethered in the chair)—

1—Chairman—In the absence of the Chairman during the earlier part of the meeting, Alderman Wethered was appointed Chair-man of this meeting.

2-Hawarden Parade Sewer—A Memorial from Messrs. J. Huber and others, complaining of the insufficiency of the sewer to carry off the surface water from Hawarden Parade in time of excessive rainfall, in consequence of which the polluted water is forced back into the basements of the houses, was read. Messrs. Dean, Smith, Green and Morgan waited on the Committee, on behalf of the Memorialist, in support of the Memorial. Resolved, That the Surveyor be instructed to examine the sower and the locality and report as to the best means of remedying the evil complained of.

3—Disinfecting Chamber—The following Report on this subject was laid before the Committee by the Surveyor : Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, (Borough Surveyor's Department), December 18th, 1891.

Gentlemen,

DISINFECTION BY STEAM.

Acting under your instructions of the 2nd instant, I have put myself in communication with the makers of what is recognised as one of the best machines for the purpose, and which has been most favourably reported on by the Officers of the Local Government Board.

A very slight consideration will suffice to show that steam is the only efficient method of destroying micro-organisms, which are within the folds of clothing or bedding, and which are generally believed to be the means of infection in most, if not all, the zymotic diseases. When it is remembered that all

articles of clothing owe their value to the power of resisting the passage of air, and that by the use of steam, the air retained within the structure of any woven fabric is compressed so as to occupy less than half the original space, and if the steam is judiciously applied such air can be entirely expelled, and the steam be made to occupy the whole space.

Dr. Parsons, reporting to the Local Government Board, states the characteristics of a good disinfecting chamber to be as follows:

1. A uniform distribution of heat in all parts of the chamber.
2. The maintenance of the heat with constancy at any required degree.
3. A trustworthy index to the actual temperature of the interior at the time being. After these in importance come:
4. Rapidity of action, both of first getting up of heat, and in effecting disinfection.
5. Economy of first cost, and of working.

All these conditions are satisfactorily met in the machine invented by Mr. Washington Lyons, and made by Messrs. Manlove, Alliot & Co., which consists essentially of a large iron chamber, 7 feet in length, 6 feet in height, and 3 feet 7 inches in width, surrounded by a larger iron chamber, the annular space thus left and the interior of the chamber, are each fitted with steam pipe, safety and pressure valves, which indicate the temperature, and maintain the temperature and pressure at any fixed degree, by applying steam to the outer casing and excluding it from the interior the effect of dry heat may be obtained for treating such articles as would be injured by the application of steam, but the usual method is to adjust the valves so that the pressure—and therefore the temperature—is slightly higher in the outer casing than in the chamber, the effect of which is to prevent condensation, and thus avoid injury by moisture. Seeing that the steam jacket prevents condensation, if the boiler pressure is shut off the chamber, the maintenance of the pressure within will be a fair guide as to the extent to which the steam has penetrated the articles which are being disinfected.

An important feature is the possibility of ensuring absolute separation between infected and purified clothing ; this is effected by the machine having two doors, which communicate with separate rooms.

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The principal reasons which operate in favour of the site at the Destructor are, the distance from dwellings, the avoidance of any risk of re-infection after purification, and the fact that the working expenses will be almost nil, because you have steam at all hours in practically unlimited quantity.

In connection with this matter may I be permitted to offer a suggestion as to a possible arrangement for the use of such an establishment as I have described, and which is shown upon the plan which accompanies this report.

One machine would doubtless be found ample for all purposes of disinfection required in Cheltenham ; there are at the present time two available for use, one at the Delancey Hospital and one at the Workhouse ; both, I understand, are on the principle of hot air, and therefore, even if the best of their kind, not entirely reliable.

I would suggest that arrangements be made with the Trustees of the Delancey Hospital, and with the Guardians for the Cheltenham Union, by which they could have the use of the apparatus at any time

on payment of a small fee which may represent either (a) the cost to you, (b) the value of the service rendered, or if you so decide (c) merely an acknowledgment. You might have a closed van in which infected goods could be placed for removal, and the purified clothing could be removed by the owners without contact with any person or thing which could under any circumstances be infected. From the Workhouse clothing belonging to casuals could be stored and returned within about 20 minutes.

The cost would be so small that if you decided to do it without charge the increase upon your Public Health charges would probably not be more than two or three pence, whilst it would place in the hands of your Medical Officer of Health a most effective weapon for dealing with infectious disease at its origin, before it can become epidemic, if he could offer to treat any suspicious clothing without risk of injury to it, or of cost to the owners.

My reason for suggesting joint action and user in this matter is that as one machine would be sufficient for all purposes, that the working expenses for hot-air apparatus are invariably very large, that such cost is borne by the same persons, whether in the form of a Poor rate, an Urban Sanitary Rate, a subscription to the Delancey Hospital, or as a charge for the use of the Hospital, that one modern efficient machine could be erected at a comparatively small cost, the interest and working expenses of which would probably be much less than the present expenses incident to the use of either of the existing arrangements.

The system of working I suggest is that the apparatus should be under the control of the Medical Officer of Health, that a van (either horse or hand) belonging to the Corporation would be sent at an agreed hour in charge of one man (say either the attendant at the Delancey Hospital or a Sub-Inspector of Nuisances) who would place all the clothing, &c., in the chamber and close the door, giving notice to the engine-man that he required steam; upon this the engine attendant would turn on steam until the safety valves blow off, and the pressure remained steady; he would then shut off steam according to written instructions, and leave the clothing until some authorised person claimed them. The person bringing infected clothing would not enter any room except one provided for the purpose. The men employed at the Destructor would never enter the building but simply turn a valve and observe a gauge in the adjoining building. The persons removing clothing, &c., would not enter any room in which infected clothing had ever been placed.

Description of the Building.—The arrangement consists of two rooms adjoining each 14ft. by 10ft. 6in. and about 16ft in height, the apparatus being so placed that one end will be in the receiving room and the other end in the delivery room. The floor to be of smooth cement concrete, the walls plastered with cement to a perfectly smooth surface, and all angles filled so as to avoid corners. One wall of the new building to be the existing wall of the Destructor building; the steam pipe, gauges, and safety valves will pass through this wall, so that the boiler attendant will give all attention without passing into the room or getting in contact with any infected clothing.

The cost of such a building, with all the necessary fittings complete ready for use, with a van, will not exceed £400.

I have the honour to be, Gentlemen, your obedient servant,

JOSEPH BALL, Borough Surveyor

The further consideration of the Report was adjourned.

4-Dairies and Cowsheds Order—An application from Mr. Wm. Arkell to be registered as a Dairyman and Purveyor of Milk at No. 14, Pittville Street, was read, together with the report of the Inspector of Nuisances thereon. Resolved, That the applicant be registered.

5---Zymotic Disease--The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of cases of Zymotic Disease which had occurred during the month, viz.: Scarlatina 7, Enteric Fever 1. Diptheria nil.

6—Accounts—The following accounts were examined and allowed :—

J. S. Gibbons, Chief Rent on Barn Farm .	..	£0 1 6
Locke and Son, Refreshments.. ..	..	£2 0 6
Leckhampton General District Rate on Ambulance Cottage		£0 10 6
Ditto Poor Rate ditto ..	.. ..	£0 9 7
Poor Rate on Cottages on Sewage Farms ..	..	£22 5 4
Medical Practitioners Notifying Infectious Disease	..	£4 12 6
W. M. Gammond, Sickness Returns.. ..	..	£2 10 0
J. H. Bennett, Returns of Births and Deaths	..	£0 17 5
Dr. Roch, Fly Hire ..	..	£0 17 5
E Jones, 4 weeks' salary ..	..	£5 0 0
Delancey Hospital, Treatment of Patients ..	..	£29 8 0
W. Ursell, Horsing Ambulance .	..	£0 15 0

EDWARD WETHERED,

Chairman.

TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 14th day of December, 1891—Present : The Mayor ; Aldermen Thoyts and Wethered ; Councillors Drew, Lawrence, Norman Skillicorne and Waghorne (Councillor Waghorne in the Chair,)—

1- Pittville Estate—Broom's Land —A Letter from Messrs. New, Prance and Garrard, agreeing to sell this Land to the Corporation for £300, and stating that they waived auction fees, and that the Mortgagees will not be held responsible for the arrears of Chief Rent, and forwarding draft contract for approval by the Town Clerk, was read.

The Town Clerk reported that the Superintendent of the Cemetery had in hand between £4 and £5 which he had collected as fees due to Mr. Broom as Sexton for the Burial Board, during the absence of Mr. Broom from Cheltenham.

Resolved, That if Mr. Broom will consent to the sums in Mr. Gregory's hands being paid over to the Corporation, the Committee will not insist upon the payment of the Rent Charge by the Mortgagees, and will advise the Council to confirm the resolution to purchase at £300.

2-- Extension of Borough Boundaries —A Letter from the Secretary of the Local Government Board stating that the Board regretted their letter of the 13th Nov. last was not more explicit, that the decision which the Board had arrived at was to annex to the Borough a part of Leckhampton with an area of 294 ¼ acres and a population believed by the Board to be about 3,500 and an estimated rateable value of £16,092 ; and a part of Charlton Kings with an area of 83 acres, an estimated population of 1,500, and an estimated rateable value of £5,159, the part of Leckhampton proposed

to be included in the Borough being coloured dark yellow on the map, and that of Charlton Kings being coloured dark green, was read.

The Borough Surveyor having written to Gen. Carey, one of the Local Government Board's Inspectors who held the enquiry in this matter, pointing out how unsatisfactory the proposed new boundary between Cheltenham and Charlton Kings on the Battledown side would be, and suggesting a modification of it in accordance with a plan he had prepared, a letter from Genl. Carey to Mr. Hall stating that the proposed boundary, as laid down on the map, could not now be altered, was read.

3—Land opposite Imperial Rooms —Resolved, That the Street Inspector do have the advertising boards now standing on this land removed.

JOHN WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tries lay, the 22nd day of December, 1891—Present : The Mayor; Aldermen Thoyts and Wethered ; Councillors Drew, Wm. Heath, Lawrence, Norman, and Waghorne, (Councillor Waghorne in the chair.)

4—Pittville Estate—Broom's Land —A Letter from Messrs. New, Prance and Garrard, stating that their client would object to the contract herein being conditional upon the sanction of the Local Government Board being obtained, and to the completion of the purchase being postponed till March, and that it must also be cleared up that the Mortgagees are under no responsibility for the Chief Rent, was read. Resolved, That it is out of the power of the Committee to depart from the usual course, it being absolutely necessary to obtain the consent of the Local Government Board before the purchase can be effected.

5—Pittville Lake—Resolved, That during the skating the price of admission to the gardens be 6d., children half-price.

6—Montpellier Gardens—A Deputation from the Directors of the Company, consisting of the Chairman of the Company, Dr. E. T. Wilson, and Messrs. Wm. Barron and Nathl. Smith attended the meeting. Dr. Wilson stated that the Company could not accept the offer of £7,000 made by the Corporation, and proposed that the Corporation should purchase the whole of the Company's property and undertaking for £10,500. Dr. Wilson also stated that the Directors would recommend their shareholders to accept £7,500 for the gardens, and £3,000 for the Baths. The subject was discussed and the further consideration thereof adjourned to enable the Committee to view the Baths.

JOHN WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 30th day of December, 1891—Present The Mayor ; Alderman Wethered ; Councillors Drew, Win. Heath, Lawrence, Norman, Skillicorne, and Waghorne (Councillor Waghorne in the chair)—

7--Montpellier Gardens —The Committee, having inspected the Montpellier Baths property on the 23rd inst., again considered this matter. Resolved, That an offer of £7,500 be made for the Montpellier Gardens, on the distinct understanding that this includes the purchase of the whole of the rights of the Company in relation to the Mineral Water Wells and Waters, whether in connection with the Gardens or at the Baths in Bath Road, with the sole right to manufacture and sell the salts

now or formerly manufactured by the Company at the Baths under any title or titles under which such salts have been sold by the Company.

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8—"The World"—A Letter from the editor of "The World," calling attention to a paragraph in that journal relating to Cheltenham, and trusting that paper might be favourably considered at some future time when advertisements relating to Cheltenham are being distributed, was read. Resolved, That the Editor be thanked for his article, and for his courtesy in calling attention thereto.

9—Niagara Cottage Property—A Letter from Messrs. Engall, Sanders & Co., stating that on this property, which is in the market for sale, is one of the oldest Mineral Springs in Cheltenham, which is held in considerable repute in its neighbourhood, and expressing their willingness to send a plan of the property for the consideration of the Committee, was read. Resolved, That the Committee do not entertain the offer.

10—Pittville Pump Room—The insurance of the Pittville Pump Room having expired on the 25th inst. Resolved, That the building be re-insured in the "Union" Insurance office in the sum of £2,000.

11—No. 6, Promenade—The Letter read at the last Council Meeting from Messrs. Walter Wilkins & Son, proposing to remove the railing in front of No. 6 Promenade and give up the garden in front to the Corporation on their undertaking to asphalt the space so given up and erect a railing to enclose the area, was read, together with a Letter of later date from Messrs. Wilkins, stating that as probably a greater improvement to the town would result from concerted action on the part of themselves and the owners of adjacent property, they withdrew their proposition for the moment, although they would be pleased to further any scheme for improvements in the direction indicated.

JNO. WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 11th day of December, 1891 — Present; The Mayor; Aldermen Thoyts and Wethered ; Councillors Darby, and Williams, (Councillor Darby in the chair),—

1— Land at Mythe, Tewkesbury—A letter from Messrs. Moore, Solicitors, offering, on behalf of the Trustees of the Mythe Bridge, to sell to the Corporation a strip of land lying between the Bridge road and the land of the Corporation on the Mythe Tute preliminary to the winding up of their Trust (and of which the Corporation have the pre-emptory right) for the sum of £95 the value put upon it by their Surveyor, and desiring to know if the Corporation would purchase it, was read. Sub-sequent letters in reply to letters from the Town Clerk for further particulars, with a plan of the land from which it appeared that the contents are 0a. 1r. 1p., were also laid before the Committee. Resolved, That the Committee recommend that an offer of £50 be made for the land. The Committee arranged to visit the work., and inspect the above-mentioned land on Tuesday next.

J. T. DARBY,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 15th day of December, 1891,—Present : The Mayor; Aldermen Thoyts and Wethered ; Councillors Darby and Lenthall (Councillor Darby in the chair)—

2- Tewkesbury Works—The Committee visited Tewkesbury and examined the Works, which were found to be in good order and working satisfactorily. They also inspected the land offered by the Trustees of the Mythe Bridge, and the consideration of the price to be offered was adjourned to the next meeting.

J. T. DARBY,

Chairman.

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At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 29th day of December, 1891,—Present: The Mayor; Aldermen Thoys and Wethered ; Councillors Darby, Heath, Williams and Waghorne (Councillor Darby in the chair)—

3—Borough Surveyor's Report—The usual Monthly Report of the Surveyor, as follows, was read :—

On the 28th instant the springs supplying the Hewletts Reservoirs were yielding 502 gals per minute, the average for the last four years being 307 gals. per minute, and the quantity of water in store at Hewletts and Leckhampton was 17,593,983 gallons.

On the 28th instant the depth of water in the Dowdeswell Reservoir was 32 ft. 1 ½ in., and the contents 100,107,603 gallons, which gives a total storage of 117,701,586 gallons, or 181 days' supply.

During the month it has been necessary to extend the main in Ryeworth Lane for a short distance to supply one house.

In connection with fixing the charge for water it is necessary in all cases to refer to the Valuation List, as in many cases the amount of the gross value is not the same as the rent. The copy of the List for Cheltenham now in use was made in 1884, and, owing to changes, is not reliable. We have no copy of the Valuation List for Leckhampton. It will much facilitate business if these copies are obtained.

I have to report the death, on the 20th instant, of the Keeper of the Hewletts Reservoir (J. Pearce). As the work of cleaning No. 4 Reservoir is now in hand, the foreman is regularly in attendance. I have not at present made any arrangements for a successor.

The whole of the hydrants ordered on the 7th September have been received, and all except five are fixed and connected with the mains.

4—Mythe Bridge Land—A letter from Messrs. C. W. and F. Moore stating that the Committee's offer of £50 for this land had been submitted to the Trustees, who agreed (without prejudice to the rights and powers of the Trustees, in the event of no agreement being come to) to accept the sum of £70, the Corporation paying boils Vendors' and Purchaser's cost of the Deed of Conveyance in duplicate and the enrolment thereof, the purchasers being satisfied as to title with a Minute of a Meeting held on the 21st of July, 1823, signed by the then Vendors of the Sale by the Trustees of the will of Thomas Porter of a piece of land not particularly described, and with the identity of the piece of land now offered with that purchased from Porter's Trustees, and with a declaration that the Trustees have been in undisturbed possession for the last 35 years, and subject to existing tenancy, was read. Resolved, That the Committee recommend the Council to make an offer of £60 for the land, each side to pay its own costs.

J. T. DARBY, Chairman.

GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 28th day of December, 1891—Present: The Mayor ; Alderman Thoyts ; Councillors Darby, Lawrence, Norman, Parsonage and Waghorne (Alderman Thoyts in the chair)—

1-Fire Brigade—The Superintendent reported that the Brigade had been called out to one fire during the month, viz., on the 27th inst. at Boddington Manor, and that the bill of expenses, amounting to £14 13s. 6d., had been sent in to Mr. J. S. Gibbons

2-- George Clifford and Frederick Lewis — The case of George Clifford, a hackney carriage driver, was again adjourned, Superintendent McRae having reported that another charge against this man was pending before the Justices. Mr. Young reported that driver Frederick Lewis had been twice, during the past twelve months, convicted of offences against the Hackney Carriage: Bye-Laws, and he presented a list of previous charges against this driver since 1889.

Resolved, That Lewis be summoned before the Committee at its next meeting.

3-- Markets and Fairs Weighing of Cattle) Act, 1891---A letter from the Board of Agriculture calling attention to the requirements of the above Act for the provision and maintenance of accommodation for weighing cattle, and pointing out the duty of the Local Authority to provide such accommodation, and to have the accuracy of the weighing machine and weights tested at least twice in each year, and the reply of the Town Clerk, stating that certain additions had been made to the existing weighing machine in compliance with the Weighing of Cattle Act, 1887, and desiring to be informed if this would be deemed to be sufficient, with a further letter from the Board stating that an Inspector would examine and report as to the sufficiency or otherwise of the accommodation provided by the Local Authority herein, were read.

4-Wheel Chairs—An application from Charles Cornock for a Wheel Chair License was read, and a license granted.

Permission was given to William Cooke to use a new chair in the place of the one licensed to him, and which he has disposed of.

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5 —Inquests -The Town Clerk reported that he had forwarded a print of the Committee's resolution hereon to the Clerk of the Peace with a request that it might be brought before Quarter Sessions, and also to the Coroner (Mr. Coren), who had written expressing his personal concurrence in the views of the Council.

6—Cab Stands—The question of the Cab Stand accommodation was considered.

Resolved, That the stand in Montpellier Walk be for 3 instead of 2 carriages.

That a new stand for 3 carriages be made in the Promenade, midway between the entrance to the Winter Garden and the Queen's Hotel.

That an additional stand for 3 carriages be made in Imperial Square, near the New Club.

That a stand for 2 carriages be made near the railings of the Masonic Hall, in Portland Street.

That the stand near Pittville Gates be for 3 instead of 2 carriages.

7—Allotments—A letter from the Local Government Board, in reply to the Town Clerk's letter of the 23rd October last, stating the facts as to the opinion of the Law Officers of the Crown on the subject, who advised that the questions were not free from difficulty ; but that the expenses referred to in sec. 2, s.s. 2 of the Act included the interest payable on the purchase money, but not the annual instalment of principle or payments to a Sinking Fund, and stating that the Board considered this opinion (which they understood to mean, that the actual instalment of principle, whatever it may be, is to be excluded from the computation) as binding upon them in their action in these cases, and that, with regard to the rent which can be charged for the land, it appeared to the Board that section 7 does not require the Authority to let any land at a rent less than that which is reasonable, having regard to its agricultural value, was read.

8—Precedence of the Mayor as a J.P.—The Mayor laid before the Committee a long correspondence which had passed between himself and the Chairman of the Cheltenham Division of Magistrates relative to the position to be taken by the Mayor for the time being in regard to judicial matters heard before the Cheltenham Bench of Magistrates. Resolved, That the Committee, having heard the correspondence read, desire to record their entire approval of the position taken up by the Mayor in this matter.

9—Russian Guns—Attention having been called to the state of these guns, the Surveyor was directed to inspect and report what painting, &c., they require.

10--Accounts—The following accounts were examined and allowed:—

The British Window Cleaning Co.	£3 0 0
General District Rate (Allotments Land)	£2 5 7
“ “ “	££1 8 3
“ (Municipal Offices)..	£1 10 0
“ (Market)	£5 0 0
Cheltenham Poor Rate on Allotments Land ..	£6 11 3
W. R. Young, Commission on Market Tolls, &c.	£1 10 0
John Howlett, Clock Repairs (Accountant) ..	£0 5 0
“ Winding and Cleaning Clocks .	£5 5 0
W. A. Baker, Painting Hydrant Marks ..	£4 7 0
“ Fire Brigade Salaries ..	£38 10 0
“ “ Disbursements	£3 8 3

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

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BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 29th day of December, 1891—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Thoyts ; Councillors Heath, King, Moles, and Norman (Councillor King in the chair)—

1—Barrett's Mill—The Surveyor again brought forward this matter with more detailed plans of his proposals for utilizing the property, and the same were considered. Resolved, That a Gymnasium do not form part of the scheme, and that the consideration of the matter generally be further

adjourned, the Surveyor meanwhile to ascertain what terms he could get from a tenant for the portion of the building which will be left undisturbed, if his proposals are carried into effect.

2- Accounts-The following accounts were examined and allowed :—

Cheltenham Poor Rate on Recreation Ground	£1 16 0
Sun Fire Office on ditto ..	£0 11 3
County Fire Office on Baths ..	£2 0 0
Cheltenham Poor Rate on ditto ..	£3 8 0
Public Works Loan Board ..	£135 5 4

CHARLES W. KING,

Chairman.

BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 23rd day of December, 1891— Present : The Mayor; Councillors King, Moles, Steel, Parsonage, and Heath (Councillor Parsonage in the chair)—

1-- Superintendent's Report—The Superintendent reported that during the recent gale the Finial on the East end of the Nonconformist Chapel was blown down and broken to pieces.

The Superintendent also reported the facts in connection with a complaint made to the Board by the Rev. Henry Varley as to the Chapel not having been properly warmed, on the occasion of a funeral conducted by that Minister, on the 13th inst., and produced letters from several persons who had visited the Chapel at the time complained of expressing their approval of the heating, the thermometer being, Mr. Gregory stated, up to 47 degrees.

Resolved, That the Surveyor be instructed to have a new Finial made and fixed; and that the Superintendent be instructed to keep the temperature of the Chapels at not less than 50 degrees Fahr.

2—The Board's Sexton—It appearing that Mr. E. Broom has been absent from the Borough and has not personally attended to his duties during this past six months, and having also regard to the new arrangements as to the duties of Sexton which will be necessary, in consequence of the agreement come to with the Rector, Mr. Broom be informed that his services as the Board's Sexton will be dispensed with on the expiration of a month from the next Meeting of the Council.

3—Designs—The following Designs were examined and approved Headstones to Henry Weaver, and John Lindridge Elgee.

EDWARD H. PARSONAGE.

Chairman.

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FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 31st day of December, 1891—Present : The Mayor ; Councillors Darby, Drew, Lawrence, Parsonage and Win. Heath (Councillor Lawrence in the Chair)--

1-Corporation Stock-Resolved, That the National Provincial Bank be asked to pay over to the Corporation the balance which appears to be owing to the Corporation on the Corporation Stock Account.

2-General District Rate-The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 31st inst., on the collection of this rate, was read. Amount collected £6,991 9s. 2d., leaving outstanding £5,939 14s. 4d.

3-Water Rate -, The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 31st inst., on the collection of this Rate, was read. Receipts £5,005 1s 6d, leaving outstanding £3,246 5s 10d

4-ACCOUNTS. The Borough Accountant laid before the Committee the Account of Receipts and Expenditure, and of the Accounts and amounts to be paid, amounting to the following sums, viz :—

RECEIPTS.-

Borough Fund ..	..	£7 13 0
Public Library—Revenue	..	£8 4 11
Urban Authority—Revenue	..	£1983 5 1
Burial Board—Revenue	..	£80 15 9
Street Improvements ..	..	£9 3 2
Waterworks—Revenue	..	£1274 15 10
Ditto—Capital ..	..	£13 13 1

ACCOUNTS NOW TO BE PAID—

Borough Fund .. .	..	£817 13 1
Public Library—Revenue	..	£711 2 3
Urban Authority—Revenue .	..	£2285 0 7
Burial Board—Revenue	..	£51 15 0
Refuse Destructor—Capital ..	..	£12 4 11
Allotments—Capital ..	..	£0 1 6
Abattoir—Capital ..	..	£0 12 9
Waterworks—Revenue	..	£1163 2 11
Ditto—Capital ..	..	£23 10 0
re Stock ..	..	£59 8 2
Outstanding Cheques .	..	£816 7 1

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT AT THE BANK—

In hand last month ..	£18662 1 8
Received during the month ..	<u>£3377 10 10</u>
	£22039 12 6
Paid during the month	<u>£1669 17 11</u>
In hand	£20369 14 7
Being Current and Interest Accounts	£8972 7 6
Sinking Funds . • • • ..	<u>£11397 7 1</u>
	£20369 14 7

EDWIN LAWRENCE, Chairman.

PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 30th day of December, 1891- Present: The Mayor; ; Aldermen Sir A. Ramsay and Wethered ; and Councillor Parsonage, (Alderman Sir A. Ramsay in the Chair.)

1—Librarian's Report —The usual Monthly Report of the Librarian was read. He also reported that the following gifts had been made to the Library during the past month :—

Messrs. Cassell & Co. ..	1 Vol.
Mr. A. Somerville	1 Vol.
Agent General for Tasmania	1 Vol.
Agent General for Victoria	1 Vol.
Anonymous ..	1 Vol.
Executors of late Mr. W. H. Gwinnett	1 Vol.
Sir T. T. Bazley, Bart. ..	1 Vol.
Mr. C. T. Davis, London ..	2 Pamphlets
The Editor of the "Gloucestershire Echo" ..	5 Pamphlets

Annual Reports from the Libraries at Belfast, West Bromwich and Dudley. Technical Books—The Librarian laid before the Committee a further list of Books proposed to be purchased out of the Technical Education Grant. Resolved, That the Books therein selected and marked by the Sub-Committee be purchased.

3—School of Science—A Letter from the Hon. Secretary of the School of Science, pointing out the imperfect nature of the ventilation of the school, and requesting the Council to grant permission to the School of Science Committee to carry separate shafts from each of the " fume closets " and from the Lecture Table out through the roof, such shafts not to be visible from the roadway, was read. Resolved, That permission be given to the Science Committee to do this, subject to the Borough Surveyor's approval of the manner in which the works are to be carried out.

4—Accounts—The following accounts were examined and allowed :—

W. T. Cossens, Magazines, &c.	£39 15 5
Gas Company, Coke ..	£11 5 6
Cheltenham Poor Rate on Library	£8 10 0
County Fire Office, on " Day Library"	£0 11 3
A. G. Long, Gas Governor	£5 5 0
Gas Company, Gas ..	£12 16 4
Jas. Rimell & Son, Books	£2 0 0
H. M. Gilbert, ditto .	£0 12 0
Wm. Glaisher, ditto .	£0 15 11
Francis Edwards, ditto .	£3 6 2
Ditto ditto.. ..	£0 18 6
T. Miles & Co., ditto ..	£0 13 9
Matthews & Brooke, ditto	£0 19 9
Charles Lowe, ditto ..	£0 5 10
H. W. Ball, ditto	£0 4 1
W. A Grant, altering counter	£1 4 7
G. F. Poole, Printing Reports	£2 15 0

William Jones, Wages account	£7 14 0
Royal Liver Friendly Society	£560 17 6

ALEX. E. RAMSAY.

Chairman.

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SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 23rd day of December, 1891—Present : Alderman Wethered ; Councillors Moles, Hands, Parsonage and Steel (Councillor Hands in the Chair).

1—Local Committees—The Minute Books of the various Local Committees were gone through and examined

2—Attendance Officers' Reports—The Monthly Reports of the School Attendance Officers were read.

3—Nelson Lord—A Letter from Mr Arthur Hill, asking to be allowed to employ this lad who appears to have reached the 5th Standard, but has not been examined for a certificate and is also under the age of 14, was read. Resolved that enquiry be made, and if it is shewn that the boy has passed the requisite standard, Mr. Hill be informed he can employ him.

4- Conference with School Managers—The following resolutions, passed at the Conference held on the 16th inst., were considered :

1. That the Teachers of the Schools of the Town be requested to do their best to co-operate with the School Attendance Committee in sending in fortnightly returns of only habitual absentees.

2. That the Head Teachers of the Public Elementary Schools be invited to attend any meeting of the School Attendance Committee for the Ward in which their Schools are situated, and to take part in any discussion at such Meeting.

3. That an Enumeration of all children in the borough who are eligible to attend the schools be made.

4. That the Attendance Officers be instructed to visit the schools and inspect the registers of those schools where no returns are made ; when there are no returns to make a blank form should be sent.

Resolved, That, with respect to No. 1, having regard to the fact that it is the average attendance which is the measure of the school attendance of a district, the returns should contain not only cases of habitual absentees, but all cases of irregular attendance, or non-attendance without reasonable excuse known to the Teachers. The Committee understand this to have been the practice of those Teachers who have sent in returns regularly, and see no reason for any departure from it.

That with respect to No. 2, the Committee will inform the Teachers that they are at liberty, if they please, to attend the meetings of the Local Committees, who will, doubtless, be glad to have their assistance, and the benefit of their knowledge in the discussion and consideration of the cases brought before them.

That with regard to No. 3, the Committee are not prepared to recommend the Council to incur, what the Committee consider to be, the unnecessary expense of taking a Census of children who should be in attendance at the Elementary Schools.

That with respect to No. 4, that will be the necessary consequence in all cases in which no returns are made, and the Committee have already given instructions accordingly. They hope, however, that one good result at least may ensue from the Conference, and that is that all the Teachers will make returns.

5- School Holidays—Resolved, That the Committee do strongly urge upon the School Managers the desirability of fixing the holidays for the same period of the year.

6—Forms—The Town Clerk laid before the Committee an amended form of Absentee Return, and also a Form for the Monthly Reports of the Officers, and the same were approved.

WILLIAM HANDS.

Chairman.

TOWN CLERK'S COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 4th day of December, 1891—Present: The Mayor; Aldermen Ramsay and Thoyts ; Councillors Darby, Hands, Lawrence, and Williams (The Mayor in the chair)—

1—Chairman—The Mayor was appointed Chairman of this Committee. The Resolution of this Committee appointing this Committee was read. Resolved, That having regard to alterations which will probably be necessary in relation to the duties and salaries of other officers of the Corporation, in consequence of the extension of the borough boundaries, the further consideration of the resolution be adjourned until the Provisional Order is made, and the Committee recommend that the scope of the enquiry of the Committee be enlarged to include the duties and salaries of such Officers of the Corporation as will be affected by the extension of the boundaries, and that the Chair-man do give notice of motion accordingly at the next meeting of the Council.

J. C. GRIFFITH,

Chairman.

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Borough of Cheltenham

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, January 27th, 1892.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend the Quarterly Meeting of the Council, as such, and Acting as Urban Sanitary Authority, and as a Burial Board, to be held in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Offices, on Monday, the 1st day of February next, at Three o'clock in the afternoon, at which Meeting the following business is proposed to be transacted, and any other business that may legally be transacted at such Meeting.

1. To read and sign the Minutes of the last Monthly Meeting.

2. To appoint an Alderman to act as Returning Officer at the Election of a County Councillor for the West Electoral Division of the Borough, and, if necessary, for the other Electoral Divisions.
3. To fill up vacancies on Committees caused by the death of the late Alderman Parsonage.
4. To receive any official communications and take measures thereon.
5. To approve or otherwise the proceedings of THE STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE. PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE. TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE. WATER COMMITTEE. GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE. BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE. BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE. FINANCE COMMITTEE. PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE. SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.
6. Notices of Motion.
7. To read the following letter, and pass Resolution thereon, if need be :—Gen. Sir Dighton Probyn re Vote of Condolence to Prince and Princess of Wales

Yours faithfully,

E. T. BRYDGES

Town Clerk.

Borough of Cheltenham

MINUTES of the Proceedings of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the Quarterly Meeting of the Council, to be held on Monday, the 1st of February, 1892.

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 25th day of January, 1892—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Col. Thoyts; Councillors Darby, Heath, King, Lawrence and Steel, (Alderman Col. Thoyts in the chair)—

1—Gas Examiner's Monthly Report—The Monthly Report of the Gas Examiner was read : Average Illuminating Power, 16.10 candles. Purity, 14.35 grains of Sulphur per 100 cubic feet.

[The Gas Examiner considered anything above 15 grains of sulphur per 100 cubic feet was unsatisfactory.]

A letter from Messrs. Griffiths, enclosing copy of a resolution of the Gas Company : " That the Council be respectfully informed that the Manager is at a loss to account for the presence of the amount of sulphur on the occasion adverted to in the Minute of the Committee passed last month, and which the tests taken previous and subsequently to that time, shew is of the rarest occurrence," was read.

2 —Gas Inspector's Monthly Report—The Monthly Report of the Gas Inspector was read Average hourly consumption of Gas per lamp during the month, 4.193 cubic feet.

3-- Lamp Book—The book kept at the Police Station was produced and examined. Lamps extinguished during the month, 41 (3 metered); burning dimly, 85 (8 metered).

4- Surveyor's Monthly Report, re Highways—The Surveyor reported that the following works had been done in his Department during the past month:

Repaired with Clee Hill Stone—Gloucester Road, Ambrose Street, Hatherley Road (proceeding).

Patching—Promenade, New Street, High Street, Sandfield Road, Market Street, Lansdown Place, back Imperial Square (North side), Bath Road, Naunton Lane, St. James' Square.

Repaired with Wickwar Stone—Cemetery Road, Pittville, Destructor Road, Old Gloucester Road.

Patching—Hale's Road, Thirlestaine Road, Hester's Way, side Conservative Club, Old Bath Road, Pittville Circus Road, St. Stephen's Road, Naunton Lane, Grosvenor Terrace, back Imperial Square.

Repaired with Local Stone—Well Place (proceeding).

Curbing. Crossing and Flagging—Clarence Street, Gloucester Road, back Imperial Square, Duke Street, Townsend Street, Hatherley Street, Promenade, Bayshill Terrace, Albion Street, Dunalley Parade, Well Place, Queen's Road, St. James' Street, Pittville Circus, High Street, Suffolk Square.

Ashes Collected-1851 Cart Loads.

Ditches (pipe)—Handheld Road, Cemetery Road.

Upon going into the question of lighting the Destructor by gas sufficiently for the work to be continued throughout the night (as is necessary) I found that the cost would probably be about £70 for pipes and fittings alone, exclusive of the cost of gas, and that for less than this sum an efficient system of Electric Lighting could be provided. I have, therefore, arranged for the installation, and have fitted it up subject to your approval.

5—Cloddimore Road, Road from Tivoli to Great Norwood Street, Montpellier Crave, Road between "Gwernant" and Pittville Circus—Specifications from the Surveyor, of date the 25th inst., of the works required to be done to the above streets, were read and approved. Resolved, That the necessary plans, sections, and estimates be prepared, and notices be given under Section 150 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the owners of the premises fronting, adjoining, or abutting upon the parts of the said streets requiring to be levelled, paved, metalled, flagged, channelled, or made good ; requiring them to do the specified works within 28 days ; and that if such notice is not complied with, the Surveyor do proceed to execute the works mentioned or referred to therein ; and that the expenses thereof be recovered in the manner provided by the Act. It was further Resolved, That the road from Tivoli to Great Norwood Street be called " Andover Road," and that name plates be put up accordingly.

6—Wellington Street Footpaths —A Specification from the Surveyor, of date the 25th instant, of the works required to be done to the above street, was read and approved. Resolved, That notice be given under Section 44 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1852, to the owners of the premises fronting, adjoining, or abutting upon the parts of the said street, requiring to be drained, levelled, repaired, flagged, and channelled ; requiring them to do the specified works within 28 days ; and that if such notice is not complied with, the Surveyor do proceed to execute the works mentioned or referred to therein ; and that the expenses thereof be recovered in the manner provided by the Act.

7—No. 16, Ambrose Street-- The Surveyor presented a plan and estimate for bringing forward this property to the proper line of frontage in the street, as directed by the Committee, and the same was approved, and the Surveyor requested to prepare a Specification of the necessary works for carrying it into effect.

8— Bill Posting in Ambrose Street—Smith—This matter was further considered. Resolved, That Mr. Smith be offered the strip of land co-extensive with his houses in Ambrose Place for the sum of £80,

subject to his undertaking to build with a frontage to Ambrose Street within twelve months, and to the plans for such alterations being approved by the Committee. The Surveyor laid before the Committee plan of a proposed Advertising Station to be erected on the remaining portion of the strip of land belonging to the Corporation on the East side of Ambrose Street, and the same was approved, and the Surveyor directed to proceed with the work so far as regards the portion thereof initialled by the Chairman on the plan, and to let the same to advertisers on the best terms he can obtain.

9—St. George's Road Bridge and Great Western Railway Goods Shed -Resolved, That in this matter the Committee be authorised to lodge a petition against the Bill of the Great Western Railway Company if terms to the satisfaction of the Committee are not come to with the Company as to the width of the new bridge and other works to be executed by them ; that a reply be requested to the Resolution of the Committee of the 18th November last ; and that if a reply satisfactory to the Committee be not received within a fortnight, the Town Clerk do proceed under the notice given.

10--Marle Hill Road—A letter from Mr. J. Heath enquiring if, on payment by the Owners of the sums charged to them for works executed in this road, the Corporation would be prepared to take the road over and maintain it as a public road, was read . Resolved, That Mr. Heath be informed that the repairs executed not being applicable to the case where a road is intended to be taken to, it will not be declared a public road.

11— Roadway in front of School of Science—A letter from L. W. Montagnon, Esq., the Hon. Secretary of the School of Science, asking, on behalf of the Committee, that when this road is next repaired it may be laid down with the tar macadam that has been used in the Promenade, or some other similar noiseless composition, was read. Resolved, That Mr. Montagnon be informed that the next time the road is repaired the application of the School of Science will be complied with.

12—Road between Victoria Street and Albert Street—A letter from Mr. J. P. Harris objecting to the owners being called upon to put this road in repair, when it was done by them in 1861, and trusting the Committee would re-consider the matter, was read. Resolved, That Mr. Harris be informed that the repairs he alludes to as having been executed in 1861 were not such as would be applicable to a road intended to be declared a highway, and that the road in question is still a private road.

13—Lighting of Union Street, Great Norwood Street—A memorial from Mr. Thomas Maisey and others praying for a gas lamp to be placed in this street, was read, and adjourned for further consideration.

14--Oakfield Street, Tivoli—A letter from Mr. W. Gilkes calling attention to this street, which is in a bad state of repair, and needs a lamp, was read. Resolved, That the applicant be informed that the road is a private one, for the repair of which the Council is not responsible, but that if the owners will put the road in a good state of repair another lamp will be placed in the street.

15—Rolling Way at 3, Montpellier Street—Mr. James Wall having, without the permission of the Council, made a rolling way in the pavement at the above place, now wrote apologising for having acted in contravention of the laws, and asking the Council to consent to the alteration. Resolved, That rolling ways not being permitted, the same must be removed and the pavement restored.

16—Street Projections—The Street Inspector reported that the projections reported by him last month as having been fixed had now been removed, in accordance with the Notice.

He further reported that during the past month Mr. Owen James, of 130, High Street, Mr. W. C. Davis, of 244 ¼, High Street, and Mr. A. Mills, of 18, Winchcomb Street had fixed up Gas Rails in front

of their respective premises, and that Mr. H. Waghorne had hung out an Electric Lighting Lamp at 348, High Street, all in contravention of the Bye-laws Resolved,

That permission be given to the several parties to retain these lights subject to the right of the Corporation to require their removal if at any time they think fit to do so.

17—Lamps at 135, High Street—A letter from Messrs. Blackburn and Co. complaining of what they considered the arbitrary decision of the Council in ordering the removal of the Lamps placed in front of their premises was read.

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18--Lamp at Anchor Brewery—A letter from Mr. W. C. Channon applying for leave to put some writing on this lamp, on behalf of the Tewkesbury Brewery Co., was read. Resolved, That permission be granted, on the Brewery Company undertaking to keep the lamp lighted till it p.m., and subject to the right of the Corporation to require the removal of the lamp at any time if they think fit to do so.

19—Road leading by Christ Church Schools from Malvern Road to St. George's Road—A letter from Mr. W. W. Woolcock calling attention to the nuisances frequently committed in this lane, was read. Resolved, That Mr. Woolcock be informed the police will be requested to keep an eye on the road in question,

20—Destructor—Railway Siding—The Town Clerk laid before the Committee the draft Agreement altered by the Companies as respects the charges for trucks passing over the Companies' part of the siding from 1d. to 3d. Resolved, That the Committee think the charge should not exceed 2d., and that the draft be altered accordingly.

21—New Buildings—The Surveyor laid before the Committee Notice and Plans received by him from the Ladies' College Company for alterations at Fauconberg Terrace, and the same were approved.

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held so Friday, the 22nd day of January, 1892 — Present The Mayor; Alderman Wethered; Councillors King, Norman and Parsonage (The Mayor in the chair)—

1—Medical Officer of Health—The Town Clerk reported that the term for which the Local Government Board sanctioned Dr. Roch's appointment as Medical Officer of Health would expire on the 25th of March next. Resolved, That the Chairman do give notice, as required by the Regulations relating to Medical Officers of Health, of the intention of the Council at their Meeting in March to renew the appointment on the same terms and conditions as it is now held, but without specifying any particular term

2—Medical Officer of Health's annual Report —Dr. Bevan attended this Meeting of the Committee, as deputy of the Medical Officer of Health during his absence, and laid before the Committee Dr. Roch's Annual Report, which was read, and 150 copies thereof ordered to be printed.

3—Dairies and Cowsheds Order— An application from Mr. H. W. Webley to be registered as a dairyman and purveyor of milk at to, St. Paul's Street, North, was considered, and adjourned to enable the Medical Officer of Health to report on the place from whence the milk comes.

4—Houses without a proper supply of Water—It appearing from a Report of the Surveyor of date the 22nd inst. that the houses mentioned therein are without a proper supply of water and that such supply can be readily obtained from the Corporation mains at a cost not exceeding the Water Rate authorised by the Corporation Water Acts, was read. Resolved, That notice be given under Section 62 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the owners of the houses in question, requiring them to obtain such supply and do all such acts as may be necessary for that purpose. And That if such notice is not complied with the necessary steps be taken to close the wells.

The Inspector of Nuisances laid before the Committee a return of cases in which Notices had not been complied with. Resolved, That the necessary steps be taken to obtain an order to close the well in each case.

5—Zymotic Disease —The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of cases of Zymotic Disease which had occurred during the month, viz., Scarlatina, 3 ; Diphtheria, none ; Enteric Fever, none.

6—Slaughter Houses —The following applications for renewal of Slaughter House Licenses were considered, viz. :

Mrs. E. Pleydell, 288, High Street,
Mr. F. Waghorne, Tivoli Street,
Mr. T. Verrinder, 3, Hewlett Road,
Mr. J. Hastings, Marsh Lane,
Mr. A. Mills, Russell Place.
Mr. C. Phipps, 3, Exchange Buildings,
Messrs. Storr and Co., Whaddon Lane.

Resolved, That the licenses be renewed for six months, from the 31st December last. An application from Mr. J. Willis, for a License in respect of Arle Mill, was refused.

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7—Heyden Farm Washbourne—Letters from Mr. Wilks, Solicitor, of Gloucester, on the subject of damage to a shed by a tree blown down, and the Town Clerk's replies thereto, were read, and the latter approved

8—Brooklyn and Niagara Cottages—A letter from Mr. Charles Wilson to The Mayor suggesting the purchase of this property by the Corporation, was read.

9—Sewer between Albert and Victoria Streets—A memorial from Mr. John Price and others complaining of the state of this sewer, was read. The Surveyor laid before the Committee a plan of the locality and the existing sewer. Resolved, That the existing sewer be taken up and be relaid and reconstructed at a greater depth with better fall.

10--Hawarden Parade—The Surveyor laid before the Committee a rough plan and scheme of improvement in the drainage of this locality, and stated his intention of bringing up a more complete plan next month.

11—Disinfecting Chamber at Destructor—The Surveyor laid before the Committee plans of the Disinfecting Chamber referred to in his report on the subject. Estimated cost, about £400. Resolved, That the Committee recommend the erection of the Chamber, and that the Finance Committee be requested to pass a Resolution asking for the sanction of the Local Government Board to the necessary loan.

12 —Delancey Hospital—The Chairman informed the Committee that he had been appointed one of the Trustees of this Hospital.

13 —Accounts--The following accounts were examined and allowed :—

Delancey Hospital, Treatment of Patients	£44 2 0
General Hospital	£5 10 0
Arthur Hill, Chemicals.. ..	£0 13 0
J. H. Bennett, Returns of Births and Deaths	£1 10 6
E. Jones, 4 week's Salary	£5 0 0
W. Ursell, Horsing Ambulance	£1 11 0
W. C. Channon, Building Repairs, Office Stool, &c.	£7 10 0
Wildernes Cement Co., Lime, Gullies and Sewers..	£26 6 6
Smith Brothers, Inlay Junctions	£0 2 0
John Fisher, Nails	£0 1 0
G. Hickman, Bends, Nails, Whiting, &c. . ..	£0 11 10
R. E. and C. Marshall, Urinal and Iron Plates	£0 7 7
F. J. Wright, Iron Bars and Nails	£0 6 1
Meats, Peake and Co., Castings and Manholes	£18 16 6
T. W. Harvey, Barbed Wire, Nails, &c.	£2 3 5
B. W. Pearce and Sons, Slates, Tiles, &c.	£4 15 0
J. Waltham, Horse Hire	£6 0 0
J. Conacher, Toilet Paper	£0 11 0
W. H. Townsend, Glass	£0 1 8
James Wood, Straw	£5 17 6
Borough Surveyor, Cement	£0 3 6
W. Ingham and Sons, Slab for Post Mortem Room	£5 5 0
Gas Company, Tubing and fixing same	£0 3 3
J. J. Lane, Sawing Timber	£0 4 2

J. C. GRIFFITH,

Chairman.

TOWN IMPROVEMENT SUB-COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 13th day of January, 1892 — Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Wethered ; Councillors Norman and Waghorne, (Alderman Wethered in the Chair)—

1—Montpellier Gardens—A letter from Messrs. Winterbothams and Gurney acknowledging the receipt of the Resolution of this Committee (approved at the Meeting of the Council held on the 4th inst.), and stating that the offer contained in such Resolution had been accepted by the Directors, subject to their action being approved and confirmed by the Shareholders, at a meeting shortly to be held, was read.

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Resolved, That the Surveyor be instructed to report on the state and condition of the several Mineral Water Wells belonging to the Montpellier Gardens Company, to the Corporation at Pittville, and any other Mineral Wells the water of which he may think it desirable to obtain analysis of ; that he be

authorised to have the Wells pumped and cleaned out to such an extent as may be necessary to obtain fit samples for analysis ; and to obtain such assistance and plant as may be necessary to enable him to comply with these instructions.

Resolved, That the Chairman and Town Clerk be requested to make enquiries as to terms on which analyses can be obtained, and the best person to make them.

EDWARD WETHERED,

Chairman.

TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 27th day of January, 1892,—Present The Mayor ; Aldermen Thoyts and Wethered ; Councillors Drew, Wm. Heath, Lawrence, Norman, and Waghorne (Councillor Waghorne in the chair)—.

1—Sub-Committees' Minutes—Resolved, That the minutes of the Sub-Committee, passed at their meeting held on the 13th inst., be approved and confirmed.

2—Montpellier Gardens—A letter from Messrs Winterbothams and Gurney stating that the Shareholders of the Company had passed a resolution unanimously approving of the sale to the Corporation of the Gardens and Mineral Water Rights upon the terms proposed, and that they would shortly send Draft Contract, was read.

JOHN WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 26th day of January, 1892—Present; The Mayor ; Aldermen Thoyts and Wethered ; Councillors Heath, Waghorne and Williams, (Alderman Col. Thoyts in the chair),—

In the absence of the Chairman, Alderman Col. Thoyts was appointed Chairman of this Meeting.

1 —Borough Surveyor's Report—The usual Monthly Report of the Surveyor, as follows, was read :—

On the 25th the springs supplying the Hewletts' Reservoirs were yielding 402 gallons per minute, the average for the last four years being 284 gallons per minute, and the quantity of water in store at Hewletts and Leckhampton was 18,672,871 gallons. On the 25th inst. the depth of water in Dowdeswell Reservoir was 31 feet 9 inches, and the contents 95,259,639 gallons, which gives a total storage of 113,932,510 gallons or 175 days' supply.

No. 4 Reservoir at Hewletts has been emptied, thoroughly cleaned, and washed with hot lime. It is now being refilled.

The result of comparing the Water Rate in Charlton Kings with the new copy of the Valuation List adds £12 1s. 2d. to the annual income, the details of which are entered in the Appeal Book.

I submit correspondence with Mr. H. G. Margrett re Niblett's affairs ; the water was required on his behalf up to Saturday last ; the account has been sent him.

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Objections having been raised by the tenants of Sandford Gardens to the payment of rates by them, and one being in arrear for a considerable period, I would suggest that the whole of the rents be revised and fixed at such an amount as will include the rates.

2—Sandford Mead Garden Land—Resolved. That agreements be entered into with the tenants of this land, at such Rents as will include rates, and that notice to quit be given to any tenant declining to enter into the agreement.

3 —Mythe Bridge Land—A letter from the Solicitors to the Trustees, stating that the Trustees would accept £65 for this land, each party paying their own costs, with a subsequent letter stating that the County Council had claimed a portion of the land offered to the Corporation, and, that the Trustees not being in a position to oppose the claim, the quantity of Land to be sold to the Corporation would be reduced, and the Trustees now proposed that the sum to be paid by the Corporation should be £50, were read.

A letter was also read from the County Surveyor, enclosing a Plan showing the land claimed by the County Council. Resolved, That the Council be recommended to give £50 for the whole of the land between the Bridge Road and the land of the Corporation and all the right and interest of the Trustees of the Bridge therein[crossed out] Each party paying their own costs.

4—The late Caretaker at Hewletts—A letter (addressed to the Medical Officer of Health) from Mrs. Pearce, widow of the late Caretaker at Hewletts, asking the Committee to consider if they could not, in recognition of her husband's 30 years of service in the Water Department, make her some small allowance, was read. Resolved, That a gratuity of £5 be given to Mrs. Pearce, who has been in charge of the premises since her husband's death.

5—Appeals—The cases entered in the Appeal Book were considered and the rates settled and adjusted.

6—Supply of Water—Applications and agreements for the supply of water for the past month were examined and approved.

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 25th day of January, 1892—Present : The Mayor: Alderman Thoyts; Councillors King, Lawrence, Norman, Parsonage and Waghorne (Alderman Thoyts in the chair)—

1--George Clifford and Frederick Lewis—These hackney carriage drivers were in attendance and were respectively interviewed by the Committee, and having promised to conduct themselves properly in future, the Committee decided not to cancel their licenses on this occasion; but warned boils drivers that on the next offence their licenses would be revoked.

2-Driver's Licenses—Applications were received from, and licenses to drive hackney carriages granted to, Frank Jeffs, 13, Hamilton Street ; Edward Timbrell, 14, St. Paul's Street, South ; Alfred Young, 9, Casino Place ; and Edmund W. J. Eager, Tidmington House Stables.

3—Coroner's Inquests—A letter from the Clerk of the Peace forwarding copy of the following Resolution, passed by the Standing Joint Committee, on the 5th inst., was read :—

" That, subject to the use of the Police premises for Judicial purposes, the Standing Joint Committee will grant the use of the " Cheltenham Police Court, or of any other suitable room in the Police Station for the purpose of holding Inquests, free " of charge."

The Town Clerk reported that he had forwarded a copy of the above Resolution to the Coroner, and read a letter from Mr. J. W. Cores stating that he presumed the Council would wish the arrangement above referred to be put in force as soon as possible, and that he thought the difficulty which had at first presented itself in regard to the inconvenience which might on some occasions be caused to Juries in having to go long distances to the place of Inquest from where bodies lie, might be overcome by having the Jury summoned to meet at the place where the body lies, and, after having viewed the body, to proceed to the Police Station where the Inquest might be finished.

4—Museum —A letter from J. H. Hitchens, Esq., the Hon. Secretary to the Cheltenham Natural Science Society, forwarding copy of certain Resolutions passed by the Society, affirming the desirability, in the interests of the town, of founding a Museum, and appointing a Committee to confer with the Town Council should the latter think a conference desirable, was read. Resolved, That Mr. Hitchens be informed the Committee will be pleased to receive a deputation from the Society.

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5—Accounts—The following accounts were examined and allowed :—

Charles Westley, Note paper ..	£2 15 6
Drake, Driver and Leaver, Pencils and Paper	£0 13 6
Town Council, Hay ..	£31 5 0
A. Mulcock, Fire Plug Plates ..	£3 8 0
J. Sollors, Coal ..	£0 8 0
C. M. Batten, Tumblers ..	£0 4 0
W. A. Baker, Line to Flag Pole, &c.	£0 9 0
G. Hickman, Fire Bricks and Burrs ..	£1 7 3
H. G. Norton, Steel Calipers ..	£0 1 0
R. E. and C. Marshall, Repairs to Doors and Stables	£0 11 0
H G. Norton, Dust Bin ..	£0 19 6
H. Stone and Son, Stone's Index Box ..	£0 3 0
R. E. and C. Marshall, Ironmongery and Repairs ..	£3 4 3
Corporation Waterworks, Maintenance of Hydrants	£12 10 0
W Ralph, Cleaning of Town Clock ..	£1 0 0
H. Edwards, Passes ..	£0 3 6
W. Heath and Son, Wreath ..	£2 2 0
W. H. Harling, Seals .. .	£0 6 9
Bourne Brothers, W. C. Pans ..	£0 8 6
Drake, Driver and Leaver, Stationery ..	£1 15 0
Thomas Hailing, Printing Allotment Agreements	£1 17 6
R. E. and C. Marshall, Shovels, Speaking Tube	£3 5 9

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 15th day of January, 1892—Present The Mayor ; Councillors Drew, Heath, King, Moles, and Norman (Councillor King in the chair)—

1—Taunton Recreation Ground—The Town Clerk laid before the Committee a letter from the Local Government Board with reference to the application of the Council for sanction to a loan for £2200 and £300, requiring plans shewing how the ground is proposed to be laid out, and detailed estimate and full particulars showing how the excess of expenditure on the Agg-Gardner Pleasure Ground arose, and information as to the Assessable Value and Debt of the Borough. The Surveyor laid before the Committee a Plan shewing how he proposed to lay out the ground. Resolved, That the Plan, with some alterations and modifications, suggested by the Committee, be approved ; that the Surveyor do prepare the necessary estimates, and that the Town Clerk supply the other information required.

CHARLES W. KING,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 26th day of January, 1892—Present : The Mayor; Alderman Thoyts ; Councillors Drew, King, Moles, and Norman, (Councillor King in the chair)—

2 —Naunton Recreation Ground—The Town Clerk reported that the necessary Plans, Estimates and other particulars required by the Local Government Board in support of the application for their sanction to the loan had been furnished to the Board, and that he now awaited notice from the Board as to the date for holding the local enquiry.

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He also stated that in the matter of the purchase of the land, he was expecting to receive from the Vendors' Solicitors their replies to his requisitions on the title, and when these had been satisfied the matter would proceed.

3 —Barrett's Mill—The further consideration of this matter was again adjourned.

2—Accounts—The following accounts were examined and allowed :—

John Williams and Co., Coal	£2 10 0
J. C. Cooper, Giant's Stride	£2 10 0
Diamond Sanitary Laundry Company	£1 0 6

CHARLES W. KING,

Chairman.

BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 21st day of January, 1892— Present Councillors Heath, King, Steel, Moles, Parsonage and Williams:(Councillor Parsonage in the chair)—

r—Superintendent's Report—The Superintendent reported that a very disagreeable smell emanated from the W. C. on the Nonconformist side of the Chapel, and complaints had been made of it ; that a small pane of Glass in the Vestry window was broken ; that the number of interments during the month of December was 110 and up to the present time 95 had been made during the month of

January ; that there are now only about 300 spaces available on the portion of ground now in use, and should the present rate of interment continue more ground would be required.

Resolved That the Surveyor do have the W. C. supplied with Water from the Hot Water Cistern and disconnect the rain water supply hitherto used; that he do also have the window repaired, and that the question of preparing more land for interments be adjourned for further consideration.

2—Burial Fees—The Draft Agreement between the Corporation and the Rector as now finally settled by the parties thereto was laid before the Committee and approved. Resolved, That the Seal of the Corporation be affixed to the counterpart engrossment thereof.

3 — Nonconformist Sexton—A letter from Mr. E. Broom expressing his surprise at the Resolution passed by the Committee, discontinuing the office of Nonconformist Sexton, and asking the Committee, in reference to the fresh arrangement suggested by the Resolution, to consider his past connection with the Cemetery and many years of service in making the new appointment ; but should the Board decide to have but one officer for the whole work of the Cemetery, he trusted the Council would make him some compensation, was read. Resolved, That Mr. Broom be informed the Committee see no reason to depart from their Resolution hereon, and they cannot entertain Mr. Broom's application for compensation.

4— Designs—The following Designs were examined and approved Headstones to Ann Castle, Emma Burnett, Anne Westborough, John L. Elgee, Jane Lediard, Patrick Slattery, Samuel Henry Barton, and Francis H. Baxter.

5—Accounts—The following accounts were examined and allowed :—

B. W. Pearce, Sawing Timber ..	£0 7 6
J. Fisher, Shovel ..	£0 1 11
W. Gregory, Labourers' Wages	£5 0 0
T. W. Harvey. Iron .	£0 1 6
Bourne Brothers, Plumbing &c. Materials	£6 15 2
Smith Brothers, Bricks and Burrs ..	£0 3 1½
James Wall, Repairs to damaged Gravestone	£1 13 0
E. Haidon, Repairing Cemetery Truck	£2 12 0

EDWARD H. PARSONAGE.

Chairman.

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FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 27th day of January, 1892—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Thoyts ; Councillors Darby, Drew, Win. Heath, Lawrence, Parsonage, and Waghorne (Councillor Lawrence in the Chair)—

1—Cooke, 37, Whitehart Street—The Town Clerk reported that there was due from Mr. Alfred Cooke, the owner of these premises, the sum of £2 2s. expenses incurred in laying on water thereto, and the sum of £1 3s- for the Water Rate, Resolved, That the expenses of laying on the water be declared to be private improvement expenses, and that proceedings be taken for the recovery thereof, and the rate.

2-Corporation Stock—The Borough Accountant reported that as directed by the Committee he had written to the National Provincial Bank in regard to the balance now due to the Corporation and had received from the Manager a letter stating the sum now owing to the Council to be £1070 12s Resolved, That a cheque be drawn for the transfer of that amount to the credit of the Corporation Capital Account.

3—General District Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 28th inst., on the collection of this rate, was read. Amount collected £10,782 9s. 2d., leaving outstanding £2,048 14s. 4d.

4—Water Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 28th inst., on the collection of this Rate, was read. Receipts £6,989 6s 2d, leaving outstanding £1,836 16s 2d

5--ACCOUNTS.—The Borough Accountant laid before the Committee the Account of Receipts and Expenditure, and of the Accounts and amounts to be paid, amounting to the following sums, viz :—

RECEIPTS.—

Borough Fund	£1645 16 3
Public Library—Revenue ..	£11 0 1
Urban Authority—Revenue ..	£3882 9 3
Burial Board—Revenue ..	£80 5 9
Waterworks—Revenue ..	£2010 15 0
Bank Interest	£296 2 6

ACCOUNTS NOW TO BE PAID—

Borough Fund	£281 12 4
Public Library—Revenue ..	£66 19 11
Urban Authority—Revenue ..	£2872 6 4
Burial Board—Revenue ..	£56 3 4
Refuse Destructor—Capital ..	£1687 12 5
Street Improvements	£0 1 2
Allotments—Capital	£21 3 6
Abattoir—Capital	£3 10 6
Waterworks—Revenue ..	£504 4 9
Ditto—Capital . ..	£78 1 1
Outstanding Cheques . ..	£22 5 4

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT AT THE BANK—

In hand last month (Current and Interest) .	£8972 7 6
Received during the month	<u>£7926 8 10</u>
	£16898 16 4
Paid during the month	<u>£6013 7 2</u>
In hand, Current and Interest Accounts ..	££10885 9 2

Sinking Fund and Loans Fund :-

In hand last month	£11397 7 1
Received during the month . .	<u>£945 8 3</u>
	<u>£12342 15 4</u>
Total in hand	£23228 4 6

EDWIN LAWRENCE, Chairman. (9)

PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 27th day of January, 1892—Present: The Mayor; Aldermen Thoyts, Sir A. Ramsay and Wethered ; Councillors Drew and Parsonage ; the Baron de Ferrieres and Mr. Pippett (Alderman Sir A. Ramsay in the Chair.)

1—Librarian's Report—The usual Monthly Report of the Librarian was read. He also reported that the following gifts had been made to the Library during the past month :—

The Representatives of late Alderman Parsonage ..	6 vols.
Committee of Cobden Club	3 pamphlets
The Baron de Ferrieres	6 vols. and 128 pamphlets
Rev. W. E. Smith (Lowestoft) ..	2 vols.
Trustees of British Museum.. ..	6 vols.
Publishers of London Business Directory ..	1 vol.
Annual Reports from the Libraries at Aberdeen, Salford and Sheffield.	

2-Sub-Committee's Report—The Sub-Committee recommended :

That 1,300 additional Indicator Books be ordered.

That the list of Books of Miscellaneous Literature, submitted by the Librarian, be passed, and the Books purchased at a cost of £18 4s. 0d.

That the periodical "Knowledge" be added to the Technical publications, and provided at a cost of 6d. monthly.

That the donor of "The Heretic " be informed that the Committee request that he will discontinue sending his publication.

Resolved, That the recommendations of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted.

3 — Accounts—The following accounts were examined and allowed :—

W. T. Cossens, Magazines ..	£1 5 6
" Newspapers .	£4 0 7
" Books ..	£10 11 10
James Webb, " Studies in Design	£0 15 6
Vimpany and Co., Soap ..	£0 2 3
R. E. and C. Marshall, Gas Fittings	£0 13 1
W. Read, Books ..	£0 18 0
C Chivers, Re-binding ..	£2 4 5
" Books ..	£6 2 11
" Looker-On, " Advertising for Books	£0 5 0
W. Norton, Technical Books ..	£0 19 0
Income Tax,..	£8 7 8
" Cheltenham Examiner, " Advertising for Books	£0 6 0
" Echo and Chronicle," Advertising for Books	£1 0 0
A. A. Nott, Coals	£1 17 0
Wages Account,	£9 12 6
A. C. and S. Billings, Book Case	£14 0 0

ALEX. E. RAMSAY. Chairman. (10)

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 21st day of January, 1892—Present : Aldermen Sir A. Ramsay and E. Wethered ; Councillors Hands, Moles, Steel and Parsonage (Councillor Hands in the Chair).

1--Local Committees—The Minute Books of the various Local Committees were gone through and examined. A warrant for commitment of Frederick Cole was ordered to be applied for in respect of the non-payment of the fine imposed on him by the Justices.

2—East Ward Committee—On the recommendation of the East Ward Local Committee—Resolved, That Mr. John Sawyer be appointed a member of that Committee.

3--Absentee Returns—The Resolution passed by the Committee at its last Meeting relative to the sending in by the School Teachers of Fortnightly Returns of Absentees, was reconsidered. The Rev. C. V. Childe was present by invitation of the Committee, and urged that the Resolution, carried by a large majority of the members of the Conference of School Managers and the School Attendance Committee, held on the 16th ult., should be adhered to in the original terms in which it was carried. Resolved, That the terms of the Resolution No. 11, passed at the Conference of School Managers and Local Committees, held on the 16th December last, be agreed to, and that the Resolution passed thereon by this Committee at the last Monthly Meeting be amended accordingly.

4—Attendance Officers' Reports—The Monthly Reports of the School Attendance Officers were read.

WILLIAM HANDS.

Chairman.

Borough of Cheltenham

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, March 2nd, 1892.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend the Monthly Meeting of the Council, as such, and Acting as Urban Sanitary Authority, and as a Burial Board, to be held in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Offices, on Monday, the 7th day of March instant, at Three o'clock in the afternoon, at which Meeting the following business is proposed to be transacted, and any other business that may legally be transacted at such Meeting.

1. To read and sign the Minutes of the last Monthly Meeting.
2. To receive any official communications and take measures thereon.
3. To assign an Alderman to the North Ward for the purposes of Ward Elections during the present Municipal year.
4. To approve or otherwise the proceedings of THE STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE. PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE. TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE. WATER COMMITTEE. GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE. BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE. BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE. OFFICERS' COMMITTEE. FINANCE COMMITTEE. PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE. SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.

5. The Mayor to move " That as required by Article 8 of the Regulations relating to Medical Officers of Health the appointment of Dr. Sampson Roch as Medical Officer of Health of this Borough be renewed for one year certain, and so on from year to year, until determined by either party giving to the other six months previous notice in writing, expiring on the 25th day of March in any year"

6. Notices of Motion.

7. To read the following letter, and pass Resolution thereon, if need be :—Arthur Manners and others re Fairfield Road. Jane Jones and others re Crossing at Marsh Lane.

Yours faithfully, E. T. BRYDGES,

Town Clerk.

Borough of Cheltenham

MINUTES of the Proceedings of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the Monthly Meeting of the Council, to be held on Monday, the 7th of March, 1892.

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 17th day of February, 1892—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Col. Thoyts ; Councillors Heath, Steel, Parsonage and King (Alderman Col. Thoyts in the chair)—

1- G.W. Railway Bill and St. George's Road Bridge—A letter from Mr. Nelson, the Solicitor of the Company, dated the 10th inst., was read stating that he and the Engineer would be prepared to recommend the Directors to make the following con-cessions, if they would satisfy the Corporation

1. That the Bridge should be increased from 30 feet, (the present width,) to 40 feet ; the Company bearing the cost of the whole work so far as they extend the length, (which is one-third of the whole future span,) the Corporation bearing the increased cost of widening the existing span.

2. That the Corporation close the Bridge to all vehicular traffic while the work of widening and lengthening is in progress, the Company providing for the foot traffic.

3. The increased width of the Bridge to be on the South side.

4. That the work shall be complete.1 within three months from the time the road is interfered with.

Also a further letter from Mr. Nelson in reply to one from the Town Clerk, stating that before he could give an accurate estimate of the cost of the widening of the existing Bridge the Engineer would have to prepare detailed drawings, and that his letter might be accepted as an undertaking that the right of the Corporation to petition against the Company's Bill in the second House should not be prejudiced by the Corporation not petitioning in the Commons.

The Surveyor laid before the Committee a plan sheaving a proposed exchange of land and straightening of the boundaries between the Corporation and the Company at the Central Depot.

A correspondence between Mr. J. L. Wilkinson and the Town Clerk on the subject of the Goods' Shed was also read.

Resolved, That the Committee consider that if the Company are relieved from the expense of constructing a temporary road for vehicular traffic over the line in St. George's Road, they should bear the whole expense of widening the bridge, and that if the Company assent to this arrangement,

and comply with the Resolution of this Committee of date the 1st December last, the exchange of land at the Central Depot be agreed to, the Company re-fixing the existing fence and gates on the new boundary, and erecting such additional fencing of a similar character as is required (if any).

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 29th day of February, 1892—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Thoyts ; Councillors Darby, Heath, King, Steel, Parsonage, and Lawrence (Alderman Thoyts in the chair)—

2.--Gas Examiner's Monthly Report—The Monthly Report of the Gas Examiner was read : Average Illuminating Power, 15.82 candles. Purity, 10.13 grains of Sulphur per 100 cubic feet.

3-Gas Inspector's Monthly Report—The Monthly Report of the Gas Inspector was read : Average hourly consumption of Gas per lamp during the month, 4.209 cubic feet.

4-- Lamp Book—The book kept at the Police Station was produced and examined. Lamps extinguished during the month, 36 (4 metered); burning dimly, 6.

5--Surveyor's Monthly Report, re Highways—The Surveyor reported that the following works had been done in his Department during the past month.

Repaired with Clee Hill Stone—Bath Road near boundary), 563 yards; North Street, 625 yards ; High Street, 139 yards.

Patching—Queen's Road, Clarence Street, Tewkesbury Road, Old Bath Road, Gloucester Road, Winchcomb Street, Ambrose Street, New Street, Hewlett Road, Swindon Road. Northfield Terrace, St. James' Square (near Depot), Promenade, North Place, Montpellier (near Gordon Lamp), Bayshill Road, Suffolk Square, St. James' Place.

Repaired with Wickwar Stone—Patching - Fidler's Green, Hester's Way, Arle Road, Hewlett Street, Regent Street, Sandford Street.

Curbing, Crossing and Paving--Clarence Street, Gloucester Road, Lansdown Place, Suffolk Road, Square and Parade, High Street, Hewlett Street, Montpellier Street, Worcester Street, Bath Road, Fairview Street, St. George's Road, Tewkesbury Road, Gt. Norwood Street, Henrietta Street, St. George's Street, North Street, Parabola Road, Promenade, St. Paul's Street.

Footpath, Concrete—Hatherley Street (29 super yards), Fairview Street (proceeding). Footpath, Gravel—Gloucester Road.

Ashes Collected-2130 Loads

A considerable length of the ditches at Arle Village has been cleaned and deepened.

Trees cut down-43 in Pittville Circus Road.

Private Improvement Works—The footpaths in Thirlestaine Road is being proceeded with, but has been much delayed by the frost, though fortunately no damage was caused. In Royal Crescent the paved footpath has been repaired, and the gravel footpath entirely re-coated; the repair of the roadway is in hand, and is expected to be finished this week. Glenfall Street : The fixing of the curb and channel is well advanced, and will probably be finished this week.

6-- No. 16, Ambrose Street—The Surveyor presented his specification of the works required to be done in bringing forward these premises, and the same was approved, and tenders for carrying out the same directed to be advertised for. A letter from Mr. Sharland complaining of the disgraceful state of the above premises, and the annoyance caused to him by the misconduct of youths and boys who congregate there, was read. Resolved, That Mr. Sharland be informed the Committee intend to bring forward the premises to the line of the footpath, and put the same into proper repair, when they doubt not the annoyance he now complains of will no longer exist ; and they trust that Mr. Sharland will now bring forward the remaining portion of his frontage to cot respond with that of the Corporation.

7—Lighting of Union Street, Bath Road—The memorial from Mr. Maisey and others was further considered. Resolved, That the Committee consider another lamp in the street to be unnecessary.

8—Cleveland Passage—Resolved, That a lamp be put up in this place, in such a position as to light Cleveland Passage and the passage near it leading into the Tewkesbury Road, the existing lamp to be moved so as to throw light down Cleveland Passage.

9-Bill Posting in Ambrose Street--This matter was adjourned for further consideration

10--Trees in Spa Road—A memorial from Miss Ensor and others calling attention to the overgrown and overcrowded state of the trees in Spa Road, which they considered urgently required thinning and lifting, was read Resolved, That the Committee recommend that the whole of the trees be pollarded.

11 -Marle Hill Road—A memorial from Mr. C. J. Brown and others, owners of property in this road, requesting the Corporation to complete the necessary work, and declare the road a public highway, was read. Resolved, That the Surveyor do bring up a specification of such further works as the Corporation will require to be done by, or at the expense of, the owners, with a view to its being dedicated to the public.

12—Great Western Railway Hoods Shed, &co.—A letter from Mr. Wilkinson, the General Goods Manager of the Great Western Railway, stating that the next meeting of the Board of Directors would take place on the 3rd prox., and the officers hoped to be in a position immediately after that meeting to make a definite communication to the Council in reference to the proposed new station and works at Cheltenham ; that in the meantime he hoped a satisfactory communication might pass between the Town Clerk and the Solicitor of the Company in reference to the St. George's Road Bridge, as of course the lengthening of that Bridge iv, to a certain extent, the key to the suggested improvements and alterations ; and also that in reference to the straightening of the boundaries, Mr. Humphrey, the District Goods Manager would call upon Mr. Hall, the Borough Surveyor, was read. The Town Clerk's letter in reply, and forwarding a copy of this Committee's Minute and Resolution of date the s7th inst., was also read and approved.

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13-Land at Pittville— Messrs. Winterbothams. Complaint—A further letter from Messrs. Winterbothams and Gurney stating that they could not see that the course taken by the Surveyor was the proper one, that it is now impossible to put the fence right as it would cost more to fetch and replace the old fencing than to put new ; that the late gales having blown down trees and walls, there was no reflection on the owner ; and that they must ask someone to estimate for refencing, and would then communicate with the Council again, and hoped the Corporation would voluntarily do what is fair and right in the matter, was read.

14—Footpath in Sandfield Road—A letter from Captain Welch, R.N., calling attention to the bad state of the pathway of this road, was read. Resolved, That Captain Welch be informed the footpath is now in course of repair.

15-- Bayshill Terrace—A specification from the Surveyor, of date the 29th inst., of the works required to be done to the above street, was read and approved. Resolved, That notice be given under Section 44 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1852, to the owners of the premises fronting, adjoining, or abutting upon the parts of the said street, requiring to be drained, levelled, repaired, flagged, and channelled ; requiring them to do the specified works within 28 days ; and that, if such notice is not complied with, the Surveyor do proceed to execute the works mentioned or referred to therein ; and that the expenses thereof be recovered in the manner provided by the Act.

16—Tewkesbury Road Footpath—A memorial from the Rev. H. H. Palmer and others calling attention to the footpath in this road on the North side, from Russell Place Westward, and suggesting that it be paved in the same manner as the portion between Cleveland Street and Russell Place, the present condition of the path being dangerous to passengers, was read. Resolved, That the Surveyor do bring up a specification for the necessary works to make the footpath in a similar manner to that above referred to between Cleveland Street and Russell Place.

17—St. Stephen's Road Footpath—A letter from J. G. Stephen, Esq., bringing to the notice of the Committee the fact that there is in this road a piece of pavement, about 300 feet, still requiring to be made, and stating that the residents would be much obliged by the Council urging its construction, was read, Resolved, That the Surveyor do bring up a specification of the works to be done by the owners.

18—Street Projections The Street Inspector reported that during the month Mr. J. Page had fixed two lamps in front of his premises, No. 176, High Street, and that Messrs. Plant and Co. had put three lamps in front of No. 345, High Street, in contravention of the Bye-Laws, and, further, that in both cases the lamps were considerably under eight feet from the ground. A letter was read from Mr. Page stating that he was unaware before putting up his lamps that it was an infringement of the Bye-Laws, and requesting permission to keep them up.

Resolved, That Mr. Page be informed the Committee will permit the lamps to be erected, but at a height of at least eight feet from the pavement, and subject to the right of the Corporation to require their removal if at any time they think fit to do so ; and that Messrs. Plant and Co. be required to remove the lamps put up at their shop.

19—Trees in Dagmar Road, Tivoli—Resolved, That the trees in this road numbered 1, 3 and 5 be removed.

20-New Buildings—The Surveyor submitted notices and plans received by him from persons intending to erect new buildings, all of which were approved, viz :—Charles Barnett, additions to No. 86, High Street. C. H. Channon, additions to Workshops in Montpellier Street. J. Moulder, Shop Front to Cottage in Bath Road.

The Surveyor also submitted a plan and notice from Mr. Cleeveley for houses in Great Western Road and Market Street, which was not approved.

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

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PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 26th day of February, 1892 — Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Wethered ; Councillors Darby, Hands, Norman and Parsonage (The Mayor in the chair)—

1 --Zymotic Diseases—The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of cases of Zymotic Diseases which had occurred during the month. Scarlatina, 14 ; others, none. Resolved, That the attention of the Delancey Hospital Authorities be called to five cases of Scarlatina which had occurred at No. 19, Sandford Street, as detailed in the Report of the Medical Officer of Health.

2—Houses without a Proper Supply of Water—It appearing from a report of the Surveyor, dated the 25th inst., that the houses mentioned therein are without a proper supply of water, which can be readily obtained from the Corporation mains at a cost not exceeding the Water Rate authorised by the Corporation Water Acts, was read. Resolved, That notice be given under sec. 62 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the owners of the houses in question requiring them to obtain such supply and do all such acts as may be necessary for that purpose; and that, if such notice is not complied with, the necessary steps be taken to close the wells.

3—Slaughter Houses—A letter from Mr. J. F. Willis stating that he had closed the slaughter house at Arle Mill until he got a license, which he hoped would be granted, and expressing his sorrow for having contravened the law, was read. Resolved, That a license be granted to Mr. Willis until the new Abattoir is ready for occupation, subject to the state of the building and arrangements for slaughtering being approved by the Medical Officer of Health.

4-- Disinfecting Chamber at Destructor—A letter from Mr. Mallory, Clerk to the Leckhampton Local Board, forwarding copy of a Resolution of his Board expressing an opinion that the Delancey Hospital is not a desirable situation for a Disinfecting Chamber for the Borough of Cheltenham, was read. Resolved, That Mr. Mallory be informed that after the conference with the Delancey Trustees, this Committee are of opinion that as the Delancey Trustees are not prepared to put up a Steam Disinfecting apparatus at the Delancey Hospital it should be erected at the Destructor as proposed by this Committee, and that their Minute and Resolution on the subject, passed at the last meeting, be adhered to.

5—Medical Officer of Health —A letter from the Local Government Board, of date the 12th inst., in reply to a letter from the Town Clerk enquiring if the Resolution. of which notice had been given for the next meeting of the Council, would be approved by the Board, stating that the insertion in the Resolution of a condition making the appointment determinable by six months' notice on either side would invalidate the proceedings, and that the Resolution should specify the precise period for which the appointment is made, was read. Resolved, That the motion to be made by the Chairman at the next meeting of the Council should omit the condition above mentioned, and the appointment of the Medical Officer of Health should be renewed for 12 months.

6— Swindon Place—The Medical Officer of Health and Inspector of Nuisances having reported the privies and washhouses at this property to be in such a condition as to be a nuisance injurious to health, it was Resolved, That the Surveyor do prepare a specification of the works necessary to be done to abate the nuisance, and that notice, under sec. 91 of the Public Health Act, be given to the Owner to do such works, and abate the nuisance.

7—Heyden Farm—Wood—A letter from Mr. Wood, the tenant of this farm, whose lease expires on the 25th March next, expressing his willingness to renew the taking as a yearly one if the

Corporation would put up some shedding on the land (there being none at present) for the accommodation of about 30 cows, was read. Resolved, That the Surveyor be instructed to confer with Mr. Wood as to his requirements, and as to the terms of the tenancy to be entered into, and report to the Committee thereon.

8—Accounts—The following accounts were examined and allowed :—

C. Malvern and Son, new Abattoir, on account.	£300 0 0
Ditto, Fitting up Post Mortem Room	£22 12 0
General Hospital, Typhoid Fever Patient	£3 2 0
Delancey Hospital, Treatment of Patients	£51 19 6
Thomas, Brothers, Eucalyptus	£2 19 6
J. H. Bennett, Returns of Births and Deaths	£1 9 9
G. F. Poole, Medical Officer's Report	£4 15 0
W. J. Ur, e11, Horsing Ambulance	£2 0 0
" Sanitary Record," year's Subscription	£0 10 0
Dr. Roch, Fly hire	£0 16 0
E. Jones, five weeks' Wages	£6 5 0
E. Bourne, new Urinal &c.	£2 5 10
G. Hickman, Timber	£1 9 8
J. Fisher, Nails and Screws	£0 5 11 ½
B. W. Pearce and Sons, Junction	£0 2 4
Webb, Brothers, Bricks	£1 7 0
A. Page, Gates, Fencing, &c.	£19 16 6
T. W. Harvey, Nails, &c	£0 8 1
Smith, Brothers, Bends	£0 16 0
J. Fell and Co., Pump	£8 15 1
Automatic Tap Syndicate (Limited), Fountain Tap	£0 9 0
E. Bourne, Repairs to Pipes	£0 7 9
Gibbs and Canning, Pipes	£14 17 6

J. C. GRIFFITH,

Chairman.

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TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 8th day of February, 1892—Present: The Mayor ; Alderman Wethered; Councillors Drew, Lawrence, Norman, Waghorne and William Heath, (Councillor Waghorne in the chair)—

1- --Montpellier Gardens—The Town Clerk laid before the Committee draft of the agreement for the purchase of this property received from the Company's Solicitors (Messrs. Winterbothams and Gurney), and the same was gone through and considered, and approved, subject to alterations and marginal notes for further information on certain points,

SUB-COMMITTEE.

The Sub-Committee reported that they had met on the 5th inst.—Present : The Mayor, Alderman Wethered and Councillor Norman (Alderman Wethered in the chair)—and had transacted the following business :—Mineral Waters—The Town Clerk laid before the Sub Committee replies he had received from the Analytical Chemists to whom he had written, and the further consideration was adjourned.

2—Resolved, That the report of the Sub-Committee be approved.

JOHN WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 25th day of February, 1892 —Present: The Mayor ; Alderman Wethered ; Councillors Drew, William Heath, Lawrence, Norman, Skillicorne and Waghorne (Councillor Waghorne in the chair)--

3—Montpellier Gardens— A letter from Messrs. Winterbothams and Gurney on the subject of the draft contract, was read, and also the draft of the Town Clerk's proposed reply thereto, which latter was approved.

JNO. WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 1st day of March, 1892,—Present: The Mayor ; Aldermen Thoyts and Wethered; Councillors Wm. Heath, Norman, and Waghorne (Councillor Waghorne in the chair)—

4- Provisional Order—The Committee met and discussed the Order and mode of procedure before the Local Government Board Inspectors to-day.

JOHN WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 2nd day of March, 1892 — Present : The Mayor ; Aldermen Thoyts and Wethered ; Councillors Lawrence, Norman, Skillicorne and Waghorne (Councillor Waghorne in the Chair)—

5—Borough Boundaries Extension—The Town Clerk laid before the Committee draft of the Provisional Order for the Extension of the Borough Boundaries, and plan therein referred to, which he had received from the Local Government Board, with a letter requesting that the map might be open for inspection by, or on behalf of, the authorities interested in the Order, and that the draft and map might be returned to the Board with any remarks which the Council might wish to make thereon. The Order was gone through and considered, and the Town Clerk was directed to return the draft Order and plan to the Local Government Board with remarks to the effect as settled by the Committee on some of the articles of the Order.

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6-British Medical Association—Letters from the Secretary of this Association, and from Dr. Cardew, the Floe. Secretary of the Gloucestershire Branch of the Association, on the subject of an invitation to the Association to visit Cheltenham in the year 1894, were read and considered. Resolved, That

Dr. Cardew be requested to arrange for a conference on the subject between this Committee and a Committee of the Gloucestershire Branch of the Association.

7-Promenade Improvement —Powell—The Town Clerk laid before the Committee the case he had submitted to Counsel as to Mr. Powell's rights, and Counsel's opinion thereon, and the same having been read and considered. Resolved, That, as advised by Counsel, final notice be given to Mr. Powell that the Council intend to carry out the proposed works, and requesting him, if he wishes to contest their right to do so, to bring an action for injunction against the Corporation before the work is commenced, and have the question decided on a motion in action.

JNO. WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 2nd day of March, 1892 — Present; The Mayor; Aldermen Thoys and Wethered; Councillors Darby, Heath, King and Williams, (Councillor Darby in the chair)—

1—Borough Surveyor's Report —The usual monthly report of the Surveyor, as follows, was read :— On the 1st inst. the springs supplying the Hewlett's Reservoirs were yielding 391 gals. per minute, the average for the last four years being 267 gals per minute ; and the quantity of water in store at Hewletts and Leckhampton was 24,423,293 gals

On the 1st inst. the depth of water in Dowdeswell Reservoir was 32 feet, and the contents 100,023,701 gals., which gives a total storage of 124,446,994 gals., or 191 days' supply.

At Charlton Kings and Hatherley Lane extensions have been carried out, in both cases the return being sufficient to cover the Statutory amount. Applications have been received for supplies in Prestbury Road, which will require an extension, the cost of which will be about £100, and the return will immediately cover the outlay.

Resolved, That the main be extended along the Prestbury Road as suggested in the Surveyor's report.

2 --Appeals —The cases entered in the Appeal Book were considered, and the Rates settled and adjusted. Supply of Water—Applications and agreements for the supply of water for the past month were examined and approved.

J. T. DARBY,

Chairman.

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GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 24th day of February, 1892-Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Thoys ; Councillors Darby, King, Lawrence, Norman, Parsonage and Waghorne (Alderman Col. Thoys in the chair)-

1 -Fire Brigade-The Superintendent reported that the Brigade had been called out to two fires during the month of February, viz., on the 11th inst. at No. 2, Lypiatt Lawn, in the occupation of Surgeon-Gen. Corbyn ; estimated damage, between £300 and £500 ; the building and contents insured in the

Law Union and Queen Insurance Companies, to whom the bill of expenses, amounting to £5 5s, had been sent in ; and on the 20th inst. at Pittville Court, in the occupation of J. G. Strachan, Esq. ; estimated damage, £50 ; the bill of expenses, amounting to £3 19s, sent in to the Phoenix Fire Office, in which the property is insured.

Resolved, That the Brigade be assembled for a general practice on Saturday, the 26th of March.

2-Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act- Swine Fever - Supt. McRae reported that there were no cases of Swine Fever or Foot and Mouth Disease in the District.

3-Foot and Mouth Disease-A letter from the Secretary of the Board of Agriculture enclosing a notice prepared by the Board for the information of farmers, cattle owners, and others concerned, setting forth the symptoms by which Foot and Mouth Disease can be recognized, and the precautions which should be taken by them to prevent its spreading, and stating that the Board would be glad if the Local Authority would at once take the necessary steps to circulate the information amongst all persons, who may, with advantage, be made acquainted with it, and have it placarded in places where it is likely to be read, was read

Resolved, That the notice referred to be printed and distributed as requested by the Board.

A letter from F. E. Guise, Esq., Clerk to the County Council, stating that, by reason of the recent outbreak of Foot and Mouth Disease in England, a meeting of the Executive Committee of the County would be held on the 27th inst., for the purpose of conferring as to the issuing of an Order for prohibiting the movement of Cattle into the County from infected or suspicious districts, that the Committee would be glad of the assurance of the co-operation of Cheltenham by the issue of a similar Order, and would be pleased to confer at such meeting with a representative from the Corporation, and to make arrangements, if possible, for simultaneous and co-operative action, was read.

Resolved, That the Chairman, Alderman Col. Thoys, be requested to attend the Conference on behalf of this Committee.

4. --Pleuro-Pneumonia-A circular letter from the Board of Agriculture calling the attention of Local Authorities to the duties imposed on them by sec. 41 of the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1878, and suggesting that for the future whenever a movement license is granted by the Local Authority, a Police Constable or some suitable Officer of the Local Authority residing in the immediate neighbourhood of the place to which the cattle are to be moved should be informed and instructed to take the necessary steps to secure the fulfilment of the conditions under which the license was granted, as to the time of movement, and completion of slaughter, was read.

5 - Hackney Carriages-An application from William Scrivens, of Glendouran House Stables, for the transfer to him of the two licenses now hold by Mrs. Roche, of Hewlett Place, whose business he has arranged to purchase, was read and considered. Resolved, That on the licenses now in force being given up to be cancelled, fresh licenses will be issued in the name of Mr. Scrivens.

An application from the Cheltenham Omnibus Company for a license for an omnibus was read, and a license granted.

6- Drivers' Licenses-Resolved, That a driver's license be granted to Edward Gough, of 34, Albert Street, St. Paul's.

7-Cab Stands-Resolved, That a new stand for two carriages be fixed on the East side of North street, opposite the unbuilt-on land there, and one for two carriages in the centre of the road in Cambray.

A memorial from Major Nunn, and others protesting against the placing of a cab stand in the Promenade on the ground that it is unnecessary, that it greatly detracts from the admitted excellence of a fashionable walk, and is, and will be, a great annoyance to the residents in the vicinity, and a like memorial from Admiral Phillips and others in respect of the stand in Imperial Square, were read and considered. Resolved, That the stand in the Promenade be discontinued.

8-Meetings of Burial Board and School Attendance Committees-At the request of the Burial Board Committee, and with the consent of the School Attendance Committee, It was Resolved, That the hours of the monthly meetings of those Committees be transposed, the Burial Board Committee to meet at 4 p.m., and the School Attendance at 3 p.m., and that notice be given to the members accordingly.

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 2nd day of March, 1892-Present : The Mayor; Alderman Thoyts ; Councillors Darby, Lawrence, Norman, and Parsonage (Alderman Thoyts in the chair)-

9--Contagious Diseases Animals) Act-Foot and Mouth Disease -The Chairman reported that he had attended the meeting of the Executive Committee of the County at Gloucester, on Saturday last, and that the Chairman of the County Committee and the Chief Constable had been empowered to issue an order prohibiting movement of cattle into the district of the County " if, and when, they saw fit. Resolved, That the Mayor and Town Clerk be authorised to issue a similar order as regards the Borough if, and when, the County issue an order.

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10—Hackney Carriages—A letter from Mr. John Phelps for leave to transfer his license, No. 27, to another carriage, was read. Resolved, That the change be allowed.

11- Cab Stands --Resolved, That of the stand for three carriages in the Promenade, which this Committee have decided to discontinue, a stand for two carriages be fixed under the garden wall of Clarence House, next to Royal Well Lane.

The Memorial of Admiral and others, relative to the Cab Stand in Imperial Square, read at the last meeting of this Committee, was considered, and the further consideration thereof adjourned.

12---George Clifford- —The Street Inspector having reported that since the Resolution of this Committee of the 25th of January last, flute driver had been convicted of an offence against the Bye-Laws. Resolved, That his license be revoked.

13— George Cleveland—The Street Inspector reported that the driver above named had been twice convicted of offences against the Hackney Carriage Bye-Laws within twelve months. Resolved, That the consideration of the matter be adjourned until next month. The driver to attend before the Committee.

14--Surveyor's Assistant—Mr. N. Dunscombe, the second assistant of the Borough Surveyor, having applied for an increase of his salary, which is at present £104. Resolved, That his salary be, on the recommendation of the Borough Surveyor, increased to £120 per annum, as and from the 25th inst.

N. B. THOYTS, Chairman.

BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 2nd day of March, 1892—Present : The Mayor; Alderman Thoys ; Councillors Heath, King, Norman, and Moles (Councillor King in the chair)—

1—Naunton Recreation Ground—A letter from Messrs. Hannam, Clark and Bayton stating that they could arrange with the tenant to give up possession at any time, subject to the acceptance of the title, was read. A letter from Mr. Henry Jordan on the same subject, and the Town Clerk's reply, were also read, and the further consideration of the matter adjourned.

2-Alstone Swimming Bath —The Surveyor reported that the Diamond Sanitary Laundry Company declined to undertake the washing of the towels any longer. Resolved, That the Surveyor be authorised to procure a steam washing apparatus and have the towels, &c., washed at the Baths ; and that he be requested to report on the subject of an accommodation for washhouses at the Baths.

3—Accounts—The following Accounts were examined and allowed :—

F. J. Wright, Ironmongery	£0 0 8
James Tallboy, Ropes	£0 18 0
H. Packer, Slack	£0 9 0

CHARLES W. KING,

Chairman.

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BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 3rd day of February, 1892— Present : The Mayor; Councillors Heath, Moles, Steel, and Parsonage (Councillor Parsonage in the chair)—

1—Notices of Interment—The Town Clerk laid before the Committee proof of Notice of Interment amended to meet the altered circumstances, and the same was settled by the Committee.

2—Rules and Regulations—The Regulations and Table of Fees being out of print, the Clerk was directed to have some proofs of a reprint to lay before the Committee with a view to the revision thereof.

3 -- Management of Cemetery—The Committee recommend the following arrangements

That Mr. Gregory perform all the duties hitherto performed by the Parish and Board Sextons, and that an addition of £20 per annum to his salary be made in respect thereof.

That the rates of wages of the other employees at the Cemetery be 18s per week, the hours of labour being (from the 1st of March to the 1st November) from 6 a.m. to 5.30 p.m., with intervals of three-quarters of an hour for breakfast and one hour for dinner ; and (from the 1st November to the 1st March) from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., with an interval of one hour for dinner.

That the Man who discharges the duties of gardener and attends on Sundays be paid 1s a week additional for such work.

That the attention of the Surveyor be called to the Resolution of this Committee, of date the 26th August, 1889, directing the putting up of notice boards prohibiting the payment of money to the employees for keeping graves in order.

4-Hour of Committee Meeting—The Committee recommended to the General Purposes Committee that the hour of meeting of this Committee be altered from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m., the Superintendent's duties at the Cemetery preventing his attendance on the Committee before that hour ; and that, as a necessary consequence, the hour of meeting of the School Attendance Committee be altered from 4 p.m. to 3 p.m.

EDWARD H. PARSONAGE.

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 25th day of February, 1892—Present: The Mayor; Alderman Col. Thoyts ; Councillors Hands, King, Steel, Moles, Parsonage and Williams (Councillor Parsonage in the chair)—

3—Designs—The following designs were examined and allowed, viz. :—Headstones to Lucy Jonning, Richard William Ferguson, Ann Guilding, Susanna Mills, Harry Dix, Elizabeth Page, and Harriet Sophia Simpson. Tombs to Joan Eliza Kite and Amelia Robertson Mackenzie, the latter subject to Gen. Mackenzie taking all risk in the matter,

4--Rules and Regulations—The Rules and Regulations were gone through and revised. Resolved, That they be reprinted as now amended, and fresh proofs sent to the members of the Committee for further revision at the next meeting.

5—Accounts—The following accounts were examined and allowed :—

J Mansell, Connecting two Cisterns at Cemetery	£2 14 2
H. H. Martyn, Working and Fixing Cross	£4 0 0
John Smith, Labels	££4 3 5
J. Fisher, Ironmongery	£1 11 4

EDWARD H. PARSONAGE.

Chairman.

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OFFICERS' COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 4th day of March, 1892—Present : Aldermen Thoyts and Ramsay ; Councillors Darby, Hands, Williams, Parsonage and Waghorne (Alderman Col. Thoyts in the chair)—

1---Town Clerk's Duties and Salary—The Town Clerk laid before the Committee draft of the terms of arrangement between him and the Council with respect to his salary and duties, as directed by this Committee. The same having been considered, Resolved, That the same, as now altered and settled by this Committee, be approved, and the Corporation Seal be affixed thereto, subject to the revocation of the previous Resolutions on the subject ; of which notice be given by the Chairman for the next meeting of the Council in April.

N. B. THOYTS, Chairman.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 3rd day of March, 1892—Present The Mayor ; Alderman Thoys ; Councillors Darby, Drew, Wm. Heath, Lawrence, and Parsonage, (Councillor Lawrence in the Chair)—

1—General District Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant' of date the 3rd inst., on the collection of this rate, was read. Amount collected £11,886 9s. 2d., leaving outstanding £1,044 14s, 4 ½ d.

2--Water Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 3rd inst., on the collection of this Rate, was read. Receipts £7,931 16s 6d, leaving outstanding £573 3s 10d

3--Private Improvement Works, St. George's Road—A Letter from Messrs. E. Smith & Son, requesting that payment of the suns due from them for the above works (£124 8s 4d) might be allowed to stand over, on their paying interest thereon, was read. Resolved, That Messrs. Smith & Son be given till Midsummer for payment of the amount with interest at five per cent.

4—Loans from Barrow Corporation—A Letter from the Town Clerk of Barrow-in-Furness upon the subject of his costs and charges in relation to the transfer of the Sewage Farm Mortgage, for which matter he thought he should be paid not only his travelling expenses, but a fee of 5 guineas, and stating that his travelling expenses were £4 7s was read. Resolved, That a cheque be forwarded to Mr. Preston for his travelling expenses, with an expression of the opinion of this Committee that this being a mutual loan any other charges in connection therewith should be paid by the Corporation of Barrow-in-Furness.

5—Corporation Stock—A letter from Mr. Minett, the Borough Accountant, bringing to the notice of the Committee the question of granting him some remuneration in respect of the large amount of additional and technical work cast upon him in calculating and reporting upon the question of consolidating the Loans and the issue of Stock, and the extra assistance in his department (consequent on the same being carried out) he had to obtain, and for which he had paid a considerable sum, was read and considered. Resolved, That the matter be adjourned for further consideration.

6 --ACCOUNTS.—The Borough Accountant laid before the Committee the Account of Receipts and Expenditure, and of the Accounts and amounts to be paid, amounting to the following sums, viz :—

Borough Fund ..	£239 1 0-
Public Library—Revenue	£51 18 9
Urban Authority—Revenue .	£1395 19 6
Burial Board—Revenue	£95 .11 3
Waterworks—Revenue	£964 7 1
Refuse Destructor—Capital ..	£2 4 4
Loan from Barrow-in-Furness Corporation to replace	
Loan paid off .. • • ..	£5000 0 0
Ditto ditto for Abattoir ..	£2500 0 0
Corporation Stock .	£1071 12 0

ACCOUNTS NOW TO BE PAID -

Borough Fund ..	..	£478 16 9
Public Library- --Revenue	..	£86 19 1
Pittville Estate Capital	..	£20 14 10
Urban Authority Revenue	..	£1972 1 8
Burial Board—Revenue	..	£195 8 8
Allotments—Capital	..	£43 10 0
Refuse Destructor Capital		£77 13 6
Abattoir—Capital	..	£303 2 6
Street Improvements	..	£2 2 6
Waterworks—Revenue	..	£105 13 10
Ditto—Capital	..	£4 13 0
Stamp Duty re Stock to Loans Fund		£93 15 0

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT AT THE BANK—

In hand last month (Current and Interest A/cs)	..	£10885 9 2
Received during the month	.. ..	<u>£11320 4 11</u>
		£22205 14 1
Paid during the month	.. ..	<u>£5885 9 7</u>
In hand, Current and Interest Accounts	..	£16320 4 6

Sinking Fund Account :-

In hand last month	..	£12282 5 5
Received during the month		<u>£ 332 6 9</u>
		£12614 12 2
Transferred to Loans Fund		<u>£11446 1 2</u>
In hand		£1168 11 0
		£1168 11 0
Loans Fund—		
In hand last month	..	£60 9 11
Transfer from Sinking Fund		<u>£11446 1 2</u>
		£11506 11 1
Invested with Corporation of Barrow-in-Furness		£7500 0 0
Stamp Duty re Stock		<u>£93 15 0</u>
		<u>£7593 15 0</u>
In hand		<u>£3912 16 1</u>
Total in hand		£21401 11 7

EDWIN LAWRENCE,

Chairman.

PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Saturday, the 27th day of February, 1892—Present: Alderman Sir A. Ramsay ; Councillor Parsonage ; Capt. Welch, R.N., and Mr. T. Pippett (Alderman Sir A. Ramsay in the Chair)-

1—Librarian's Report —The usual Monthly Report of the Librarian was read. He also reported that the following gifts had been made to the Library during the past month :—

The Registrar of Durham University	1 vol.
Baron de Ferrieres	15 vols. and 7 pamphlets
Trustees of British Museum	2 vols.
Editor of "Advertiser's A.B.C."	1 vol.
Mr. J. Rees Phillips	5 vols.
Miss Jordan	35 vols.

Annual Reports from the Libraries at Paddington, Camberwell, Clerkenwell, Clapham and Brighton.

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2-- School of Science—It having been represented by the School of Science that the concrete floor in the laboratory of the School is again at fault, and permits the water and other liquids to percolate through into the Library from the laboratory, It was Resolved, That the matter be brought to the notice of Mr. Knight (the Architect), with a request that he will inform the Committee what steps should be taken by the Committee to remedy the defect.

3--Sub-Committee's Report—The Sub-Committee recommended—

That one India rubber mat and two cocoa nut mats be obtained for the entrance doors of the Library.

That the present fire-grate in the Caretaker's house be removed, and a close range put in to prevent smoke, at a cost of £3 3s

That the " Electrician " be added to the list of technical periodicals. Resolved, That the recommendations of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted.

4—Accounts—The following accounts were examined and allowed:—

A. C. and S. S. Billings, Repairs and Alterations	£21 13
Mudie's Select Library, Books	£7 3 6
Charles Lowe, ditto	£0 10 10
John Day and Son, ditto	£4 17 2
W. H. Smith and Son, ditto	£5 5 6
James Webb, ditto	£1 0 0
William Wesley and Son, ditto	£2 0 0
Cawthorn and Hutt, ditto	£1 18 3
W. T. Cossens, ditto 1	£1 2 3
Newspapers and Periodicals	£3 1 7
Magazines	£0 17 1
Norman, Sawyer and Co., Printing and Stationery	£5 18 3
Binding and Lettering	£9 0 7
Charles Boyle, Cleaning Materials	£0 10 0

Gas Company, Coke	£8 19 10
Librarian, Assistants' Wages	£7 14 0

ALEX. E. RAMSAY.

Chairman.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 25th day of February, 1892—Present : The Mayor ; Aldermen Sir A. Ramsay and E. blethered ; Councillors Hands, William Heath, Moles, Steel and Parsonage (Councillor Hands in the Chair).

1— Local Committees—The Minute Books of the various Local Committees were gone through and examined. Summonses were ordered to be issued against the parents of the following children in respect of the non-attendance of such children :—Kate Cole, of Hereford Place.

2—Attendance Officers' Reports—The Monthly Reports of the School Attendance Officers were read.

WILLIAM HANDS.

Chairman.

Borough of Cheltenham

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, March 30th, 1892.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend the Monthly Meeting of the Council, as such, and Acting as Urban Sanitary Authority, and as a Burial Board, to be held in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Offices, on Monday, the 4th day of April next, at Three o'clock in the afternoon, at which Meeting the following business is proposed to be transacted, and any other business that may legally be transacted at such Meeting.

1. To read and sign the Minutes of the last Monthly Meeting.
2. To receive any official communications and take measures thereon.
3. To approve or otherwise the proceedings of THE STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE. PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE. TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE. WATER COMMITTEE. GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE. BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE. BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE. ELECTRIC LIGHTING COMMITTEE. OFFICERS' COMMITTEE. FINANCE COMMITTEE. PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE. SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.
4. The Mayor to move—That the Resolution of the Standing Orders Committee of 20th Dec., 1876, fixing the salary and duties of the Town Clerk, the Resolution of the Council approving and confirming the same, and also any subsequent Resolutions of the Council, or any Committee of the Council, passed in relation to the salary or duties of the Town Clerk, be rescinded, so far as the same may be inconsistent with the arrangement about to be entered into between the Council and the Town Clerk,

5. Councillor Drew to move—That all Rules, Regulations, Bye Laws, and Standing Orders now in force in the Borough of Cheltenham, or henceforth to be made, be printed on paper of like size and character to that on which the Cheltenham Improvement Act is printed, and that they be bound together from time to time for the use of the Members of the Council.

6. Councillor Waghorne to move—That the Public Health Committee be empowered to enquire into and report upon the administration of the Health Department, and to make such recommendations as they may consider necessary for the greater efficiency of the Department in future.

7. Councillor Hands to move—That the private road opposite the Ladies College be repaired at the cost of the Corporation, and declared a public highway.

8. Notices of Motion.

9. To read the following letters, and pass Resolution thereon, if need be :—

Local Government Board re Appointment of Medical Officer of Health.

Councillor Heath re Damage to his Trap

Geo. Smith re Movable Dwellings Bill.

James Villar re Cab Stand in Cambray.

Geeves & Son, ditto ditto

Jno. How, ditto ditto

J. H. Broadhurst re Roadway in front of Eltham Lawn.

Yours faithfully,

E. T. BRYDGES,

Town Clerk.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 18th day of March, 1892 — Present The Mayor ; Alderman Wethered ; Councillors Darby, Hands, Neale, Norman, Parsonage and King (The Mayor in the chair)—

1—Medical Officer of Health —The Committee considered the question of filling up the vacancy that will be caused in this office on the 1st of August by the resignation of Dr. Roch. Resolved, That the Medical Officer of Health to be appointed shall devote the whole of his time to the duties of his office, except that he be allowed a consulting practice, and that his qualifications shall be those prescribed by sec. 18, s.s. 2 of the Local Government Act, 1888. That the salary be £500 per annum.

2 -- Inspector of Nuisances—Resolved, That with a view to the rearrangement of the staff of the Public Health Department, Mr. Long, the chief Inspector of Nuisances, be informed that his services as such will be dispensed with from and after the 1st of August next, and that a chief Inspector of Nuisances be appointed at a salary of £150 per annum, such officer to hold the diploma of the Sanitary Institute, and to devote his whole time to the duties of his office Resolved, That both the foregoing appointments be advertised according to the Regulations of the Local Government Board. Applications, stating age and qualifications, With testimonials (printed) not exceeding in number =[?], to be sent in to the Town Clerk on or before the 9th of May next, the appointment to be made on the 6th of June.

J. C. GRIFFITH, Chairman.

Borough of Cheltenham

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, April 2nd, 1892.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend a Special Meeting of the Council, as such, and Acting as Urban Sanitary Authority, and as a Burial Board, to be held in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Offices, on Thursday, the 7th day of April instant, at Three o'clock in the afternoon, at which Meeting the following business is proposed to be transacted, and any other business that may legally be transacted at such Meeting.

1. To approve or otherwise the proceedings of THE FINANCE COMMITTEE—make Borough Rate and settle estimate for General District Rate

Yours faithfully,

E. T. BRYDGES,

Town Clerk.

Borough of Cheltenham

MINUTES of the Proceedings of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the Monthly Meeting of the Council, to be held on Monday, the 4th of April, 1892.

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 15th day of March, 1892—Present : The Mayor; Councillors Darby, Heath, Steel, King, Lawrence and Parsonage (The Mayor in the chair)—

1-Great Western Railway Company—A letter from Mr. Wilkinson, of date the 4th inst. (read at the last meeting of the Council, and referred to this Committee), stating that his Directors, at their meeting held on the 3rd inst., had approved the general plan for the new Passenger and Goods Stations, and instructions had been given to the Engineer to arrange, with all practicable dispatch, for the work to be put in hand, and that the carrying out of the plan was necessarily subject to the agreement of terms in reference to the St. George's Road Bridge and the exchange of land at the Central Depot, was read together with a further letter from Mr. Nelson, stating that the cost of widening the bridge to 40 feet was estimated at £500, that the increased width would put on the Company the maintenance of the widened bridge, and that the Corporation should contribute the £500.

Resolved, That the Committee recommend the Council to agree to the following terms :—

That the Company be relieved from the obligation of constructing a temporary carriage road during the reconstruction of the Bridge, but they shall provide a sufficient temporary bridge for foot passengers.

That the proposed exchange of land at the Central Depot (which is more favourable to the Company than the Corporation) be made ; the Company replacing the existing fence and gates on the new boundary, and erecting such additional fencing of a similar character as may be required.

That the construction of the new bridge shall be completed and the roadway over it made fit for traffic within three months from the time the road is interfered with.

That the building of the new Station be commenced on or before the 1st of September next.

That, if the foregoing terms are agreed to and carried out, the Corporation will pay the Company £ towards the cost of widening the bridge, and will relieve the Company from the obligation to maintain the roadway over the Bridge.

J. C. GRIFFITH,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 28th day of March, 1892—Present : The Mayor; Councillors Darby, Heath, Lawrence, King, Steel and Parsonage (Councillor Parsonage in the Chair)—

2—Gas Examiner's Monthly Report—The Monthly Report of the Gas Examiner was read : Average Illuminating Power, 15.77 candles. Purity, 10.50 grains of Sulphur per 100 cubic feet.

3—Gas Inspector's Monthly Report—The Monthly Report of the Gas Inspector was read Average hourly consumption of Gas per lamp during the month, 4.238 cubic feet.

4- Lamp Book—The book kept at the Police Station was produced and examined. Lamps extinguished during the month, 9 (4 metered); burning dimly, 68. (11 metered).

5 —Street Projections—The Street Inspector reported that the lamps mentioned in his Report of last month had been removed in accordance with the direction of the Committee. A letter from Messrs. Plant and Co. apologising for having infringed the Bye-Laws by putting up lamps at their shop without leave, and asking permission now to use the lamps in question, which are to be used for only two hours each evening, and to be taken down when the premises are closed, was read, and an application having been made by Mr. Ralph Negus, of the Bon Marche, to be allowed to extinguish his lamps at the close of his business each evening.

Resolved, That Messrs Plant and Co. be allowed to use their removable lamps provided they are fixed at a height of not less than 8 feet in the clear from the pavement, and subject to the right of the Corporation to require their removal at any time if they think fit ; and, with regard to Mr. Negus's lamps, it appearing to the Committee that they are not advertising lamps, the Committee consider that the Resolution of 1st December last does not apply in his case.

6-Surveyor's Monthly Report, Highways--The Surveyor reported that the following works had been done in his Department during the past month Repaired with Clee Hill Stone—Sandfield Road (proceeding). Patching—Upper High Street, Alstone Lane, St. George's Road, Gloucester Road, Douro Road, Great Norwood Street, Promenade.

Repaired with Wickwar Stone—Patching—Fiddler's Green, Arle Road, Well Road, Roman Road, Sandford Road, Parabola Road, Destructor Road, Old Gloucester Road, Cleeve Road, Millbrook Street, Road near Fever Hospital.

Footpaths—Gravel—Sandford Road (sides), Suffolk Road, Well Road, Road leading from Montpellier Villas to Suffolk Parade, Glenfall Street (Private Improvement).

Footpaths—Concrete— Thirlestaine Road (proceeding), Sandford Road, by " Teighmore "—Private Improvements.

Curbing, Crossing, Channelling and Paving—Promenade, Christ Church Road, Lansdown Place, Parabola Road, Tivoli Villas, Hatherley Street, Pittville Terrace, Portland Square, Oxford Passage, Imperial Square, Rodney Road, Queen Street, High Street, St. George's Road, Gloucester Road,

Worcester Street, York Passage, Grosvenor Street, Burton Street, Henrietta Street, Union Street (Bath Road).

Tariffing—Upper Bath Street, Painswick Lawn, Gt Norwood Street, Commercial Street, Bath Terrace, Swindon Road, Milsom Street, Millbrook Street, Albion Street, Tewkesbury Road, Monson Avenue.

Gullies Re-constructed-1 Oxford Parade, 1 Great Western Road, Hatherley Road (near Banbury Railway).

Trees cut down-3 Dagmar Road, 2 Christ Church Road, 6 Malvern Road, 1 Arle Road, 24 Overton Road, 5 Parabola Road, 2 St. Stephen's Road, 4 Montpellier Parade, 12 Vittoria Walk. 4 Montpellier Drive.

Ashes Collected—1,960 Cart Loads.

The Surveyor also reported that on Sunday afternoon one of the horses died suddenly after being ill only a few hours. Mr Taylor had arranged to make a post-mortem examination that morning.

7-Marle Hill Road—A specification from the Surveyor, of date the 28th inst., of the works required to be done to the above street, with the view to its being declared a Highway, was read and approved. Resolved, That the necessary plans, sections and estimates be prepared, and notice be given under Section 44 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the owners of the premises fronting, adjoining, or abutting upon the parts of the said street, requiring to be levelled, paved, metalled or made good ; requiring them to do the specified works within 28 days ; and that, if such notice is not complied with, the Surveyor do proceed to execute the works mentioned or referred to therein ; and that the expenses thereof be recovered in the manner provided by the Act. A letter from Mr. C. Lane objecting to the amount charged to him in respect of the works executed in this road as being too large, was read and adjourned for further consideration,

8-Great Western Railway Goods Shed, &c —The resolution of the Committee of date the 15th inst., having been forwarded to the Railway Company, a letter was read from Mr. Nelson, the Company's Solicitor, stating that if the Committee could see their way to altering the resolution in the following respects, the matter might be considered as settled, viz :—

That the construction of the new Bridge shall be completed, and the roadway over it made fit for traffic, within three months from the time when the carriage of traffic over the existing road is required to be diverted.

That the contract for the building of the New Station be let before the 1st of September next.

That the amount to be paid to the Company be £300, the Company maintaining the roadway over the bridge when widened. Resolved, That the Company's terms be accepted on the understanding that the construction and maintenance of the carriage way and footways over the bridge be to the satisfaction of the Borough Surveyor for the time being, and that the obligation of the Company to maintain shall extend from the Great Western Road on the N.W. to Western Road on the S.E.

9—Trees in Spa Road—The Tree Sub-Committee having reported that 11 trees marked by them should be removed. Resolved, That the action and report of the Sub-Committee be approved.

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10 - St. Stephen's Road—A specification from the Surveyor, of date the 28th inst., of the works required to be done to the above street, was read and approved. Resolved, That notice be given under Section 44 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1852, to the owners of the premises fronting,

adjoining, or abutting upon the parts of the said street, requiring to be drained, levelled, repaired, flagged, and channelled; requiring them to do the specified works within 28 days ; and that if such notice is not complied with, the Surveyor do proceed to execute the works mentioned or referred to therein ; and that the expenses thereof be recovered in the manner provided by the Act.

11—Chapel Walk—Resolved, That the Surveyor do bring up a specification for the repair of this road by the owners, with a view to its being declared a highway. --Wellington Street—A number of letters from owners of property in this street objecting to being called upon to do the works ordered by the Committee, were read. Resolved, That the Committee can only make an exception or allowance where the works, or a part of them, have been previously done by the owners.

13—Glendowran Road—A letter from Mr A. H. Smith with respect to the charge made upon Mrs. Hannah Smith for Private Improvement Works in the above road, was read.

14 - Bill Posting in Ambrose Street—Smith—A letter from Mr. Harry Lewis of the 2nd March, forwarding formal notice of Mr. Smith's intention to commence an action in regard to the damage done to his posting station and property in Ambrose Street by the Fire Brigade, and a subsequent letter from Mr. Lewis expressing his client's desire to avoid contention, and enquiring if the Corporation had any suggestion to make which might have the effect of compromising the matter without the necessity of litigation, and further stating that the price asked by the Corporation for the strip of land with their rights (if any) in the adjoining walls is altogether disproportionate to the recognised value of property in the neighbourhood, and it should be taken into account that so far as the Corporation are concerned this particular piece is quite useless, were read. Resolved, That Mr. Smiths be offered the strip of land co-extensive with his houses in Ambrose Place for the sum of £50, subject to his undertaking to build with a frontage to Ambrose Street within twelve months, to a plan to be approved by the Committee, and to the action being abandoned.

15-Land at Pittville—Messrs. Winterbothams' Complaint —A letter from Messrs. Winterbothams and Gurney stating that Mr. Cornelius Smith had estimated the cost of putting up a new fence, exactly same description as old one, at £3, and enquiring if the Corporation would pay 30s towards it, was read. Resolved, That 30s be paid.

16-- Road and Footpaths at Alstone—A letter from Mr. J. C. Fisher, and a memorial from Mr. G. M. Abell and others calling attention to the bad condition of the road and footways leading from the Gloucester Road to the Level Crossing at Alstone, stating that the footways are full of holes and dangerous to the public, and they hoped the Corporation might consider it expedient to take up the present pitched footways and continue the concrete or cement pavement from St. George's Road to the Level Crossing, were read. Resolved, That the Surveyor do bring up a specification of the necessary works to be done by the abutting owners.

17 Fairfield Road—A memorial from Mr. Arthur Manners and others calling attention to the state of this road, and asking the Committee to view Committee to inspect the same with a view to its being put into repair, was read, and the matter adjourned to enable the

18--Crossing at Marsh Lane—A memorial from Mrs. J. Jones and others requesting the Council to place a crossing at the junction of Marsh Lane and Swindon Road, was read, and adjourned to enable the Committee to view.

19— Crossing at Milsom Street--A memorial from Mr. Thomas Morris and others calling attention to the need of a crossing from Milsom Street at the High Street end, was read. Resolved, That the Committee see no necessity for a crossing in this locality.

20-Footpath at back of York Terrace—A memorial from Mr. Henry Gilson and others calling attention to the condition of this footpath, the bank having in several places given way, and there being great danger of persons falling into the Chelt, and suggesting that some provision should be made to prevent the nuisances committed there, was read. Resolved, That the Surveyor do bring up a specification of the works required to be done by the owners.

21-Cloddimore Road—A memorial from Mr. C. Daft and others asking the Council to reconsider the specification for walks in this road, and to substitute for the kerbing and channelling, a turf verge, the same as exists in the Gloucester Road close by, was read. Resolved, That a turf verge be substituted for curbing and channelling, without prejudice to the right of the Council to require the owners to curb and channel at some future time, and that the resolution of this Committee of date the 25th of January, 1892, and the specifications thereby approved be altered accordingly, and that the Chairman do give notice of such alterations.

22 - Footpath on Gloucester Road—A memorial from Mr. A. Workman and others calling attention to the bad state of the footpath on the South East side of the Gloucester Road, from Malvern Road to Malvern View Villas, and suggesting that the centre of the path should be laid with tar macadam, in lieu of cinders, for a width of at least five feet, was read. Resolved, That the Surveyor be instructed to repair the footpath.

23- Royal Crescent and Well Place—The Surveyor reported that the Private Improvement Works ordered for Royal Crescent and Well Place had been completed in accordance with his specifications, at a cost of £184 4s. 3d. and £257 10s. 9d. respectively, which sums he had apportioned amongst the various abutting owners in manner set forth in his Report, was read. Resolved, That the apportionment be approved, and notice thereof given to the owners, and demand made for the sums respectively due from them.

24-Destructor—Railway Siding—The Town Clerk laid before the Committee the engrossment of the agreement herein between the Corporation and the Midland Company and Midland and S.W. Junction Railway Company, duly executed by the two Companies. Resolved, That the Common Seal of the Corporation be affixed thereto.

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25 New Buildings—The Surveyor submitted notices and plans received by hint from persons intending to erect new buildings, all of which were approved, viz. :—

Rev. Canon Coventry, Alterations to stables at No 3, Lansdown Place.

C. H. Saunders, Two houses in Ewlyn Road.

J. Cypher, Additions to Rose View, Queen's Road.

W. Hayman, Workshop at No. 22, Bennington Street.

W. Watts Additions to Sudeley Villa, Gloucester Road.

Lady Walsingham's Trustees, Two semi-detached Cottages at Pilley, Old Bath Road.

G. Hayward, New Wings, to North Villa, and Walkworth Villa, Gloucester Road, the latter approved subject to the drain from the W.C. being carried outside the houses.

EDWARD H. PARSONAGE.

Chairman

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 18th day of March, 1892 — Present : The Mayor; Alderman Wethered ; Councillors Darby, Hands, Neale, Norman, Parsonage and King (The Mayor in the chair)—

1— Medical Officer of Health—The Committee considered the question of filling up the vacancy that will be caused in this office on the 1st of August by the resignation of Dr. Roch. Resolved. That the Medical Officer of Health to be appointed shall devote the whole of his time to the duties of his office and that his 9 qualifications shall be those prescribed by sec. 18, s.s. 2 of the Local Government Act, 1888. That the salary be £500 per annum.

2-- Inspector of Nuisances—Resolved, That with a view to the rearrangement of the staff of the Public Health Department, Mr. Long, the chief Inspector of Nuisances. be informed that his services as such will be dispensed with from and after the 1st of August next, and that a chief Inspector of Nuisances be appointed at a salary of £150 per annum, such officer to hold the diploma of the Sanitary Institute, and to devote his whole time to the duties of his office. Resolved, That both the foregoing appointments be advertised according to the Regulations of the Local Government Board. Applications, stating age and qualifications, with testimonials (printed) to be sent in to the Town Clerk on or before the 9th of May next, the appointment to be made on the 6th of June

J. C. GRIFFITH,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 25th day of March, 1892—Present The Mayor ; Alderman Wethered ; Councillors Hands, Norman and Neale (The Mayor in the chair),

3— Dairies and Cowsheds Order—Applications from Charles Cook, 12, Suffolk Parade ; Robert Thomas, 2, St. George's Street ; and Henry William Webley, so, St. Paul's Street. N., to be registered as purveyors of milk at the premises named, and from Mrs. Maria Wood to be registered as a cowkeeper at Whaddon Farm, were read, together with the reports of the Inspector of Nuisances thereon. Resolved, That all the applicants be registered, except Mr. Webley whose case be deferred for a satisfactory report from Dr. Cresswell, the Medical Officer of Health for Swindon Parish, as to the condition of the source of supply, which appears to be a farm in Dr. Cresswell's district.

4-Houses without a Proper Supply of Water—It appearing from a report of the Surveyor, dated the 25th inst., that the houses mentioned therein are without a proper supply of water, which can be readily obtained from the Corporation mains at a cost not exceeding the Water Rate authorised by the Corporation Water Acts, was read. Resolved, That notice be given

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under sec. 62 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the owners of the houses in question requiring them to obtain such supply and do all such acts as may be necessary for that purpose; and that, if such notice is not complied with, the necessary steps be taken to close the wells. The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of houses the owners of which had failed to comply with the Notices given them to provide a proper supply of water at their properties. Resolved, That application be made to the Magistrates for orders to close the wells in these cases.

5--Zymotic Diseases-The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of cases of Zymotic Disease which had occurred during the month, viz., Scarlatina, 9 ; Enteric Fever, 1 ; Diphtheria, 5.

6--- Medical Officer's Report-The Medical Officer of Health reported that, as the necessary returns are not furnished until the end of the third month, his usual Quarterly Report could not be completed until the next meeting of the Committee, he, however, forwarded for the information of the Committee an epitome of the work done in his Department during the past month, which was read.

7 --W.C's. without Flushing Apparatus, &c.-The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of premises where the W.C's. are with-out an efficient flushing apparatus, some of the W.C's. being within the houses and some without, and stated that the Corporation water having now been supplied to a large area of the poorer parts of the town, the present might be an opportune time for carrying into effect the provisions of sec. 28 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act of 1889. Resolved, That the further consideration of the matter be adjourned.

8- Smoke Nuisance- Smith's Timber Yard-A complaint having been received from Messrs. Hampton and Co. of the nuisance caused by the smoke from the chimney of an engine used by Messrs, Smith, Bros., at their yard in Albion Street. Resolved, That notice under sec. 91, of the Public Health Act be given to Messrs. Smith to abate the nuisance.

9-Smoke Nuisance- Albion Saw Mills-A letter from Messrs. Winterbothams and Gurney stating that the parties had not made the slightest improvement in this matter, dense volumes of smoke being emitted continually from the chimney, was read. Resolved, That notice be given to Messrs. Carpenter and Pearce that if the order of the Justices is not complied with forthwith proceedings will be taken against them to enforce payment of the penalties.

10-Ashbin Refuse-The Medical Officer of Health reported that frequent complaints having been made as to the insanitary condition arising from the accumulation of ashbin refuse throughout the Town, he ventured to direct attention to the subject, and suggested that owners of property above a certain rateable value should be compelled to provide moveable ashbins, while the poorer classes might be supplied out of the rates. Resolved that the matter be referred to the Scavenger's Department, this Committee consider it very desirable that some reform should be effected in this direction.

11-Medical Officer of Health-Resolved, That the term of appointment of the Medical Officer of Health be for five years and that it be one of the terms of his appointment that, in the event of its being necessary to appoint a deputy in his absence, such Deputy be paid by him.

12-Deputy Medical Officer of Health-Dr. Bevan- A letter from Dr. Roch forwarding an account received from Dr. Bevan for acting as Deputy Medical Officer of Health during the absence of Dr. Roch, and directing attention to the General Order of the Local Government Board of 23rd of March, 1891, under which it was presented, was read. The Committee considered the matter, and Resolved, That the amount be not paid by the Council, as the Committee consider the services of Dr. Bevan should be paid for by the Medical Officer of Health.

13- Heyden Farm-Wood -The Surveyor reported that he had, as directed, conferred with Mr. Wood, and he found that the shedding required by him could be so placed as to be accessible (with one exception) from all the fields on the farm, and could, he estimated, be provided for £250. Subject to this being done, Mr. Wood, whose present rent is £430, would be prepared to take the farm on a yearly tenancy at £440. Resolved that the shed be put up if Mr. Wood will take the farm at £450 per annum.

14- Swindon Place-The Surveyor laid before the Committee plan shewing the washhouses and privies he proposed the owners of this property should provide. Resolved, That the same be approved, and that notice be given to the owners requiring them to execute the necessary works.

15 - Accounts-The following accounts were examined and allowed :-

W. J. Ursell, Horsing Ambulance	£1 5 0	
Dr. Roch, Cab Hire	£0 16 10	
Barron and Son, Sanitas Powder	£9 15 0	
E. Jones, Four week's Salary	£5 0 0	
Delancey Hospital, Treatment of Patients	£21 7 0	
General Hospital, Typhoid Fever Patients	£2 0 0	
Gas Company, Gas at Post Mortem Room	£0 0 8	
Gas at Public Urinal	£0 4 1	
Medical Practitioners, Fees for Notifying Infectious Cases		£5 0 0

J. C. GRIFFITH, Chairman.

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TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 16th day of March, 1892 —Present: The Mayor ; Alderman Wethered ; Councillors Drew, Lawrence, William Heath, Norman, Skillicorne and Waghorne (Councillor Waghorne in the chair)—

1-Borough Extension—Charlton Kings—The following members and officers of the Charlton Kings Local Board attended this Meeting of the Committee, viz. :—Mr. Townsend (Chairman of their Finance Committee), Mr. Burney, Mr. Gael, Col. Holmes, Mr. Price, Capt. Willis, and the Clerk and Surveyor. They asked :

(1.) That the Corporation should pay part of their share of the expenses of the opposition, amounting to £250.

(2.) That the debt of the Board should be divided between the Borough and the remainder of their parish in the same proportion as the rateable value of the rateable value of the part added to the Borough bears to the remainder.

(3.) That the annual payment for the use of the Cheltenham Sewers and outfall should be divided in the like proportions.

(4.) That an allowance should be made to the Parish in respect of the difference between the extent of Highways (not being Main Roads), in the part added to the Borough, and the remainder of the Parish being less than the proportionate rateable values of the separate areas, the difference in estimated cost of maintenance being estimated at £65 per annum. Mr. Clutterbuck, the Clerk to the Board was requested to furnish particulars of the debt, and average cost of maintenance of the Highways (exclusive of the Main Roads), for the past five years, and the further consideration of the requirements of the Board was adjourned,

2-Leckhampton—The following members and officers of the Leckhampton Local Board attended this meeting of the Committee, viz. :—Mr. Witts (the Chairman), Major Barnard, Mr. Combe, Dr. Davis, Mr. C. Hall, and the Clerk and Surveyor. They asked

(1.) That direct representation should be given to that part of Leckhampton to be added to the Borough, and another Ward formed.

(2.) That if Administrative difficulties do not prevent it, the County Council Electoral Division should not be interfered with.

(3.) That the Cheltenham Sewers should not be ventilated into the Leckhampton Sewers, and that the existing intercepting traps should not be interfered with.

(4.) That the Corporation should pay the balance remaining due of the Board's share of the expenses of the opposition, estimated at £100.

Resolved, That the Council do not object to separate representation for Leckhampton if the Local Government Board see fit to grant it; but, having regard to the relatively small number of electors which would be in the Ward if confined to that part of Leckhampton to be added to the Borough, the Committee recommend an addition thereto of some portions of the South Ward, and the addition thereto of that part of Charlton Kings to be added to the Borough.

That No. 2 be agreed to, but with a suggestion that if a separate Ward, enlarged as above, is formed, that Ward should form an Electoral Division in the Borough, and that the remaining portion of the Leckhampton Division be added to the Charlton Kings Division.

That Nos. 3 and 4 be agreed to

That, the Members of the Board present having assented thereto, Article 21, s.s. 2, of the Provisional Order be altered by adding to it, at the end thereof, the words " except to such streets as are now, or may be, private streets and which may become Highways."

JOHN WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 18th day of March 1892—Present: The Mayor ; Alderman Wethered ; Councillors William Heath, Lawrence, Waghorne, Skillicorne, Norman and Drew, (Councillor Waghorne in the chair)

3— Borough Extension—Charlton Kings—The Committee further considered the propositions placed before them by the Charlton Kings Local Board at their interview on the 16th inst. Resolved, That the Committee recommend the Council :—

(1.) To pay such proportion of the Charlton Kings' Share of the expenses of the opposition (not exceeding £250) as the rateable value of the property in the area to be added to the Borough bears to the total rateable value of the Parish.

(2.) That the debt of the Board, except that portion thereof incurred for their new Yard, Weighbridge, Office, &c., and the intended Loan under the Allotments Act, 1887, shall be divided between the Borough and the remainder of the Parish in the same proportion.

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(3.) That the Annual Payment for the time of the Cheltenham Sewers and Outfall shall be dealt with in like manner.

(4.) The Committee cannot recommend any allowance to be made in respect of the difference between the extent of Highways,—not being main roads,—in the added area and the remainder of

the Parish ; and it must be clearly understood that the acceptance of propositions 1, 2 and 3 is conditional upon any claim in this respect being abandoned ; and it must be pointed out that the foregoing mode of dealing with the debt of the Board is much more favourable to the Board than the mode set forth in the Draft Provisional Order.

JNO. WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 30th day of March, 1892—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Wethered ; Councillors Drew, Win. Heath, Lawrence, Skillicorne, and Waghorne Councillor Waghorne in the chair),-

4—Montpellier Gardens—The Town Clerk laid before the Committee the Draft of the Contract for the purchase of this property, returned to him by the Vendors, with replies to the alterations and marginal notes thereon made by him, declining to en-franchise the copyhold part of the property or to submit the Abstract of Title or to define the right of way over the Gardens. Resolved, That the Contract cannot be settled in its present form until the Town Clerk has had an opportunity of seeing the Abstract of Title or the Deeds.

5---Promenade Improvement—The Town Clerk reported that in pursuance of the directions of the Committee, he had served the notice, advised by Counsel to be given to Mr. Powell, on him, with copy of the plan, sections and elevation, but had not received any reply from Mr. Powell, and that the time named in the notice would expire on the 4th prox. Resolved, That the Committee be empowered to advertise for Tenders on modified plans to be submitted by the Surveyor.

6-Borough Boundaries, Extension of —A Letter from Mr. Clutterbuck, Clerk to the Charlton Kings Local Board, stating that the three recommendations the Committee were prepared to make to the Council were satisfactory, but his Board considered that a reasonable allowance should be made in respect of the difference between the extent of Highways other than Main Roads in the added area and the remainder of the parish, was read. Resolved, That Mr. Clutterbuck's attention be called to the fact that the offer made by the Committee was conditional on his Board abandoning any claim in respect of the matter mentioned in his letter; that the Committee adhere to their decision, and he must understand that the offers of the Committee on the other three points will be withdrawn if the claim above mentioned is not abandoned, and the Committee must ask for a definite reply within a week.

7-Prestbury—A Letter from A. Le Blanc and Jas. Hutchinson, Esqs., who had been elected by the ratepayers of the parish to look after their interests in the matter of the proposed extension of the Borough boundaries, pointing out that the Corporation having failed in their endeavour so far as Prestbury is concerned, and as they were paying some portion of the expenses incurred by Charlton Kings and Leckhampton, they should pay the whole of the expenses incurred by their Parish in opposing the Order, was read. Resolved, That the Committee regret they are unable to accept the reasons put forward by Messrs. Le Blanc and Hutchinson as conclusive, and cannot see their way to recommending the Council to agree to pay any part of the expenses incurred by the Parish of Prestbury.

8—British Medical Association —The following gentlemen, members of the Gloucestershire Branch of this-Association, attended this meeting of the Committee, viz., Dr Wilson, the President, Dr. Cardew, the Hon Sec,, and Drs. Gooding, Inglis. Rooke, and Walters. The subject of an invitation to the Association to visit Cheltenham was fully discussed and considered. It was stated that a

Guarantee Fund of from £600 to £800 to cover the expenses would require to be raised. Resolved, That the Mayor be requested to convene a Public Meeting for the purpose of considering the desirability of inviting the Association to hold their Annual Meeting in this town in the year 1894, and the steps to be taken to raise a Guarantee Fund, and to which fund the Committee recommend the Council to contribute £150.

JNO. WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

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WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 29th day of March, 1892 — Present ; The Mayor ; Alderman Wethered ; Councillors Heath, and Williams, (Alderman Wethered in the chair),

1-- Chairman--In the absence of the Chairman, Alderman Wethered was appointed Chairman at this meeting.

2— Borough Surveyor's Report —The usual monthly report of the Surveyor, as follows, was read :—

On the 28th inst. the springs supplying the Hewlett's Reservoirs were yielding 304 gals. per minute, the average for the last four years being 271 gals. per minute ; and the quantity of water in store at Hewletts and Leckhampton was 26,7915,177 gals

On the 28th inst. the depth of water in Dowdeswell Reservoir was 32 feet 1 inch, and the contents 100,079,644 gals., which giving a total storage of 126,877,821 gals., or 195 days' supply.

3—Mythe Bridge Land—The Town Clerk read a correspondence between him and Messrs. Moores and Romney and the Clerk of the County Council on the subject of the claim of the County Council to a portion of the land agreed to be purchase from the Trustees of the Bridge, and reported that the County Surveyor had erected a fence along the land claimed by the County Council, cutting off all access to the land from the Highway by the Corporation. Resolved, That the Town Clerk do communicate with Messrs. Haines and Sumner, the Solicitors of the County Council, and give them notice to remove the fence.

4 Sandford Mead Land—The Town Clerk laid before the Committee draft of the agreement with the tenants of this land as altered and adjusted to the existing holdings, the total rents remaining the same, but the Corporation agreeing to pay the rates and taxes, and the same were approved.

5—Hospital Tickets—A letter from Lieut.-Col. Croker-King (Hon. Sec. to the General Hospital) giving as the reason why the tickets for the year 1892 had not yet been sent was that the Corporation subscription (20 guineas), had not yet been paid, was read. Resolved, That the subscription be now paid, and that in future an order for it be signed at the meeting of the Council in January.

EDWARD WETHERED,

Chairman.

GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 28th day of March, 1892 —Present The Mayor Councillors Darby, King, Parsonage, Norman, Lawrence and Waghorne (The Mayor in the chair)—

1- -Fire Brigade—The Superintendent reported that the Fire Brigade had been called out to one fire during the month of March viz at Clarendon House, Pittville Street, in the occupation of Mr. Thomas Butler, carpenter, on the first inst., doing damage to the extent of £400 The bill of expenses amounting to £6 10s 0d. had been sent in to the Phoenix and Liverpool, London and Globe Insurance Offices, in whom the property was insured, and the Phoenix Office had paid their proportion.

2—Telephone Wires—The Superintendent of the Fire Brigade reported that during the practice of the Brigade on Saturday last, he found the Telephone Wires in several parts of the Town too low to admit of the Escape passing underneath, and, in one instance, a wire had been broken. Resolved, That the Telephone Company be requested to fix all wires at least 35 feet in height where they cross any street or road

3— Hackney Carriages—An application from the Cheltenham Omnibus Company for a license for a new Omnibus was read, and a license granted.

4—Drivers--Licenses to Drive Hackney Carriages were granted to Daniel Jenkins, of 27, Imperial Square ; Walter H. Mitchell, of 9, Little Bayshill Terrace ; Edward Owen, of 15, Bath Terrace ; Charles Phelps, of 7, Bath Terrace, and William Scrivens, of 11, Hewlett Place.

5-George Cleveland—This driver appeared before the Committee as ordered at the last Meeting and was admonished, and warned that if the question of his conduct came again before the Committee he would lose his license.

6--Foot and Mouth Disease—A copy of the joint Order proposed to be issued by the County Council and the Boroughs of Cheltenham and Gloucester in the event of its being found necessary to prohibit the movement of animals into the County and Boroughs, was read, and approved.

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7-Corporation Weighbridge—A letter from Mr. Stangoe, the Inspector of Weights and Measures, stating that he had inspected this Weighbridge and found it not sufficiently sensitive to .enable him to stamp it, was read. Resolved, That if anything is required to be done to the bridge, it be at once done, in order that the machine may be officially stamped. Travelling Expenses for Members and Officers—The Committee decided to recommend to the Council that the allowance to be made to Members and Superior Officers of the Council be as under :—

All reasonable travelling expenses, including first class Railway Fares, and Cab Hire where necessary.

For personal expenses, if absent a night £1 1s. 0d. ; if for the day only 10s. 6d.

9-Burgess and Electoral Lists—The Assistant Overseer having asked to be informed whether these lists are to be made out in alphabetical or geographical order of streets. Resolved, That they be made out in alphabetical order of streets.

10—Suffolk Road—Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor do have the houses in this street renumbered.

11—Accounts—The following accounts were examined and allowed :—

S Shenton, Bill Posting	..	£1 16 6
J. A. Reynolds & Co., Drawing Paper	..	£1 4 0
Gas Company, Gas at Weighing Machine	..	£0 2 5
R. W. Young, Market Expenses and Commission	.	£1 5 2
C. H. Channon, Hat Rails, &c., for Town Clerk's Office	..	£2 0 0

Drake, Driver and Leaver, Tracing Linen	..	£1 8 0
C Westley, Envelopes and Ink	..	£0 17 6
J. Mansell, Repairing Windows at Offices	..	£0 5 3
W. H. Harling, Brass Cross Staff	..	£0 12 0
Gas Company, Coke	..	£0 04 6

J. C. GRIFFITH,

Chairman.

BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 29th day of March, 1892—Present The Mayor ; Councillors Drew, Norman, and King, (Councillor King in the chair)—

1—Alstone Swimming Bath—Resolved, That the Bath be opened on Wednesday, the 6th day of April next at 4 p.m.

That handbills and cards be printed and distributed stating the hours and prices of admission.

That two dozen large sized and five dozen smaller sized drawers be obtained from the same firm as the previous ones were ordered from. Resolved, That the drawers and towels be washed at the St. George's Street Sanitary Laundry until the apparatus for washing them at the Bath is ready.

2-Naunton Recreation Ground—The Town Clerk reported that the title having been accepted, he had arranged with the Vendors' Solicitors that the Corporation should have possession on the 25th inst., and that he had sent the Draft Conveyance to them for approval. Resolved, That the Surveyor be instructed to proceed with the fencing against the Naunton Lane, and that such fencing be an iron unclimbable one. The boundary line to be straightened.

3—Tanner—A letter from the Rev. G. F. Tanner suggesting that a portion of this ground should be set apart for cricket, was read. Resolved, That Mr. Tanner be informed that the ground will certainly not be ready for playing cricket on this year, but that the matter will receive attention in due course.

CHARLES W. KING,

Chairman.

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BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 24th day of March, 1892-- Present : The Mayor; Councillors Moles, Parsonage, Steel, and Williams (Councillor Parsonage in the chair)—

1- Church of England Burial Ground—The Surveyor laid before the Committee a plan showing division of the grave spaces in the block of land comprising portions of Section Q to Y., both inclusive, lying on the Southern side of the lower road, between the same and the Southern boundary, into spaces for children's graves. Resolved, That the same be approved, and the block of land in question, in which no interments have yet taken place, be divided and numbered accordingly.

2 —Superintendent's Report—The Superintendent reported

(1.) That the Rev. J. E. Walker desired to bring to the notice of the Burial Board the practice of taking into the Chapels the remains of persons who have died of contagious diseases, which he considered most objectionable and ought not to be allowed.

(2.) That frequent complaints had been made of the largeness of the fee charged for interment of still-born children, as compared with that charged in adjoining parishes.

(3.) That he thought the thickness and quality of the top covering of vaults should be defined in the new Rules.

(4.) That he desired leave to convert into " grave " spaces several spaces on the N.E. side of the Chapels that are at present set apart for vaults, there being a greater demand for purchased graves than for vaults.

(5.) That as no Minister was present on the 17th inst. for the interment, at noon, of the remains of the late Mr. Dolman, the Undertaker had to send for the Rev. W. S. Fallon, who claimed the fee of one guinea for his services.

Resolved, as to No 1, That Mr. Walker be informed that the only case of burial of a person who had died from infectious disease which had come to the knowledge of the Superintendent was not allowed to be taken into the Chapel, and that will continue to be the practice.

As to No 2, That the further consideration of this matter be adjourned.

As to No. 3, This will be provided for in the revised Rules.

As to No. 4, That the Superintendent be requested to furnish the Committee with a statement of the number of vault spaces in the third spaces from the roads at present unappropriated, also the spaces in the first and second rows at present undisposed of.

As to No. 5, That the Superintendent be directed to forward to the Parish Clerk, on receipt of the interment notices, notice of the interments at which the Rector or his Curate should officiate, and that a sufficient number of post cards for that purpose be supplied to him.

3—Designs—The following Designs were examined and approved, viz :—

Headstones to—Anne Dupre, William Hughes, Abraham Ashton, Margaret Anna Holman, Frances Jupp.

Tombs to—Rev. John Bevan, George A. Dawson, and Thomas Cook. A design for a kerb and iron railing round the grave of Lieut.-Gen. Nedham was disapproved, the Committee regretting that it is not such as they can allow, the grave being an unwallied one.

3—Accounts--The following Accounts were examined and allowed :—

Smith, Bros., Timber	£2 9 6	
J. Fisher, Shovel	£0 1 11	
Phoenix Fire Office, Premium on Insurance of Chapel	£1 10 0	
. Gregory, Labourers' Wages	£7 5 0	
Ditto, ditto (Gravediggers) ..	£8 17 0	

EDWARD H. PARSONAGE.

Chairman.

ELECTRIC LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 29th day of March, 1892—Present The Mayor ; Alderman Wethered ; Councillors King, Norman and Parsonage (Councillor Norman in the Chair)

1- Electric Lighting—The Borough Surveyor laid before the Committee his report on the mode of carrying into effect the Provisions of the Electric Lighting Order, and the system to be adopted, viz., that of Incandescent Lighting both for streets and houses, with estimates of the cost, and the same having been read and considered. Resolved, That the Committee be empowered to submit the report for the opinion thereon of some eminent expert in electrical matters.

2- Electric Lighting Order, Costs of—Resolved, That the Committee be empowered to have these costs taxed, in conformity with the Taxing of Costs Acts of 1847, 1842 and 1879.

GEORGE NORMAN,

Chairman.

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OFFICERS' COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 28th day of March, 1892—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Ramsay ; Councillors Darby, Hands, King, Lawrence, Norman, Parsonage Williams, and Waghorne (The Mayor in the chair)—

1-- Town Clerk's Salary, &c.—The Resolution of the Council, of date the 9th of November, 1891, " That it be referred to this Committee to consider and report to the Council upon the subject of making an arrangement with the Town Clerk for devoting his whole time to the work of the Corporation and the salary to be paid to him " and the further Resolution of date the 5th of January, 1892, " That having regard to the alterations which will probably be necessary in relation to the duties and salaries of the Town Clerk and other Officers of the Corporation, in consequence of the probable extension of the Borough Boundaries, the scope of the enquiry of this Committee be enlarged so as to include the duties and salaries of such Officers of the Corporation as will be affected by such extension of the boundaries," have been considered at four meetings of the Committee, and they beg to report as follows :

The present salary of the Town Clerk is £700 per annum, thus apportioned £200 as Town Clerk, £400 as Clerk to the Council as Urban Sanitary Authority, and £100 as Clerk to the Burial Board. The Town Clerk is also entitled to and has been allowed charges for Parliamentary business, Conveyancing and Commission on Loans ; and the average annual amount of the sums he has been paid and allowed in respect of these matters and for fees, &c., received by him during the past five years has been £277 per annum, exclusive of any profit on his Agent's Charges and Fees for Parliamentary and County Council Registration and Elections, His total salary, as fixed at the time of the Incorporation of the Borough, was £750, which was reduced to £700 at the time of the appointment of the Borough Accountant. The Town Clerk has never been paid any salary for acting as Clerk to the School Attendance Committee or the Library Committee, although both appointments were subsequent to his appointment as Town Clerk, and both Acts provide for the appointment and payment of a Clerk. The work in the Town Clerk's Department has greatly increased since his salary was originally fixed, and in view also of the extension of the borough boundaries, the Committee consider that the time has now arrived at which he should devote his whole time to the duties of his office

The Committee consider that the Town Clerk's salary should be an inclusive one to cover all the work of the Corporation in his Department, including his duties as Clerk to the Burial Board and to the School Attendance and Library Committees, and that it should be £850 per annum ; that the Corporation should pay for two Clerks whose salaries are at present paid by him, to be engaged and dismissable by the Town Clerk, at salaries to be from time to time fixed by the Council, and for such other clerical work as may have to be done by them in overtime or by Law Stationers at the usual Law Stationers' charges ; That the Town Clerk should account for all costs, fees, and other moneys receivable by him except such as are payable to him in respect of Parliamentary and County Council Registration and Elections, and should charge as disbursements only the sums actually paid by him to his agents ; it being also understood that Mr. Brydges' Firm should not accept any business in which the Corporation is concerned.

If approved by the Council, the Committee recommend that this arrangement take effect as and from the 25th instant.

J. C. GRIFFITH,

Chairman.

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FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 31st day of March, 1892—Present: The Mayor ; Councillors Darby, Drew, Lawrence, Win. Heath and Parsonage, (Councillor Lawrence in the Chair)—

1-General District Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 31st inst., on the collection of this rate, was read. Amount collected £11,932 9s. 7d., leaving outstanding £99s 13s. 11½ d.

2--Water Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 31st inst., on the collection of this Rate, was read. Receipts £8,110 19s 11d, leaving outstanding £394 0s 5d.

3-- Private Improvement Works, St. George's Road—A Letter from Mr. Walter Bowles, requesting to be allowed to pay by instalments the sum of £4 7s. 4d. due from him in respect of his property in Alexandra Street ; an application from Mr. Thomas Antill for leave to repay the sum of £14 0s. 1d. due from him for works executed in Marle Hill Road at the rate of £2 per week ; and an application from Mr. James, who owes £13 4s. 11d. for private improvement works, at Kingston Villa, St. George's Road, to be allowed to repay at the rate of £1 per month, were read.

Resolved, That Mr. Bowles be required to pay £2 down and the remainder with interest at 5 % at midsummer ; Mr. Antill to pay £2 per week, and Mr. James to pay £1 per month, with interest in each case at 5 %.

4-- Parliamentary Registration—The Town Clerk laid before the Meeting an account of his expenses of carrying into effect the provisions of the Acts for the Registration of Voters for the year 1891-2, amounting to £91 12s. 0d. Resolved, That the said amount be certified to be due to him and be apportioned between the respective Parishes of Cheltenham, Leckhampton and Charlton Kings in the proportions of £70 8s. 4d. to Cheltenham ; £8 17s. 3d. to Leckhampton £12 6s. 5d. to Charlton Kings.

5 ACCOUNTS. —The Borough Accountant laid before the Committee the Account of Receipts and Expenditure, and of the Accounts and amounts to be paid, amounting to the following sums, viz

RECEIPTS. —

Borough Fund ..	£94 2 7
Public Library—Revenue	£10 9 2
Urban Authority—Revenue	£469 1 11
Burial Board—Revenue	£123 10 0
Waterworks—Revenue	£251 6 6
Ditto—Capital ..	£0 2 6

ACCOUNTS NOW TO BE PAID —

Borough Fund ..	£821 18 2
Public Library—Revenue	£104 17 2
Pittville Estate—Capital	£35 13 0
Public Library—Capital	£67 9 6
Urban Authority—Revenue	£3701 1 2
Burial Board—Revenue	£80 4 7
Street Improvements ..	£27 13 4
Abattoir—Capital ..	£0 10 2
Refuse Destructor—Capital ..	£80 0 0
Naunton Recreation Ground ..	£0 14 6
Allotments—Capital ..	£31 13 2
Waterworks—Revenue	£5319 2 5
Ditto —Capital ..	£96 17 4

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT AT THE BANK—

In hand last month (Current and Interest A/cs) ..	£16320 4 6
Received during the month .	£948 <u>12 8</u>
	£17268 17 2
Paid during the month ..	£3238 <u>18 0</u>
In hand ..	£14029 19 2
Sinking Fund Account :—	
In hand last month and still in hand ..	£1168 11 0
Loans Fund—	
In hand last month ..	£3912 16
From Current Account re Stamp Duty	£93 <u>15 0</u>
	£4006 <u>11 1</u>
Total in hand ..	£19205 1 3

EDWIN LAWRENCE,

Chairman.

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PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 30th day of March, 1892—Present: The Mayor : Aldermen Ramsay and Wethered ; and Councillor Parsonage (Alderman Sir A. Ramsay in the Chair)— —Librarian's Report—The usual Monthly Report of the Librarian was read. He also reported that the following gifts had been made to the Library during the past month :—

The Secretary of the S.P.C.K.	1 Vol.
Miss Gore	2 Vols.
Baron de Ferrieres	2 Vols. 28 Pamphlets.
Mr. J. S. Phillips & Co.	2 Vols.
Messrs. Virtue & Co.	1 Vol.
Mr. C. A. Witchell	1 Vol.
Mr. J. J. Nunn	1 Vol.
Trustees of British Museum	1 Vol.
Mr. H. Mackenzie, per Messrs. Milne	2 Vols.
Mr. H. G. English	3 Vols.

Annual Reports from Libraries at Halifax, Lambeth, St. Martin-in-the-Fields, St. Helens, Preston, Liverpool, and Southampton.

2-Fire Insurance—Resolved, That the present insurance on the building be increased from £6,500 to £8,000 ; That the Fittings and Furniture be insured in the sum of £500, the Indicators in 1300, and the books in £2,000 in the County Fire Office.

3- Sub-Committee's Report—The Sub-Committee reported that they had interviewed six of the 23 applicants for the post of Junior Assistant, caused by the resignation of C. J. Bradfield, and they appointed W. Payne at 6s per week, subject to the approval of the Committee. That the Borough Surveyor and Mr. A C. Billings had waited upon them respecting the concrete floor in the School of Science and the Surveyor was instructed to prepare a report on the subject. That, at a later meeting, the Borough Surveyor had presented his report describing three alternative modes of dealing with defects in the floor, and the Sub-Committee referred the consideration thereof to the General Committee. The Sub-Committee recommended that covers be obtained for the Illustrated Papers, and that the Caretaker be granted a new pair of trousers. Resolved, That the Report and recommendations of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted.

4-School of Science—It having been brought to the knowledge of the Committee that water in considerable quantities came from the Lavatory attached to the School of Science through the ceiling of the Reference Department, on the 19th inst. Resolved, That the attention of the Committee of the School of Science be called to this, and they be requested to take such measures as will prevent the recurrence of the same.

5 - Floor of Laboratory—Mr. Hall's Report hereon, as presented to the Sub-Committee, was read, and adjourned for further consideration.

6-Assistants' Salaries—On the recommendation of the Sub-Committee, Resolved, That the salary of the Chief Assistant, Mr S. J. Clarke. be increased from 18s to £1 per week, and that Paynter's salary be raised from 6s to 7s per week.

7—Doors of the Vestibule—It appearing that the doors and door jambs required more support and were becoming defective by constant usage, and the Borough Surveyor having reported that to render them perfectly rigid it would be advisable to have the frames bolted together and further

support afforded by building a 9 inch wall into the vacant space along the vestibule against which the doors open and Messrs. Billings having estimated the cost of doing what is necessary at £4 10s Resolved, That Messrs. Billings' estimate be accepted.

8—Accounts—The following accounts were examined and allowed :—

J. Tinkler, Cleaning Materials	£1 1 0
Vimpany & Co., Cleaning Materials	£0 15 6
Shirer & Haddon, Furniture and Fittings..	£1 3 6
B. Smith, Furniture and Fittings ..	£3 0 0
A. Wakefield, Furniture and Fittings	£1 0 0
W. Morgan, Furniture and Fittings	£5 17 6
W. Norton, Books ..	£0 10 0
W. T. Cossens, Newspapers and Periodicals	£3 19 4
“ Magazines	£0 17 0
“ Books	£1 2 6
“ Stationery .. .	£0 10 0
Subscription to Bristol and Gloucestershire Archaeological Society	£0 10 6
Insurance Premium	£4 17 6
Gas Company, Cokes	£6 0 0
“ Gas ..	£16 19 8
Wages Account	£7 14 0

ALEX. E. RAMSAY. Chairman.

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At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 31st day of March, 1892—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Ramsay ; Councillors Drew, Neale, Parsonage, Skillicorne ; The Baron de Ferrier., Capt. Welch (Alderman Sir A. Ramsay in the chair) —

9---Library Building—Messrs. Billings' Contract —An account from Messrs. Billings for £67 9s 6d, being the balance due to them under their contract, as certified by the Architects, and for work done in connection with the opening of the building, was considered. Resolved, That the amount be paid.

ALEX. E. RAMSAY,

Chairman.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 24th day of March, 1892—Present The Mayor ; Aldermen Sir A Ramsay ; Councillors Hands, William Heath, Moles, Steel and Parsonage (Councillor Hands in the Chair)—

1—Local Committees—The Minute Books of the various Local Committees were gone through and examined, and the parents of the following boys were ordered to be summoned. Application to be made to send the boy Chandler to an Industrial School :—

Robert Lawrence (10), 5, Baker Street. Annie Lockley (10), 28, King Street. Walter Arkell (12), 45, Sun Street. Henry Chandler (12), 1, Brunswick Terrace. William Kite (11), Orchard Place.

2-Labour Certificates—On the application of Harold Carrington, Esq., Hon. Secretary to the Gordon Boys Home, and reading letters from the School Teachers as to the Standards the boys are now working in, and it appearing that the boys are 13 years of age Resolved, That Charles Hopkins, son of Charles Henry Hopkins, of No 6, Exmouth Terrace, and Reuben Roff, son of Ellen Roff, of 1, Trent Cottages, Gloucester Place be allowed to be employed.

3—Attendance Officers' Reports—The Monthly Reports of the School Attendance Officers were read.

WILLIAM HANDS.

Chairman.

Borough of Cheltenham

Sir,

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, April 14th, 1892.

You are hereby summoned to attend a Special Meeting of the Council, as such, and Acting as Urban Sanitary Authority, and as a Burial Board, to be held in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Offices, on Wednesday, the 20th day of April instant, at Three o'clock in the afternoon, at which Meeting the following business is proposed to be transacted, and any other business that may legally be transacted at such Meeting.

1. Make Order for Borough Rate.
2. Make General District Rate of 2s 3d in the £.
3. Notices of Motion.

Yours faithfully, E. T. BRYDGES,

Town Clerk.

Borough of Cheltenham

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, April 27th, 1892.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend a Quarterly Meeting of the Council, as such, and Acting as Urban Sanitary Authority, and as a Burial Board, to be held in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Offices, on Monday, the 2nd day of May next, at Three o'clock in the afternoon, at which Meeting the following business is proposed to be transacted, and any other business that may legally be transacted at such Meeting.

1. To read and sign the Minutes of the last Monthly Meeting. .
2. To receive any official communications and take measures thereon.
3. To approve or otherwise the proceedings of THE STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE. PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE. TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE. WATER COMMITTEE. GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE. BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE. BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE and make new Rules and Regulations for the Cemetery. THE ELECTRIC LIGHTING

COMMITTEE. FINANCE COMMITTEE. PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE. SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.

4. Councillor Parsonage to move—That the Resolution of the Street and Highway Committee of date 25th January last, relative to the repair of Cloddimore Road, approved by the Council on the 1st February last, be altered and amended in accordance with the resolution of the Street and Highway Committee upon the same subject of date the 28th day of March last.

5. Notices of Motion.

6. To read the following letters, and pass Resolutions thereon, if need be :—Messrs. Bendall and Saunders re Lighting of Ewlyn Road. Mr. Henry Butt re Lansdown Cottages. Mr. Sidney Herbert re Town Improvement. Mr. H. A. Badham re Tewkesbury Water Works.

Yours faithfully, E. T. BRYDGES,

Town Clerk.

Borough of Cheltenham

MINUTES of the Proceedings of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the Quarterly Meeting of the Council, to be held on Monday, the 2nd of May, 1892.

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 25th day of April, 1892—Present : The Mayor ; Councillors Heath, Lawrence, King, Parsonage, and Steel (Councillor Lawrence in the chair)—

1-Gas Examiner's Monthly Report—The Monthly Report of the Gas Examiner was read Average Illuminating Power, 15.82 candles. Purity, 9.02 grains of Sulphur per 100 cubic feet

2—Gas Inspector's Monthly Report—The Monthly Report of the Gas Inspector was read Average hourly consumption of Gas per lamp during the month, 4.301 cubic feet.

3-- Lamp Book—The book kept at the Police Station was produced and examined. Lamps extinguished during the month, 14 (5 metered); burning dimly, 111. (11 metered).

4 - Street Projections—The Street Inspector reported that Mr. D. Ashwin, had put out a Barber's Pole at No 8, St. George's Street without the permission of the Council, and in contravention of the Bye-Laws. A letter from Mr. Ashwin stating that the pole, which only projects at the top 15 inches from the wall, is the same which he was allowed to have at his old premises, No. 4, York Place, and requesting permission to keep the same up in its present position, was read. Resolved, That permission be given subject to the right of the Corporation to require the removal of the pole if at any time they think fit.

A letter from Messrs Martin and Co. requesting permission to place a Bracket Illuminated Clock outside their establishment somewhat similar to the Town Clock, and at a height of 24 feet from the ground, with a projection from the building of 5 or 6 feet. Resolved, That the request be granted, subject to the clock being kept lighted till to p.m., and to the right of the Corporation to require its removal if at any time they think fit.

An application from Mr. J. Riste for leave to fix a transparent canvas frame bearing the sign " Oddfellow's Conceit Hall" at the entrance to York Passage, for twelve nights from the 9th May, was read, and permission granted subject to the sign not projecting more than a foot from the wall.

5-Surveyor's Monthly Report, re Highways—The Surveyor reported that the following works had been done in his Department during the past month:

Roads repaired with Clee Hill Stone.—Royal Well Place (1,342 square yards), Sandfield Road (proceeding).

Patching—New Street (sides), St. George's Road, Bath Road, Carlton Place North, High Street, Promenade.

Repaired with Wickwar Stone—Fiddlers Green.

Patching—Swindon Road, Thirlestaine Road, Sandford Road (sides) Arle Road.

Footpaths (Granite)—Sandford Road and Thirlestaine Road (proceeding).

Footpaths (Clinkers)—Sandfield Road and Gloucester Road (proceeding)

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Curbing, Crossing, and Flagging—Queen's Road Rodney Road, Brunswick Street, Lansdown Place, Overton Road, Keynsham Road, Christ Church Road, Bloomsbury Place and Street, Lypiatt Terrace, Lansdown Crescent and Terrace, Tivoli Villas (proceeding), Ambrose Street, Clarence Parade, High Street, Russel Place, Malvern Place, New Street, Princes Street, Albert Place, Pittville Circus, Stanhope Street, Winchcomb Street, Beaufort Buildings, and Evesham Road.

Tariff Work—Repairs.—Lansdown Road, Gloucester Road, Vittoria Walk.

New Gullies—One in High Street, and one in North Place.

Trees cut down--to in Montpellier Spa Road.

Ashes Collected-886 Cart Loads and 315 Van Loads, of which 448 ½ tons have been delivered to the Destructor.

The footpath at the corner of New Street and Ambrose Street has been re-formed along the new line, and the building site fenced in Unless a fair price—and one much in excess of any yet offered—can be obtained, it might be let either as an ordinary yard or as a bill posting station.

As the contracts for the supply of Hay and Corn expire this month, it will be desirable to advertise for tenders.

6—Horse Provender—Resolved, That tenders for a six month's supply of Horse Provender, up to the 29th September next, be advertised for.

7-Chapel Walk— Footpath at back of York Terrace—Specifications from the Surveyor, of date the 25th inst., of the works required to be done to the above streets, were read and approved. Resolved, That the necessary plans, sections and estimates be prepared, and notice be given under Section 150 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the owners of the premises fronting, adjoining, or abutting upon the parts of the said streets, requiring to be sewered, levelled, paved, metalled, flagged, channelled, or made good ; requiring them to do the specified works within 28 days; and that, if such notice is

not complied with, the Surveyor do proceed to execute the works mentioned or referred to therein ; and that the expenses thereof be recovered in the manner provided by the Act.

8-Footpaths at Alstone—Tewkesbury Road Footpaths—Specifications from the Surveyor, of date the 25th instant, of the works required to be done to the above streets, were read and approved. Resolved, That Notice be given under Section 44. of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1852, to the owners of the premises fronting, adjoining, or abutting upon the parts of the said streets, requiring to be drained, levelled, repaired, flagged, and channelled ; requiring them to do the specified works within 28 days ; and that, if such notice is not complied with, the Surveyor do proceed to execute the works mentioned or referred to therein ; and that the expenses thereof be recovered in the manner provided by the Act. Letters and memorials from Messrs. La Terriere, Williams, Nicholson, Butt and others protesting against the issuing of an order by the Corporation for the repair by the owners of the footpaths at Alstone, were read.

9-Fairfield Road—The memorial from Mr. Manners and others for the repair of this road, was further considered. Resolved, That the matter be adjourned until November next.

10—Marsh Lane—The memorial of Mrs. Jones and others for a crossing at Marsh Lane was again considered. Resolved, That the Surveyor do bring up a Specification for the repair of the footpath, and for the construction of a crossing.

11-Cloddimore Road—The Borough Surveyor laid before the Committee his amended Specification herein, and the same was approved, and ordered to be substituted for that approved by the Committee on the 25th January, 1892.

12 Andover Street—Resolved, That this street be considered to be a public highway, and that public notice be given declaring it be such.

13—Main Roads, Maintenance of—A correspondence with the County Surveyor hereon was read and considered, and the subject was adjourned for further consideration.

14 - Harp Hill--Mr. Marmon—A letter from Messrs. Taynton, Sons and Siveter, of Gloucester, relative to the injury Mr. Marmon had sustained in his Brick yard at Harp Hill, which he alleged had been caused by the action of the Corporation who had brought water from Battledown and caused the same to flow through pipes in such a manner as to cause it to get upon Client's land thereby destroying his hedge and bank, and spoiling many thousands of bricks ; and desiring to know if the Corporation admitted any liability and were prepared to make their Client reasonable compensation was read. Resolved, That Messrs. Taynton, Sons and Siveter be informed the Corporation consider that they have a right as Surveyors of the Highway's to turn the surface water into the ditches at the sides of the road, and Mr. Marmon, or his Landlord or his predecessors in title having withdrawn the support to the hedge and ditch by excavating the ground for clay the Corporation cannot be held responsible, and must request Mr. Marmon or his Landlord to restore the bank and ditch.

15—Great Western Railway Station and St. George's Road Bridge— A letter from the Company's Solicitor, stating that his Directors would accept the arrangement proposed by the Council subject to the last words of the resolution, extending the Company's obligation as to the maintenance of the carriage ways and footways beyond the Bridge, being struck out, the resolution to end at the words " to the satisfaction of the Borough Surveyor for the time being," was read. Resolved, That the same be agreed to it.

16—Roadway in front of Grammar School—A letter from Mr. James B. Winterbotham (enclosing copy of a Resolution passed by the Governors of the Grammar School) requesting the Council to lay

down tar macadam or other suitable material in the High Street opposite the School, so as to minimise, as much as possible, the inconvenience to the work of the School caused by the noise, was read Resolved, That the Governors be informed the matter is one which will receive the early attention of the Surveyor.

17- Telegraph Pole, St. Anne's Terrace—A letter from Mr. Garey, the District Engineer of the G.P.O., applying for permission to erect a telegraph pole in St. Anne's Terrace, to enable the establishment of a Telegraph Office at the Hewlett Street Post Office, was read. Resolved, That permission be given subject to the pole being fixed to the satisfaction of the Borough Surveyor, to its being removed when required, and to the payment of an annual rental of 5s per pole.

18— Wellington Street—Letters from Dr. Rooke and Mr. A. Lewis upon the subject of the order made upon the owners to repair these footpaths, and a letter written by the Town Clerk to Dr. Rooke explaining the powers and practice of the Corporation in these matters, were read, and the latter approved.

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19-Mr. Smith's Bill Posting Station, Ambrose Street—The Town Clerk reported that Mr. Smith's Solicitor had entered an action in the County Court against the Corporation in this matter, and that he had been served with a summons. Resolved, that the action be defended, and a counter claim be made against Mr. Smith and any other party whom it may be considered necessary to join, and that the Town Clerk be authorised to retain Counsel.

20- Ambrose Street— Sharland —The Town Clerk reported that Mr. Sharland had pulled down a wall built by the Borough Surveyor on the Corporation land in New Street, across what was formerly an entry there, but that the wall had been re-erected. Letters from Mr. Sharland objecting to the action of the Corporation, and claiming a right of way, were read, together with a letter from the Town Clerk in reply. Resolved, That the action of the Surveyor and letter of the Town Clerk be approved.

21-- No. 16, Ambrose Street—Tenders for these repairs were opened, and found to be as under:—

E. Maisey, Fairview Place	£165
George Loveday, Gloucester Road	£237
Malvern and Sons, Winchcomb Street	£254

Resolved, That Mr. Maisey's tender be accepted, and that his sureties (Messrs. Bence and Hickman) be approved, and a contract be entered into.

22—New Street Improvement—London and North Western Railway Company—Time Company having written, desiring to proceed with the proposed exchange of properties at the corner of New Street, the matter was again considered. Resolved, That the price to be paid by the Company to the Corporation for equality of exchange be £100 ; possession of the land to be thrown into the street to be given by 29th September next ; the Company clearing the ground and doing whatever works they require at their own expense.

23 New Buildings—The Surveyor submitted notices and plans received by him from the following persons intending to erect new buildings, all of which were approved, viz. :—

Mr. Haslum, for Tool Shed at back of 11, Royal Parade
Mr. C. F. Mills, for alterations to No. 100, High Street
Stafford Reeves, Esq., for Additions to Malvern Lodge

Miss Harris, for Additions to 5, Pittville Parade
Mr. Henry Hodgkins, for two Villas in new Road, off Christ Church Road
Mr W. T. Pates, for house in Marlehill Road
Captain Richards for a Porch at No. 2, Garfield Villas
Mr. Dickenson, for a cottage in Union Street, Fairview.

Mr. Dickenson's plans approved subject to the drain through the houses being embedded in concrete, with manhole and Inspection Shaft, in the yard.

EDWIN LAWRENCE, Chairman

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 22nd day of April, 1892 — Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Wethered ; Councillors Hands, King, Norman, and Parsonage (The Mayor in the chair)—

1-Dairies and Cowsheds Order—Applications from the following persons to be registered as purveyors of milk, were read, together with the reports of the Inspector of Nuisances thereon:

Lucy Crisp, 177, High Street
Henry Lane, Brunswick Buildings, Bath Terrace.
C. W. Martin, Midland Temperance Hotel.
Henry Webley, to, St. Paul's Street, North.
Thomas Mills, 2, Royal Well Place.

Resolved, That the applicants be registered.

2 -Zymotic Diseases--The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of cases of Zymotic Disease which had occurred during the month, viz., Scarlatina, 24 ; Diphtheria, 5.

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Resolved, That having regard to the number of cases of Scarlatina in the Hospital, and reported at this meeting, the Committee think it desirable to have a conference with the Delancey Trustees as to the means to be taken to cope with any increase in the number of cases of Scarlatina if it should occur.

3-- W.C's. without Flushing Boxes--The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of premises having W.C's. without Flushing Boxes, distinguishing between those within and those without the houses. Resolved, That Flushing Boxes be required to be fixed in all cases where the W.C. is inside the house or is used in common by two or more families, and that notice be given to the respective owners to this effect.

4-Medical Officer's Quarterly Report—The Medical Officer of Health laid before the Committee his Quarterly Report, and the same was read and considered.

5— Work done in health Department—The Medical Officer of Health submitted an epitome of the work done by himself and staff during the past month, which was read.

6- Barn Farm—Resolved, That this farm be let by auction by Mr. J. G. Villar, as heretofore.

7- Smoke Nuisance—Albion Saw Mills—The Town Clerk stated that he had, as directed, given the parties notice that if the orders of the Justices were not complied with forthwith proceedings would be taken to enforce the penalties. A letter from Messrs. Pearce and Sons stating that they were

making many enquiries as to the best appliance to stop the smoke, and had ordered a patent to be fixed, which they hoped would answer the purpose, and expressing the anxiety to do all they could to avoid the nuisance, was read.

8 – Accounts—The following accounts were examined and allowed :—

Smith Brothers, Pipes, Junctions, &c.	£0 15 0
T. Waltham, Hauling	£7 10 0
Pearce and Sons, Glazed Bricks, &c	£2 13 5
T. Harvey, Ironmongery	£11 18 2
F. J. Wright, Nails	£0 0 10
J. Tinkler, Brooms	£0 16 6
Leeds Fireclay Co., White Glazed Flats	£5 0 0
S. Cowley, Plumbing	£0 16 2
G. Hickman, Timber	£0 3 4
Malvern and Son, on Account of Contract for new Abattoir	£600 0 0
Knight and Co., Books	£1 4 0
Ditto, ditto	£0 8 5
Elmstone Hardwick, Tithe Rent Charge	£11 6 3
Elmstone, Tithe Rent Charge	£2 16 6
W. M. Gammond, Statement of Reports	£2 10 0
J. H. Bennett, Return of Deaths	£1 6 2
C. J. Willis, Eucalyptus Oil	2 2 0
Seabury and Johnson, Candles	£1 4 0
E. Jones, Four weeks' Salary	£5 0 0
Dr. Roch, Cab Hire	£2 6 6
W. J. Ursell, Horsing Ambulance	£4 0 0
Barron and Son, Sanitas Oil	£6 15 4
Delancey Hospital, Treatment of Patients	£52 6 6

J. C. GRIFFITH,

Chairman.

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TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 20th day of April, 1892--Present: The Mayor ; Alderman blethered ; Councillors Drew, Lawrence, Norman, Skillicorne and William Heath (The Mayor in the chair)—

1- Borough Extension--A letter from Mr. Clutterbuck, Clerk to the Charlton Kings Local Board, of date the 13th instant, stating that his Board had resolved to accept the terms of settlement offered by the Corporation, was read, and the Town Clerk reported that he had forwarded a copy of the letter to the Local Government Board

2 --Pittville Estate—The Town Clerk read a correspondence he had had with Messrs. New, Prance and Garrard on the subject of the Corporation taking possession of the piece of land lately belonging to Mr. Broom (under Clause 14 of the agreement) and to which the Vendors agreed, but requesting

permission for Mr. Broom to take up a few sewerage pipes he had laid when contemplating building. Resolved, That possession be taken accordingly, and that Mr. Broom be permitted to remove the pipes in question, doing as little damage as possible, and restoring the ground to the satisfaction of the Surveyor

3-Montpellier Gardens—The Town Clerk stated that the Vendors' Solicitors had furnished him with an abstract of the Title and of the Conveyance from the Globe Company to the Vendors, and reported as to the general effect of the abstract and the title to the Mineral Water Wells, and rights in respect thereof, and the further consideration thereof was adjourned for further communication with the Vendors' Solicitors on the subject.

4--Promenade Improvement—Powell—The Surveyor laid before the Committee the plans and specification of this Improvement Resolved, That the same be approved, and that tenders for the work be now advertised for.

J. C. GRIFFITH,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 27th day of April, 1892—Present: The Mayor ; Aldermen Thoyts and Wethered ; Councillors Drew, Lawrence and Norman (The Mayor in the chair),

5—Chairman—In the absence of the Chairman, the Mayor was appointed Chairman at this Meeting.

6-Pittville—Marle Hill Extension—A letter from Mr. James B. Winterbotham proposing that, as he was about felling some trees in the hedge along which the Corporation is to erect a fence on the East side of his land, in case the contract with him is carried out, he proposed to do it at once at his own expense, he to be repaid in the event of the agreement becoming operative, submitting Mr. C. Smith's estimate for the same of £38 10s. for 220 yards, and requesting approval of it, was read. Resolved, That as the nature of the fence, judging from the price to be charged for it, must be of a better character than was contemplated by the Committee, the Committee think that if the Corporation contribute £25 towards it that is as much as they ought to be called upon to pay

J. C. GRIFFITH,

Chairman.

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WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 26th day of April, 1892—Present; The Mayor; Councillors Darby and Heath, (Councillor Darby in the chair),—

1—Borough Surveyor's Report —The usual monthly report of the Surveyor, as follows, was read :—

On the 25th instant the springs supplying the Hewletts Reservoirs were yielding 217 gallons per minute, the average for the last four years being 226 gallons per minute ; and the quantity of water in store at Hewletts and Leckhampton was 21,515,331 gallons.

On the 25th instant the depth of water in Dowdeswell Reservoir was 31 feet 8 inches, and the contents 95,200,101 gallons, which gives a total storage of 116,715,432 gallons, or 180 days' supply.

The following extensions of water mains have been completed :—Ewlyn Road, York Passage, St. James' Terrace, and Hambrook Street.

Application has been received from Mr. R. R. Skemp for extension of water main in new road leading from Christ Church Road, for building two houses. Mr. Skemp has agreed to pay £9 10s. for the use of the water for building purposes, and after that the usual rates will cover the statutory amount required.

2—1st Gloucestershire Volunteers Royal Engineers—A letter from Lieut.-Col. Rogers, stating that it is intended to hold their annual Camp this year at Tewkesbury, and asking the Corporation to assist them by providing the Camp with water from 24th June to July 2nd, was read. Resolved, That the request be complied with.

3—Leckhampton Fire Hydrants—A letter from Mr. Mallory, Clerk to the Leckhampton Local Board, requesting that the 32 Hydrants and 2 Water Pillars, which his Board had required to be fixed in Leckhampton, be now provided and fixed, was read. Resolved, That the Surveyor be instructed to have them fixed forthwith.

4-Mythe Bridge Land—The Town Clerk laid before the Committee the draft undertaking of indemnity to be given by the Corporation to the Trustees of the Mythe Bridge, of this land, and the same was approved.

5-- Appeals--The cases entered in the Appeal Book were considered, and the Rates settled and adjusted.

6- Supply of Water—Applications and agreements for the supply of water for the past month were examined and approved.

J. T. DARBY,

Chairman.

GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 25th day of April, 1892—Present : Councillors King, Lawrence, Norman and Parsonage (Councillor Parsonage in the Chair)—

1-Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act—The Inspector (Mr. McRae) reported that there was no case of Foot and Mouth Disease or Swine Fever in the Borough.

2-Hackney Carriages--A letter from Mr. J. Smith applying for a license for a brake, was read, and a license refused.

3-Annual Inspection and Licensing- Resolved, That the Annual Inspection be held on Wednesday, 8th June, at 9.30 a.m., and that the Mayor be requested to convene a meeting to be held on Monday, the 13th June (at 11 a.m. instead of 3 p.m.), for the purpose of granting the annual licenses.

4-Drivers' Licenses—Licenses to drive hackney carriages were granted to—William Birt, of Chester Walk ; William Harrison, of 15, Park View, and Ernest Huphnill, of Railway Hotel.

5 --Cab Stand in Cambray—Letters from Mr James Villar, Messrs. Geeves and Son, and Mr. How expressing the hope that the Council will not make this a permanent stand, as the site is, in their opinion, a most unsuitable one, and the stand will become a nuisance to the locality, were read. Resolved, That the matter be adjourned for further consideration.

6-Traction Engines—Complaints having been made of the great annoyance and inconvenience caused to householders by reason of the frequent journeys through the streets of the Town of Messrs Webb's traction engine, the Town Clerk was directed to report to this Committee as to the powers of the Corporation in connection with this nuisance.

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7—Damage to Mr. Heath's Trap—A letter from Mr. Councillor William Heath stating that on the list or 22nd of January last whilst driving in his trap from Suffolk Road, through the narrow road leading to Tivoli, he encountered the Steam Roller standing in the narrowest part of the road—there being no man to indicate that it was there—and in passing it his trap was struck by a projection of the wall on the other side, causing the panel at the side to be cracked, and injuring the wheel, &c., and he must look to the Corporation to pay him the cost of the repairs (£2 3s. 6d.), was read. Resolved, That the Committee regret the accident, but, having enquired into the matter, and on hearing the Borough Surveyor's statement of the facts, it does not appear that any blame could be attached to the Corporation workmen.

8—Printing of Bye-Laws, &c.—Councillor Drew's Resolution hereon was considered. Resolved, That, having regard to the large number of Bye-Laws, &c., that would need to be printed, the Committee cannot at present recommend the Council to incur the expense ; but they have instructed the Town Clerk to have all Bye-Laws made or printed in future printed in the form proposed by Councillor Drew.

9-- Work done in Surveyor's Department—The Borough Surveyor presented the following report of the work done in his Departments (except the Water Department) during the past year, viz :—

BOROUGH ENGINEER'S OFFICES, CHELTENHAM, APRIL, 25th, 1892.

GENTLEMEN,

This being the end of the financial year, I beg to present my first annual report on the work done in the various departments under my charge.

areas given are those which have been completely coated with stone, and do not include the ordinary small repairs. The quantities of stone are the total quantities used for all purposes.

The surface of the roads coated with Clee Hill stone is about 50,000 square yards, from the Lansdown Castle to the Midland Station ; an area of 4361 square yards has been coated with Clee Stone, the cost of which is about 5 per cent. less than Clee Hill ; and although usually considered to have slightly less durability, has the advantage of wearing with a smoother surface than Clee Hill stone.

The surface coated with Wickwar stone was 28,084 square yards.

The area of the gravel footpaths coated with Leckhampton and Wickwar gravel was 19,412 square yards, 1,071 square yards of tar pavements and 1,630 square yards of tarred stone roadway have been laid.

The total quantity of stone used has been 5,844 tons, exclusive of local materials for foundations.

A new departure in paving footways was taken in laying down concrete pavements, composed of Portland cement and finely crushed granite. Owing to want of experience on the part of the workmen, the early specimens were not so smooth and even as could be wished, but the later paths are all that can be desired. The total area is about 3,039 square yards, and the cost does not exceed

314 per square yard. The cost of the best York flagging laid is about 7s per square yard, and of Caithness flagging is about 8s per square yard. The endurance of these is usually estimated at 30 years, assuming interest at 3 per cent per annum, the concrete can be renewed at the end of 19 years, although from the knowledge of its composition and from observation of its durability in other places, it promises to be equally as durable as the more costly materials ; and it has the further advantage of being free from any irregularities of surface.

In connection with the works of private street improvements, 5,800 square yards of roadway have been formed, 1,935 square yards of footway have been made 2,642 feet of curb and 2,535 feet of channel have been supplied and fixed ; 200 notices to execute works have been served ; 191 estimates of the cost of work have been prepared and 94 apportionments of the cost of work have been made amounting to £1,073 16s. 9d. involving the preparation of 18 sheets of drawings.

A considerable number of complaints of offensive smells were received, which upon investigation, resolved themselves into defective gullies ; these have been re-constructed to the number of 68.

451 yards of surface water drains have been laid.

Several defective sewers have been discovered and 637 yards of new pipe sewer have been laid to replace them.

The roads have been opened 71 times for making new connections to the sewers, and 67 building notices have been received.

ASH COLLECTION.

During the year 19,735 cart loads of ashes have been collected at a cost of £1,826. Two new vans have been purchased for £98.

Careful examination in many parts of the Town showed that there was an accumulation of ashes which could not have been disturbed for some years, in one recent case it was known that no refuse had been disturbed for upwards of four years. I, therefore, felt that with such unknown quantities any attempt to commence a weekly collection throughout the Borough was only to court failure. The Town has now been mapped out into districts, one has been thoroughly cleaned, and a weekly collection established in connection with this. I may remark that the inhabitants show every desire to assist by placing boxes outside in the street in readiness for the men. Arrangements are in progress for extending the system to other parts, especially those which are most densely populated.

The Destructor was finished in 1891 and the fires fully charged at Christmas, since that time all the ashes not required for other purposes have been burned and the resulting clinker utilized. Some of the fine ashes being used to dry the sewage mud to prepare it for sale, and the remainder to form paths ; the rough clinker is used to make foundation for the concrete paths and similar work.

TREES.

During the gales in 1891 a large number of trees were blown down, and, in addition, a considerable number have been cut down in St. George's Road, Pittville Circus Road, Vittoria Walk and Spa Buildings—the total number removed being 202 ; and 31 new trees have been planted.

Two public conveniences for four men have been built. One, in Manchester Street, was opened in July 1891, and, although very little known, the returns are equal to upwards of 10 per cent. upon the outlay ; the one in York Passage was only finished last week.

SWIMMING BATH.

The number of bathers was not quite so great as in the previous year, probably owing to the weather being somewhat colder. The numbers were :-1890, 19,680 ; 1891, 1904. With a view of reducing the cost of fuel Meldrum's steam jets have been fitted to the boilers, and it is now possible to raise a sufficient quantity of steam with a much smaller quantity of fuel, and that of an inferior description, which it is hoped will reduce the working expenses.

RECREATION GROUNDS.

Four new swings and a giant's stride for children have been fixed at the Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground. Several of the large beech trees which were dead, and which were obstructing the growth of other trees, have been removed. Plans have been prepared for laying out the Naunton Park and for the garden at Barrett's Mill.

ALLOTMENTS.

The ground has been drained by 9,578 yards of pipes, 960 yards of roads have been made, and 132 lots set out and let. The remainder of the ground has been fenced off so as to be available for pasture.

BURIAL GROUNDS.

The new ground at the Cemetery has been fenced in and let. The straight path to the chapels has been laid down with turf to form a grass walk. 12 interments have taken place in the Old Cemetery near High Street and the parish churchyard.

PITTVILLE ESTATE.

The renovation of the Gardens was commenced on the 31st March, 1891, and has been continued as opportunities offered. The lake has been cleared to a minimum depth of three feet, the roads and paths have been remade, the second and third gardens have been joined so as to give a greater sense of space, and in the part of the gardens between the lake and the pump room a large number of shrubs have been removed for the same reason. 19 tennis courts have been levelled and relaid with turf in readiness for this season. Last summer 14 courts were left for the season, other courts being available for hire by the hour, in which case nets also are provided Three greenhouses each 24 ft. 0in by 12 ft. 0in. have been built, and there are now 6,000 plants ready for bedding out.

ABATTOIR.

Plans and specifications have been prepared for the new Abattoir. They provide for five cattle slaughter houses, and five pig slaughter houses, each with lairs adjoining The contract was let to Messrs. Malvern and Son, and they have made such progress that the roof over the pig slaughter houses is fixed ready for slating ; the roof over the cattle lairs is being fixed, and the walls of the cattle lairs are about six feet high,—all the drainage is complete, I have no doubt that the work will be finished before Midsummer.

I am, Gentlemen, Your Obedient Servant JOSEPH HALL.

To the General Purposes Committee.

Jo—Accounts—The following accounts were examined and allowed :—

T. W. Harvey, Nails	£0 0 4
A Miles, Cleaning, &c., Surveyor's Trap	£0 2 6
British Window Cleaning Co., Cleaning Municipal Office Windows	£4 0 0
F. T. Ewens, " Cyclostyle" Paper	£0 6 6
H. Harris, Oilcloth, &c.	£4 7 0

EDWARD H. PARSONAGE.

Chairman.

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BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 26th day of April, 1892—Present : The Mayor ;
Councillors King, Lawrence, Moles, and Norman (Councillor King in the chair)—

1—Alstone Swimming Bath—The Chairman reported that, in accordance with public notice, the Bath was opened on the 6th inst. The usual monthly report of the Surveyor on the working of the Bath, was read. Total number of Bathers, 19,064.. Receipts, £165 15s. 4d.

2 —Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground—The Borough Surveyor was instructed to have the ground rolled with a horse roller.

3—Accounts—The following accounts were examined and allowed :—

T. W. Harvey, Ironmongery	£0 3 21
Thos. Steel, Repairing Boots	£0 6 9
Joseph Turner, Repairs to W.C's at Baths	£0 13 0
Meldrum, Bros., as Patent Dust Fuel Furnace for Bath Boiler	£55 0 0

CHARLES W. KING,

Chairman.

BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

Receipts.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 21st day of April, 1892— Present The Mayor;
Councillors Parsonage, and Williams (Councillor Parsonage in the chair)—

1-Designs —The following designs were examined and approved :—

Headstones to—William Piff, H. A. Purnell, Henry Phillips, Sarah Tyler, Matilda Martin and Ann Siddons.

Tombs to—H. G. E. D'Audibert and Martha Voile.

2 —New Rules—Resolved, That the new Rules and Regulations, as now settled by the Committee, be approved, and be made by the Council at the Meeting on the 2nd prox., and afterwards printed in book form.

3-Vault and Crave Spaces Unappropriated—The Superintendent presented a statement shelving the number of vault and grave spaces undisposed of and unappropriated, and the consideration thereof was adjourned to enable the Committee to view.

4—Accounts—The following accounts were examined and allowed

A. H. Nott, Coal	£4 0 0
W. Gregory, Gravedigger's Wages	£6 18 0
" Labourers' Wages	£9 5 0
E. Bourne, Repairing Windows at Cemetery	£0 3 6
Hancock and Son, Blacksmithing	£0 18 6
H. H. Martyn, Repairing...Moulding on Chapel	£0 7 0

EDWARD H. PARSONAGE.

Chairman.

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ELECTRIC LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 20th day of April, 1892—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Wethered ; Councillors Lawrence, Norman and Woodard (Councillor Norman in the Chair)—

Electric Lighting— The Surveyor's report was further considered. Resolved, That if Professor Ayrton, & President of the Institution of Electrical Engineers, will examine and report on the Surveyor's report and the system he proposes to adopt for an inclusive fee of 50 guineas, he be requested to do so.

GEORGE NORMAN, Chairman.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 28th day of April, 1892—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Thoys : Councillors Darby, Drew, Lawrence, and Parsonage, (Councillor Lawrence in the Chair)—

1—Auditors' Fees—Letters from Mr. Baron and Mr. Bayley, the Borough Auditors, acknowledging receipt of cheques for 26 guineas each on account of their claims of 32 guineas each for auditing the Borough Accounts, and declining to accept the sum paid in full discharge of their bills herein, on the ground that they had in fact claimed a much less amount than they were justly entitled to from the length of time actually spent upon the audit, were read. Resolved, That if the Borough Auditors will agree to accept for future years, so long as they remain in office, a fixed sum of 50 guineas for the audit, the Committee will recommend the Council to pay them the additional 6 guineas now claimed.

2- ACCOUNTS.—The Borough Accountant laid before the Committee the Account of Receipts and Expenditure, and of the Accounts and amounts to be paid, amounting to the following sums, viz :—

RECEIPTS. —

Borough Fund ..	..	£71 18 5
Public Library—Revenue	..	£7 7 10
Marle Hill Estate—Capital	..	£16 12 6
Urban Authority—Revenue	..	£1702 12 0
Burial Board—Revenue	..	£122 0 6
Waterworks—Revenue	..	£58 1 10

ACCOUNTS NOW TO BE PAID —

Borough Fund ..	..	£121 9 3
Public Library—Revenue	..	£53 6 11
Mineral Water Wells ..	..	£3 19 10
Urban Authority—Revenue	..	£2004 13 1
Burial Board—Revenue	...	£23 3 5
Alstone Baths—Capital	..	£55 0 0
Street Improvements ..	..	£7 3 10
Refuse Destructor—Capital	..	£76 2 4
Abattoir—Capital ..	..	£600 0 0
Allotments—Capital ..	..	£6 8 0
Waterworks—Revenue	..	£172 2 10
Ditto—Capital ..	..	£39 10 7

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT AT THE BANK—

In hand last month (Current and Interest A/cs)	£14029 19 2
Received during the month.	<u>£1978 13 1</u>
	£16008 12 3
Paid during the month ..	<u>£9950 11 10</u>
	£6058 0 5
Sinking Funds :—	
In hand last month and still in hand ..	£1168 11 0
Loans Fund —	
In hand last month ..	£4006 11 1
Transferred from Current Account	<u>£5484 7 6</u>
	£9490 18 7
Paid during the Month	<u>£5484 7 6</u>
	<u>£4006 11 1</u>
Total in hand	££11233 2 6

EDWIN LAWRENCE,

Chairman.

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PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 27th day of April, 1892—Present: The Mayor : Aldermen Ramsay, Thoyts, and Wethered; Councillors Parsonage, Neale and Drew (Alderman Sir A. Ramsay in the Chair)---

1 —Librarian's Report—The usual Monthly Report of the Librarian was read. He also reported that the following gifts had been made to the Library during the past month :—

Mr. Chas. Wilson	2 pamphlets
Mrs. Nurse	1 vol.
National Society for Women's Suffrage	3 pamphlets
Mr. Sidney Herbert	1 pamphlet

Annual Reports from the Libraries at Southampton, Wigan, Birmingham, Great Yarmouth and Watford.

2-Sub-Committee's Report —The Sub- Committee recommended:

That 27 volumes of the publications of the Record Commission be purchased for the sum of £6.

That second-hand Books be purchased from Messrs. Mudie and Co. and Day and Sons to the amount of £3 15s. 8d.

That the " Army List " be taken for April and October in each year.

That the wages of A. G. Bennett be advanced from 8s to 10s per week. Resolved, That the recommendations of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted.

3—School of Science—Concrete Floor—Resolved, That a copy of the Borough Surveyor's report be sent to Mr. Knight, inviting any observations upon it that he may think it right or necessary to make A letter from the Hon. Secretary of the School of Science relative to the over-flow of water from the Laboratory, which came through the ceiling of the Reference Department, stating that his Committee regretted the occurrence, which caused the School much inconvenience, but submitting that his Committee respectfully disclaimed any responsibility for the accident, (which was due to a structural defect in the water supply), that the Committee of the School fully recognized the inconvenience of such occurrences, and had arranged for the provision of new taps and more adequate overflows to prevent the recurrence of similar accidents in the future, was read.

4-Accounts- -The following Accounts were examined and allowed:—

W. Downing, Technical Books	£1 12 0
E. Menken, Books	£0 10 0
C. Chivers, Binding Books	£1 2 9
Gas Co., Coke	£1 16 0
R. E. and C. Marshall, Repairs to Boiler	£3 9 10
Norman and Sawyer, Binding and Lettering	£18 12 7
W. Jones, Wages Account	£10 17 0
A. H. Nott, Coal	£1 07 0
W T. Cossens. Newspapers	£4 3 9
“ Magazines	£1 5 11
“ Books	£1 5 5

ALEX. E. RAMSAY. Chairman.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 21st day of April, 1892—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Wethered ; Councillors William Heath, Hands, and Parsonage (Councillor Hands in the Chair)—

1-Local Committees—The Minute Books of the various Local Committees were gone through and examined. Resolved, That Summonses be issued against the parents of Henry Roberts, of 60, Queen's Street, and Kate Webb, of 38, Swindon Place; that a Warrant of Commitment be applied for in the case of James Hunt ; and that Distress Warrants be applied for in the cases of John Arkell and Thomas Lawrence.

2-Attendance Officers' Reports—The Monthly Reports of the School Attendance Officers were read.

3- Attendance of Delicate or Deficient Children—Efficiency of Private Adventure Schools—A letter from the Clerk to the Oxford School Board, enclosing copy of two resolutions passed by his Board upon the above subjects, and asking if the School Attendance Committee would be prepared to join in a Memorial and Petition to Parliament and to the Education Department thereon, was read.

WILLIAM HANDS.

Chairman.

Borough of Cheltenham

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, June 1st, 1892.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend the Monthly Meeting of the Council, as such, and Acting as Urban Sanitary Authority, and as a Burial Board, to be held in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Offices, on Tuesday, the 7th day of June instant, at Three o'clock in the afternoon, at which Meeting the following business is proposed to be transacted, and any other business that may legally be transacted at such Meeting.

1. To read and sign the Minutes of the last Monthly Meeting.
2. To receive any official communications and take measures thereon.
3. To approve or otherwise the proceedings of THE STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE. PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE, and to delegate to that Committee the powers of the Urban Sanitary Authority, under Sections 62 and 70 of the Public Health Act. TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE. WATER COMMITTEE. GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE. BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE. BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE. .ELECTRIC LIGHTING COMMITTEE. TECHNICAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE. THE FINANCE COMMITTEE. PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE. SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.
5. Notices of Motion.
6. To read the following letters, and pass Resolutions thereon, if need be :— Lieut.-Col. Rogers re Water Supply for Engineers' Encampment. Hon. James Munro re Australian Timbers.

Yours faithfully, E. T. BRYDGES,

Town Clerk.

Borough of Cheltenham

M1NUTES of the Proceedings of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the Monthly Meeting of the Council, to be held on Tuesday, the 7th of June, 1892.

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Saturday, the 7th day of May, 1892—Present The Mayor : Alderman Thoyts ; Councillors Darby, Hands and Steel (Alderman Col. Thoyts in the chair)—

1-Ambrose Street Bill Posting Station--Smith—The Town Clerk read a letter he had written on the 3rd inst. to Plaintiff's solicitor, informing him of the Resolution of this Committee, of the 25th ultimo, and the action of the Council thereon, together with Mr. Lewis's reply thereto, from which it appeared that his offer of 440 was for the whole of the Corporation land co-extensive with his own property and Mrs. Gould Earner's. Resolved, That Mr. Smith's offer cannot be accepted, and that the action must proceed.

2-New Street Improvement—London and North-Western Railway Co.—A Letter from Mr. Hull, acknowledging receipt of the Resolution of this Committee of date the 5th ult., stating that the matter appeared to be as far from settlement as ever, and the Town Clerk's reply thereto, which was approved.

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 30th day of May, 1892,— Present The Mayor ; Alderman Thoyts ; Councillors Heath, King, Steel, Lawrence, Darby, and Parsonage (Alderman Col Thoyts in the chair)—

3- Gas Examiner's Monthly Report—The Monthly Report of the Gas Examiner was read : Average Illuminating Power, 16 06 candles. Purity, 9.70 grains of Sulphur per 100 cubic feet.

4-Gas Inspector's Monthly Report--The Monthly Report of the Gas Inspector was read: Average hourly consumption of Gas per lamp during the month, 4.304 cubic feet.

5 - Lamp Book—The book kept at the Police Station was produced and examined. Lamps extinguished during the month, 10 (2 metered); burning dimly, 142. (52 metered). Resolved, That the attention of the Gas Company be called to this return.

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6—Street Projections—The Street Inspector reported that Mr. W. T. Cossens had put up two moveable iron rods under his shop windows in Clarence Street in contravention of the Bye-Laws. Resolved That the same be allowed to remain up, subject to their being kept within the line of the adjoining premises, and to the power of the Corporation to require their removal if at any time they think fit.

The Inspector also reported that with reference to the permission given to certain parties to fix lamps over the public footways subject to their being kept alight till 11 p.m., he had made an inspection, and reported the names of several persons whose lamps had not been kept lighted in accordance with the terms of the resolution of the Committee. Resolved, That Notice be given to the parties that unless the conditions on which the permission was given are strictly adhered to the permission will be withdrawn,

Applications from Mr. G. H. Allen for leave to hang a banner across Albion Street on the occasion of a two weeks visit of Sir Roger Tichborne, and Mr. George Smith for permission to put a banner across from Montpellier Gardens to Montpellier Rotunda on Whit-Monday, were read. Resolved, That leave be granted (in Mr. Allen's case for one week only), and subject in both cases to the banners being not less than 30 feet above the ground.

7- - Surveyor's Monthly Report, re Highways—The Surveyor reported that the following works had been done in his Department during the past month :

Roads repaired with Clee Hill Stone.—Sandfield and Hatherley Roads (proceeding), Alstone Lane.

Patching—High Street, Gloucester Road, Winchcomb Street, Dunalley Street' St. George's Road, Regent Street.

Repaired with Wickwar Stone—Sandford Road and Thirlestaine Road (sides).

Patching—Cleeve Path Drive, Suffolk Road.

New Gullies—One in Bayshill Villas.

Footpaths (Granite)—Glenfall Street (Private Improvement)

Footpaths (Clinkers)—Sandfield Road

Footpaths (Concrete)—Sandford Road (Private Improvement, finished). Thirlestaine Road (proceeding).

Footpaths (Tariff)—Swindon Road.

Curbing, Crossing, and Paving—Stanhope Street, St. George's Street, Tivoli Villas (finished), King Street, Swindon Road, Christ Church Terrace, Hewlett Street and Road, Lansdown Place, Hatherley Street (finished), Thirlestaine Road (ends of), Suffolk Road, Queen's Road, Douro Road, Clarence Parade, Carbon Street, Berkeley Street, Grove Street, Park Place (proceeding), Gloucester Place, Sherborne Place, Pittville Villas (proceeding), Paragon Terrace (Private Improvement).

Ashes Collected-1,085 Cart Loads and 493 Van Loads. Weight consumed at Destructor, 731 tons, 3 cwts., 0 qrs.

8- Footpath on N.W. Side of Swindon Road and Crossing at end of Marsh Lane—A Specification from the Surveyor, of date the 30th instant, of the works required to be done to the above street, was read and approved. Resolved, That Notice be given under Section 44 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1852, to the owners of the premises fronting, adjoining, or abutting upon the parts of the said street, requiring to be levelled, flagged, bordered, and channelled ; requiring them to do the specified works within 28 days ; and that, if such notice is not complied with, the Surveyor do proceed to execute the works mentioned or referred to therein ; and that the expenses thereof be recovered in the manner provided by the Act.

9—Alexandra Street, Tivoli —Resolved, That this street be declared a public highway, and that notice be given accordingly.

10—Horse Provender—Tenders for the supply of Provender up to the 29th September next, were opened and considered. Resolved, That the tenders of the following tradesmen be accepted at the prices set opposite their names :—

Oats—F. J. Comely,	at 25s per 312 lbs
Beans—Bloodworth and Son,	3s 3d per Bushel
Maize—E. Snowsell,	24s per 480 lbs
Bran—Bloodworth and Son,	95s per ton
Straw—E. Snowsell,	47s 6d per ton
Linseed—W. Ride & Co.,	7s per bushel
Vetches—W. Ride & Co.,	18s per ton

11—Main Roads —The Borough Surveyor reported that since the last meeting the County Surveyor had been over to Cheltenham and had gone into the question of the amount to be paid herein, and he had finally agreed to allow the sum of £1176 18s 1d, for last year. Resolved, That that arrangement be approved and that the amount to be claimed from the County for the current year in respect of Main roads be the actual expenditure, and that application be made to the County Council to main the roads contributed to.

12—Telephone poles—An application from the Telephone Co for leave to erect three poles in the Old Bath Road at Pilley was read. Resolved, That the Company be informed the road is already far too narrow, and the erection of poles would still further contract it, and the Committee cannot therefore permit the poles to be fixed.

13—Harp Hill—Mr. Marmon—A Letter from Messrs. Tayton, Sons and Siveter, in reply to the Resolution of the Committee, passed at their meeting on the 25th April last, that they had a short time ago inspected the brickyard and its surroundings, when it appeared clear that the damage their client sustained was caused by the action of the Corporation, and saw no reason why he should not be entitled to claim compensation ; that he had no wish however to engage in litigation with the Corporation if they were prepared to meet him fairly in the matter, and if not, they would have to forthwith forward notice of action, was read. The Town Clerk reported the facts of the case, in so far as he had been able to gather them from the men who for some years past had repaired the road and footpath on Harp Hill. Resolved, That the Committee are still of opinion that no liability rests on the Corporation, and that if Mr. Marmon considers he can substantiate a claim, he had better give his notice of action.

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14—Telegraph Pole—St. Ann's Terrace—A further correspondence between the Superintending Engineer (Mr. Garey) and the Town Clerk with respect to this matter was read and considered. Resolved, That Mr. Garey be informed the Committee have a strong objection to the erection of poles in the streets under any circumstances.

15—Smith's Bill Posting Station, Ambrose Street—Mr Smith, at his own request, attended the meeting and discussed the matter of the proposed sale to him of the piece of land in Ambrose Street, and It was agreed, That the Resolution of the Committee of date the 28th March last be amended, by the substitution of £40 for £50 and 18 months for 12, and that all proceedings be abandoned on both sides.

16—Lighting of Ewlyn Road—A letter from Messrs. Bendall and Saunders calling attention to the want of a gas lamp in Ewlyn Road, was read Resolved, That the matter be adjourned till after the 9th of November, when that locality will be included in the Borough.

17--Whaddon Lane—A letter from W. F. Hicks-Beach, Esq., calling attention to the bad state of Whaddon Lane, was read. Resolved, That the Surveyor do bring up a Specification of the necessary repairs, to be executed by the abutting Owners.

18—College Lawn Road—Letters from General Williams and H. T. Carrington, Esq., expressing a hope that the Council will not lose sight of this road, and will require that it be kept in proper repair, were read. Resolved, That Mr. Sadler's attention be called to the previous Resolution of this Committee of date the 29th Sept. last, and that he be informed that unless a definite and satisfactory reply is received from him within a fortnight the matter will be taken up from the point at which it was left in September last.

19 —Alstone Footpaths—A further memorial from Mr. La Terriere and others relative to the repair of these footpaths, was read and considered Resolved, That the Committee regret they cannot recommend any alteration of their previous Resolution.

20-St. George's Square- A letter from Mr. E. T. Bryant directing attention to the present state of the Square, and stating that repeated complaints have been made by the subscribers to the Ambrose Street Improvement Fund who would be glad to see the scheme completed as promised by the planting of Shrubs &c. and putting the Square in proper order, was read. Resolved, That a Meeting be convened of the Trustees of the Square and this Committee to consider the matter,

21-Sandford Road--The Borough Surveyor reported that the Private Improvement Works ordered in this road had been completed, in accordance with his Specification, at a cost of £143 1s. 6d., which sum he had apportioned amongst the various abutting owners in manner set forth in his report. Resolved, That notice of the apportionment be given to the respective owners and demand made for repayment of the sums due from them

22-New Street Improvement—London and North Western Railway Company—The correspondence herein was read, from which it appeared that the Company elected to go to arbitration in the matter, and expressed their willingness to include in the reference the question of the amount to be paid by them for the reversion, as well as the question of is to be paid to them for the Leasehold interest in that part of the premises taken from them. The Town Clerk laid before the Committee draft agreement for arbitration, and the same was settled and approved, each party to pay their own costs of the reference, and if the Arbitrator awards the £100 which the Corporation have agreed to accept, or more than that sum, the Railway Company to pay the costs of the Arbitrator and the award ; but if a less sum is awarded, the Corporation to pay such costs.

23-New Buildings—The Surveyor submitted notices and plans received by him from the following persons intending to erect new buildings, all of which were approved, viz.

Dean Close Memorial School, New Class Room

R. S. Neale, Additions to 21, Francis Place

Mr. Barton, Alterations to 9, Suffolk Parade

J. S. Bartholomew, Alterations to Premises in High Street

C. Winstone, New Wing to No. 17, Suffolk Square

Gloucester Co-operative Society, Additions to No. 238, High Street

The last named plan approved subject to proper provision being made for the ventilation of the premises under the approval of the Borough Surveyor.

N. B. THOYTS, Chairman.

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PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 4th day of May, 1892—Present Alderman Wethered ; Councillors Norman, and Parsonage (Councillor Parsonage in the chair)—

In the absence of the Chairman, Councillor Parsonage was appointed Chairman at this Meeting. Barn Farm, Letting of—The Committee settled the reserved rentals of the land to be let by Auction to-day.

EDWARD H. PARSONAGE.

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 6th day of May, 1892—Present: The Mayor ; Alderman Wethered ; Councillors Hands, Neale, Norman, and Parsonage, and the following gentlemen representing the Delancey Trust : Mr. W. G. Gurney, Sir Alexander Ramsay, General Thompson, Mr. Charles Wilson (Chairman), Dr. E. T. Wilson (Hon. Sec.), Mr G. B. Witts and Dr. Cocks Johnson (The Mayor in the chair) –

2 Delancey Hospital—In pursuance and furtherance of the Resolution of this Committee of date the 22nd ult., the gentlemen above-named met this Committee in conference. The subject of additional accommodation at the Delancey Hospital for the reception of Scarlatina Patients was fully discussed and considered, and it appearing that the cases of Scarlatina were not on the increase, but, on the contrary, had slightly decreased, the further consideration of the matter was adjourned ; but, It was Resolved, That in the meantime and in order to assist the Committee in arriving at a conclusion, the Delancey Trustees be requested to inform the Committee whether, if the Corporation completes the Hospital buildings according to the original plans, by the erection of two blocks for Public Wards, and erects any other building they may consider desirable for the treatment of Infectious Diseases, the Trustees will be prepared to permanently vest the management of the Hospital (under and in pursuance of sec. 23 of the Improvement Act of 1889) in a Committee consisting of an equal number of the Trustees and Members of the Council for the time being.

J. C. GRIFFITH,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 18th day of May, 1892—Present The Mayor ; Alderman Wethered Councillors Darby, Hands, Norman, and Parsonage, (The Mayor in the chair)—

3-Medical Officer of Health - The Town Clerk laid before the Committee a letter from the Local Government Board of date the 17th inst., stating that the Board approved for a period of three years, of the proposals of the Council in regard to the appointment of a Medical Officer of Health, and the draft of the advertisement Resolved, That the appointment be made at the Meeting of the Council to be held on the 4th July next, the applications to be sent in on or before the 13th day of June next ; and that the draft advertisement, as now settled, be approved and inserted twice in the Lancet, and the British Medical Journal, and the two local papers in which the Corporation advertisements are inserted, and once in the Sanitary Record.

4-Inspector of Nuisances—The Town Clerk laid before the Committee a letter from the Local Government Board approving for a period of one year the proposal of the Council in regard to the appointment of an Inspector of Nuisances, and the draft of the advertisement. Resolved, That the

appointment be made at the meeting of the Council to be held on the 4th July next, the applications to be sent in on or before the 13th of June next ; and that the draft advertisement, as now settled, be approved and inserted twice in the Lancet British medical journal, and the two local papers in which the Corporation advertisements are inserted, and once in the Sanitary Record.

5-Swindon Place, Nos 1 to 38—The Town Clerk read a correspondence he had had with Mr. Badham (the Agent for the Owners of this property) and a case he (Mr. Badham) had laid before Counsel, and the opinion thereon. Mr. Badham proposed that a Justice's Order should be obtained for the Owners to do the works, and that the Corporation should execute them, the Owners raising the necessary amount by mortgage to repay the Corporation. Resolved, That Mr. Badham's proposal be agreed to, and, upon the Surveyor's Report, it appearing that the premises were without sufficient water closets and ash-pits, and that the wash-houses, closets and ashpits were in such a state as to be a nuisance—Resolved, That Notices be given under secs. 36 & 91 of the Public Health Act, 1875, requiring the Owners to provide sufficient water closets and ashpits and execute the works mentioned in the Surveyor's Specification, and such other works as may be necessary to abate the nuisance ; and that the Town Clerk take the necessary steps to carry out the agreement with Mr. Badham.

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6-No. 11, Sherborne Street—It appearing from a certificate of the Medical Officer of Health that this house is in such a filthy condition that the health of the occupier is endangered thereby. Resolved, That notice be given to the Owner and Occupier (Mrs. Eliza Evans) to cleanse and purify the same within three days.

7-Section 62 and 70 of the Public Health Act, 1875—Resolved, That this Committee recommend that the purposes of this Act relating to the supply of water to houses without a proper supply of water, under sec. 62 thereof, and the purposes relating to the closing of wells, tanks or cisterns, under sec. 70 of the said Act, be regulated and managed by this Committee under sec. 200 of the said Act.

J. C. GRIFFITH,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 27th day of May, 1892 —Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Wethered ; Councillors Hands, Neale, Norman, King, and Darby (The Mayor in the chair)—

8—Dairies and Cowsheds Order—Application from the following persons to be registered as purveyors of milk, were read, together with the reports of the Inspector of Nuisances thereon:— John Webber, 290, High Street William Heath, Victoria Coffee Tavern Elizabeth Craddock, 16, Albion Street and from Henry T. Robinson to be registered as a cow-keeper at Alma Farm, Hatherley, Resolved, That the applicants be registered.

Regulations—The Town Clerk laid before the Committee draft print of Regulations under the above Order, and the same were gone through and settled and ordered to be sent to the Privy Council, and, if no objection be made thereto, to be advertised in manner provided by the Order.

9- Zymotic Disease—The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of cases of Zymotic Disease which had occurred during the month, viz., Scarlatina, 23 ; Enteric Fever, 1 ; Puerperal Fever, 1.

It appearing that several of the cases of Scarlatina had occurred to and amongst children attending Trinity Schools. It was Resolved, That the School Managers be requested to close the school for 14 days.

10 --W.C's. without Flushing Boxes—The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of premises having W.C's. inside the houses without Flushing Boxes. Resolved, That Notice be given to the respective Owners requiring them to have their W.C's. provided with efficient Flushing Boxes.

11-Houses without a Proper Supply of Water—It appearing from a report of the Surveyor, dated the 26th inst., that the houses mentioned therein are without a proper supply of water, which can be readily obtained from the Corporation mains at a cost not exceeding the Water Rate authorised by the Corporation Water Acts, was read. Resolved, That notice be given under sec. 62 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the owners of the houses in question requiring them to obtain such supply and do all such acts as may be necessary for that purpose ; and that, if such notice is not complied with, the necessary steps be taken to close the wells.

12-Notices not Complied with—The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of houses the owners of which had failed to comply with the Notices given them to provide a proper supply of water at their properties. Resolved, That application be made to the Magistrates for orders to close the wells in these cases.

13-Work done in the health Department—The Medical Officer of Health submitted an epitome of the work done by himself and staff during the past month, which was read.

14-66 to 74, Stanhope Street— The Medical Officer of Health reported the above premises to be in such a condition as to be a nuisance injurious to health, and without a proper water supply, and the Committee being satisfied of the existence of the nuisances. Resolved, That Notice be given to the Owners, under sec. 91 of the Public Health Act, requiring them to abate the nuisance, and execute such works as the Surveyor shall specify to be necessary.

15-Swindon Place--The Town Clerk reported that the Notice under sections 36 and 91 of the Public Health Act had been duly served as directed by the resolution of the Committee, and that the time for executing the required works would expire to-day, and he had arranged to issue a summons returnable for Thursday, the 2nd June, and that Mr. Badham would attend and consent to an order being made. The Surveyor was directed to have the closets flushed as occasion may require pending the execution of the works under the Notice.

16---Watercourse at Alstone--The Medical Officer of Health reported that the watercourse crossing the Gloucester Road on the S.W. side of Alstone Lawn was in such a state as to create a nuisance injurious to health at several points in its course, particularly after it crosses the railway, and the Committee being satisfied of the existence of the nuisance. Resolved, that Notice, under sec 95 of the Public Health Act, be given to the abutting Owners requiring them to execute such works as may be necessary to abate the nuisance.

17- Wyman's Brook —Resolved, That the Surveyor be instructed to report as to the sources of pollution of this brook or any of its tributaries.

18-Hawarden Parade—The Surveyor laid before the Committee completed plan and scheme of improvement in the drainage of this locality, and the same was approved and directed to be carried out.

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19 -Accounts —The following accounts were examined and allowed :

Delancey Hospital, Treatment of Patients	£72 9 0
Malvern and Sons, Abattoir (on account)	£300 0 0
Professor Heaton, Water Analyses	£3 3 0
J. Balcomb, Chemicals	£2 3 4
A. Hill, Sulphur Candles	£2 1 0
Thomas Brothers, Eucalyptus Oil	£0 19 10
W. Ursell, Horsing Ambulance	£4 05 0
Dr. Roch, Cab Hire	£2 1 2 4

J. C. GRIFFITH,

Chairman.

TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 4th day of May, 1892—Present: Aldermen Thoyts and Wethered ; Councillors Drew, Win. Heath, Lawrence, Norman, Skillicorne, and Waghorne (Councillor Waghorne in the chair),—

1—Provisional Order—The Town Clerk laid before the Committee a Letter from the Local Government Board of the 28th ult. with Draft of Provisional Order and thereon. The latter was gone through and certain alterations and additions made therein and thereto, and the same as so altered and added to, with draft reply to the Local Government Board, was approved and directed to be returned to the Local Government Board.

JNO. WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 11th day of May, 1892—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Thoyts Councillors Drew, William Heath, Skillicorne, and Waghorne, (Councillor Waghorne in the chair)—

2 — Borough Boundaries Extension—A Letter from the Local Government Board, of date the 9th inst., informing the Town Clerk that the Bill for confirming this Provisional Order would be introduced on Friday, the 13th inst., and that as it would be necessary to deposit the Plans in the Private Bill office, and with the Clerk of Parliaments before that day, they had in-instructed Messrs. Stanford to prepare the plans, and requesting the Town Clerk to instruct his Parliamentary Agents to procure the Plans and make the deposits, was read, together with the Town Clerk's reply expressing surprise at not having heard from the Board on the subject of the proposed alterations and additions to the Draft Order, and asking for an interview on Thursday. Resolved, That the Chairman with the Town Clerk and Borough Surveyor have an interview with the Board on Thursday, and that in the event of the Chairman being unable to go to town, the Mayor or Deputy Mayor go in his place.

3-Marle Hill—Winterbotham —A Letter from Mr. Jas. Winterbotham, in reply to the Resolution of this Committee, of date the Lath April, stating that he should prefer the Corporation themselves continuing the paled fencing according to the contract and that he would undertake to repay the cost if the contract ultimately fell through, was read. Resolved, That Mr. Winterbotham's proposal be adopted, and that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the fence erected.

JNO. WAGHORNE, Chairman.

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At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 31st day of May, 1892—Present : The Mayor; Aldermen Thoys and Wethered ; Councillors William Heath, Lawrence, and Norman, (The Mayor in the chair)—

4-Extension of Borough Boundaries —A letter from the Local Government Board, forwarding copies of the Provisional Order herein, and a copy of the map therein referred to, and stating that they had been unable to depart from their invariable practice of relying upon a map alone for the definition of the boundary, but that the maps used for the purposes of the Order were Ordnance Survey Maps, on the scale of 25 inches to the mile. Also that the Board had been unable to reopen the question of Ward Boundaries, or of Electoral Divisions, or to insert in the Order any provisions as regards the agreements with the two Local Boards as to their costs of opposing. The absence, however, of any such provision not being intended to prevent those agreements being carried out. And, further, that the Board had made an addition to Article XVI. of the Order, with regard to the arrangement now subsisting between the Corporation and the Leckhampton Local Board as to the communication of sewers ; but the questions between the Corporation and the Charlton Kings Local Board had been left for adjustment under sec. 62 of the Local Government Act, 1888, was read.

5-Provisional Order for altering Improvement Act—A letter from the Local Government Board forwarding copies of this Order, and stating that, as regards the suggested alterations of Articles I. and IV and the Schedule to the Order, the Board had adopted them so far as they related to the Montpellier Gardens property, but that they were not prepared to give the general power to acquire wells, &c., contemplated by the proposed addition to Article IV.; and that the Board had also been unable to accede to the proposed alteration of Article VI., was read.

6—Cambray Turkish Baths—A letter from Mr. Frank Ruck, stating that being anxious to assist in the improvement of the Town and also to encourage visitors he had intended to enlarge and modernize his Turkish Bath, but before doing so he would like to know if the Committee would protect him in the new scheme of a Spa by keeping the Turkish Bath and the proposed Spa two distinct things, was read. Resolved, That the Committee cannot pledge themselves to any particular course to be taken in establishing Baths but they will bear Mr Ruck's application in mind when the question comes to be considered.

7-Town Improvements—A letter from Mr. Sydney Herbert relative to the proposed fountain in the Promenade, and other matters of Town Improvement, was read, and handed to the Borough Surveyor.

8- Promenade Improvement—Powell—The Town Clerk read a correspondence which had passed between Messrs. Jessop (Mr. Powell's Solicitors) and himself hereon, and the Town Clerk's letters were approved. Tenders for the erection of the fountain, &c., were opened, and found to be as under :—

Charles Malvern and Sons ..	£654
A. C. and S. Billings ..	£638
Boulton and Sons ..	£469
Thomas Collins ..	£560

Resolved, That Messrs. Boulton's tender be accepted subject to the consent of the Local Government Board being obtained to the necessary loan, and to a satisfactory arrangement being made with them for the execution of the Sculpture.

9-Montpellier Rotunda Company's Water Rights—A letter from Messrs. Winterbothams and Gurney stating that they had been instructed by the Directors of the Montpellier Rotunda Company to inform the Council that they were prepared, subject to the approval of their Shareholders to sell their Mineral Water Rights to the Corporation for the nominal sum £50 clear of all expenses upon the following conditions, viz :—

(1.) That the rights of the Company's Lessee over the Rotunda shall not be interfered with so as to cause any loss or damage to him or to the property.

(2.) That the Spa for the sale of Mineral Waters shall be established and continued in Montpellier Gardens, was read Resolved, That the matter be adjourned for further consideration.

10-Train Service—A letter from the Secretary of the Cheltenham Theatre and Opera House Company, stating that attention had been called to the great inconvenience caused to persons living in Gloucester who wished to attend the Theatre and other places of amusement in the Town through the want of suitable local trains, that the Directors were fully alive to the inconvenience mentioned, and would be glad to join in any representations to the G.W.R. Company with the view of obtaining better local service of trains, was read. Resolved, That the Directors of the G.W.R. Company be requested to receive a Deputation from the Council and the Town on the subject of the train service between Cheltenham and London, and Cheltenham and Gloucester, and that it be left to this Committee to arrange the details.

11-Town Band —Three members of the Town Band attended the meeting, and it was arranged to engage the Band on the following tern.

The Band to consist of 14 members.

To play 4 hours a day (2 in the morning and 2 in the evening) on week days, and 2 hours on Sunday afternoons.

The engagement to be a weekly one, and the Band to be paid £17 per week.

The sum of £2 10s. to be deducted for each absence with the consent of the Sub-Committee.

In case any Member of the Band fails to attend punctually at the time appointed for any performance, such sum as the Sub-Committee think fit shall be deducted, by way of a fine, from the sums due to the Band.

Councillors William Heath, Lawrence, Norman and Waghorne were appointed a Sub-Committee to make the necessary arrangements and settle the weekly Programme of Music, &c.

J. C. GRIFFITH,

Chairman.

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WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 31st day of May, 1892 —Present ; The Mayor ; Aldermen Thoyts and Wethered ; Councillors Darby and Heath, (Councillor Darby in the chair),—

Borough Surveyor's Report—The usual monthly report of the Surveyor, as follows, was read :—

On the 2gth instant the springs supplying the Hewletts Reservoirs were yielding 302 gallons per minute, the average for the last four years being 235 gallons per minute ; and the quantity of water in store at Hewletts and Leckhampton was 29,703,941 gallons.

On the 29th instant the depth of water in Dowdeswell Reservoir was 31 feet 2 inches, and the contents 94,868,035 gallons, which gives a total storage of 124,571,976 gallons, or 191 days' supply. The extension of the Water Main in Eaton Place is now completed.

2 --Land at Mythe Bridge—The Town Clerk laid before the Committee letters to, and from, Messrs. Haines and Sumner relative to the claims of the County Council in respect of this land, and draft of his proposed reply thereto, expressing regret at any misunderstanding that may have arisen, and suggesting terms of settlement of the dispute, was read and approved.

3--Water Supply at Tewkesbury—A letter from the Town Clerk of Tewkesbury adverting to an application made by his Corporation some years ago for the terms upon which their Urban Sanitary Authority could be supplied with water in bulk, in accordance with sec. 85 of the Corporation Water Act, 1878, and stating that he was now directed to renew the application, and would be glad to know the decision of the Corporation as early as possible ; and adding that if the Corporation would be willing to sell their Tewkesbury Works, he had reason to suppose that the purchase would be favourably considered by his Authority, was read. Resolved, That the further consideration of the matter be adjourned.

4 —Appeals—The cases entered in the Appeal Book were considered, and the Rates settled and adjusted.

5--Supply of Water--Applications and agreements for the supply of water for the past month were examined and approved.

J. T. DARBY,

Chairman.

GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 30th day of May, 1892—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Thoys ; Councillors Darby, Lawrence, Norman, King, and Parsonage (Alderman Col. Thoys in the Chair)—

1-Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act—Superintendent McRae reported that there had been no case of Foot and Mouth Disease or Swine Fever in the Borough during the past month.

2 -Traction Engines—In pursuance of the directions of this Committee at their meeting of the 25th ult., the Town Clerk laid before the Committee his report on the subject of Traction Engines, and the same was read Re-arrangement of Offices—The Surveyor laid before the Committee plans, shewing how a portion of the adjoining premises, Nos. 2 and 3, Church Street, in the occupation of Mr. Lowndes, could be made for increasing the office accommodation in the Borough Accountant's Department. The Borough Surveyor also reported that the accommodation and arrangements for his staff were insufficient and inconvenient ; that it would be of great advantage to him if the whole of his staff could be accommodated on the ground floor, the Medical Officer of Health and his assistants taking his present offices upstairs Resolved, That the Committee be authorised and empowered to make the necessary arrangements for carrying into effect the Surveyor's recommendations.

4-Museum—The following members of a Committee of the Cheltenham Natural Science Society, appointed to confer with this Committee on the subject of the establishment of a Public Museum, viz.: Dr. E. T. Wilson and the Rev. E. Cornford, attended this meeting of the Committee. The subject was fully discussed, and the further consideration thereof adjourned.

5-Hackney Carriages —Applications from Mrs. Mary Roebuck, of Milsom Street; Mrs. M. E. Phillips, of Suffolk Mews, to have the licenses lately held by their deceased husbands transferred to them, also from George Paul, of Portland Terrace to have his licenses transferred to his Son J. F. Paul, and from William Tapp for the transfer of his two licenses to his two Sons, William Tapp, jun. and William Thomas Tapp were read. Resolved, That the licenses be transferred in all these cases.

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Applications were received from, and licenses to drive Hackney Carriages, granted to :—

William Long, 37, All Saints Road
James Trigg, 3, St. Paul's Street, South
James Fletcher, 13, Hungerford Street
Benjamin Constance, 21, Upper Park Street
William Woore, Bath Villa Cottage
William Green, 8, Walton Terrace
Harry Warner, Norwood Arms
William Babbage, 1, Queen's Buildings
Charles Cox, 6, Sandford Street
Richard Powell, 20, Queen's Retreat
Edwin Martin, 7, Rodney Place
Charles William Martin, Midland Temperance Hotel
William Evans, Spring Cottage, St Paul's

6- Accounts—The following accounts were examined and allowed :—

H. Cooper, Fire Wood ..	£2 5 0
S. Gould, Chimney Sweeping	£1 4 0
Telephone Company, Rent	£12 0 0
Waterworks Department, Maintenance of Hydrants ..	£12 10 0

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Saturday, the 14th day of May, 1892—Present : Councillors Norman. Heath, Moles, and Drew (Councillor Norman in the chair)—

1-Naunton Recreation Ground-The Town Clerk read a correspondence he had had with Messrs. Hannam, Clarke and Bayton, the Vendor's Solicitors, on the subject of the Corporation obtaining possession of the land, and from which it appeared that they had instructed Mr Jordan as far back as Oct. last not to allow the land to be replanted by his tenants. Resolved, That under all the circumstances of the case the Committee will be satisfied to obtain actual possession of the whole of the land by the 29th Sept., and of such parts as possession can be given before that time, it being

understood that the Corporation receive the rents from the date of settlement of the purchase, or from which interest is paid on the purchase, any such compensation (if any) as the tenants may be entitled to on giving up possession being settled and paid by Mr. Jordan or his landlords.

GEORGE NORMAN,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 31st day of May, 1892—Present ; The Mayor ; Alderman Thoys ; Councillors King, Heath, Norman, and Moles (Councillor King in the chair)—

2-Swimming Bath —The Monthly Report of the Borough Surveyor on the working of the Bath was read.

3-Washing Towels, &c—This question was further considered. Resolved, That the Surveyor be authorised to procure a Steam Washing Apparatus for the purpose of washing the towels, bathing drawers, &c.

4-Naunton Recreation Ground—A Letter from Messrs Hannam, Clark & Bayton, of date the 28th inst., stating that they had arranged with Mr. Jordan's representatives to give up possession on the 29th Sept. next, and settle such compensation (if any) as their sub-tenants may be entitled to, the Corporation to receive rent from Mr. Jordan's representatives at £4 2s. 6d an acre per annum, from the date fixed for settlement by the contract, the Corporation paying £4 per cent. interest on the purchase money from that date. Resolved, That as the amount in question would leave the Corporation losers of 19s in money, besides the loss of nearly a year in the use of the land for the purposes for which it was purchased, it cannot be accepted, and that unless a better offer is made the Committee must insist on the terms of the contract as to possession being adhered to.

5- Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground—Maggs—A Letter from the Caretaker, James Maggs, applying either for an increase of his salary or an allowance of coal and gas, and stating his reasons for such application, was read. Resolved, That the Committee cannot recommend any increase in the Caretaker's salary

CHARLES W. KING,

Chairman.

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BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 26th day of May, 1892—Present: Councillors Moles, Steel, and Williams (Councillor Williams in the chair)—

1-Chairman—In the absence, through dines, of Councillor Parsonage, Councillor Williams was appointed Chairman of this Meeting.

2-Superintendent's Report—The Superintendent reported as follows :—

(1.) That Mr. W. Smith, Undertaker, of 12, Norwood Terrace, had refused to pay the fees of £1 1s. and 5s. respectively in the case of the interment, on the 27th ult., of the late Mr. George Baker, the friends of the deceased having provided their own Minister; the interment, however, not being at the time specified for gratuitous interments.

(2.) That he desired instructions as to whether the additional space, No. 4,127, Section V., purchased by Gen. Mackenzie, should be charged for as a grave or vault space, and pointing out the position thereof.

(3.) That the time for Bedding-out Plants had again come round, and he asked to be allowed the same quantity as last year.

(4.) That he wished to call attention to the very dirty state of the walls and ceiling of the Kitchen at the Lodge, and asked that the Surveyor might examine and report upon it, and

(5.) That the Cemetery truck had broken down, and he would be glad of the Surveyor's opinion as to a stronger method of repairing or making such a truck, having regard to the large quantity of heavy soil to be moved.

The report having been considered. Resolved—,

(1.) That the Committee see no reason for relaxing the rule in this case, and Mr. Smith will be required to pay the full amount of the fees.

(2.) That the space No 4127 be charged as a grave space.

(3.) That the Superintendent be authorised to spend a sum of £4 in the purchase of Bedding-out Plants

(4.) That the Surveyor do have done such repairs as are necessary in the kitchen, and

(5.) That the Surveyor do report as to the truck.

3—Inspection of Cemetery—Resolved, That the Committee do make an inspection of the Cemetery on the 14th June next, meeting at the Municipal Offices at 9.30 a.m.

4—Designs — The following designs were examined and approved :—Tombs to Emma H. Fortt, R. S. Burge, Emma Bland. Headstones to Samuel Barsby, Henrietta W. Quin, Isabella L. Chamney, Charlotte Allen, William Doane, Sophia Teague, Henry Bench, Beatrice Cole, Margaret Dunn, General Sir G. Green, Ernest Holman, Maria Julia Hibbert-Ware, Ann Parkinson, Richard Knox, Julia Ann Wynn.

5—Mr. Hill's Application—A letter from Mr. William Hill, of Naunton Crescent, applying to be refunded the fee of 5s 6d charged him for interment of his stillborn child, who was buried in the same coffin as his wife, was read. Resolved, That the fee be remitted.

6—Accounts—The following accounts were examined and allowed:—

W. Gregory, Labourers' Wages	£7 5 0
Gravediggers' Wages	£9 6 0

CHARLES WILLIAMS,

Chairman.

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ELECTRIC LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 24th day of May, 1892—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Wethered, Councillors Lawrence, Norman and Woodard (Councillor Norman in the chair)—

1-Electric Lighting—The Town Clerk reported that Prof. Ayrton had accepted the proposals of the Committee according to the terms of their Resolution of date the 20th ult., that he had since been down to Cheltenham, had inspected the localities proposed to be lighted, and the suggested sites for the central station, had seen the Chairman the Borough Surveyor and himself, and had suggested a practical experiment in the Promenade of the incandescent lighting; that he had since received from Prof. Ayrton an interim Report which he laid before the Committee.

GEORGE NORMAN,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, 31st day of May, 1892—Present ; The Mayor ; Aldermen Thoyts and Wethered ; Councillors Lawrence and Norman (Councillor Norman in the chair)-

2- Electric Lighting—This subject was furthered considered, and in accordance with Professor Ayrton's suggestion when here that the Committee should confer with him in town, when he would be able to shew them the St. Pancras and other lighting systems, Resolved. That the Committee do have an interview with Prof Ayrton accordingly

GEORGE NORMAN,

Chairman.

TECHNICAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 24th day of May, 1892—Present: The Mayor ; Aldermen Sir Alexander Ramsay Councillors Norman, Lawrence and Drew (The Mayor in the chair),—

1-- Local Taxation, Customs and Excise Act, 1890—Letters from the Clerk to the County Council and Mr. Colchester Wemyss, Chairman of the "Technical Instruction Committee of the County Council, in reply to a letter from the Town Clerk, stating that it might be taken for certain that a grant, approximate in amount to the grant made to Cheltenham last year, would be made, and that the matter would be decided by the Committee at their next meeting, were read.

A deputation from the Committee of the School of Science, consisting of the President (Alderman Wethered), the Rev. John Mugliston, Mr. J. H. Hichens, Mr. E. W. Wilkins, and Mr. Matthews (the Science Master), attended this meeting of the Committee.

Mr. Wethered laid before this Committee statistics of the working of the School of Science during the past year, its present state, and particulars of what their Committee proposed to do.

Mr. Wethered also laid before the Committee the draft proof of a circular letter his Committee proposed addressing to the County Council, giving particulars of the Work done by the School of Science, of its proposed extension, and of the additional accommodation that will be required, expressing a hope that the Council would be able to obtain a grant from the County Council of such an amount as would enable them to give the School a sum of £700 for the current year, and such

further sum as will enable the Council to provide the necessary increased accommodation that will be required by the School.

Resolved, That the attention of the Committee of the County Council be called to the above-mentioned letter as especially worthy of their consideration, and that the County Council be requested to make a grant to the Corporation of such an amount as will enable them to give the School of Science a sum of £700 and a further special grant for the purposes of capital expenditure

J. C. GRIFFITH,

Chairman.

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FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 2nd day of June, 1892—Present : The Mayor ; Councillors Drew, Lawrence, and Parsonage, (Councillor Lawrence in the Chair)—

1 -Auditors---A Letter from the Auditors on the subject of their fees was read, and the Auditors having agreed to charge only 25 guineas each for future audits in case they are elected without opposition, on being paid the amount of their charges for this year. Resolved, That this arrangement be agreed to.

A Letter from Mr. H. G. Margrett on the same subject was also read. Resolved, That Mr. Margrett be informed that the power of appointing the Auditors is not vested in the Council.

2-Recreation Grounds Loans—The Town Clerk reported that he had received from the Local Government Board their sanction to the Loans applied for in the above matters, the periods of repayment being as under:

For the purchase of Naunton Recreation Ground £1,500 for 30 years.

Laying-out, Fencing, &c., of Naunton Rec, Ground £700 for 20 years.

For the Lodge and other Works at the Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground, £300 for 30 years.

Resolved, That the Local Government Board be asked to issue a fresh sanction in respect of the Naunton Recreation Ground Loan, combining the two amounts, and equating the periods for repayment.

3-- Telephone Co's. Charges—Resolved, That the agreement with the Telephone Company be renewed for 4 years at £10 per annum subject to any general reduction that may be made to the Telephone customers generally.

4—Victoria Horne—An application from Miss Fenn relative to the Water and General District Rates in respect of this Home, was read and considered. Resolved, That the General District Rate be remitted

5-- The Town Clerk's Charges—The Town Clerk laid before the Committee his, and his Parliamentary Agents', costs and charges and allowances for Provisional Orders, and other matters to the 25th March last, when the new arrangement as to his salary came into operation, as follows :

In the matter of the purchase of Land under the Allotments Act 1887.

Purchase money £2,900 . .	..	£29 10 0
In the matter of the Electric Lighting Provisional Order, Parliamentary Agent's Taxed Costs	..	£251 18 6
Town Clerk's ditto, ditto ..	..	£8 8 0
In the matter of the Provisional Order for the purchase of Lower Alstone Mill, Parliamentary Agent's costs .. .	..	£5 18 10
Town Clerk's ditto .. .	..	£21 16 7
In the matter of the Cheltenham Station Bill, Town Clerk's charges settled at		£4 15 8
Parliamentary Agent's charges ditto, ditto	..	£10 1 8
In the matter of the Provisional Order for Extension of the Borough Boundaries		£201 18 0
In the matter of the Provisional Order for Altering the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, and purchase of lands authorised to be purchased thereby ..		£105 8 2
Commission on Loan for Public Slaughter House, £2,500 ..	..	£6 5 0

Resolved. That the charges in the matter of the Allotment Land, the Electric Lighting Order, the Cheltenham Station Bill, and the Public Slaughter House Loan be allowed and paid, and that the charges in the other matters be taxed in due course.

6 —General District Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 2nd inst., on the collection of this rate, was read. Amount collected £1,994 19s. 9d., leaving outstanding £10,885 15s 3d.

7-Water Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 2nd inst., on the collection of this Rate, was read. Receipts £1,411 8s 5d, leaving outstanding £6,586 1s 6d

8 -ACCOUNTS.—The Borough Accountant laid before the Committee the Account of Receipts and Expenditure, and of the Accounts and amounts to be paid, amounting to the following sums, viz :—

RECEIPTS.

Borough Fund ..	£54 9 5
Public Library—Revenue .	£20 12 0
Urban Authority—Revenue .	£2252 5 6
Burial Board—Revenue	£80 11 4
Waterworks—Revenue	£1411 13 1
Ditto —Capital ..	£3 18 6

ACCOUNTS NOW TO BE PAID—

Borough Fund ..	£157 0 7
Public Library—Revenue	£51 19 6
Marle Hill Estate—Capital	£1 3 6
Urban Authority—Revenue	£2053 13 7
Burial Board—Revenue	£89 1 0
Street Improvements ..	£4 9 4
Naunton Recreation Grounds—Capital	£0 12 11
Abattoir—Capital ..	£306 12 6
Allotments—Capital ..	£34 50 4
Waterworks—Revenue	£78 6 4
Ditto—Capital ..	£40 8 1

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MEASURER'S ACCOUNT AT THE BANK—

In hand last month—Current and Interest A/cs	£6258 0 5
Received during the month ..	<u>£3823 9 10</u>
	£9881 10 3
Paid during the month ..	<u>£3590 12 8</u>
	In hand. £6290 17 7
Sinking Funds :—	
In hand last month and still in hand.	£1168 1 0
Loans Fund—	
In hand last month and still in hand.	<u>£4006 11 1</u>
	Total in hand £11465 19 8

EDWIN LAWRENCE,

Chairman.

PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 1st day of June, 1892—Present: The Mayor : Aldermen Thoyts. and Ramsay : Councillor Parsonage, and Mr. Thomas Pippett (Alderman Sir A. Ramsay in the Chair)—

1—Librarian's Report —The usual Monthly Report of the Librarian was read. He also reported that the following gifts had been made to the Library during the past month :—

Trustees of the British Museum	..	8 Pamphlets
Mr. E. S. Hartland	..	1 Pamphlet
Mr. J. C. Newton	..	4 vols.
Messrs. Brook and Chrystal (Manchester)		1 vol.
Mr. C. F. Hinton	..	1 vol.
Mr. Charles Wilson	..	8 vols.
And £410 for the purchase of 160 volumes of the "Gentleman's Magazine "		
Mrs. Haigh	..	4 vols.

Annual Reports from the Libraries at :—Sunderland, Doncaster, Brentford, Blackburn, Stratford-on-Avon, Blackpool, Bootle, Streatham, Ealing, Glasgow, Barrow-in-Furness, Rochdale and Tynemouth.

2—Sub-Committee's Report--The Sub-Committee reported : That the Librarian had received from Mr. Charles Wilson a donation of £10 for the purchase of 160 volumes of the Gentleman's Magazine from the Library of the late Sir William Russell, M.P.

They recommended—That the tenders of Mr. J. J. Banks and Messrs. Norman, Sawyer and Co. (being the lowest) for the supply of new literature and bookbinding for twelve months, be accepted.

That an Ordnance Survey Map of Gloucestershire, with radiating circles shewing distances from Cheltenham, be purchased from Mr. G. Richmond, of Birmingham, for 20s.

That the books sent on approval from Mr. W. Norton be purchased for £1 6s. 2d., and that six parts of Murray's " New English Dictionary " be purchased from Mr. H. Rawlings for £1 7s. 0d.

That Miss Lindsay's offer to present a Model Fly Wheel for a Twin-boat Steamer, for the Museum, be accepted with thanks. That the Annual Stuck-taking be done without calling in the books.

That £50 be expended in new books.

Resolved, That the report and recommendations of the Sub-Committee be approved, and that the best thanks of the Committee be tendered to Mr. Charles Wilson for his generous gift.

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3-School of Science -Resolved, That the at tent of the Committee or the School of Science be called to the damage done to the hot water pipes in the corridor, apparently from the pupils having been allowed to stand on the pipes.

4-Floor of Chemical laboratory--The Town Clerk reported that a copy of the Borough Surveyor's Report hereon had been sent to Mr. Knight for any observations he wish to make thereon, and Mr. Knight's reply thereto, was laid before the Committee. Mr. Knight also attended the meeting, matter was discussed at some length, and the further consideration thereof adjourned.

5-Accounts -The following accounts were examined and allowed :—

W. T. Cossens, Magazines	£0 19 4
" " Newspapers	£3 15 11
" " Books,	£0 16 4
Mudie's Library, hunks	£2 6 0
Day and Son, Books	£1 7 0
E. Menken, Books	£0 10 3
Gas Company, Coke	£1 5 10
Jas. Webb, Books	£3 7 3
" "	£10 0 0
" "	£6 0 0
W Jones, Wages Account	£9 2 0
" " Petty Cash	£5 0 0
H. Rawlins, Books	£1 7 0
W Norton, Books	£1 6 2
Small Bills under 10s each	£0 14 9

ALEX. E. RAMSAY.

Chairman.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 26th day of May, 1892 -- Present : Alderman Sir Alexander Ramsay Councillors Hands. Moles and Steel (Councillor Hands in the Chair)—

1-Local Committees --The Minute Books of the various Local Committees were gone through and examined. Resolved, That Summonses be issued against the parents of the following children, in respect of the non-attendance of those children :—

Moses Shillim, 4, Carlton Place

Grantly Surman, 11, Grove Street

George E. Smith, 15, New Street

Henry Jeens, 57, Stanhope Street
Henry Tibbs, Collum Villa, Francis Street
Charles Jenner, Portland Square
Lillian Coats, 2, Prospect Villas, St. Paul's

2- Attendance Officers' Reports---The Monthly Reports of the School Attendance Officers were read

3—Half-time Certificates—E. Herbert —Resolved, That a half-time Labour Certificate be granted to Edward William Albert Herbert, of 2, Providence Place The Town Clerk reported that in view of the difficulties in the matter of granting half-time Certificates caused by the recent introduction of the system of examination by sample, he had again written to the Education Department upon the subject, urging the necessity for some facilities being granted to parents to obtain such certificates, and to the Committee to grant them. Resolved, That the action of the Town Clerk be approved.

4-School Holidays--Resolved, That a letter be addressed to the various School Managers calling attention to the recommendation contained in the Resolution of the Committee, passed in April, 1889, that all the Schools should break up for their holidays at the same time, and that they be urged to assist the Committee by an endeavour to have the holidays so arranged, as far as may be practicable.

WILLIAM HANDS.

Chairman.

Borough of Cheltenham

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, June 8th, 1892.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend a Meeting of the Council, as such, and Acting as Urban Sanitary Authority, to be held in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Offices, on Monday, the 13th day of June instant, at Eleven o'clock in the forenoon, at which Meeting the following business is proposed to be transacted, and any other business that may legally be transacted at such Meeting.

1. Annual Licensing of Hackney Carriages, Wheel Chairs, &c.

2. Annual Licensing of Hackney Carriage Drivers.

Yours faithfully, E. T. BRYDGES,

Town Clerk.

NOTE. It is proposed to meet merely for the purpose of adjournment until Wednesday at 3 p.m.

Borough of Cheltenham

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, June 29th, 1892.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend the Monthly Meeting of the Council, as such, and Acting as Urban Sanitary Authority, and as a Burial Board to be held in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Offices, on Monday, the 4th day of July next, at Three o'clock in the afternoon, at which Meeting the

following business is proposed to be transacted, and any other business that may legally be transacted at such Meeting.

1. To read and sign the Minutes of the last Monthly Meeting.
2. To receive any official communications and take measures thereon.
3. To approve or otherwise the proceedings of THE STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE. PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE. Minute and Resolution of the Committee authorising the Committee to provide a temporary building at the Delancey Hospital, at an estimated cost of about £700 ; and a temporary supply of medicine and medical assistance, under sec 133 of the Public Health Act, 1875.

Appoint Medical Officer of Health.

Appoint Inspector of Nuisances.

TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE. WATER COMMITTEE. THE GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE. BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE. BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE. ELECTRIC LIGHTING COMMITTEE. TECHNICAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE. FINANCE COMMITTEE. PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE. SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.

5. Notices of Motion.

6. To read the following letters, and pass Resolutions thereon, if need be :—The Lord Mayor of London re Distress at Port Louis. Col. Graham re Well Place Works. Edward Bourne re Oddfellows' Church Parade.

Yours faithfully,

E. T. BRYDGES,

Town Clerk.

Borough of Cheltenham

MINUTES Of the Proceedings of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the Monthly Meeting of the Council, to be held on Monday, the 4th of July, 1892.

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 27th day of June, 1892—Present The Mayor ; Alderman Thoys Councillors Darby, Heath, King, Lawrence, Parsonage and Steel, (Alderman Col. Thoys in the chair)—

1- Gas Examiner's Monthly Report—The Monthly Report of the Gas Examiner was read : Average Illuminating Power, 15.87 candles. Purity, 11.71 grains of Sulphur per 100 cubic feet.

2 --Gas Inspector's Monthly Report—The Monthly Report of the Gas Inspector was read: Average hourly consumption of Gas per lamp during the month, 4.318 cubic feet

3- Lamp Book—The book kept at the Police Station was produced and examined. 26 Lamps were found to be returned as having burnt dimly.

4-Street Projections—The Street Inspector reported that the movable iron rods put up by Mr. Cossens at No. 2, Clarence Street, had been set back to meet the requirements of the resolution of the Committee passed last month.

The Inspector also reported that the Lamps at Messrs. Hepworth's, 352, High Street, and at Messrs. Stead & Simpson's, 124, High Street, are frequently not lighted in accordance with the terms of the Resolution permitting the same to be put up. Letters upon the subject were read from Messrs. Hepworth & Son, and the Tewkesbury Brewery Co. Resolved, That the parties be informed that as the Lamps were put up subject to certain conditions those conditions must be observed.

5-Surveyor's Monthly Report, re Highways—The Surveyor reported that the following works had been done in his Department during the past month:

Roads repaired with Clee Hill Stone.—Sandfield Road, 9250 square yards ; Hatherley Road, 5,750 ditto; Croft Lane, 800 ditto ; Tewkesbury Road (proceeding).

Repaired with Wickwar Stone—Sandford Road 2152 square yards.

Patching ---Old Gloucester Road. Footpaths (Tar Clinkers)—Sandfield Road and Arle Village, 4,050 square yards ; ditto Gloucester Road, 325 sq yds.

Footpaths (Gravel)—Suffolk Road, 191 square yards.

Footpaths (Tariff)—Tewkesbury Road and St. Margaret's Road.

Footpaths (Granite)—Thirlestaine Road.

Paving, Crossing, and Curbing—Pittville Villas, Selkirk Place, Promenade, Park Place, Well Place, Orchard Place, Henrietta Street, Bath Road, Dunalley Street, Leamington Place, All Saints Road, Tivoli Place, Bayshill Road, Gloucester Road, and St. George's Road.

Trees Pruned —Parabola Road, Overton Road, Bayshill Road, Gloucester Road, Queen's Road, Promenade, Montpellier Street, Lansdown Road, St. George's Road, Malvern Road, Christ Church Road.

New Gullies—Gloucester Place (1) ; Hewlett Street (1) ; Andover Street (1).

Ashes Collected--899 Cart Loads and 384 Van Loads. Weight consumed at Destructor, 565 tons, 1 cwt., 2 qrs.

The new bridge over the Chelt at Little Bayshill Terrace has been fixed. The bed of the Chelt has been cleared of sand and mud from St. George's Place to Barrett's Mill. The water way in the Old Bath Road has been cleared for a distance of 1,035 feet, a length of 555 feet has been piled with stakes, and the bank repaired.

6-Great Western Railway Bill The Town Clerk reported that the necessary clauses for protection of the Corporation had been settled between him and the Company's solicitor, Mr. Nelson, and inserted in the Bill, and he laid before the Committee a Print of the Bill as amended in Committee, containing the clauses in question.

7-Midland and South-Western Junction Railway Co —Destructor—The Town Clerk laid before the Committee the Draft of the Conveyance of the land taken by the Company, and the Drafts of the Conveyance to be entered into to and from the Company and the Corporation for the exchange of the land, sites of roadways, &c., herein, which were now in process of settlement between him and the Company's solicitor. Resolved, That as soon as the Drafts of the Conveyances are settled and approved by the Town Clerk, they be executed and the Common Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto.

8-New Road off Christ Church road—A Letter from Messrs. Knight and Chatters, stating that Mr. Hodgkins is erecting two houses in a new cross road leading off the Christ Church Road, which has been defined and has been used for access to the fields for some time, but is not properly shaped and stoned ; that Mr. Hodgkins is willing to pay his share of the expense, and requested the Corporation to take the necessary steps to have it made and sewered, was read. The Town Clerk was directed to reply that until the road becomes a street within the meaning of the 150th Section of the Public Health Act, the Corporation have no power to take any action in regard to the severing of it.

9—Seats in Christ Church and Lansdown Roads—A Letter from the Rev. C. E. Gibson, calling attention to the great want of a few seats on the above roads, was read. Resolved, That half-a-dozen seats be fixed in positions settled by the Committee and pointed out to the Borough Surveyor

10--Old Bath Road—A letter from Mr. G. W. Sadler submitting proposals for widening and improving this road opposite the land belonging to the Trustees of the late Lord Walsingham, by throwing into the highway the land necessary for the widening, with the view to the submission of plans for building thereon, was read. Resolved, That the Surveyor do report whether the owners of the land above that of Lord Walsingham's Trustees, and below, on the West side of the road, will give up the necessary quantity of land to enable the Corporation to widen the continuation of this road to the main, Leckhampton, road, and that Mr Sadler be requested to furnish a plan.

11—Channelling in Ambrose Street—Bailey—A letter from Messrs. Winterbothams and Gurney on behalf of Mr. Charles Bailey, complaining of damage done to a pipe in the channelling at the entrance of his premises in Ambrose Street by the Steam Roller, was read. Resolved, That the Surveyor be directed to remove the pipe and adjust the channelling.

12—Tewkesbury Road Footpath—A letter from Mr. H. A Gwinnell, the owner of property in Tewkesbury Road, asking the Council to reconsider this matter as the kerbing, concrete and tariffing in front of his premises are in very good order, and, as the Council has always repaired the existing footpath, which is a public one, he did not consider the expense should fall upon him, was read. Resolved, That Mr. Gwinnell be informed he is not required to do kerbing or channelling, but only to pave to a width of six feet.

13-- College Lawn Road—A Letter from Mr Sadler, stating that in reply to a circular he had addressed to the Owners, informing them what he proposed to do in the way of repairs, and asking if they wished anything different or more expensive, he had received replies from nearly the whole stating that they had no wish to have any different or more expensive material, and that under the circumstances, having previously obtained a tender for the work he proposed doing, he intended to proceed with it shortly, when he trusted no further difficulties would be raised, was read. Resolved, That further action of the Corporation be suspended for this time, if the work proposed to be done by Mr. Sadler be completed within a month from this time

14-Ambrose Street Improvement ---Sharland —A Letter from Mr. Sharland, offering to release to the Corporation the right of way in dispute between them and him for the sum of Ten Pounds, was read. Resolved, That payment of the sum of £10 be agreed to, and that the Town Clerk do prepare the necessary Deed for execution by Mr. Sharland.

15 - Now Street Improvement—London and North Western Railway Company—The Town Clerk laid before the Committee the Draft Agreement for Reference, with certain alterations made therein since the last meeting of the Committee, and the correspondence which had passed between himself and the Estate Agent of the Co., Mr Hull. Resolved, That the Agreement be approved subject to the amendments now made therein by the Committee.

16 - Renting —On the recommendation of the Borough Surveyor, Resolved, That the salary of the Clerk at the Central Depot (Mr. Ponting), which is at present £72 be raised to £80 per annum.

17-Footway opposite Bayshill Inn and Mr. Holmans' Stables —The Surveyor laid before the Committee a plan for raising the footway here for a length of about 12 yards. Resolved, That the plan be approved, and the work done.

18-New Buildings- - The Surveyor submitted notices and plans received by him from the following persons intending to erect new buildings, all of which were approved, viz. :—

Cavendish House Company, Extension of Premises in the Promenade.

D. Gregory, Bay Window at 8, Suffolk Parade.

James Dicks and Sons, Alterations at 172, High Street.

J. P. Knight, Esq., Additions to No. 1, York Villas.

Connell and Son, Additions to Premises in Tivoli Place.

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman

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PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 17th day of June, 1892—Present The Mayor ; Councillors Darby, Hands, Neale, Norman, and Parsonage (The Mayor in the chair)—

1--Medical Officer of Health ---The Town Clerk laid before the meeting the applications sent in for the office of the Medical Officer of Health, 58 in number, with the Testimonials accompanying the same, and the same were read and considered, and the further consideration thereof adjourned to a meeting of the Committee, to be held on the 20th inst.

2 - Inspector of Nuisances -The Town Clerk laid before the meeting the applications received for the office of Inspector of Nuisances, 45 in number, with the accompanying testimonials, and the same were read and considered, and the further consideration thereof adjourned to a meeting of the Committee to be held on the 20th inst.

J. C. GRIFFITH,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 20th day of June, 1892—Present: The Mayor ; Alderman Wethered ; Councillors Darby, Norman, Hands, and Parsonage (The Mayor in the chair)—

3-Medical Officer of Health -The applications for this office were further considered. Resolved, Dr. John Henry Garrett, of Bedford, W. Leslie Mackenzie, Esq., of Castle Douglas, N.B., and J. Lloyd Roberts, Esq., of Denbigh, be selected for a personal interview with the Committee, and that they be requested to attend an adjourned meeting of the Committee to be held on Friday, the 24th inst.

4 -- Inspector of Nuisances --The applications for this office were further considered. Resolved, That Mr. Seth Lewis of Stockport, Mr. J. C. Smith, of Leeds, and Mr. Wm. H. Worrall, of Harborne,

Birmingham, be selected for a personal interview with the Committee, and that they be requested to attend an adjourned meeting of the Committee to be held on Friday, the 24th inst.

J. C. GRIFFITH,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 24th day of June, 1892—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Wethered ; Councillors Darby, Hands, King, Neale, Norman, and Parsonage (The Mayor in the Chair)-

5 Dairies and Cowsheds Order-- Applications from the following persons to be registered as purveyors of milk, together with the Report of the Inspector of Nuisances thereon, were read, viz., Fredk. Wm. Wilkins, of 63 and 64, Winchcomb Street, and Lambert Barnes, of 3, St. James's Terrace. Resolved, That the applicants be registered.

6-Houses without a proper supply of Water -A Report from the Surveyor, of date the 24th inst. that the houses therein mentioned are without a proper water supply, and that such supply can be readily obtained from the Corporation mains at a cost not exceeding the Water Rate authorised by the Corporation Water Act, was read. Resolved, That Notices be given under Sec 6.t of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the owners of the houses in question requiring them to obtain such supply and do all such acts as may be necessary for that purpose.

7-Flushing Boxes—Time Inspector of Nuisances laid before the Committee a List of Notices to fix Flushing Boxes not complied with. Resolved, That if the Notices are not complied with within a week from the 4th July, proceedings be taken for the penalties. The Inspector also laid before the Committee a List of Houses, the closets of which are inside the houses. Resolved, That Notices be given under Sec." of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, to fix flushing boxes in the closets, and provide efficient ventilation for the same.

8-Zymotic Diseases —The Medical Officer of Health laid before the Committee a Return of the cases of Zymotic Disease, which had occurred during the month, and it appearing that several cases of scarlatina had occurred in or through children attending some of the Public Elementary Schools, Resolved, That the Managers of the Schools be requested as a pre-cautionary measure and with the view of checking any spread of the disease, to anticipate, as far as possible, the usual time of closing the schools for the Midsummer Holidays, and that the opportunity of the holidays be taken to thoroughly cleanse and disinfect the school rooms and the furniture and fittings thereof.

A Letter from Mr. Chas. Marshall was also read.

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9-Work done in the Health Department -The Medical Officer of Health submitted an epitome of the work done by him and his staff during the past month.

10--St. George's Street, Drainage ill-A Letter from Mr. Chas. Thorne, of No. 45, St. George's Street, complaining of the drainage of this street, and of his house in particular, was read, and referred to the Surveyor to report thereon.

11-Accounts-The following accounts were examined and allowed :- -

Small Accounts under 10s each ..	..	£0 14 2
General District Rate for Cattle Market	..	£2 12 6
E. Bourne, Pipes, &c.	..	£4 6 7

Ditto Taps, &c.	..	£0 4 6
Water Department, Water to Manchester Street Urinal		£2 13 6
Ditto, 1 Church Lane Urinal ..	..	£17 2 6
Ditto, 1 Sewer Flushing	..	£4 3 0
Ditto, 1 Cattle Troughs	..	£1 0 0
E. Jones, 4 weeks' wages	..	£5 0 0
W. M. Gammond, Statement of Weekly Reports		£2 10 0
Notification of Infectious Diseases	..	£10 13 6
Dr. Roch, Cab Hire ..	..	£1 14 8
W. J. Ursell, Horsing Ambulance ..	..	£5 5 0
Delancey Hospital, Treatment of Patients	..	£138 15 6

12-Medical Officer of health - Drs. Garrett, Mackenzie, and Roberts attended at this meeting of the Committee, and were respectively interviewed by the Committee. Resolved, That the Committee recommend to the Council the appointment of Dr. Jno. Henry Garrett as Medical Officer of Health.

13-inspector of Nuisances- Messrs. Lewis, J. C. Smith, and Worrall, attended this meeting of the Committee and were respectively interviewed by the Committee. Resolved, That the Committee recommend to the Council the appointment of Mr Seth Lewis as Inspector of Nuisances.

J. C. GRIFFITH,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 28th day of June, 1892 -Present The Mayor ; Alderman Wethered ; Councillors Darby, Hands, King, Neale, and Norman, (The Mayor in the chair)--

14- Scarlatina -The Medical Officer of Health having reported that the Wards for Scarlatina at the Delancey Hospital were fully occupied, and that other cases had been reported requiring to be isolated. Resolved, That a conference with the Delancey Hospital Trustees be requested for to-morrow, with the view of making arrangements for the erection of additional accommodation in connection with the existing Wards.

J. C. GRIFFITH,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 29th day of June, 1892-Present The Mayor ; Alderman Wethered ; Councillors Darby, Hands and King, (The Mayor in the chair)-

14- Scarlatitia -The Delancey Trustees, Mr. Charles Wilson, Sir Alex. Ramsay, Mr. Gurney, and Major-Gen. Thompson, and Dr. E. T. Wilson (Hon. Sec.), with Dr. Cocks-Johnstone, the Medical Officer of the Delancey Trustees, met this Committee in conference on the subject of additional temporary Hospital accommodation at the Delancey Hospital for cases of Scarlatina. The Delancey Trustees stated that they would be prepared to consent to the erection on their land of a temporary Hospital, and work the same on the terms of payment of 3s 6d a day for each patient, the maximum charge being, as at present, £7 7s for each case, with an additional payment of £2 2s. per week for each additional nurse required, and 10s 6d per head for medical attendance for the whole period. The building, furniture, and fittings remaining the property of the Corporation removable by them at any time, but to be removed by and at the expense of the Corporation, at any time, on three months notice from the Trustees.

Resolved, That this Committee be empowered to purchase or hire, on such terms as they shall think fit, a temporary Hospital for 30 beds [crossed out], or to temporarily erect a building for the reception of infectious cases and erect the same at the Delancey Hospital ; and also under sec. 133 of the Public Health Act, with the sanction of the Local Government Board, to provide a temporary supply of medicine and medical attendance for the poorer inhabitants of the Borough.

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J. C. GRIFFITH,

Chairman.

TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

Committee, held on Wednesday, the 29th day of June, 1892—Present: The Mayor; Aldermen Col. Thoyts and Wethered, Councillors Wm Heath, Lawrence, and Skillicorne (The Mayor in the chair),—

1-Chairman-In the absence of the Chairman, the Mayor was appointed Chairman at this Meeting.

2-British Medical Association A letter from Dr. Cardew stating that at the Annual Meeting of the Gloucestershire Branch of the Association, a resolution was passed that a warm and cordial invitation be given to the British Medical Association to hold their Annual Meeting in Cheltenham in 1894 or 1895, and that Dr. E. T. Wilson, F.R.C.P. of Cheltenham, be asked to be President ; and, further, that the Council of the Branch accepts the offer of £150 towards the expenses of the meeting, but no further step, need, or really can, be taken until July, 1893, was read.

3-Extension of Borough Boundaries-Provisional Order -Letters from the Town Clerk's Parliamentary Agents, Messrs. Wyatt & Co., informing him that a Petition had been presented against the Bill for confirming this Order by Mr. H. G. Margrett, and that the effect of it was to postpone the Bill until next Session, were read.

4-Train Service—The Town Clerk reported that he had written to the Great Western Railway Company, as directed by the resolution of the Committee, and a letter from Mr. Lambert, the General Manager, stating that if the Council would let him know in writing what suggestions they had to make for improving the Train Service between Cheltenham and London he would give them careful consideration, and if it should then appear that any useful purpose would be served by a deputation from Cheltenham meeting the Directors, he would ask them to name a date for that purpose, was read. Resolved, That as the proposals and suggestions proceed not only from the Council, but from gentlemen connected with the 'town in responsible positions, an opportunity of placing their views before the Directors personally would be preferred.

5-Pittville Gardens Mrs. Hildebrand —An application from Mrs. Hildebrand to be allowed the use of the Pump Room and Garden on the 27th July for an "At Home," was read. Resolved, That permission be granted on condition that Mrs. Hildebrand agrees to make good any damage that may be occasioned, and to pay £5 5s. for the use thereof.

6-Revival of Mineral Waters---A letter from Dr. Ward Humphreys forwarding copy of resolutions passed at a meeting of the Medical Profession practising in Cheltenham, held on the 21st inst., for establishing a Spa Medical Society, of which all Registered Medical men practising in Cheltenham may be *ca-officio* members, for the purpose of obtaining information concerning foreign- and other Spas, and to confer with the Town Council on all medical matters connected with the Spa, and cordially co-operating with the Corporation in such measures as may be mutually agreed upon for the successful carrying out of what they believe to be a beneficial enterprise ; and expressing a

strong opinion that it would be of the utmost importance for the Corporation to establish and keep a Register of Lodgings certified to be in a sanitary condition, was read. Resolved, That the Committee express their gratification to hear of the step taken by the Medical Profession, whose co-operation in the work of re-establishing Cheltenham as a Mineral Water Spa cannot fail to be of great utility, and will be gladly accepted; and that Mr. Ward Humphreys be informed that the question of keeping such a register as is suggested is one that will receive careful consideration by this Committee.

J. C. GRIFFITH,

Chairman.

WATER COMMITTEE.

At fling of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 28th day of June, 1892 —Present; The Mayor ; Aldermen Thoys and Wethered ; Councillors Darby King and Heath, (Councillor Darby in the chair),—

1-Borough Surveyor's Report The usual monthly report of the Surveyor, as follows, was read :—

On the 27th instant the springs supplying the Hewletts Reservoirs were yielding 234 gallons per minute ; the average for the last four years being 198 gallons per minute; and the quantity of water in store at Hewletts and Leckhampton was 31,584,606 gallons.

On the 27th instant, the depth of water in the Dowdeswell Reservoir was 28 feet 9 inches, and the contents 80,187,780 gallons, which gives a total storage of 111,772,386 gallons.

On the 20th instant I examined the whole course of the Chelt from the Dowdeswell Reservoir to its source at Sandywell Park, where I found that a ram had been fixed for the purpose of delivering water to some part of the estate.

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The same day I saw Mr. Rogers, jun., his attendant, Mr. Godfrey Rogers, and a man, whom I have reason to believe is not "a guest or member of the family," fishing and I am informed by the Reservoir Keeper that the same thing has occurred previously. The rods were in the hands of Mr Godfrey Rogers, the attendant on Mr. Rogers, jun., and the man referred to.

Resolved, That the Town Clerk write to Mr. Rogers, calling his attention to the terms and conditions agreed on with him in relation to the fishing rights in the Dowdeswell Reservoir, and expressing the hope that he will give the necessary instructions to prevent unauthorised persons fishing in the Reservoir.

2-Compounding for Water Rates —A Letter from Mr. G. W. Sadler, stating that he had been informed that it was the custom to make an allowance from the Water Rates in respect of several small adjoining tenements belonging to the same owner, when the rates were paid whether the houses were occupied or unoccupied, and further requesting the favourable consideration of several blocks of houses, some of which are within the borough, but the greater number outside. Resolved, That Mr. Sadler be informed that it is the custom to do so in some cases within the borough but not outside, and that the allowance one-eighth will be made in respect of the houses in King Street Gardens on the proper agreement being entered into.

3—Barrett's Rill—Councillor King, Chairman of the Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee, brought before the Committee the Resolution that day passed by his Committee on this subject.

Resolved, That the Surveyor's plan be approved, and that this Committee assents to the Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee dealing with the buildings and the land in the mode suggested.

4 -- Land near Mythe Bridge—A Letter from Messrs. Haines and Sumner, with reference to their interview with the Town Clerk and the Borough Surveyor, on the 8th inst., that they had seen Sir John Dorrington and were instructed to say that the County Council must abide by their original contention that the property in the slopes necessary for the support of the road was vested in the County Council, but that they believed that the fence erected by the County Surveyor had been carried a little too far, and would be put right, was read. Resolved, That while admitting the right of the County Council to entry on the land to maintain and keep up the slopes necessary for the support of the road, the Corporation cannot admit any right in the County Council to any property in the slopes/or to prevent the access of the Corporation to any part of their land from the road/or to erect any fence on their land

5—Appeals —The cases entered in the Appeal Book were considered, and the Rates settled and adjusted.

6--Supply of Water—Applications and agreements for the supply of water for the past month were examined and approved.

J. T. DARBY,

Chairman.

GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 27th day of June, 1892—Present The Mayor ; Alderman Thoys, Councillors Darby, Lawrence, Norman, and Parsonage (Alderman Col. Thoys in the Chair)—

1-- Fire Brigade—The Superintendent reported that the Brigade had been called out to two fires during the month, viz., on the 30th ult. a rick of hay at Charlton Kings Railway Station. Expenses of the Brigade in attending, £7 14s. 6d., the bill whereof had been sent in to the G.W.R. Company, the damage having been caused by a spark from a passing engine ; and on the 19th inst. at the Stables at Prestbury House, Prestbury, estimated damage £300, the bill of expenses, amounting to £8 17s 0d. sent in to Mr. Le Blanc.

2--Swine Fever—Supt. McRae reported an outbreak of Swine Fever on the 21st inst. at Benhall Farm, Gloucester Road, occupied by Mr. Robert Smith, 12 pigs affected two of which had died, and the remaining so had been killed by direction of the owner ; that he had had the premises properly cleansed and disinfected, and the necessary notices served and posted, be laid before the Committee his declaration, and copy of notice served on the occupier. Resolved, That the Committee being satisfied of the correctness of the Inspector's declaration, do order, determine and declare accordingly, and prescribe that the premises in question shall be a Swine Fever infected place.

3-Numbering of Streets—Councillor Williams having written calling attention to the necessity for having the numbering of Russell Street revised, Resolved, that the Borough Surveyor do re-number Russell Street, Marle Hill Road and Great Western Terrace.

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4—Omnibus Conductors' Licenses—Applications were received horn, and licenses to act as conductors of omnibuses granted to, W. J. Webb, George Thomas, Joseph Birt, William Charles Birt, Sydney Charman, Albert Stephens, J. F. Watkins, Frank Harvey, William Harvey and Benjamin Skinner. Resolved, That the Omnibus Company be informed that in the event of new licenses for conductors being required before the Meetings of this Committee or the Council, the Town Clerk has been empowered to issue them, on his being satisfied of the fitness of the applicant.

5—Hackney Carriages— Mrs. Long's Application—Mr. Thomas Long, of Devonshire Mews, having died on the same day as the Annual Licensing Meeting, and his widow having applied fit, the licenses granted to him to be transferred into her name. Resolved, That this be done.

6—Driver's licenses—Applications were received from and licenses to act as drivers of hackney Carriages granted to, Richard Long, Alexander Street, Tivoli ; E. Timbrell, 1, Hylton Place, and William Jeanes, 39, Jersey Street.

7—Cabmen's Shelter-Mrs. Bannerman having applied through the Chairman for permission to place another Shelter for the use of the Cabmen, Resolved, That the required permission is: granted, the Shelter to be placed in Imperial Square in lieu of that which is now there and which latter is to be removed to a site near the Midland Railway Station.

8—Hackney Carriage Stands—Resolved, That, for the purposes of Bye-Law No. so, the Stand in Montpellier Walk and the stand at the Rotunda shall be deemed to be one stand.

9—Accounts--The following Accounts were examined and allowed : --

Poor Rate on Allotment Land	£5 14 0
Municipal Offices	£7 8 9
The Market	£4 7 6
Quarterly Police Account	£570 0 0
Salaries of Fire Brigade	£37 10 0
Fire Brigade Disbursements	£5 11 11
J. Sollors, Coal for Weighing Machine Office.	£0 8 0

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 28th day of June, 1892—Present Councillors Heath, King and Norman (Councillor King in the chair)—

1- Alstone Swimming Baths—The, Monthly Report of the Borough Surveyor was read. No. of Bathers up to the 25th inst., 5801. Total receipts, £48 19s. 2½ d.

2--Naunton Land—The Town Clerk read a correspondence between him and the Vendor's Solicitors, and 'reported an interview with them on the subject of the rents, interest on the purchase money, and possession, and also laid before the Committee draft of the indemnity agreed to be given to the Vendors in respect of the Conveyance of the whole of the lands as freehold. Resolved, That the same be approved, and that the Common Seal of the Corporation be affixed to the Engrossment of the Indemnity as settled by the Town Clerk.

3 --Barrett's Mill —The Surveyor laid before the Committee a plan showing how he proposed to deal with this property taking down all the buildings except the Cottage and Malthouse, and Lying out the land in the way shown on the plan Resolved, That the plan be approved and carried out.

4—Accounts—The following accounts were examined and allowed :—

Sanitary Steam Laundry, Washing Towels	£6 13 6
Poor Rate on Recreation Ground	£1 11 6
Public Works Loan Board, Alstone Baths Loan	£135 5 4
Poor Rate on Alstone Baths	£2 19 6
Boiler Insurance Co, Insurance Premium	£2 7 6

CHARLES W. KING,

Chairman.

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BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 23rd day of June, 1892—Present: The Mayor ; Councillors Moles, Steel, and Parsonage (Councillor Parsonage in the chair)—

1—The Cemetery, Visit to—The Chairman reported that on the 14th inst. he and Councillors Moles and Steel visited the Cemetery. The Superintendent laid before the Committee, in pursuance of instructions received from the Chairman, a report showing the number of Grave Spaces in the several sections of the Church of England portion of the Cemetery that may now be re-opened, amounting in the whole to 2270; and that over a considerable number of such Spaces Headstones have been erected Resolved, That the Superintendent be instructed to prepare a list of those graves over which Headstones have been erected, with a view to giving notice to the relatives of the persons buried in such spaces of the intention of this Board to re-open and appropriate them for further internments unless the spaces are purchased within a certain time. The Borough Surveyor reported that he had had the course of the stream on the North of the Lodge and approach cleansed, the truck repaired, notice boards as to gratuities to the employees fixed, and other small matters attended to.

2 —Vernon — Grave Space No. 20,032, Sec. V.—A letter from Mr. Mellersh, on behalf of Miss Mary Jane Williams, of No. 9, Lypiatt Terrace, stating that a mistake had been made by the Undertaker in giving Miss Vernon's name as the purchaser of this Grave Space instead of Miss Williams—it being Miss Williams' intention to purchase the grave for the burial of her old and faithful servant Susanna Mills who had been buried in the space in question), and of herself, and asking for the grant to be amended, was read. Resolved, That Mr. Mellersh be informed that the error was in giving Miss Vernon's name as the purchaser instead of that of Susanna Mills, who is the first person who was buried there, and that in either case half the original set of fees will become payable on the second interment, and all that it will be necessary to do will be for Miss Vernon to indorse in the grant a consent to the body of Miss Williams being interred in the grave, and produce it when required.

3 Nedham—A letter from Messrs Ley Wood and Rickerby, on behalf of Mrs. Nedham, widow of Lieut.-Gen. Nedham, who was buried in the Grave Space No. 377A, Sec. T, asking for permission to erect a stone plinth and railing round the grave although it is not a brick grave, was read. Resolved, That the Committee are unable to make any exception in this case, and that the grave must be

bricked or a proper foundation made—which there is nothing to prevent being done—on which to erect the plinth and railing.

4—Vault and Crave Spaces --Resolved, That all the Vault Spaces on the North or outer circle road on each side thereof, except the front line of spaces next the road, be appropriated for and be sold as purchased Grave Spaces.

5—Designs—The following designs were examined and approved: - Tombs to Edward Lloyd Griffiths and Henrietta Catherine Rattray. Headstones to Michael Lehane, John Price, James McGregor Grant, George Uzzell, Thomas Lansdown, and Charles Nedham, the latter approved subject to the conditions mentioned in Minute No. 3

6--Accounts—The following accounts were examined and allowed:—

H. W. Baker, Plants	£2 0 0
W. Gregory, Labourers' Wages	£7 5 0
" Gravediggers' Wages	£5 4 0
James Holder, Plants	£2 0 0

EDWARD H. PARSONAGE. Chairman

TECHNICAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 29th day of June, 1892—Present: The Mayor ; Aldermen Thoyts and Ramsay ; Councillor Lawrence (Alderman Col. Thoyts in the chair),—

1—Technical Education Grant—A letter from the Clerk to the County Council stating that the Technical Instruction Committee of the County had ordered a payment of £760 to Cheltenham in the above matter for the year 1892-3, and a further payment of £400 for the purpose of applying the same in respect of Capital Expenditure in connection with the extension of Cheltenham Science and Technical School, was read. Resolved, That the £760 be paid and applied to the same institutions and in the same proportions and manner as last year, that is to say—

To the School of Science	£360 0 0
To School of Art	£200 0 0
To School of Cookery	£100 0 0
To Public Library, for the Purchase of Technical Books and other Expenses in connection therewith	£100 0 0

With respect to the grant of £400 for Capital Expenditure in connection with the School of Science, Resolved, That the sum in question be so applied on the Council being furnished with Plans and Specifications and other particulars of the proposed expenditure and approving of the same.

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

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FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 30th day of June, 1892—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Thoyts; Councillors Drew and Lawrence (Councillor Lawrence in the Chair)—

1-Taunton Recreation Ground Loan—A letter from the Local Government Board of date the 16th inst., in reply to the Town Clerk's letter of the 8th inst., stating that the Board had no objection to allowing an equalised term of 40 years for repayment of the Loans sanctioned, amounting to £2,500, and that if the sanctions were returned, and assuming that no money had been borrowed under their authority, the Board would issue a fresh sanction for £2,500, repayable in the above period, was read. Resolved, That the sanctions be returned accordingly.

2-- -Marle Hill and Pittville Purchases—The Town Clerk reported that the Local Government Board's Provisional Order Confirmation Bill (No. 12), confirming the Provisional Order for altering and amending the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, had received the Royal assent on the 28th inst., and that as he should be in a position very shortly to complete the purchases from Mr. Noble, Mr. Winterbotham, and Mr. Broom's Mortgagees the purchase money would be required. Resolved, That application be made to the Local Government Board for their sanction, as required by the Order, to the borrowing of amounts estimated for the purchase, laying out and fencing of the lands agreed to be purchased from the above-named parties.

3 --General District Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 30th inst., on the collection of this rate, was read Amount collected £4,577 19s. 9d., leaving outstanding £8,302 15s. 3d.

4 -Water Rate —The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 30th inst., on the collection of this Rate, was read. Receipts £3,488 16s. 5d., leaving outstanding £4,588 14s 2d

5—ACCOUNTS.-- The Borough Accountant laid before the Committee the Account of Receipts and Expenditure, and of the Accounts and amounts to be paid, amounting to the following sums, viz :—

RECEIPTS.—

Borough Fund ..	£38 7 10
Public Library—Revenue	£8 15 3
Technical Education Grant	£1160 0 0
Urban Authority—Revenue	£2818 18 1
Burial Board ---Revenue	£109 15 7
Refuse Destructor—Capital	£2 13 0
Waterworks—Revenue	£2109 17 3
Ditto--Capital ..	£1 16 11
Interest at Bank ..	£54 12 2

ACCOUNTS NOW TO BE PAID—

Borough Fund ..	£1745 10 2
Technical Education Grant .	£760 0 0
Public Library--Revenue	£93 4 3
Mineral Water Wells—Capital	£0 5 6
Pittville Estate—Capital ..	£301 15 11
Urban Authority—Revenue.	£2315 15 10
Burial Board--Revenue	£74 7 9
Sewage Farms—Capital	£120 0 0
Street Improvements ..	£3 0 11
Refuse Destructor—Capital	£1 0 0
Naunton Recreation Grounds—Capital	£8 9 9

Allotments—Capital ..	£1 8 3
Abattoir—Capital ..	£0 2 6
Waterworks—Revenue	£604 15 6
Ditto—Capital ..	£102 11 2

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT AT THE BANK—

In hand last month—Current and Interest A/cs	£6290 17 7
Received during the month.	<u>£6304 16 1</u>
	£12595 13 8
Paid during the month	<u>£2590 10 8</u>
In hand ..	£10005 3 0
Sinking Funds:—	
In hand last month ..	£1168 11 0
Transferred to Loans Fund	<u>£ 206 12 1</u>
In hand ..	£ 961 18 1
Loans Fund —	
In hand last month ..	£4006 11 1
Transferred from Sinking Fund..	<u>£ 206 12 1</u>
In hand ..	<u>£4213 3 2</u>
Total in hand	£15180 5

EDWIN LAWRENCE, Chairman.

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PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 8th day of June, 1892—Present ; The Mayor : Aldermen Wethered and Ramsay ; Councillor Neale and Parsonage (Alderman Sir A. Ramsay in the Chair)—

1-School of Science—Floor of Chemical Laboratory—A letter from Mr. Knight forwarding the Plans and Specifications for the building, and stating that as he had not yet certified the works, he still retained the position of Umpire in case of dispute between the contractors and the Corporation, and was ready to enter into the matter, was read.

The Committee then proceeded to inspect the floor of the School of Science Laboratory, and the further consideration of the matter was adjourned.

The Town Clerk submitted copy of a letter he had been requested by the Chairman to send to the Hon. Secretary of the School of Science enquiring why the attention of the Public Library Committee had not been called to the damage done to the hot water pipes in the corridor by the pupils standing on them to reach the hat and coat rails—a fact with which he had been made acquainted as far back as the month of January last, and Mr. Montagnon's reply thereto, was also read, and the Town Clerk instructed to write further to Mr. Montagnon on the subject

ALEX. E. RAMSAY.

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 10th day of June, 1892—Present Aldermen Sir Alexander Ramsay and Wethered ; Councillors Drew and Parsonage ; Dr. E. T. Wilson (Alderman Sir A. Ramsay in the chair) –

2 - Outing of Corporation Employees—Resolved, That the Library (except the Reading Room) be closed on Saturday, the 18th inst., and that notice of it be given.

ALEX. E. RAMSAY,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee. held on Wednesday, the 29th day of June, 1892—Present The Mayor ; Alderman Ramsay ; Councillor Skillicorne ; Baron de Ferrieres and Capt. Welch (Alderman Sir A. Ramsay in the chair)—

3—Librarian's Report—The usual Monthly Report of the Librarian was read. He also reported that the following gifts had been made to the Library during the past months Mr. Colin Rae-Brown 1 Vol. Mr. J. Clarke 1 Pamphlet The Philological Society, per Dr. Turnbull 8 Vols. 156 Pamphlets

Annual Reports from the Libraries at Tynemouth, Leicester, Croydon, Chester, Stafford, Chelsea, Glasgow, Plymouth, Leek, Barrow-in-Furness, Hereford, and Aston Manor.

4—Sub-Committee's Report—The Sub-Committee reported That at the Annual Stock-taking every book had been accounted for. They recommended that the lists of new and second-hand books, prepared by the Librarian, be approved, and the books purchased. Resolved, That the report be approved.

5- School of Science Accommodation—A letter from the Hon Secretary of the School of Science stating that the County Council having decided to vote, in addition to the annual grant to Cheltenham, a sum of £400 as a special contribution to Capital Account for the use of the School of Science, he had been requested to make formal application for permission to carry out the necessary structural alterations in that part of the Library building occupied by the School of Science Committee, such alterations to be to the satisfaction and with the approval of the Borough Surveyor, or such other person as the To: Council might appoint, was read. Resolved, That the matter be adjourned to enable the Committee to view the rooms.

6-School of Science Laboratory Floor —Mr Knight attended the meeting, and the question of the defects in this floor was again gone into and the Architect having stated that the requirements of the Specification in relation to the concreting &c., of the floor had not been adhered to, and that the defects in it were attributable to that fact. Resolved, that the Town Clerk write to Messrs. Billings requiring them to perform the terms of their contract, under directions, and to the satisfaction of, the Architects, without delay.

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7—Accounts—The following accounts were examined and allowed :

Poor Rate on Library	£7 8 9
Gas Company, Gas at Public Library	£7 10 11
G. H. James, Books	£0 10 6
W. Jones, Wage,	£8 12 0
J. W. Pink, Books	£1 19 6
Norman, Sawyer and Co., Binding, &c.	£10 14 2

Bryant & Co., Caretaker's Trousers	£1 7 0
W. T. Cossens, Newspapers	£3 18 8
" Magazines	£0 18 2
" Books	£0 13 7
Accounts, under 10s	£0 12 4

ALEX. E. RAMSAY,

Chairman.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 23rd day of June, 1892 — Present : The Mayor ; Councillors Hands, Steel and Moles (Councillor Hands in the Chair)—

Local Committees—The Minute Books of the various Local Committees were gone through and examined, and the parents of the following children were ordered to be summoned :—Fred Tovey, Queen Street Charles Vick, Fairview Street Noah Loveridge, Grove Street William Brotherick, Pantile Row Kate Welch, Gas Lane Charles Townley, St. Mark's Place (if reported again) Distress Warrants to be applied for in each case where the fines are not paid, and in default of any distress a Warrant of Committal to be obtained.

2-Attendance Officers' Reports—The Monthly Reports of the School Attendance Officers were read, and Mr. Wigley was instructed to apply for Distress Warrants in the cases of Geo. Smith, Henry Jeens, and Grantley Surman, and a Warrant of Commitment in the case of Lilian Coates for non-payment of fines.

3-Labour Certificates--A letter from the Education Department, in reply to the letters of the Town Clerk on this subject, stating that no Labour Certificates could be granted except after individual Examination, and all that was necessary when a certificate is desired is that the parent should apply to the Head Teacher of his child's School before the annual Inspection, so that the proper entry may be made on the schedule, was read.

4 -School Holidays—The Medical Officer of Health having reported that several cases of Scarlatina had been traced to some of the Public Elementary Schools. Resolved, That it be suggested to the Managers of the Schools to close the Schools for the usual Midsummer holidays at the earliest possible date, with the view of checking the spread of the disease through the Schools.

WILLIAM HANDS.

Chairman.

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Borough of Cheltenham—Applications for the Office of Medical Officer of Health.

JUNE, 1892.

No.	Name.	Address.	Age.	Qualifications.	Date Registration.	Previous Appointment.
1	ADAMS, PERCY TARGETT ..			Kent County Ophthalmic Hospital, Maidstone		29
	M.R.C.S. & L.S.A.					

D.P.H. Certificates in Practical Chemistry not stated House Surgeon, Kent County Ophthalmic Hospital

2 ADAM, R. HILLHOUSE 82, High Street, Paisley, N.B. 28 M.A., M.B., D.P.H., C.M.,
Certificates of Merit in Anatomy, Midwifery, Practice of Medicine, Clinical Medicine, Materia Medica
and Pharmacy July, 1889 .. Private practice 3 years

3 ADIE, A. J. 49, Newman Street, London, W. .. 40 L.R.C.P. D.P.H.
L.R.C.S

4 AMBROSE, ALEXANDER Buckhurst Hill, London, N. 34 M.D., M.B., B.Ch, LL.B., B.A.,
D.P.H. 28 Dec., 1883.. Private practice and Medical Officer for Buckhurst Hill District, Surgeon to
Metropolitan Police, and Public Vaccinator

5 ALEXANDER, WILLIAM Glencorse, N.B. 52 M.D., L.R.C.S.E. July, 1865
Brigade Surgeon -

6 BEVAN, RICHARD Skinner House, Lydd, Kent 38 L.R.C.P., M.R.C.S., L.S.A.,
D.P.H., Sept. 11, 1876.. M.O.H. for Ashford U.S. District

7 BOND, FREDERICK FIELDING Rosemary House, Rastrick, Yorks. 30 M.D, M.B.,
C.M, D.P.H., F.C.S. .. Not stated Poor Law Medical Officer, Public Vaccinator, and M.O.H. for
Rastrick U.S. District.

8 BROWNE, SAMUEL .. Leamington .. 41 M.D., C.M, D.P.H March,
1872 .. M.O.H. Leamington, and Medical Officer of H.M.

Prison, Warwick.

9 CARROLL, JOSEPH 172, Station Road, Ilkeston, Notts. 31 M.B., C.M., D.P.H.
Jan. 5, 1883 .. M.O.H. for Ilkeston, Surgeon to Ilkeston Cottage Hospital

10 CAMERON, ROBERT W. D. .. Ardrishaig, Argyllshire, N.B. 35 M.D., B.Sc., C.M.
Not stated Private Practice

11 CATTLEY, ROBERT 59, Monkgate, York.. 26 M.B., C.M., B.Sc., D.P.H
Aug., 1889 Not stated

12 CHAPMAN, JAMES Falmouth 50 D.P.H. (see application) .. 1864 ..
Private Practice

13 COOKE, JOHN W Colchester 55 M.D., M.R.C.S December,
1858 M.O.H. to Sendring Rural Sanitary Authority, to Lexden and Winstree Rural Sanitary
Authority, and to Great Clacton Urban Sanitary Authority.

14 COLLINS, HENRY BEALE .. 16, Little Grosvenor Street, W. ..40 M.R.C.S., L.S.A.,
D.P.H 1873 .. Assistant Instructor of Hygiene, Royal Naval Hospital, Haslar; Resident M.O.
St. George's, Hanover Square, Dispensary; Public Vaccinator for Mayfair.

15 DEMETRIADI, LOUIS .. Huddersfield .. 29 F.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H July, 1886
Formerly House Surgeon Huddersfield Infirmary,

afterwards in private practice five years, now Assistant to M.O.H. for Huddersfield

- 16 DRUMMOND, EDWARD 101, Gt. Russell Street, W.C. not stated M.D., D.P.H.
not stated Formerly in private practice at Rome, and lately in England.
- 17 FROST, F. TURNER .. Halifax Old Road, Huddersfield .. 29 M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.,
D.P.H not stated Private practice.
- 18 FOSTER, WILLIAM St. Paul's Road, Shipley, Yorks .. 36 BA, M.B., D.P.H., M.R.C.S.,
L.S.A. 1879 2 years Resident Medical Officer of Bradford Infirmary, 2 years Surgeon on
Steamships of Orient Line, 7 years in private practice, Hon. Surgeon of Sir Titus Salt's Hospital,
Saltaire.
- 19 GARRETT, JOHN HENRY 38, Clapham Road, Bedford 33 M.D., B.S., L.S.A., D.P.H
In San. Science 1887, in Pub-Health 1890 M.O.H. Ampthill Union, Bedfordshire.
- 20 GIBSON, HENRY C. M Blenheim Lodge, Surbiton, Surrey 43 M.R.C.S., L.S.A.,
D.P.H Not stated Not stated
- 21 GOULD, JOHN E Borough Hospital, Sheffield 37 M.D., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.,
D.P.H 1887 .. Medical Supt. Small-pox and Fever Hospitals
- 22 GLAISTER, JOHN 101, Great Russell Street, W.C. .. 40 M.D, C.M., D.P.H
June 15, 1880.. Formerly House Surgeon Leeds Infirmary, now Assistant Professor of
Hygiene at the College of State Medicine.
- 23 GRANGE, FRANK 20, The Gardens, Peckham Rye, S.E. 30 M.D., D.P.H.,
M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P As M.D. and D.P.H. on 23 March, 1892. Formerly Resident Medical Officer
of Brompton and Charing Cross Hospitals, House Surgeon of Blackburn Infirmary. Not in practice at
present
- 24 HOBSON, JOHN MORRISON Morland Road, Croydon 38 M.D., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P..
D.P.H not stated Private Practice
- 25 HODGES, WILLIAM .. Gloucester ... 43 M.R.C.S, L.R.C.P-, D.P.H 1869 1870
1892 Private Practice.
- 26 HOPE, GEORGE 1, Flora Villas, Hanwell, N. not stated D.P.H., M.R.C.S.,
L.R.C.P., L.S.A not stated In Private Practice and on Staff of Ealing Cottage Hospital
- 27 HOPE, WM. MORE Ox Barton Street; Gloucester 37 M.R.C.S., L.S.A., D.P.H
June 19, 1878.. Physician's Assistant Hospital for Women, London, 1878, Secretary and
House Surgeon at Stamford and Rutland General Infirmary, 1878-1889, now Assistant Physician
Hospital for Sick Children, Gloucester.
- 28 HUNTER, WM. LOVELL Glenera, Pudsey, Yorkshire 39 B.A., M.B., B.Ch., Lic.Ch.,
M.D., DP.H. .. 1874 M.O.H. for Pudsey.
- 29 IRVIN, FREDERICK D 31, Gt. Bolton St., Blackburn 35 M.B., M.R.C.S.E.,
L.S.A., D.P.H. .. 1884 Formerly Clinical Assistant at Leicester County Infirmary and Junior House
Surgeon at Preston Royal Infirmary.
- 30 JACKSON, JNO. CHARLES .. 2, Fulham Park Villas, Fulham Road, S.W. 37
L.R.C.P., M.R.C.S., D.P.H., F.C.S May, 1882 Resident Surgeon Melbourne
Hospital, Victoria, Resident Medical Officer Children's Hospital, Melbourne, Clinical Assistant Throat
Hospital, London, Clinical Assistant Westminster Ophthalmic Hospital.

- 31 M'CLEW, J. COWAN Lake Cottage, Sandhead, Wigtownshire 31 M.B., C.M., D.P.H
Two years Assistant to Medical Officer at Campbelltown, M.O.H. for
Stoneykirk, and Parochial Medical Officer for same place.
- 32 MACKAY, JOHN SUTHERLAND 16, Townsend Crescent, Kirkaldy. 44 M.A., M.D.,
D.P.H., C.M Not stated Assistant to Professor of Materia Medica at Edinburgh
University, Senior Surgeon Rio Tinto Company, Cross Isabel la Catolica.
- 33 MACKENZIE, W. LESLIE Castle Douglas, N.B. 30 M.A., D.P.H., M.B., C.M Not stated
Assistant M.O.H. for Aberdeen, M.O.H. for Kirkudbright and Wigtown. Inspector under Sale
of Food and Drugs Act for Kirkudbright.
- 34 MANLEY, J. H. HAWKINS | 20, New Street, West Bromwich .. 35 M.R.C.S.,
M.B., B.C., D.P.H., M.A 1884 .. M.O H. for West Bromwich
- 35 MATTHEWS, C. E South Eastern Hospital, Hatfield Street, New Cross Road,
S.W. 3i B.A., M.D., L.C.P., M.R.C.S., D.P.H Not stated, but see application
Assistant Medical Officer at South Eastern Hospital
- 36 MONK, H. G Shrewsbury .. 31 M R.C.S., L.S.A., D.P.H Not stated
Assistant M.O.H for Shropshire, and Assistant M.O.H. for Shrewsbury Borough.
- 37 MORGAN, G. F. ELLIOTT Hartlepool Hospital, Hartlepool .. 28 D.P.H., L.R.C.P.,
M.R.C.S. .. Resident Medical Officer Hartlepool Hospital, Clinical Assistant of Evelina
Hospital, London, and Ophthalmic Assistant to Guy's Hospital, Assistant to M.O.H. for Southwark.
- 38 NANNEY, L.C Norton Vicarage, Worcester 52 not stated .. 1866
Brigade Surgeon.
- 39 PATTIN, H. COOPER Public Dispensary, York 30 M.B., D.P.H., B.A., B.C., L.R.C.P. not
stated Some time Deputy M.O.H. for York, also had medical charge of York Infirmary, the
Wilberforce Blind School, the Blue Coat School, and other institutions
- 40 PORTER, CHARLES 12, Norman Street, Dover. 28 M.B., B.Ch.. M.D., D.P.H.,
B.C., M.R.C.S. not stated Assistant M.O.H. for Cork, Assistant M.O.H. for East Kent
Combination. Has present charge of Smallpox Hospital and Tents.
- 41 PRINGLE ROBERT 4, Granville Park, Blackheath, S.E. 60 M.D., M.A.O.,
L.R.C.S 1854 30 years a Medical Officer in the Indian Army.
- 42 ROBERTS, J. LLOYD Denbigh 46 M B., C.M., D.P.H Aug. 16,
1870 Hon. Medical Officer, Denbighshire General Infirmary, M.O.H. for St. Asaph, M.O H. for
Abergele and Pensarn.
- 43 ROBERTSON, J. A. ... 1, De Vesci Place, Kingstown, Dublin not stated M.B. not stated
20 years service as a Surgeon in the Navy.
- 44 SMITH, EDMUND M 31, Millfield Road, York 29 M.B., C.M., D.P.H August,
1888 Private Practice
- 45 SMITH, P. CALDWELL.. Cidhmor, Caldwell .. 34 M.A., M.B., C.M.. M.D., D.P.H. Not
stated Lecturer on Hygiene and Public Health at Western Medical School, Glasgow; Professor of
Hygiene at Anderson's College, Glasgow, and in Private Practice.

46 STAINTHORPE, W. W. Saltburn-by-the-Sea, Yorks.. 48 M.D., C.M., D.P.H.
Sept. 30, 1876 M.O.H. for Guisborough Rural, Guisborough, Kirkleatham, Loftus, Red car,
Saltburn-by-the-Sea, and Skelton and Brotton Urban Districts, formerly M.O.H. for Wareham and
Purbeck

47 | STEVENS, FRANCIS JOSEPH 148, Harcourt Road, Sheffield Not stated M.R.C.S,
L.S.A., B.A., D.P.H. Not stated. Demonstrator of Anatomy at Sheffield School of Medicine.

48 TATTERSALL, C. HERMANN Town Hall, Eccles .. 31 M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H
Not stated .. M.O.H. for Eccles

49 TAYLOR, JOHN Chester-le-Street, Co. Durham' 34 M.D., D.P.H 1882 ...
Formerly Deputy M.O.H. for Chester-le-Street, and sometime engaged with Dr. Armstrong, M.O.H.

50 TAYLOR, J. M. Burslem, Staffs. 48 L.R.C.P., M.R.C.S., L.S.A. .. Newcastle-
on-Tyne. Not stated.. M.O.H. for Burslem

51 WESTON, G. H Merston, Chichester. 32 B A., M.B., D.P.H., M.R.C.S., L.S.A.
1884 House Surgeon Chichester Infirmary, Medical Officer to a District in Atherstone Union,
and Medical

52 WHITGREAVE, VINCENT .. East Kirkby, near Nottingham 51 L.R.C.P., M.R.C.S.,
D.P.H Officer to various Colliery Companies. Feb. 12, 1862. M.O.H. to Rural Sanitary
Districts of Basford Union, M.O.H. for Sheffield, and temporary M.O.H. for

53 WILLIAMS, W. Smithfield Street, Dolgelly.. 34 M.A., M.B., B.Ch., D.P.H., M.R.C.S
Stratford-on-Avon combined Districts. 1887 ... Formerly Deputy M.O.H. for
Shropshire, Assistant to Public Analyst for Oxfordshire and Berkshire.

54 55 WILLOUGHBY, EDWARD F. WILLOUGHBY, W. G. Bratton Lodge, Green Lanes, N. ... 1, Queen
Ann's Terrace, Plymouth 50 26 M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., M.D., D.P.H. .. M.D., D.P.H., M.R.C.S.,
L.R.C.P. Now in Private Practice. 1865 ... Medical Officer to Mansion House Council, Chief Medical
Officer to Sanitary Assurance Association. | Dec. 10, 1888.. Private Practice.

56 WILSON, HECTOR MACLEAN Municipal Buildings, Leeds. 33 M.D., B.Sc.
Not stated. Assistant to the M.O.H. for Leeds.

57 WRIGHT, T. POYNTZ .. St. Neots, HuntsNot stated M.R.C.S.E., L.S.A Not
stated. Has acted for over 14 years as M.O.H. for various places. Is now M.O.H. for Caxton and
Arrington Rural, St. Neots Rural and St. Neots Urban combined Sanitary Districts. |

58 WOOD, JOHN CUNDELL 32, Frederick Street, Sunderland .. L.R.C.P., L.R.C.S., D.P.H Not
stated. Police Surgeon, Deputy M.O.H. and Deputy Analyst for Sunderland. Previously Assistant
M.O.H. for Edinborough.

Borough of Cheltenham—Applications for the Office of Inspector of Nuisances.

No	Name	Address	Age	Qualifications	Previous
	Appointments				

1	ANDERSON, TOM	.. ..	32, Harrington Street, Regent's Park, N.W...	37				Certificate of Sanitary Institute of Great Britain. Sanitary Inspector at Islington 3 years, and at St. Pancras 5 ½ years
2	BASTIMAN, JAMES	42, Queen Street, Scarborough ..	45	Ditto	ditto			Chief Inspector of Nuisances for Scarboro.
3	BROWN, R. P	3, Cam Hill View Villas, Purley, Surrey	36	Ditto	ditto			Assistant Clerk of Works at Cam Hill Asylum.
4	BROWN, ROBERT, JUN. ...	44, St. Ann's Hill, Wandsworth	25	Ditto	ditto			Plumber by trade, was sometime temporary Inspector of Nuisances for Wandsworth
5	BUXTON, ANTHONY	.. Carisbrooke Road, Newport, I.W.	35	Ditto	ditto			Inspector of Nuisances at Manchester and Salford, and for past nine years at Newport, I W.
6	CRUDEN, JOHN	.. .. Berwick-on-Tweed	44	Ditto	ditto		14 years	Inspector of Nuisances at Berwick
7	ELLIOT, EDWARD	.. 37, Ethelbert Road, Margate ..	.. 38				24 years	practical experience in the Building Trade Builder's Foreman
8	FITZGERALD, WILLIAM	.. 17, Eastbourne Road, Birkenhead				29		Certificate of Sanitary Institute 9 years Inspector of Nuisances for Birkenhead.
9	GIBBS, ARTHUR GORDON	Storrington, Sussex	26	Ditto	ditto			Formerly Inspector of Nuisances at East Preston, now at Shakeham.
10	GIBSON, JOHN	.. .. Health Office, Sheffield.	37	Ditto	ditto		15 years	previous experience in Building and Drainage matters, now Sanitary Inspector at Sheffield.
11	GILLESPIE, ALBERT	.. Town Hall, Oldham	30	Ditto	ditto		4 years	Sanitary Inspector at Oldham, previously a Warehouse Clerk
12	GOODWYN, A. A.	.. 34, Church Road, Richmond, Surrey.	39	Ditto	ditto		6 years	Sanitary Inspector for an East End District, and since for Richmond
13	GOUGH, JOSEPH..	.. 7, Malvern Terrace, St. Paul's Road, Tottenham	28					Ditto ditto Sanitary Inspector at Hackney since April, 1891, formerly Bricklayer
14	GRIGG, W. H. ...	.. .. 21, Tadema Road, Chelsea	38	Ditto	ditto			Sanitary Inspector for Parish of Fulham, formerly Builder's Foreman
15	HARRISON, E. S...	.. 92, Sherlock Street, Birmingham	30					Is about to sit for certificate of Sanitary Institute. 2 years Assistant Sanitary Inspector at Birmingham, previously with City Surveyor of Worcester
16	HATTON, CHARLES	.. 24, Church Street, Hereford	33					Certificate of Sanitary Institute. In the Building Trade
17	HODGES, ALBERT	.. 57, Hall Street, Blakenhall, Wolverhampton	33	Ditto				ditto 5 years Sanitary Inspector for a Sub-District of Wolverhampton.

No Name Address Age Qualifications Previous Appointments

18	HORNER, B. R	Town Hall, Bradford	39					Certificate of Sanitary Institute 9 years Sanitary Inspector at Bradford, previously in Building Trade.
19	JOHNSON, ROBERT	.. 149, Moston Street, Hanley	27	Ditto	ditto		2 ½ years	Sanitary Inspector at Hanley, previously a Sanitary Plumber.
20	LEWIS, SETH	Sanitary Office, Stockport	27	Ditto	ditto			Sanitary Inspector for Stockport since April, 1891.
21	LOCKE, WALTER R	18, Buckingham Street, Aylesbury	26					Ditto ditto 11 years in Building Trade.
22	MASON, F. W.	22, Main Avenue, Brush Hill Park, Enfield	36					Ditto ditto Builder's General Foreman, &c.

23	MAXWELL, W. H	7, Henrietta Street, Bath	22	Ditto	ditto	
	Assistant Engineer to Bath House Sanitary Association;					
24	MITCHELL, COLIN G	4, Strand Lane, W.C.	32	Ditto	ditto	Sanitary
	Inspector since 1883—first to Strand Board of Works and latterly to Paddington Vestry.					
25	MOODY, HENRY F	Cavendish Street, Grimsby	32	Ditto	ditto	
	Sanitary Inspector for Eastern Division of Grimsby.					
26	MORGAN, WM	Brynsadler, Pontyclown, Glam.	About 30	Ditto	ditto	
	Builder's General Foreman and Architect.					
27	PALMER, JAMES	35, King William Street, Greenwich	37	Ditto	ditto	
	ditto 10 years in Woolwich Arsenal (Materials and Works Department), previously with Solicitors and Auctioneers.					
28	RICHARDS, T. J	Town Hall, Gateshead-on-Tyne	40	Ditto	ditto	7 years
	Assistant Sanitary Inspector for Gateshead.					
29	RICHARDSON, WM	Local Board Office, North Ormsby, Yorks.	33			
	Ditto ditto Surveyor and Sanitary Inspector for North Ormsby, and long previous experience in Sanitary and Building matters.					
30	ROBINSON, JAMES	Town Hall, Newcastle-on-Tyne	28	Ditto	ditto	18 months
	Assistant Sanitary Inspector at Newcastle,					
31	RYDER, A. T	47, Foster Hill Road, Bedford.	25	Ditto	ditto	3 years
	Inspector of Bedfordshire Sanitary Association					
32 1	SHAPLEV, W. O	37, Copeland Road, Peckham ..	not stated	Ditto	ditto	,,, A
	Plumber by trade, now Assistant Sanitary Inspector for Camberwell.					
33	SHAWCROSS, J. T	25, Grove Street, Didsbury Street, Manchester	34	Ditto	ditto	
	ditto 5 years Inspector of Nuisances for Withington. 8 ½ years experience in Sanitary work.					
34	SHORT, J. A.	Sanitary Department, Wigan,	29	Ditto	ditto	Assistant Inspector
	of Nuisances at Wigan. Has practical experience in all branches of Sanitary Work					
35	SMITH, J. C.	28, Livingstone Place, Leeds.	30			Certificate of Sanitary Institute
	Divisional Sanitary Inspector for Leeds, 6 ½ years experience as a Sanitary Inspector.					
36	SMITH, JOHN	39, Makin Road, Attercliffe, Sheffield.	30	Ditto	ditto	No
	experience as an Inspector of Nuisances, is a Bricklayer					
37	STANLEY, WALTER	29 Somerville Terrace, Sheffield.	29	Ditto	ditto	Inspector of
	Nuisances for Sheffield Central District. 12 years engaged with Builder and Sanitary Engineer					
38	SUTCLIFFE, ALFRED ..	Thornton, near Bradford.	38	Ditto	ditto	Surveyor,
	Inspector of Nuisances, and Waterworks Manager for Thornton Local Board					
39	TROWSDALE, T. J	12, Leybourne Terrace, Stockton-on-Tees	31	Ditto	ditto	15
	years Carpenter and Joiner, 18 months Sanitary Inspector at Stockton					
40	TURNER, W. L. C.	19, Keppoch Street, Cardiff.	30			Certificate of the City and Guilds of
	London Institute in Sanitary Matters Inspector of Sanitary Works to Cardiff Corporation					

- 41 WARD, WALTER.. 275, Bowling Old Lane, West Bowling, Bradford, Yorks. 26
Certificate of Sanitary Institute Has been a Book-keeper past ten years
- 42 WARD, H. T 89, Woodroyd Road, West Bowling, Bradford. 25 Ditto ditto 6
years experience in Building Trade
- 43 WEATHERITT, JAMES 95, Stratford Road, Heaton, Newcastle-on-Tyne 32 Ditto
ditto Inspector of Nuisances since Feb., 1891, previously in Police Force.
- 44 WEBSTER, SAMUEL 1, Granville Terrace, Wallasey, Cheshire. 30 Ditto ditto
Sanitary Inspector at Liverpool since December, 1890
- 45 WORRALL, WILLIAM H. .. Highfield, Harborne, Birmingham. 38 Ditto ditto 14 years
Inspector of Nuisances to late Harborne Local Board, but accepted compensation and gave up
appointment when Harborne was merged in Birmingham.

Borough of Cheltenham

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, July 27th, 1892.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend the Quarterly Meeting of the Council, as such, and Acting as Urban Sanitary Authority, and as a Burial Board to be held in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Offices, on Tuesday, the 2nd day of August next, at Three o'clock in the afternoon, at which Meeting the following business is proposed to be transacted, and any other business that may legally be transacted at such Meeting.

1. To read and sign the Minutes of the last Monthly Meeting.
2. To receive any official communications and take measures thereon.
3. To approve or otherwise the proceedings of THE STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE. PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE. TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE. WATER COMMITTEE. GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE. BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE. BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE. ELECTRIC LIGHTING COMMITTEE. TECHNICAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE. FINANCE COMMITTEE. PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE. SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.
4. Councillor Hands to move : " That the Members of the Corporation shall attend Divine Service at the Parish or some other Church belonging to the Church of England, and a Dissenting place of Worship, alternately, twice in each year, if invited to do so."
5. Councillor Williams to move—" That Hackney Carriage Byelaw No. 4 be rescinded, and that it be referred to the General Purposes Committee to frame a New Bye-Law providing against undue obstruction by Hackney Carriages in the streets."
6. Notices of Motion.
7. To read the following letters, and pass Resolutions thereon, if need be :—J. Garey, Esq., re Telegraph Poles. Miss Covey re Trees in Spa Place, and Distress at St. John's, Newfoundland. The Lord Mayor of London re Distress at St. John's, Newfoundland. G. S. Blakeway, Esq., re Bath and Western Counties Society. Edwin Clements, Esq., re Railway and Canal Traffic.

Yours faithfully,

E. T. BRYDGES, Town Clerk.

Borough of Cheltenham

MINUTES of the Proceedings of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the Quarterly Meeting of the Council, to be held on Tuesday, the 2nd of August, 1892.

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 25th day of July, 1892—Present : The Mayor; Alderman Thoys ; Councillors Darby, Heath, King, Steel, and Lawrence, (Alderman Col. Thoys in the chair)—

1- Gas Examiner's Monthly Report---The Monthly Report of the Gas Examiner was read Average Illuminating Power, 16.64 candles. Purity, 9 08 grains of Sulphur per 100 cubic feet

2-Gas Inspector's Monthly Report—The Monthly Report of the Gas Inspector was read : Average hourly consumption of Gas per lamp during the month, 4.289 cubic feet.

3-Lamp Book-The Town Clerk was directed to call the attention of Supt. McRae to the fact that no entries had been made in this book during the past month.

4-Street Projections The Street Inspector reported that the lamps at Messrs. Hepworth's shop, No. 352, High Street, are not kept lighted in accordance with the terms of the resolution permitting their erection. Resolved, That it appearing to the Committee that these lamps are not advertising lamps, the Committee consider the resolution of 1st December, 1891, does not apply to this case.

5-Surveyor's Monthly Report re Highways—The Surveyor reported that the following works had been done in his Department during the past month:

Roads Repaired with Clee Hill Stone --Tewkesbury Road, 6,500 square yards, Clarence Street, 322 square yards, St. George's Road (side), 651 square yards.

Patching-High Street, Regent Street, St. James' Square, Manchester Street.

Roads Repaired with Wickwar Stone Thirlestaine Road (side), 2,615 square yards, Berkeley Avenue, 270 square yards, Worcester Street, 125 square yards.

Patching Charlton Lane. Naunton Lane, Portland Square.

Footpaths (Granite)--Colonnade, 14 square yards, County Court Street, 32 square yards.

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Curbing, Crossing, and Paving—Lansdown Parade, Lansdown Crescent, Tewkesbury Road, Douro Road, Brunswick Street, Tivoli Place, Imperial Square, Hanover Street, Hanover Parade, Malthouse Lane, Victoria Street (St. Paul's), Albert Street, Dunalley Street, High Street, Regent Street, Tivoli Street, Ambrose Street, Manchester Street, St. George's Place, Grosvenor Place, (180 feet), new concrete channelling; Park Place, North Street, Colonnade, All Saints Road, (relaid curbing and channelling to widen footpath on N side, 585 lin. feet.

Tar Channelling—St. George's Road, 585 lineal feet, Milsom Street, 540 lineal feet.

Tar Crossing—Montpellier (Gordon Lamp).

New Gullies--(1). Tewkesbury Road, (2). All Saints Road, (2). Bloomsbury Place, (1). Prestbury Road

Footpath at back of York Terrace proceeding, (Private Improvement).

Ashes Collected-333 Van Loads, 594 Cart Loads, 597 tons, 2 cwt., consumed at Destructor,

6—Footpath in Christ Church Road—A Memorial from Miss Henry and others requesting the Committee to be good enough to take the necessary steps for the flagging of the footpath from "Trevena" to the Queen's Road, was read. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor do bring up a Specification of the necessary works to be done by the Owners.

7—Land near Destructor—Mr. Dovey's Complaint—Letters from Mr. T. E. Dovey complaining of damage done by the Corporation horses to the plum trees in his land which overhang the land of the Corporation, were read, and the further consideration thereof adjourned.

8—Private Improvement Works in Well Place -Memorials from Colonel Graham, Henry Chapman Esq., and others calling attention to the charges made upon them for the improvement and repair of the above mentioned lane, and asking the Corporation to relieve them of at any rate part of the cost, as the improvement is of very little, if any, benefit to them, and if necessary at all is for the public convenience and comfort, and the place is, moreover, a back lane only, were read. Resolved, That Col. Graham be informed that the usual course has been adopted for the repair of private roads that are intended to be taken to as highways, and that the state of the road necessitated the outlay, which has been kept down to the lowest point consistent with the proper formation of the road and footpaths, and may appear high in consequence of the number of owners liable having been so few. That Mr. Chapman be referred to his application of April last for the repair of this road, in which he stated that the Christ Church end of the road was impassable for seven months in the year, and that the consequent annoyance and inconvenience to the owners of the surrounding properties was very considerable, and hoping that the Council would at once call upon the proper persons to put it in repair.

9—Lower Alstone Mill—A letter from Messrs. Haines and Summer claiming, on behalf of their client Mr. James Lock, the sum of £12 13s. 6d. as the amount of the loss alleged to have been incurred by him through the water of the Chelt having been cut off by the Corporation during the day time for 18 days in the months of May and June last, was read. Resolved, That the matter be adjourned for further consideration.

10-Swindon Road-A letter from the Clerk to the guardians relative to the notice issued by the Borough Surveyor for the repair of the footpath in the above road, and stating that the guardians desired to remind the Council that they (the guardians) in 1886 complied with an application made to them on behalf of the Council to give them a strip of land for the widening of Swindon Road and Maidenhorn Lane, the Council undertaking to utilise the land thus given for the purpose of widening the road and it was understood that the Council would do ad that was necessary in respect of repairs, was read. Resolved, That Mr. Ticehurst be informed that the arrangement made in 1886 was, overlooked, and that the notice given may be considered as withdrawn.

11---Glendouran Road —The Town Clerk reported that all the owners of property in this road had paid the sums apportioned to them in respect of the private improvement works executed therein, with the exception of Mrs Hannah Smith, the owner of Keynshambury House, who had objected to the apportionment within the time limited for doing so, and the dispute would, therefore, under the provision of the Public Health Act, have to be settled by arbitration. That Mrs Smith had been invited to concur in appointing a single Arbitrator, under sec. 179 of the Act, but that Mrs. Smith requested the Council to take the initiative. Resolved, That Mrs. Smith be offered the choice of either Mr. G. J. Cox or Mr. H. D. Humphris as Arbitrator.

12-New Street Improvement— London and North Western Railway--The Town Clerk reported that he had settled the draft agreement with Mr. Hull, except Clause 4, introduced by Mr. Hull. Resolved, That it be left to the Town Clerk to settle in his discretion.

18—New Buildings—The Surveyor submitted notices and plans received by him from the following persons intending to erect new buildings, all of which were approved, viz.:—The Council of the Ladies' College, for Extension of the College, Montpellier Street. R. B. Bailey & Co., for Alterations to Lansdown Inn. The Governors of the General Hospital, for Additions to General Hospital. Mr. A. Hughes, for two shops in Pittville Street,

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

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PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 15th day of July, 1892—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Wethered ; Councillors Darby, Neale, Hands, Norman, and Parsonage (The Mayor in the chair)-

1-Public Slaughter Houses--The Surveyor reported that these Slaughter Houses would be ready for occupation by the middle of August. The Town Clerk stated that he was preparing Bye-Laws and Rules and Regulations for the regulation of both the Registered and Public Slaughter Houses, and required instructions as to the mode in which the Slaughter Houses are to be rented or used. Resolved, That the occupiers of the Licensed Slaughter Houses be requested to attend a meeting of this Committee to be held on Wednesday, the 20th inst., at 4 p.m.

J. C. GRIFFITH,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 20th day of July, 1892—Present The Mayor ; Alderman Wethered ; Councillors Hands, and Neale (The Mayor in the chair)—

2-Slaughter Houses—Messrs. J. Hastings, J. Verrinder and A. Mills (holders of Licensed Slaughter Houses) attended this meeting of the Committee, and the question of the mode of using and paying for the user of the Slaughter Houses was discussed, and it appeared that, so far as the butchers present were concerned, they would prefer to pay per head for cattle slaughtered, and the further consideration of the matter was adjourned.

J. C. GRIFFITH,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 22nd, day of July, 1892 -- Present: The Mayor ; Alderman Wethered ; Councillors Norman, and Darby (The Mayor in the chair)--

3—Zymotic Disease—The Medical Officer of Health laid before the Committee a Return of the cases of Zymotic Disease which had occurred during the month, and reported the origin of each case when it could be traced.

4—Medical Officer's Quarterly Report—The Report of the Medical Officer of Health for the quarter ending 30th June last, was read and considered.

5—Work of Health Department—The Medical Officer of Health submitted an epitome of the work done in this Department during the past month

6-- Houses without a proper Supply of Water—It appearing that there was no water supply at all at 9, Brunswick Street, the property of Mr. R. Jones, on whom notice had been duly served under Sec. 92 of the Public Health Act. Resolved, That the water be immediately laid on, and the expenses of doing so recovered in manner provided by the Act.

7---Mark Williams—The Inspector of Nuisances having reported that Mr. Mark Williams had failed, after repeated applications, to comply with the notices served on him to fix flushing boxes to the closets of his houses in Cleveland Passage or execute the works in substitution thereof which the Surveyor had approved Resolved, That proceedings be forthwith taken against Mr. Williams to recover the penalties. A report from the Surveyor of date the 22nd inst., that the house therein named—No. 8, Berkeley Place—is without a proper supply of water, and that such supply can be readily obtained from the Corporation water mains at a cost not exceeding the Water Rate authorised by the Corporation Water Act, was read. Resolved, That notice be given under sec. 62 of the Public Health Act, 1875 to the owner of the house in question requiring him to obtain such supply, and do all such acts as may be necessary for that purpose.

8- Delancey Fever Hospital—A letter from Dr. E. T. Wilson was read, stating that the Trustees of the Hospital, in consequence of the overcrowded state of the Hospital, felt themselves reluctantly obliged to reduce the number of patients in the Hospital as recoveries occur, and that it has been decided:

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(1.) To admit no more cases of Scarlet Fever to the Public Wards until further notice

(2.) That until provision is made by the Council for extra cases, a maximum number of 17 adults (two children under 10 years counting as one adult) will be received into the Public Wards.

(3.) That when provision has been made by the Council, in justice to the subscribers, the number of patients must be still further reduced to 12 adults, or an equivalent number of children.

The Medical Officer of Health having recommended the erection of a tent at the Delancey Hospital for the reception of quasi-convalescents, so as to relieve the pressure in the Public Wards, and it appearing that the Medical Officer of the Hospital concurred in his recommendation. Resolved, That the Surveyor do purchase or hire a tent sufficient to accommodate 20 patients, and erect the same at the Delancey Hospital with a floor of boards and felt or other suitable material, and provide beds and bedding for the same as occasion may require.

A further letter from Dr. Wilson, stating that, with reference to the proposed additional permanent accommodation at the Hospital and the resolution of this Committee of date the 6th May last, he was desired to say the question will be discussed when the Trustees have returned from their holidays, several of them being now out of town.

9 –Sewer at back of Cambray and Wellington Street—The Surveyor reported that the sewer at the South end of Cambray was very rotten and defective, and required reconstruction at an estimated cost of about £40. Resolved, That the sewer in question be reconstructed.

10—St. George's Street—Thorne- The Surveyor reported that he had examined the drainage of this property and found the house drainage defective; that the owner had authorised him to do what was necessary, and that the works were in progress.

11—Medical Officer of Health and Inspector of Nuisances Qualifications --The Town Clerk laid before the Committee the diplomas and certificates of Dr. Garrett and Mr. Seth Lewis, in proof of their respective qualifications

12-Inspector of Nuisances—Resolved, That Mr. James Halford Long be appointed Sub-Inspector of Nuisances from the 1st August next at a salary of £100 per annum.

13-Public Slaughter Houses—The Borough Surveyor having recommended the employment of Charles Marshall, of Brandon Cottages, to take charge of the Slaughter Houses at a weekly wage of 25s. Resolved, That the Surveyor's recommendation be approved and acted on

14—Mr. Storr's Slaughter House in Whaddon Lane—A letter from Messrs. Bubb and Co., on behalf of Mr. Skillicorne, the owner of this Slaughter House, asking the Committee to favourably consider an application for the renewal of the license, was read. Resolved, That Messrs Bubb and Co. be informed that it is not the intention of the Committee to renew the license.

15—Accounts—The following accounts were examined and allowed :—

S. B. Dix, Fittings for York Passage Urinal	£11 11 11
R E. and C. Marshall, Fittings for Manchester Street Urinal	£0 13 1
Meats Peake & Co.. Ironwork for Arle Tank	£6 0 0
F. W. Wilkins, Ironmongery	£18 14 4 ½
Elmstone Hardwick, Highway Rates	£3 15 0
J. G. Villar, Commission on Letting of Sewage Farms	£15 15 7
Nicholas & Co., Paint &c.	£0 16 4
T. W. Harvey, Ironmongery	£0 11 11
Sundry Small Bills under 10s	£0 14 5
H A. Purnell, Chemicals	£1 18 2
James, Conachar Sanitary Toilet Rolls	£0 12 0
Geo. Hickman, Timber	£1 11 6
Delancey Fever Hospital, Treatment of Scarlet Fever Patients	£22 1 0
J. H. Bennett, Returns of Births and Deaths	£1 10 4
Thomas Brothers, Chemicals	£2 13 0
John Balcomb, Chemicals	£0 16 0
Medical Practitioners Fees for Notifying Infectious Cases	£4 11 0
W. Ursell, Horsing Ambulance	£3 15 0
E. Jones 4 weeks Salary.	£5 0 0
Medical Officer, Cab Hire	£1 18 6

J. C. GRIFFITH,

Chairman.

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TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 11th day of July, 1892—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Wethered ; Councillors Norman, Wm. Heath, Waghorne and Skillicorne (Councillor Waghorne in the chair) —

1--Montpellier Gardens—The Town Clerk reported that the Vendor's Solicitors had been in communication with the Globe Company on the subject of their rights in the Mineral Water Wells, but that no further progress could be made in the matter. Resolved, That the contract be settled on the basis of the purchase being proceeded with, subject to the Company enfranchising the Gardens.

2—Marle Hill Estate—The Borough Surveyor was instructed to advertise for tenders for the iron fencing to be erected between Mr. Noble's and Mr. Winterbotham's land and the land purchased from them.

3Great Western Railway Train Service—A letter from Mr. Lambert stating that it was necessary for him to let his Directors know what points it is proposed to draw their attention to, that they may be in a position to consider if the question is of sufficient importance to justify an interview, and to discuss it with the members of the deputation in the event of a meeting being arranged, was read. Resolved, That a Sub-Committee, consisting of the Mayor, Aldermen Wethered and Thoyts, and Councillor Lawrence with power to add to their number from inside or outside the Council, be appointed to draw up a statement and suggestions for consideration by the Company.

JNO. WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

TRAIN SERVICE SUB-COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 20th day of July, 1892—Present : The Mayor ; Aldermen Thoyts and Wethered ; Councillor Lawrence (The Mayor in the Chair)—

4—Chairman —The Mayor was appointed Chairman of this Committee.

The subject of the acceleration and improvement of the Train Service on the Great Western Railway was considered, and the Town Clerk was directed to ask the Member for the Borough, the Principal of the College, the Principal of the Ladies' College, and Cavendish House (as representing the Educational Establishments and Trade) each to nominate representatives on their behalf to attend the next meeting of this Committee and act upon it ; and to ask Dr. Wilson as representing the Medical Profession, and Mr. Norman as representing the Press, to attend and act on this Committee.

The Town Clerk was directed to write to the Secretary of the Great Western Railway Co. and inform him that the Committee considered that the Company could if they choose to do so place Cheltenham within two and a-half hours of London, and that they would be prepared to point out at the interview to be held with the Directors how this could be done.

J. C. GRIFFITH,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 27th day of July, 1892—Present ; The Mayor ; Aldermen Thoyts and Wethered ; Councillors Drew, Lawrence, Norman, and Skillicorne (Councillor Lawrence in the chair)-

5—Chairman—In the absence of the Chairman, Councillor Lawrence was appointed Chairman at this meeting.

6--Pittville Gardens—A letter from Mrs. Hildebrand thanking the Council for letting her the Pump Room and Gardens, and agreeing to make good any damage that may be occasioned by their use, was read.

The Surveyor was directed to bring up a report as to cost of repairs and alterations to the Pump Room, bridges, &c.

A letter from Dr. Garrod, Hon. Sec. of the Climatological and Balneological Committee of the Royal Medical and Chirurgical Society, stating the objects and purposes for which his Committee was appointed, and that they hoped to send a Delegate to Cheltenham before long to report upon that Spa, but that the Committee did not advise on the question of the use of Mineral Waters, and enclosing copy of a circular on the subject which had been sent out to Medical men, to give an idea of the scope of their work, was read. Resolved, That Dr. Garrod be thanked for his communication, and that his Committee be requested to delay sending their Delegate to Cheltenham until the arrangements of the Corporation for the further development of the Spa were more advanced.

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7-Montpellier Gardens—A letter from Messrs. Winterbothams and Gurney, in reply to the resolution of this Committee of date the 14th inst., stating that the Company, while not admitting that there was anything unsatisfactory in their position with regard to the Mineral Water Wells, were anxious to meet the Corporation to any reasonable extent, and would allow £37 10s. 0d. assumed to be half the expense of enfranchising the property, towards such enfranchisement, was read. Resolved, That the Committee will recommend the Council to contribute £50 towards the expenses of enfranchisement, such enfranchisement to be effected by the Vendors.

8 -Great Western Train Service--The Minutes of the proceedings of the Sub-Committee appointed to consider this subject, at their meeting of date the 20th inst., were read and considered. Resolved, That the same be approved.

9-- Promenade Improvement—Powell—The Town Clerk reported that he had been served on the 23rd inst. with Writ and Notice of Motion for an Injunction before Mr. Justice Chitty on Friday next, and that he had arranged for a postponement of the hearing until Thursday or Friday in next week on an undertaking to take down the panels of the hoarding until after the hearing of the Motion. Resolved, That the Town Clerk do take the necessary steps to oppose the Motion.

10-Town Committee—The following members of this Committee with the Secretary (Mr. G. H. Williams) attended this meeting of the Committee viz. : Messrs. Adams, Banks, Cooper, Dale, Fisher, J. A. Matthews, Rowbothom, Sawyer, and Westley. They placed before the Committee the present position and prospects of their Committee and the work done, and intended to be done, by them, and asked for an increase of the grant of £25 made to them last year to £50. Resolved, That the grant be increased for the present to £40.

EDWIN LAWRENCE,

Chairman.

WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 26th day of July, 1892 —Present ; Aldermen Thoyts and Wethered ; Councillor Williams (Alderman Col. Thoyts in the chair),—

1--Chairman— In the absence of the Chairman, Alderman Col Thoyts was appointed Chairman of this Committee.

2- Borough Surveyor's Report —The usual monthly report of the Surveyor, as follows, was read:— On the 25th instant the springs supplying the Hewlett, Reservoirs were yielding 124 gallons per

minute, the average for the last four years being 144 gallons per minute ; and the quantity of water in store at Hewletts and Leckhampton was 30,736,226 gallons.

On the 22nd instant the depth of water in Dowdeswell Reservoir was 27 feet 4 inches, and the contents 75,024,532 gallons, which gives a total storage of 105,860,758 gallons.

3—Fishing in Dowdeswell Reservoir —A letter from Mr. Coxwell Rogers, in reply to the Town Clerk's letter, stating that he was quite ignorant of the transaction alluded to. and had spoken to his sons about it, and hoped it would not occur again, was read.

4-Tewkesbury Water Supply -The letter from Mr Badham, of the 6th April last, enquiring if the Corporation would name a sum at which they would supply water in bulk to the Borough of Tewkesbury in accordance with sec. 85 of the Corporation Water Act, 1878, and whether the Corporation would be willing to sell their works in the Borough, was further considered. Resolved, That Mr. Badham be informed that the Corporation are not prepared to name a sum for the supply of water in bulk, neither are they prepared to entertain the question of a sale of their works at Tewkesbury.

5—Appeals - The cases entered in the Appeal Book were considered, and the Rates settled and adjusted.

6—Supply of Water—Applications and agreements for the supply of water for the past month were examined and approved.

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

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GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 8th day of July, 1892—Present .. Alderman Thoyts; Councillors Darby, and Norman (Alderman Col. Thoyts in the chair)—

1— Swine Fever Superintendant McRae reported an outbreak of Swine Fever on the 4th inst. in a pigstye situate in a garden at the bottom of Hanover Street occupied by Peter Mills of 3, Brunswick Street, six Animals affected, one of which had died, the remaining five being alive at the date of the return (5th July) ; that he had had the Premises properly cleansed and disinfected, and the necessary notices served and posted. He laid before the Committee his declaration, and a copy of the notice served on the occupier. Resolved, That the Committee being satisfied of the correctness of the Inspector's Declaration, do order, determine, and declare accordingly, and prescribe that the premises in question, and the ten other pigstyes adjoining thereto shall be a Swine Fever infected place.

A letter from the Clerk to the County Council, forwarding copy of a resolution passed by the County Council on the 4th inst. as follows:—

" That the City of Gloucester and the Borough of Cheltenham be requested to take joint action with the Executive " Committee under the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Acts to close all Markets and Sale Yards throughout the " County for the sale of pigs other than for immediate Slaughter, and—

" That the Executive Committee be requested to take the necessary steps for making and carrying out such Order, " and for prohibiting the introduction of pigs from all other Counties and the City of

Bristol, except with a license", and stating that the Executive Committee would meet at Gloucester on the 16th to arrange for the issuing of the necessary Order, and that if representatives of the Cheltenham Town Council, with full powers to act in the matter, could attend the meeting a full discussion might take place, and probably joint and similar action arranged, was read. Resolved, That the Chairman and the Mayor, or either of them, be deputed to attend any Meeting of the County Executive Committee that may be held, with full power to act for this Committee, and that a similar Order be made by this Authority to that issued, or to be issued, by the County.

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 25th day of July, 1892—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Thoyts: Councillors Darby, King, and Norman, (Alderman Col. Thoyts in the Chair)—

2—Fire Brigade —The Superintendent Reported that no fire had occurred during the month.

3—Swine Fever - Superintendent McRae reported that all the pigs at Mr. Mills' premises. Hanover Street, affected with Swine Fever had either died or been slaughtered ; and that of those belonging to Mr. Smith, at Benhall Firm, there now remained ten living, all of which were healthy animals The Town Clerk laid before the Committee a print of the Order issued jointly by the direction of the Local Authorities of the County, the City of Gloucester, and the Borough of Cheltenham for closing the Markets against the sale of Swine from the 1st day of August next to the 30th day of September next, and imposing certain conditions and restrictions in regard to the sale of fat pigs, and pigs for immediate slaughter.

4— Shop Hours Act, 1892 —The Town Clerk called the attention of the Committee to this Act, which comes into operation on the 1st of September next ; after which date no young person under the age of 18 years shall be employed in or about any retail or wholesale shop, market, stall or warehouse in which assistants are employed for hire, or in or about any licensed public house or refreshment house for a longer period than 74 hours, including meal times, in any one week, under penalty of a fine not exceeding £1 for each person so employed. The employer must also keep exhibited a notice in every such place, in a conspicuous position, referring to the provisions of the Act. The Act does not apply to cases where the persons employed are members of the same family dwelling in the building of which the shop forms part or to which it is attached, or to any person wholly employed as a domestic servant. The Council of any Borough may appoint such Inspectors as they think necessary for the execution of this Act, with the power of Inspectors under sec. 68 and 70 of the Factory and Workshops Act, 1878. Resolved, That public notice of the provisions of the Act be given, and that the Town Clerk do write to the Chief Constable informing him that the Committee propose to appoint the Police as Inspectors under the Act if he sees no objection.

5 -Hackney Carriages—An application from Mr. Edward Garner for leave to use a small open carriage during the summer months instead of his licensed landau, was read. Resolved, That the Committee cannot sanction the user of two carriages under one license.

6 Frederick Lewis—The Street Inspector reported that this Driver (the suspension of whose license had been removed on the 25th January last, on his promise not to be guilty of any future infringement of the Bye-Laws) had again been convicted of an offence against the Bye-Laws, and been fined 5s for overcrowding his pony carriage, and he presented a list of previous Bye-Law charges against this Driver. Resolved, That Lewis's license be revoked.

7—Town Survey—Resolved, That a Safe be procured, in which to keep the Town Survey and the Ordnance Plans sheaving the water mains, at a cost not exceeding £40.

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

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BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 26th day of July, 1892—Present Alderman Col. Thoys ; Councillors Heath, Norman, King and Drew (Councillor King in the chair)—

1--Alstone Swimming Baths—The Monthly Report of the Borough Surveyor was read. No of Bathers up to the 25th inst., 8012. Total receipts, £65 9s. 7 ½ d.

2--Naunton Land—The Town Clerk reported that he had completed the purchase of this property, and that the rent had been settled and paid up to the 29th inst., when the Corporation would be entitled to actual possession without payment of any compensation to the tenants.

3 —Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground—A letter from a resident in the neighbourhood calling attention to the treatment of a child by the wife of the Caretaker, was read, and the Chairman and Mr Heath undertook to enquire into the matter.

CHARLES W. KING,

Chairman.

BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 21st day of July, 1892—Present: The Mayor ; Alderman Thoys ; Councillor Steel (Alderman Col Thoys in the chair)—

1—Superintendent's Report—The Superintendent reported that the boundary fence on the South side of the Cemetery is much dilapidated, and the pigs and fowls from the adjoining farm come through it ; that while digging a purchased grave in the Roman Catholic portion of the Cemetery he came across a pipe from a gully in Road A not marked on the Plan ; and that he submitted a list of the graves, over which headstones had been erected, which could now be re-opened. Resolved, that the Surveyor be instructed to examine and report as to what is necessary to be done to the fence above-mentioned, and that he do what is necessary to divert and make good the pipe above referred to.

Further Resolved, That an advertisement be inserted three times in each of the following papers : The Examiner, Free Press, Mercury and Echo, giving notice that unless the grave spaces which have not been purchased, and which are now liable to be re-opened for future interments, are purchased within three months the Board will re-open them as occasion may require. Lists of the graves and prices to be seen and ascertained on application to the Superintendent at the Cemetery Lodge.

2—Designs —The following designs were examined and approved:— Headstones to Harriet Hooper, Albert George King, Julia Sophia Darling, and Joseph Ride.

6 - Accounts -The following accounts were examined and allowed:—

W. Gregory, Labourers' Wages	£16 18 0
" Gravediggers' Wages	£6 0 0
Prestbury Poor Rate	£4 10 3
Small Accounts (under 10s each)	£0 5 6

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

ELECTRIC LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 18th day of July, 1892—Present : The Mayor ; Aldermen Thoyts, Haddon and Wethered ; Councillor Norman (Councillor Norman in the chair)—

1—Electric Lighting—Resolved, That the Town Clerk do write to the Board of Trade (with copies of the Borough Surveyor's report and Professor Ayrton's report thereon) and explain to them the present position of Electric Lighting in this Borough, and the reasons why greater progress in it has not been made. The question of a further interview with Professor Ayrton was adjourned for further consideration.

GEORGE NORMAN,

Chairman.

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TECHNICAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 26th day of July, 1892—Present: Alderman Col. Thoyts ; Councillors Drew, Norman, and Skillicorne (Alderman Col. Thoyts in the chair),—

1—School of Science—A letter from Mr. Montagnon, Hon. Secretary of the School of Science, forwarding copy of a resolution of his Committee :—That the Council be asked to apply the vacant space adjoining the School of Art for the purpose of extending the school, and that, pending the provision of permanent accommodation, the Technical Committee of the Council be requested to make a grant not exceeding £150 from the capital sum at their disposal to be applied in the provision of such furniture and fittings (in a room underneath that now occupied as a workshop by the Science School pupils) as should be fit to be transferred to a permanent Physical Laboratory ; and requesting the Committee to receive a deputation from the School of Science for the purpose of arranging details, was read. Resolved, That so far as the extension of the Library buildings are concerned, the Committee see no objection thereto, but, as the decision on this point rests with the Library Committee and the Council, this Committee cannot take any action at present. As to the disposal of the £400 granted by the County Council for capital expenditure, when the Library Committee have reported to the Council on the suggestion of the School of Science, this Committee will be pleased to receive a deputation from that school on the subject.

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 28th day of July, 1892—Present The Mayor ; Alderman Thoyts ; Councillors Drew and Lawrence (Councillor Lawrence in the Chair)—

1-Naunton Recreation Ground —The Town Clerk reported that he had settled with the Town Clerk of Barrow the form of Debenture to be given for the £1000 agreed to be borrowed from his Corporation, Major-General Brydges having offered to lend the further sum of £1500 required at 3 ¼ per cent. Resolved, That the sum of £1000 be borrowed from the Corporation of Barrow in Furness and £1500 from Major-General Brydges for the purchase of laying out of the above Ground, also that the sum of £1000 now standing to the credit of the Water Loans Fund be invested in the Police Fund of the Corporation of Barrow-in-Furness.

3 —General District Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 28th inst., on the collection of this rate, was read Amount collected £8,812 19s. 9d., leaving outstanding £4,067 15s. 3d.

4—Water Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 28th inst., on the collection of this Rate, was read. Receipts £5,821 12s. 1½ d., leaving outstanding £2,756 9s. 10d.

5--ACCOUNTS.—The Borough Accountant laid before the Committee the Account of Receipts and Expenditure, and of the Accounts and amounts to be paid, amounting to the following sums, viz :—

RECEIPTS.—

Borough Fund ..	£1698 11 8
Public Library—Revenue	£108 11 9
Urban Authority—Revenue	£5389 14 7
Burial Board—Revenue	£64 0 10
Refuse Destructor—Capital	£7 15 2
Street Improvements ..	£9 3 2
Waterworks—Revenue	£2341 11 6

ACCOUNTS NOW TO BE PAID— Borough Fund ..	£183 6 3
Public Library—Revenue	£38 6 10
Urban Authority—Revenue	£2578 8 4
Burial Board—Revenue	£547 1 3
Abattoir—Capital .	£200 0 0
Street Improvements .. ••••	£101 7 6
Naunton Recreation Ground—Capital	£1510 10 9
Allotments--Capital	£2 6 4
Waterworks—Revenue	£148 4 6
Ditto—Capital ..	£83 10 4

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TREASURER'S ACCOUNT AT THE BANK—

In hand last month—Current and Interest A/cs.	£10005 3 0
Received during the month ..	<u>£9619 8 8</u>
	£19624 11 3
Paid during the month ..	<u>£7617 11 8</u>
In hand.	£12007 0 5
Sinking Funds :—	
In hand.	£961 18 11
Loans Fund—	
In hand on the 30th ult. ..	£4213 3 2

additional Book Case be obtained for the new Technical Books. That two Notice Boards be provided for posting the Lists of " Recent Additions " in the Lending Library.

That the "Art journal " be taken in monthly. Resolved, That the recommendations of the Sub-Committee be approved. The new Book Case not to exceed the estimated cost of 414.

9—Accounts—The following Accounts were examined and allowed :—

J. Webb, Books	£2 7 0
W. Norton, Books	£5 18 10
W. T. Cossens, Books	£5 12 5
J. W. Pink, Books	£0 12 6
Douglas and Foulis, Books	£0 18 6
W. Norton, Books	£0 12 4
W. H. Smith and Son, Books	£4 13 8
G. Richmond, Books	£1 0 0
W. H. Hawker, Books	£0 16 0
E. A. d'Argent, Books	£0 10 11
W. Morton,' Books	£0 11 0
W. Jones, Assistants' Wages	£0 15 0

ALEX. E. RAMSAY.

Chairman.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 21st day of July, 1892 — Present : The Mayor ; Councillors Hands, and Steel (Councillor Hands in the Chair)—

1 --Local Committees—The Minute Books of the various Local Committees were gone through and examined. Resolved, That summonses be issued against the parents of the following children for non-attendance of those children :—Joshua Swift, 32, Hermitage Street, Bath Road. William Roberts, 423, High Street. Elsie Cook, Alstone. And that application be made to have Joshua Swift, of 32, Hermitage Street, sent to an Industrial School.

2-Attendance Officers' Reports—The monthly Report of the School Attendance Officers', were read.

3-Labour Certificates—Resolved. That half time Labour Certificates be granted to Thomas Henry Gibbs, of Clark's Cottages Portland Square, and to Frederick James Jones, of 7, Sidney Street, provided the Town Clerk is satisfied as to their employment being necessary and beneficial.

WILLIAM HANDS.

Chairman.

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Borough of Cheltenham

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, August 31st, 1892.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend the Monthly Meeting of the Council, as such, and Acting as Urban Sanitary Authority, and as a Burial Board to be held in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Offices, on Monday, the 5th day of September next, at Three o'clock in the afternoon, at which Meeting the following business is proposed to be transacted, and any other business that may legally be transacted at such Meeting.

1. To read and sign the Minutes of the last Monthly Meeting.
2. To receive any official communications and take measures thereon.
3. To fill up Vacancies on Committees caused by death of late Councillor Kite.
4. To approve or otherwise the proceedings of THE STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE. PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE. TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE. WATER COMMITTEE. GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE. BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE. BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE. ELECTRIC LIGHTING COMMITTEE. TECHNICAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE. FINANCE COMMITTEE. PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE. SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.
5. Councillor Hands to move : " That the Members of the Corporation shall attend Divine Service at the Parish or some other Church belonging to the Church of England, and a Dissenting place of Worship, alternately, if invited to do so."
6. Notices of Motion.
7. To read the following letters, and pass Resolutions thereon, if need be :—Miss Kite re late Councillor Kite. Powell Chandler, Esq., Postmaster, re Closing of Sub Post Offices on Wednesdays.

Yours faithfully,

E. T. BRYDGES,

Town Clerk.

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Borough of Cheltenham

MINUTES of the Proceedings of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the Monthly Meeting of the Council, to be held on Monday, the 5th of September, 1892.

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 29th day of August, 1892—Present : Alderman Thoys; Councillors Darby, Heath, and Steel (Alderman Col. Thoys in the chair)—

1—Gas Examiner's Monthly Report—The Monthly Report of the Gas Examiner was read ; Average Illuminating Power, 16.54 candles. Purity, no tests

2- Gas Inspector's Monthly Report—The Monthly Report of the Gas Inspector was read Average hourly consumption of Gas per lamp during the month, 4.336 cubic feet.

3— Lamp Book—The book kept at the Police Station was produced and examined. Lamps extinguished during the month 13 (5 metered); burning dimly 10 (3 metered).

4—Street Projections--The Street Inspector reported that on the 10th, 12th, 16th, 19th, and 24th days of August the lamps in front of Messrs. Stead and Simpson's shop had not been kept lighted till 11 p.m. or had only been partially lighted, and that on the 10th, 12th, 16th, and 24th August the lamps of Messrs. W. & E. Turner at 136, High Street, had not been kept lighted till 11 p.m. Resolved, That the parties be informed that on the next breach of the conditions the permission to keep up the lamps will be withdrawn and the lamps ordered to be removed.

The Street Inspector reported that during the month the following persons had put up Sign Boards or other projections in front of their premises, in contravention of the Byelaws, viz., Mr. C. Pugh, butcher, a gas rail at 345, High Street, Mr. A. W. Tuson, pawnbroker, two movable window lamps at Norfolk House, Messrs. Boulton & Sons, sculptors, a large signboard fixed against wall opposite their premises in Bath Road. Resolved, That the gas rail at Mr. Pugh's shop and the sign in front of Messrs. Boulton's be allowed to remain, subject to the right of the Corporation to require their removal if at any time they may think fit to do so, and that the matter of Mr. Tuson's lamps be adjourned till next month.

An application from Mr C. F. Pugh for leave to hang out a flag at No. 341, High Street, to notify the opening of his new business there, for one week from the 9th Sept., was read. Resolved, That permission be given for one week, the flag to be suspended from a second storey window.

An application from Mr. F. Beckingsale for permission to fix a small projecting sign from his premises at 140, High Street, was read. Resolved, That permission be not granted

5—Surveyor's Monthly Report, re Highways—The Surveyor reported that the following works had been done in his Department during the past month :

Roads Repaired with Clee Hill Stone—High Street (from Corpus Street to Cambray), 5,154 square yards; North Place 460 square yards; Market Street 950 square yards ; Westal (opposite Lansdown Hotel) 1,200 square yards ; Lansdown Place (proceeding).

Wickwar Stone—Patching in Millbrook Street.

Patching—Bath Road, Gloucester Road, Hewlett Street, St. Margaret's Road.

Local Stone—Parabola Road.

Curbing, Crossing, and Flagging—St. Paul's Street, North, New Street, Bath Road, Albion Street, Gloucester Road, Tivoli Street, Promenade, Townsend Street, High Street, Albert Street, (St Paul's) Waterloo Street. Henrietta Street, Pittville Street, Clarence Street, Albert Street, Lansdown Place, Bayshill Road.

The footpath on the west side of All Saint's Road has been widened in accordance with your resolution of the 30th June 1891. 166 ½ super yards of Flagging and 185 super yards of Asphalte have been laid.

The footpath on the west side of the Colonnade has been relaid with cement concrete-305 super yards.

Private Improvements—Footpaths, Wellington Street and Alstone Lane (proceeding).

Footpaths—St. Margaret's Road, Painswick Lawn, Great Norwood Street, Union Street, Western Road, Northfield Terrace, St. Paul's Road, Swindon Road, Montpellier Spa Road, Bayshill Road, Hatherley Road.

Five New Gullies have been built to replace defective ones, viz :—(1) Swindon Passage, (1) Warwick Place, (1) Lansdown Parade, (1) Pittville Circus, (1) Fairview Street.

15 Dead Trees have been removed, viz :—(1) Queen's Road, (2) Gloucester Road, (3) St. George's Road, (1) Overton Road, (1) Christ Church Road, (1) Parabola Road, (1) Queen's Parade, (1) Montpellier Walk, (1) Promenade, (1) Orrisdale Terrace, (1) College Road, (1) Pittville Circus.

Ashes Collected—474 Van Loads, 786 Cart Loads, 685 tons, 12 cwt., consumed at Destructor. The siding at the Central Depot has been put into thorough repair according to the requirements of the Great Western Railway Company's Engineer.

6—Coal and Forage—The Surveyor having reported that the contract for Coal would expire on the 8th Sept. and that for Forage on the 29th Sept.. Resolved, That fresh Tenders be advertised for.

7—Land near Destructor—Mr. Dovey's Complaint—The Town Clerk stated that he had inspected the locality and the trees alleged to have been damaged, and that, having regard to the position of the trees and other facts in connection with them, he thought the Corporation were not liable. Resolved, That the Committee cannot acknowledge any liability in the matter.

8--Footpath in Great Western Road--Letters from Mr. W. Hands and Mr. G. H. Wynn, calling attention to the condition of the pathway over the river bridge on the Great Western Road and onward to the boundary of the property known as Ivy Lawn, were read. Resolved, That the footpath from the end of the bridge to the far corner of Ivy Lawn wall be completed with blue bricks.

9—Lower Alstone Mill—The Town Clerk stated that he had made Messrs. Haines and Sumner an offer of in discharge of their client's claim, without prejudice, and a letter was read froth Messrs Haines and Sumner stating that their client was not prepared to accept less than £12 13s 6d. and that they had been instructed to commence proceedings if that amount is not paid within a month, and also to proceed for compensation for the water taken by the Corporation since the 30th June, but in the event of the £12 13s. 6d being paid their client would forego any claim in respect of the water taken since 30th June. Resolved, That an offer of be made, without prejudice, in settlement of the claim.

10—Telegraph Pole, St. Anne's Terrace—A letter from the Superintending Engineer of Post Office Telegraphs, stating that the Department would not agree to the payment of 5s per annum for permission to erect a pole in St. Anne's Terrace, and that under these circumstances the extension of the Telegraphs to the Hewlett Street Post Office must be abandoned, was read.

On further consideration of the matter, Resolved, That the Resolution of this Committee of 25th April be amended by waiving the condition as to the payment of 5s for the pole, and that notice of alteration of the resolution be given accordingly.

11-Theatre Direction Posts—A letter from the Secretary of the Theatre and Opera House Company stating that the Directors would be much obliged if the Council would grant them permission to make use of certain gas lamps upon which to affix a sign pointing " to the Theatre " was read. Resolved, That the Committee regret they cannot see their way to grant the application, but they suggest that the Directors should obtain leave from the Owners of corner premises in the vicinity of

the Theatre, to affix pointers " To the Theatre " in a similar manner to the affixing of Street name plates.

The Committee suggest the desirability of attaching to the Lamp Posts the usual directions regulating the traffic in those parts of the Streets where the passenger traffic is greatest. and request the Surveyor to report as to the best means and the cost of doing so.

12-Well Place Works—A letter from Henry Chapman, Esq., upon the subject was read. A letter from Col. Graham relative to the repayment of these expenses and asking if he might pay the amount by quarterly instalments or leave it at interest till a more convenient season, was read. Resolved, That Col Graham be allowed to repay the amount by five quarterly instalments with interest.

13 —Vernon Place—A memorial from the Owners of property in Vernon Place asking for the road to be declared a public Highway now that it has been put in repair at the expense of the Owners, was read. Resolved, That Vernon Place be declared a Highway.

14—New Buildings—The Surveyor submitted notices and plans received by him from the following persons intending to erect new buildings, all of which were approved, viz. :—

Mrs. Clara Wyatt, for a private house at No. 1, Park Place.

Mr Charles Winstone, for a villa on the Lansdown Road.

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

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PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 26th day of August, 1892—Present : Alderman Wethered ; Councillors Darby, Hands and Norman (Alderman Wethered in the chair)—

1- Chairman—In the absence of the chairman, Alderman Wethered was appointed chairman at this meeting.

2—Zymotic Cases—The Medical Officer of Health laid before the Committee a return of the cases of zymotic disease during the past month.

3—Houses without a Flushing Box—The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of houses, where the w.c's are within the house and in which there is no flushing box Resolved, That Notice be given under sec 28 of the Improvement Act of 1889, to the owners to provide proper flushing boxes and keep a good supply of water thereto.

4---Delancey Fever Hospital—The Borough Surveyor reported that in consequence of the difficulties connected with obtaining a tent of proper construction, he had built a temporary Ward of wood covered with galvanised iron, and provided in it beds and bedding for 20 patients, and that the same had been completed and was now in use. Resolved, That pending the promised reply from the Trustees to the resolution of this Committee of the 6th May last, the Town Clerk be directed to prepare and submit to the Committee a statement of the position of this Trust in relation to its constitution and to the Corporation as Urban Sanitary Authority of the Borough.

5—Manure Pits—The Medical Officer of Health called attention to the fact that there are a large number of manure pits and other receptacles of a similar kind which are not constructed in manner

required by the bye-law. Resolved, That the Notice of the provisions of the Byelaws relating to this matter heretofore issued and served on owners and occupiers of premises be reprinted and served wherever required, and that the Inspector of Nuisances, after a reasonable time, report those cases in which the provisions of the Byelaws have not been complied with.

6—Marmon, Wm., Prince of Wales's Inn, Princes Street—The Inspector of Nuisances having reported that there was a deposit of manure and an accumulation of offensive matter on these premises, which had not been removed in pursuance of Notice duly served on the above occupier Resolved, That proceedings be taken against the occupier, Mr. Marmon.

7.—Dairies and Cowsheds Order—The Town Clerk laid before the Committee the Draft of the Regulations under this Order, with the objections and remarks of the Local Government Board thereto and thereon, and his replies with further remarks of the Local Government Board thereon. He also read a correspondence he had had with the Board of Agriculture and the Local Government Board on the subject of these regulations and amendments of the Order of 1885, so as to enable Local Authorities to make more effective Rules and Regulations under the Order. Resolved, That the action taken by the Town Clerk be approved, and that the Board of Agriculture and the Local Government Board be strongly urged to amend the existing Order

8—Slaughter Houses —The Town Clerk laid before the Committee Draft of Byelaws for Regulation of the Public Slaughter Houses, and also a set of Draft Byelaws for Regulations of the Public Slaughter Houses and the existing Slaughter Houses. Resolved, That the latter be submitted to the Medical Officer of Health for any suggestions he may wish to make thereon

9—Registered and Licensed Slaughter Houses--Letters from Mr. E. L. Baylis on behalf of Mr. Hastings, the occupier of a licensed slaughter house in the Folly Lane, and from Messrs. Bubb & Co. on behalf of Mr. Skillicorne, owner of a licensed slaughter house in the Whaddon Lane, asking for the renewal of the licenses of these slaughter houses on the grounds mentioned in their respective letters, were read. Resolved, That the applications be adjourned for further consideration.

10—Cholera—Resolved, That in view of the outbreak of this disease on the Continent, the precautions being taken by Local Authorities in the County, and the suggestions of the Local Government Board on a former occasion in relation thereto, the Medical Officer of Health be requested to draw up such a Notice to the Public as he shall think the necessities of the case call for, and that the same be printed and distributed.

11—Accounts—The following accounts were examined and allowed :—

E Jones, five weeks' wages	£6 5 0
J. H. Long, wages for August	£8 6 8
C. Malvern & Sons, on account re Swindon Place	£180 0 0
Ditto, on account re Abattoir	£350 0 0
Knight & Co., Books and Registers	£4 5 6
Dr. Garrett, Cab Hire	£1 3 6
W. J. Ursell, Horsing Ambulance	£7 5 0
Delancey Hospital, Treatment of Patients	£97 9 0

E. WETHERED,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 30th day of August, 1892 —Present: The Mayor ; Councillors Darby, Hands, King, Neale, and Norman (The Mayor in the chair)—

12 -Wyman's Brook—The Borough Surveyor laid before the Committee a Report, accompanied by a Plan, shewing the sources and causes of pollution of this stream. Resolved, That a copy of so much of the Report as relates to and describes sources of

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pollution in the Parish of Prestbury be forwarded to the Rural Sanitary Authority, with a representation that the Corporation as owners of the Pittville and Marle Hill Lakes, feel bound to take every means in their power to put a stop to the of the Wyman's Brook, and strongly urges and requests the Rural Sanitary Authority to adopt such measures as may be necessary to cut off from the stream all sewage and other offensive matter that at present finds its way into it in the manner described in the Surveyor's Report. That with regard to the sources of pollution within the Borough, the Surveyor do specify in each case the works and precautions necessary to be done and taken to prevent any deleterious or offensive matter getting into the stream, and that Notices be served on the owners and occupiers of the properties from which the pollutions proceed to do what is necessary.

13-Cholera -Resolved, That the Delancey Hospital Trustees be asked to permit the Small-pox Block to be used for the reception of patients attacked with this disease in the event of an outbreak of it in this district, and that if such an outbreak should unfortunately occur, the Medical Officer of Health be authorised to take such steps as he may consider necessary to cope with it.

14-Kingscote House, Hatherley—The Medical Officer of Health reported that this house is without any water supply. Resolved, That the attention of the Water Committee be called to this matter with a view to the extension of the Corporation water mains in that locality.

15-- Houses In care of Caretakers —The Medical Officer of Health called attention to the practice of House Agents placing persons in charge of empty houses but providing no water supply for them notwithstanding the rate charged for such supply is only one-fourth of the full rate. Resolved, That a circular be addressed to the House Agents informing them that in such cases proceedings will be taken to ensure a proper supply of water and the full rate charged unless the water is laid on and the reduced rate paid voluntarily.

16—Health Department—Resolved, That the Medical Officer of Health be authorised to spend a sum not exceeding £40 in the purchase of apparatus and chemicals for his laboratory.

17-Nuisances, &c.--The Inspector of Nuisances submitted his journal containing entries of the various premises visited and inspected by him with the result of such inspection, and shewing how far his notices in regard thereto had been complied with. The Committee considered each case and gave the necessary instructions respecting the same.

18—Accounts—The following accounts were examined and allowed :—

Delancey Hospital—Treatment of Patients	£163 15 0
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Dr. Cocks-Johnstone, Treatment of Outside Patients	£21 15 6
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J. C. GRIFFITH,

Chairman.

TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

ill a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 11th day of August, 1892—Present: Alderman Thoyses; Councillors Drew, Norman, and Skillicorne (Councillor Norman in the chair)—

1-Chairman—In the absence of the Chairman Councillor Norman was appointed Chairman of this meeting.

2-Promenade Improvement—Corporation (its. Powell—The Town Clerk reported that the motion for an injunction in this case had been set down for hearing on Wednesday, the 10th inst. ; that he and the Borough Surveyor had attended in town ; that the same had been mentioned in court, and it had been arranged for the motion to stand over until trial of the action on an understanding that the Corporation would not proceed with the work in the meantime, the action to be set down at once and statement of claim to be delivered, costs of the motion to be costs in the action. Resolved, That the Committee would now recommend the posts for the hoarding to be removed until after the trial of the action.

GEORGE NORMAN,

Chairman.

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At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 31st day of August, 1892—Present : The Mayor ; Councillors Lawrence, Norman and Skillicorne (Councillor Lawrence in the chair)—

3- Loans for Marle Hill, &c.—A Letter from the Local Government Board, forwarding their sanction to a loan of £6454 for the purpose of the purchase and laying out of the land at Marle Hill and Pittville, repayable in 33 years, was read and referred to the Finance Committee to make the necessary arrangements for borrowing the money.

4—Town Band—A Letter from the Secretary of the Town Band relative to a deduction made by the Borough Accountant from the sum due to them, in respect of the absence of two performers on Thursday last, was read. Resolved, That the Committee confirm the deduction and refer the Band to the terms agreed upon when they were engaged.

5— Town Committee—A Letter from the Town Committee, acknowledging and thanking the Committee for the grant of £40 made to them, and desiring to be informed how they could assist this Committee in furthering the Promenade Scheme, was read.

6-- Train Service—Letters from Miss Beale, Dr. James, Cavendish House Co., and Mr. Agg-Gardner relative to the appointment of representatives to serve on the Sub-Committee's Deputation, were read and referred to the Sub-Committee to deal with.

7 -Promenade Improvement—The Surveyor submitted a Plan for an improvement of the spaces in front of the houses in that part of the Promenade between Promenade Place and the road leading to Royal Crescent, at present enclosed with iron railings, and the same was approved. Resolved, That the Plan be forwarded to the Town Committee, with a request that In they will use their best endeavours to obtain the necessary consents of the owners to the carrying out of the proposed improvement.

8—Montpellier Gardens—A Letter from Mr G. H. Williams, the Secretary of the Company, stating that with the view of meeting the Corporation and of simplifying the matter of enfranchisement of the gardens, the Directors would be willing to abate £100 from the purchase money, and to accept

£7,400 for the property with all their rights and privileges in the same, was read. Resolved, That the offer be accepted, and the purchase proceeded with on those terms.

9—Fencing at Marle Hill—Nineteen tenders, varying in amount from £297 16s. 10d. to £695, for the provision and erection of the above fencing, which had been sent in, were opened and considered. Resolved, That the tender of Messrs. Hill and Smith, of Brierley Hill at £297 16s. 10d be accepted, subject to the foot being approved by the Surveyor.

EDWIN LAWRENCE.

Chairman.

WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 30th day of August, 1892—Present; The Mayor ; Councillors Darby, King, Heath, Williams (Councillor Darby in the chair),—

1 —Borough Surveyor's Report —The usual monthly report of the Surveyor, as follows, was read :—

On the 25th instant the springs supplying the Hewletts Reservoirs were yielding 102 gallons per minute, the average for the last four years being 161 gallons per minute ; and the quantity of water in store at Hewletts and Leckhampton was 26,220,577 gallons.

On the 25th instant the depth of water in Dowdeswell Reservoir was 25 feet, and the contents 65,692,620 gallons, which gives a total storage of 91,913,197 gallons.

Applications have been received from the Owners of Lyefield Terrace, Charlton Kings for a supply of water, involving an extension of the Main for a length of about 150 yards. The return will produce more than the required income.

2-- Appeals—The cases entered in the Appeal Book were considered, and the Rates settled and adjusted.

3—Supply of Water—Applications and agreements for the supply of water for the past month were examined and approved.

J. T. DARBY,

Chairman.

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GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 3rd day of August, 1892—Present Alderman Thoyts ; Councillors Darby, and Lawrence (Alderman Col. Thoyts in the chair)—

1—Swine Fever—Supt. MacRae reported an outbreak of Swine Fever on the 30th ult. in a Pigstye at the Plough Gardens, St. Paul's Road, in the occupation of Mr. William Pearce, 17 animals affected, two of which had died of the disease, the remaining 15 being alive at the date of the Return (31st July) ; that he had had the premises properly cleansed and disinfected and the necessary Notices served and posted. Resolved, That the Committee being satisfied of the correctness of the Inspector's Declaration, do order, determine and declare accordingly, and prescribe that the premises in question shall be a Swine Fever infected place.

Resolved, That in order to avoid unnecessary delay in segregating infected localities the Town Clerk be authorised to act at once on receipt of the official communication in regard to all cases of Swine Fever.

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Saturday, the 6th day of August, 1892—Present Alderman Thoyts ; Councillors Norman, Lawrence and Waghorne (Alderman Col. Thoyts in the Chair)-

2--Hackney Carriages—F. Lewis—It appearing that this driver's license had been renewed at the Annual Licensing Meeting subsequently to his last conviction on the and June last, Resolved, That any action on the Resolution of this Committee of date the 25th July last be suspended until the next monthly meeting of the Council.

3—Loitering—Byelaw against—The Resolution of the Council referring it to this Committee to consider whether the Hackney Carriage Byelaw No 4 should be rescinded, and to frame a new Byelaw providing against undue obstruction by Hackney Carriages in the streets, was considered and the further consideration thereof adjourned.

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 29th day of August, 1892—Present : Alderman Col. Thoyts ; Councillors Darby and Norman (Alderman Col. Thoyts in the chair)—

4—Swine Fever—Superintendent McRae reported that no fresh case of Swine Fever had arisen in the Borough.

5-- Shop Hours Act—A Letter from Admiral Christian, stating that he saw no objection to the Police acting as Inspectors under the above named Act, was read Resolved, That Supt. McRae and the Police Constables for the time being acting in the Borough, be accordingly appointed Inspectors under the Act.

6--Fire Brigade—The Superintendent Reported that the Brigade had been called out to two fires during the month, viz., on the 30th July at the stables of the Albion Saw Mills, in the occupation of Messrs. B. W. Pearce & Sons, the Bill of Expenses amounting to £2 10s. 6d. paid by the Alliance and Equitable Fire Insurance Companies, and on the 17th inst. at No. 7, Royal Crescent, occupied by Miss Letitia Arming, damage done to the extent of £10, the Bill of Expenses, amounting £3 11s. 6d. sent in to the Phoenix and Queen Fire Insurance Companies.

7—Hackney Carriages—An application from Mr. Charles Melbourne to have transferred to him the license of Mr. Wm. Phelps (No. 20) whose carriage he had agreed to purchase, and a letter from Mr. Phelps upon the same subject, were read. Resolved, That Mr. Melbourne be informed there are other applicants for licenses whose claims stand prior to his. An application from Mr. E. Apperley, jun., for a pony carriage license, was read. Resolved, That he be informed there is no vacancy at the present time, and the Committee are not prepared to recommend the number of Pony Carriages to be increased.

8—Hackney Carriage Drivers—Inspector Young submitted, as directed at the last monthly meeting, a list of Hackney Carriage Drivers who had been summoned from the 16th June, 1890, to the 13th June, 1892.

Applications were received from and Licenses to act as Drivers granted to—Albert Alfred Stevens, 56, Union Street, Wm. Wilson, 42, Montpellier Villas, John Smith, 1, Brookway Place, Cudnall, Fredk. Bishop, 24, Dunalley Parade, Ernest White, 2, St. Peter's Place.

9-Loitering—The consideration of the Byelaw against loitering was further adjourned.

10-Stand in Imperial Square—A complaint having been made of disorderly conduct of drivers and others at the stand in Imperial Square, and other stands, the Inspector was directed to give his particular attention to these stands, and that under no circumstances can persons other than the Drivers be allowed to use the shelters or be supplied with food and drink thereat.

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

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BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 30th day of August, 1892—Present : The Mayor ; Councillors Drew Heath, King, Moles and Norman (Councillor King in the chair)—

1--Alstone Swimming Bath—The Monthly Report of the Borough Surveyor was read. No of Bathers up to the 30th inst., 10,862. Total receipts, £92 3s. 2d.

2-Barrett's Mill—The question of the removal of the malthouse was considered and the further consideration thereof adjourned until to-morrow, at 12 at noon, on the spot.

CHAS. W. KING,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 31st day of August, 1892,— Present : The Mayor ; Councillors Heath, King, Moles and Norman (Councillor King in the chair)-

3—Barrett's Mill--The Committee met at Barrett's Mill and after an inspection of the premises. It was Resolved, That the Committee are not prepared to recommend the taking down and removal of the Malthouse at present.

CHAS. W. KING,

Chairman.

BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 25th day of August, 1892—Present: Alderman Thoyts ; Councillors Moles, Steel and Williams (Councillor Steel in the chair)—

1--Burial Fees—A letter from Mr. J. Warder, complaining of non-parishioner's fees being charged at the interment of Thomas Evans, late of 3, Waresley Villas, was read together with the Superintendent's Report thereon, and the further consideration of the matter was adjourned

2-Fence at Cemetery—A Report from the Surveyor, stating that he had as instructed by the Committee, examined the whole of the fences on the South and East sides of the Cemetery and that they required to be repaired in the manner stated therein, was read. Resolved, That this be done.

3—Designs—The following designs were examined and approved :—Tombs to James Alder, ; Headstones to William Millard, Caroline Francis, Thomas Rudder Allen, Martha Robinson, Lydia Handfield, William Norris, John Davies Tagart and Edwin Coole

4—Accounts—The following accounts were examined and allowed:—

W. Gregory, Labourers' Wages £11 0 0

“ Gravediggers' Wages £6 11 6

J. D. STEEL,

Chairman.

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TECHNICAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Saturday, the 13th day of August, 1892—Present: Alderman Sir A. E. Ramsay, Councillors Lawrence and Norman, (Councillor Lawrence in the chair)—

1—Chairman—In the absence of the chairman, Councillor Lawrence was appointed chairman of this meeting. 2-School of Science—The Resolution of this Committee of date the 26th ult., referred back by the Council to this Committee for further consideration was further considered Resolved, That the sum of £150 of the capital sum of £400 at the disposal of this Committee be granted to the School of Science on the distinct understanding that the amount is applied under the direction of the Committee of the School of Science in the purchase of such Furniture, Fittings, Instruments and Scientific Apparatus as shall be fit to be transferred to and used in a permanent Physical Laboratory, and shall accordingly be so transferred and used

EDWIN LAWRENCE,

Chairman.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this. Committee, held on Thursday, the 1st day of Sept., 1892—Present The Mayor ; Councillors. Lawrence and Parsonage (Councillor Lawrence in the Chair)—

1-£6,666 Loan—A Letter from Messrs. Brydges, Mellersh & Brydges, stating that they had been instructed by Mrs. Emilie Carrington to give the Corporation notice to pay off the mortgage of £6,666 13s. 4d. due to her, at the expiration of one month from the date of their letter (22nd Aug.) was read. The Town Clerk stated that Mr. Mellersh had subsequently called upon him and arranged to take the amount on the date of the October Council Meeting. Resolved, That the amount be paid off on the date named.

2-Debenture No. 300 Carter deceased—The Executors of the late Mr. Carte," having expressed their desire to be repaid the amount of this debenture, £700, Resolved, That the debenture be paid off on the 5th inst

3-- Rates on 4, Priory Parade—A Letter from Mrs. Walker, applying for a refund of the General District and Water Rates which she has paid for the above house up to the end of Sept., on the ground that she is leaving the house at the half-quarter, was read, and the Borough Accountant was requested to call upon Mrs. Walker relative thereto

4=Clerk in Surveyor's Office—Resolved, That the Clerk in the Surveyor's Department be required to give security, to the satisfaction of the Committee, in the sum of £200, and that if the security given is that of a Guarantee Society, his salary be increased from £78 to £80.

5—Private Improvement Works, St. George's Road—Smith—An application from Messrs. E. Smith & Son to have time allowed for repayment of the sum of £25 8s. 4d. due from them for private improvement works, was read. Resolved, That they be allowed to repay the amount as follows : £5 8s. 4d. at the present time, £10 at Christmas, and the remaining £10, with the interest on the 24th June, 1893.

6 - Courtenay Street— Prew—Application having been made by Mrs. Prew to be allowed time for repayment of the sum of £6 1s. 7d. due from her for private improvement works, Resolved, That Mrs. Prew be required to pay £3 1s. 7d. down, and the balance of £3 with interest, in three months.

7—General District Rate —The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 1st inst., on the collection of this rate, was read. Amount collected £1,647 19s. 9d., leaving outstanding £1,232 15s 3d.

8—Water Rate —The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 1st inst., on the collection of this Rate, was read. Receipts £7,687 9s 10d., leaving outstanding £827 12s. 11d.

9—ACCOUNTS.—The Borough Accountant laid before the Committee the Account of Receipts and Expenditure, sad of the Accounts and amounts to be paid, amounting to the following sums, viz :—

RECEIPTS.—

Borough Fund ..	£889 14 8
Public Library—Revenue	£90 12 10
Naunton Recreation Ground—Capital	£1500 0 0
Urban Authority—Revenue .	£3000 9 6
Burial Board—Revenue	£122 16 7
Waterworks—Revenue	£1872 15 11

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ACCOUNTS NOW TO BE PAID—

Borough Fund ..	£282 8 8
Public Library—Revenue	£28 9 9
Pittville Estate—Capital	£3 2 6
Marle Hill Estate—Capital	£2355 10 10
Urban Authority—Revenue	£2514 15 1
Burial Board—Revenue	£20 2 6
Abattoir—Capital ..	£354 14 8
Naunton Recreation Ground—Capital	£2 16 11
Waterworks—Revenue	£342 18 3
Ditto—Capital	£47 1 7
Water Debenture—Payment Off	£700 0 0

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT AT THE BANK—

In hand last month—Current and Interest A/cs ..	£12007 0 5
Received during the month ..	<u>£7476 9 6</u>
	£19483 9 11
Paid during the month	<u>£4395 2 11</u>
In hand ..	£15088 7 0
Sinking Funds :—	
In hand	£961 18 11
Loans Fund—	
In hand ..	<u>£4304 19 4</u>
Total in hand .	£20355 5 3

EDWIN LAWRENCE.

Chairman.

PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 31st day of August, 1892—Present: The Mayor : Alderman Sir A. Ramsay ; Councillor Parsonage ; cot Welch, Mr. Thos. Pippett. (Alderman Sir A. Ramsay in the Chair)—

1—Librarian's Report—The usual Monthly Report of the Librarian was read. He also reported that the following gifts had been made to the Library during the past months :—

Mr. E. F. Barnfield jun.	3 vols. 2 pamphlets
The Secretary of the Howard Association	1 vol.
Mr. K. B. de la Bere	1 vol.
Cobden Club	1 vol.
Secretary of Bristol University College	1 vol.
Executive Council of Imperial Institute	1 vol.
Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Children	1 pamphlet
Agent General for Tasmania	2 vols.
Publishers of "Yorkshire Health Resorts"	1 vol.
Publishers of "Hereford Illustrated"	1 vol.
Publishers of Folkestone, Sandgate and Hythe Pictorial	1 vol.
Annual Reports from the Libraries at :—Shoreditch, Southport, Portsmouth and Fulham.	

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2—Sub-Committee's Report—The Sub Committee recommended: --

That the list of Technical Books, prepared by the Librarian, be approved and the books purchased.

That the lists of New and Second-hand Books, submitted by the Librarian be purchased.

That 108 volumes of Worn out Books be rebound in Chivers's Duro-Flexile Binding.

That additional shelving be obtained for the Lending Library at a cost of £9 15s. 0d.

That the Librarian be authorised to attend the Conference of Librarians to be held in Paris, on the 12th, 13th and 14th September, and that £7 be allowed towards his expenses.

Resolved, That the report of the Sub-Committee, be approved, and their recommendation adopted.

3—School of Science Floor -The Chairman reported that he had met Mr. Billings and Mr. Knight at the School of Science on the 15th instant, the other Members of the Sub-Committee (Messrs. King, Lawrence and Parsonage) not being present, and that, subject to the approval of the Committee, an agreement had been come to between him and Messrs. Billings, that they should put the floor over the whole of the room in good and proper condition and repair with cement concrete at their own expense, and that they would remove the benches, drains, gas and water pipes to enable them to do this and refix the same when the floor is finished charging only the actual cost (estimated at about £15) of doing so, and that they would use all dispatch in doing the aforesaid works. The Chairman also reported that a coating of Val de Travers asphalte over the whole floor would cost about £24. A letter from Mr. Knight to the Chairman of the Committee, asking to be informed if the Val de Travers asphalte is to be used for the floor, over the whole of it, or only on the portion under the work benches, or not at all, and stating that if the space under the work benches be done now the other portion can be done afterwards ; and that Messrs. Billings required information as to the waste water pipes and other matters, was read. Also a letter from Mr. Montagnon on the same subject. Resolved, That the Committee are not prepared to recommend Val de Travers asphalte to be used, but the Committee must insist on the waste pipes being so arranged as to prevent leakage therefrom on to or into the floor.

The question of providing additional accommodation for the School of Science, as suggested by the letters of Mr. Montagnon, was read at the meeting held on the 19th ult., on the piece of land adjoining the Library Buildings, was further considered. Resolved, That the Committee are not prepared at present to make any recommendation on the subject.

4—Accounts--The following Accounts were examined and allowed :—

J. W. Pink. Books	£2 17 6
W. Norton, ditto	£2 16 9
Cawthorn & Hutt, ditto	£2 8 10
W. H. Smith & Son, ditto	£0 9 0
W. Jones, Assistants' Wages	£8 16 0

ALEX. E. RAMSAY,

Chairman.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 25th day of August, 1892— Present Alderman Ramsay ; Councillors Hands, Moles and Steel (Councillor Hands in the Chair)—

1—Attendance Officers' Reports—The usual monthly Reports of the School Attendance Officers, were read and considered.

2—Labour Certificates—Half-time Certificates were granted to George Wasley Albert J. Mace, Fredk. Jas. Jones, and Fredk. Arkell, the latter subject to production of his certificate, of the registration of his birth, to the Town Clerk.

WILLIAM HANDS,

Chairman.

Borough of Cheltenham

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, September 28th, 1892.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend the Monthly Meeting of the Council, as such, and Acting as Urban Sanitary Authority, and as a Burial Board to be held in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Offices, on Monday, the 3rd day of October next, at Three o'clock in the afternoon, at which Meeting the following business is proposed to be transacted, and any other business that may legally be transacted at such Meeting.

1. To read and sign the Minutes of the last Monthly Meeting.
2. To receive any official communications and take measures thereon.
3. To approve or otherwise the proceedings of THE STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE. PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE. TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE. WATER COMMITTEE. GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE. BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE. BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE. ELECTRIC LIGHTING COMMITTEE. FINANCE COMMITTEE. PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE. SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.
4. Alderman Col. Thoyts to move : " That the Resolution of the Street and Highway Committee of the 25th day of April last, relative to the proposed erection of a Postal Telegraph Pole in St. Anne's Terrace, and also, if necessary, the resolution of the said Committee of the 30th May last on the same subject, be amended by waiving the condition in the resolution of the 25th April, as to the payment of 5s per annum for the same."
5. Councillor Steel to move : " That the Resolution of the Street and Highway Committee, of December 1st, 1891, requiring tradesmen to keep their lamps burning until the hour of Eleven p.m. be altered by substituting Ten o'clock for Eleven o'clock, as the time to which the Lamps are to be kept burning.
6. Notices of Motion.
7. To read the following letter, and pass Resolution thereon, if need be. Mrs. Bannerman re Cabmen's Shelters.

Yours faithfully, E. T. BRYDGES, Town Clerk.

Borough of Cheltenham

MINUTES of the Proceedings of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the Monthly Meeting of the Council, to be held on Monday, the 3rd of October, 1892.

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 26th day of September, 1892—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Col. Thoyts Councillors Lawrence, Steel, Heath, and Parsonage (Alderman Col. Thoyts in the chair)—

1—Gas Examiner's Monthly Report — The Monthly Report of the Gas Examiner was read Average Illuminating Power, 16.60 candles. Purity, 9.4 grains of sulphur per 100 cubic feet.

2 --Gas Inspector's Monthly Report—The Monthly Report of the Gas Inspector was read : Average hourly consumption of Gas per lamp during the month, 4.49 cubic feet

3 — Lamp Book—The book kept at the Police Station was produced and examined. Lamps extinguished during the month to (3 metered) ; burning dimly 58 (6 metered).

4-Street Projections—The Street Inspector reported that the lamps of Messrs. Stead & Simpson, at 123 and 124, High Street, had not been kept lighted in accordance with the conditions under which they were allowed to be put up. He also reported that Mr. Edward Pitts had put up a sign at 17, Mountpleasant, and Mr. D. Adams had fixed a sign at the front of the Assembly Rooms, both in contravention of the Byelaws.

Resolved, That Messrs. Stead & Simpson be given notice to remove the lamps which have not been lighted ; that Mr. Adams, be required to fix his sign against the face of the wall and that Mr. Pitts be required to remove the sign put up by him. A Letter from Messrs. Blackburn & Co., asking the Committee to reconsider their application to use a gas rail and globes outside their Cheltenham Branch without compelling them to keep the same lighted, was read. Resolved, That the rail and globes be permitted to be kept up provided they are kept lighted till to o'clock p.m.

5 —Surveyor's Monthly Report, re Highways --The Surveyor reported that the following works had been done in his Department during the past month :

Roads Repaired with Glee Hill Stone---Lansdown Place, 2417 super yards; Lansdown Crescent, 134 ditto ; Near Gordon Lamp, 264 ditto ; Cleeve Road. 1,050 ditto ; Portland Street, 1,085 ditto ; New Street, 1,400 ditto. Patching— St Margaret's Road, High Street, Ormond Place, Albion Street, St. George's Street, Place, and Road, Oriel Road, Road, County Court Street, Suffolk Place, Square and Road, Montpellier Walk, Queen's Parade, Warwick Place, Great Norwood Street, Bath Road.

Wickwar Stone—Pittville Estate Road, 266 super yards

Patching—Charlton Lane.

Tar Macadam—Colonnade, 400 super yards.

New Gullies built to replace defective ones, viz.: St. George's Place (1), Dunalley Parade (1), Well Place (1), Alstone Lane (3), Corpus Street (1).

Curbing, Crossing, and Flagging—St. George's Street, Montpellier (near Gordon Lamp), Cleeve Road, Rutland Street, Lansdown Place, Douro Road, Malvern Road, High Street, Corpus Street, Wellington Passage, Tivoli Street, Swindon Road, St Paul's Street, South, Dunalley Street, Rodney Road,

Winchcomb Street. Promenade, Gloucester Place, Suffolk Road and Parade, Andover Retreat, St. George's Place (concrete curb and channelling).

Pittville Estate—Wellington and Clarence Squares (crossings).

Footpaths (Concrete)—Opposite Bayshill Inn.

Private Improvements—(Concrete) Wellington Street (completed), and Alstone Lane (proceeding).

Gravel—Glenfall Street (completed).

Cloddimore Road—One-half of this road (West side) has been done by the owners. The other half (East side) is being done by the Corporation workmen. Local stone.

Ashes Collected-394 Van Loads, 591 Cart Loads. 508 tons consumed at the Destructor,

6—Horse Provender—Tenders from Messrs. Henry Williams, J. F. Comely, E. Snowsell, and Ride & Co., for a supply of Horse Provender to the 25th March next, were opened and considered. Resolved that the following Tenders be accepted:

F. J. Comely, Bran at £5 per ton ; Straw 50s per ton

E. Snowsell, White Oats 22s 6d per 312lbs.

Maize 3s 6d per bushel ; Beans 5s per bushel

Linseed 7s 6d per bushel

7—Coal Tenders for a six months' supply of coal were received from Messrs. A. H. Nott, Voile & Co., and Pearce & Harris : Resolved, That the following Tenders be accepted:

Voile & Co., Powell Duffryn Best Smokeless Steam Coal 17s 6d per ton

Best Moira Cobbles 18s 9d

Slack 7s 6d

A. H. Nott, Whateley Lumps[crossed out]at 17s 6d per ton.

8-Street Direction Plates—The question of providing Direction Plates for the regulation of the traffic in the streets was discussed and adjourned for further consideration.

9—Road by Cambray Chapel —A Letter from Mr. Honeysett, calling attention to the bad condition of a strip of pavement leading from Rodney Terrace to Cambray Chapel and Herbert Cottage, and abutting on property belonging to Mr. Baylis, the Trustees of the Chapel, and Mr. H. Edwards, with a view to the abutting Owners being called upon to put the same in proper repair, was read. Resolved, That the Surveyor do bring up a Specification of the necessary works of repair.

10—Lower Alstone Mill—A Letter from Messrs. Haines and Sumner, accepting the offer of £9 in settlement of their client's claim, was read.

11-- Driving of Cattle through the Streets—A Letter from Miss Dyer, of Malcolm Ghur, complaining of the driving of cattle through the streets, with the Town Clerk's reply thereto, were read. The Town Clerk stated that he had sent a copy of Miss Dyer's Letter to the Chief Constable, calling his attention to the Byelaws on the subject, and a letter was read from Admiral Christian stating that the matter should receive attention.

12 - Trees—Letters from Mrs. Scott and Mr. J. Cramer re Trees in Road, were read, and referred to the Tree Sub-Committee.

13—Lansdown Cottages and Footpaths at Lower Alstone—A Letter from Mr. Henry Butt hereon, was read.

14—Marle Parade Road A Letter from Mr. C. Lane, stating that he considered the charge of £17 7s. 4d., made upon him for Private Improvement Works in this road excessive and unreasonable under the circumstances, as he had already paid for two frontages. Resolved, That Mr. Lane be informed that an allowance will be made in his and similar cases when the additional works to be done to the road, in order to its being declared a Highway, comes to be done and paid for.

15—Omnibus Stand by the Ladies' College —A Letter from E. W. Brereton, Esq., the Secretary of the Ladies' College, calling attention to the fact of the omnibuses standing at the Gate of the Ladies' College, and to the need of there being proper drainage and pavement provided if the 'Buses are to be allowed to stand there, was read. Resolved, That the Omnibus Stand be moved to the west side of the gate at the Lodge, and be laid with asphalte.

16—Oakfield Street, Tivoli—A Memorial from Mr. C. T. Deane and others, complaining of old building materials and house refuse being placed in the road in front of land adjoining the Memorialists' houses, by a builder, which refuse causes a nuisance and obstruction, was read. Resolved, That the Memorialists be informed that the Corporation have no power to interfere unless the accumulation complained of is one of offensive matter.

17—Old Bath Road—The Surveyor laid before the Committee a Plan shewing the proposals for widening and improving this road, and the same was considered. Resolved, That the Surveyor do prepare and submit to the Committee an estimate of the cost of the suggested works.

18—Bennington Street—The Town Clerk reported that as directed he had been in communication with the Owners of the soil of this road, and they were prepared to transfer to the Corporation all their right and interest therein for the sum of £20. Resolved, That this arrangement be approved

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19—College Lawn Road—A Letter from Genl. Williams, submitting that the condition of this road has not in any respect been improved since he first drew attention to the subject more than a year ago, and that as it is very evident the proprietor has no intention of meeting his obligations he hoped the Town Council would exercise its powers, was read. Resolved, That the Committee, having viewed the road, are not satisfied, nor is the Borough Surveyor, that the works have been properly executed, they therefore direct the Borough Surveyor to bring up a Specification for putting it into proper repair.

20—Damage to Trees—The Town Clerk reported that on the 5th inst. a Tree on the Tewkesbury Road had been destroyed by two lads named Cooper and Tanner, who had been prosecuted, with the result that Cooper had been sent to an Industrial School, and Tanner had been dismissed with a warning. He stated that the person who gave the information had claimed a reward. Resolved, That 10s be allowed.

14—New Buildings--The Surveyor submitted notices and plans received by hint from the following persons intending to erect new buildings, all of which were approved, viz.:

Georges Limited, for additions to their back premises in High Street.

Mr. C. J. Morgan, for additions to No 4, Montpellier Street.

Mr. James Wood, for a cottage and workshop, Arle Road.

Mr. B. Haywood, for additions to Vivian Villa, St. Mark's.

Mr. Schwamenkruge, for additions to No. 33, Suffolk Parade.

Also from Miss L. Smith for cottage in Naunton Crescent. Approved subject to the drain through the house being laid in concrete.

Mr. A. Hughes for Cycle Shop on site of Clarence House, Pittville Street. Approved subject to the use of the existing building as a dwelling house being discontinued.

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 23rd day of September, 1892—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Wethered ; Councillors Hands, Norman and Parsonage (The Mayor in the chair)—

1--Dairies and Cowsheds Order—An application from Mr. Geoffrey Child, to be registered as a Purveyor of Milk at No. 3, Townsend Place, together with the Report of the Inspector of Nuisances thereon, were read. Resolved, That the Applicant be registered.

2-Zymotic Disease—The Medical Officer of Health laid before the Committee a return of the cases of zymotic disease which had occurred during the past month.

3-Medical Officer of Health and Inspector of Nuisances —Regulations of Local Government Board, Art. 18, ss. 7—Resolved, That in pursuance of this Article the general superintendence and direction of the work of the Chief Inspector of Nuisances and his Assistants shall be vested in the Medical Officer of Health, to whom they shall report and from whom they shall receive their instructions.

4—Inspectors of Nuisances—The Medical Officer of Health having reported that the services of the Assistant Inspector of Nuisances, Mr. Jones, could not at present, without disadvantage to the public health, be dispensed with, Resolved, That the employment of Mr. Jones, as an Assistant Inspector of Nuisances, be continued for the present

5—The Vineyards, Lower Alstone—The Medical Officer of Health laid before the Committee a statement shewing the result of inspections of this locality, and to the watercourse adjoining the boundary of Alstone Lawn, which is so polluted as to be a nuisance injurious to health. Resolved, That the necessary Notices be served and the necessary steps be taken under the sections of the Acts applicable to the state of the premises, to abate the nuisances and execute the necessary works; and that, if the water in the well is found on examination to be polluted, proceedings be taken under Sec. 62 of the Public Health Act to ensure a proper supply of water.

6-Delancey Hospital —Cholera—A Letter from Dr. E. T. Wilson, stating that the Trustees of the Hospital had discussed the question of receiving Cholera cases into the Small-pox Block, and were of opinion that the Delancey Hospital is not a suitable place for the reception of Cholera cases, and they regretted they were unable to admit them to the Small-pox Block, or other buildings, was read.

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7-Delancey Hospital —A Letter from Dr. Wilson, stating that in reply to the question of the Corporation contained in the Minutes and Resolution of this Committee, of date the 6th May last, the Trustees of the Delancey Hospital had passed the following resolution " In the event of any

definite proposal for the completion of the Delancey Hospital being submitted by the Corporation, the Trustees are prepared to give it the fullest consideration, but until such proposal is made they are unable to give any definite reply to the question contained in the resolution of May last," was read.

8—Slaughter Houses —Verrinder —An application from Mr. Thos. Verrinder, for a renewal of his license to use as a Slaughter House the premises hitherto used by him for that purpose, at the back of No. 3, Hewlett Road, was read. Resolved, That Mr. Verrinder be informed the Committee are not prepared to renew the license.

9--Disinfection of Articles at Steam Disinfector —A Letter from the Clerk to the Charlton Kings Local Board, enquiring if the Corporation were prepared to undertake the removal and disinfection of articles on premises situate within the district of his Board, and if so, upon what terms they would be prepared to undertake the same, was read. Resolved, That the Local Board be informed the Committee will be prepared to disinfect clothes, articles of bedding, &c., in their Steam Disinfector, as soon as it is fit for use, on terms to be arranged. It was further Resolved, That the management of the work of disinfecting be vested in the Health Department under the Medical Officer of Health.

10----Notices not complied with—The Medical Officer of Health submitted a List of cases in which the Notices given by this Department had not been complied with. Resolved, That the cases be referred to the Town Clerk to take the necessary steps to ensure compliance with the Notices.

11—Prosecutions during the past month—The Town Clerk reported that in pursuance of the Resolution of this Committee, of date the 26th August, he had taken proceedings against Mr. Marmon, of the Prince of Wales's Feathers Inn, Princes Street, for breach of the Byelaw providing for the removal of manure, &c., and that he had been fined 20s and costs ; That he had also taken proceedings against Mr. Allen, Undertaker, of Great Norwood Street, for conveying to the Cemetery in a vehicle other than a hearse (i.e., a licensed hackney carriage No. 12) the body of a child who had died of an infectious disease ; and against Herbert Sumner, the proprietor and driver of the said hackney carriage for neglecting to report to the Inspector of Nuisances the fact of his carriage having been so used, and that they had been each fined 20s and costs.

12- Houses occupied by Caretakers—The Surveyor was directed to report under Sec. 62 of the Public Health Act in all cases where caretakers are in charge of houses which have not a proper supply of water, and It was Resolved, That the necessary subsequent steps be taken under that Sec. to ensure a proper supply being provided.

13—Accounts—The following Accounts were examined and allowed

Medical Officer, carriage of Apparatus	£12 7
“ Cab Hire	£1 0 7
W. M. Gammond, Sickness Returns	£2 10 0
J. H. Long, one month's salary	£8 6 8
E. Jones, 4 weeks' salary	£5 0 0
Medical Practitioners, Notifying Cases	£4 15 0
Delancey Hospital, Treatment of Patients	£57 8 0
W. Ursell, Horsing Ambulance	£2 15 0
Mrs. Cowley, Dusters	£0 11 0
Gas Company, Coke	£0 13 10
“ Pipes, &c., for Abattoir	£1 5 9
G. Loveday, balance of account re Heydon Farm.	£53 4 3

Rainger & Wilson, work at Hanover House	£0 17 6
Highway Department—Materials and Work, &c. ..	£21 17 3
Merry & Co., Furnishing Temporary Ward	£34 0 6
T. Walker, Ironwork for Abattoir	£33 2 6
W. Compton, new Tubs	£10 0 0
Accounts under 10s each	£0 2 4

J. C. GRIFFITH,

Chairman.

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TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 28th day of September, 1892-Present : The Mayor ; Aldermen Thoyts and Wethered ; Councillors Drew, Wm. Heath, Lawrence, Norman, Skillicorne and Waghorne (Councillor Waghorne in the chair)-

1- Chicago Exhibition --Resolved, That the Committee be empowered to procure and send to this Exhibition a Photograph or Photographs of the most prominent features of the Town.

2-Pittville Estate--The Surveyor was directed to prepare and bring up a Report and Specification of the necessary repairs to be done to the Pump Room, Bridges, &c., the provision of the necessary Sanitary Conveniences, and putting the Mineral Wells and Pumping Apparatus in good working order, and any alterations or improvements he may think desirable.

3-Cheltenham Athletic Society-A Letter from Mr. F. Wilks, Hon. Sec. of the Society, asking if the Society could rent the Montpellier Garden on Easter Monday next for the purpose of holding their Annual Athletic Meeting, was read. Resolved That the gardens be let on the same terms as last year, the Society undertaking to make good any damage that may be done.

JOHN WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 27th day of September, 1892-,Present; The Mayor ; Aldermen Col. Thoyts and Wethered ; Councillors Darby, Heath, Waghorne and Williams (Alderman Col. Thoyts in the chair),- ;

1-Chairman- In the absence of the Chairman, Alderman Col. Thoyts was appointed Chairman of this Meeting.

2 — Borough Surveyor's Report -The usual monthly report of the Surveyor, as follows, was read :- - On the 25th instant the springs supplying the Hewletts Reservoirs were yielding 97 gallons per minute, the average for the last four years being 157 gallons per minute ; and the quantity of water in store at Hewletts and Leckhampton was 23,775,796 gallons.

On the 26th instant the depth of water in Dowdeswell Reservoir was 23 feet, and the contents 56,952,945 gallons, which gives a total storage of 80,728,741 gallons. The Hydrants required by the Leckhampton Local Board have all been fixed."

3 -Kingscote House. Hatherley-The Public Health Committee having called the attention of this Committee to the fact that this house is without a proper supply of water, and it appearing that a considerable extension of the Corporation Water Main would be necessary to supply this house, the further consideration of the matter was adjourned to enable the Surveyor to report upon the extension of the main in this direction and locality.

4 -Appeals-The cases entered in the Appeal Book were considered, and the Rates settled and adjusted.

5-Supply of Water--Applications and agreements for the supply of water for the past month were examined and approved.

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 26th day of September, 1892-Present : The Mayor; Alderman Thoyts; Councillors Lawrence Norman, Parsonage, anti Waghorne (Alderman Col. Thoyts in the chair)-

1-Swine Fever - Supt. McRae reported that there was no case of swine fever in the Borough.

A Letter from the Clerk to the county stating that the Executive Committee of the County, with the concurrence of the Mayors of Gloucester and Cheltenham, had renewed the Swine Fever Order, closing the markets, &c., until the 1st November next. Resolved, That the action of the Mayor be approved.

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2 Fire Brigade-The Superintendent reported that the Brigade had been called out to three fires during the month, viz., at Hanover House, Hanover Street, in the occupation of Mr. Jno. Hastings, Wheelwright and Blacksmith, on the 9th inst., the property insured in the Lion and County Fire Offices, to whom the bill of expenses, amounting to £4 3s 6d had been sent in. At the Lodge of the Ladies' College on the 17th inst., causing damage to the buildings and contents to the extent of about £75. The bill of expenses, amounting to £4 0s 6d., sent in to the Alliance Assurance Co. in which the building is insured the contents of the building were uninsured. On the 25th inst. at the Working Men's Club and Institute, Prestbury. Estimated damage £1000. The bill of expenses. amounting to £8 4s, sent in to the Secretary of the Club. The contents of the Club being insured in the Phoenix Fire Office ; the insurance of the buildings not yet ascertained.

3 -Fire Hydrants-The Superintendent of the Fire Brigade called attention to the fact of the hydrant marks in the North, Central and East Wards requiring to be re-painted and re-written. Resolved, That these hydrant marks be re-painted and re-written.

Resolved, That in all cases of fires outside the borough a charge be made for the use and wear and tear of the plant and apparatus of the Fire Brigade, in addition to the actual payments out of pocket. The Superintendent having reported that the positions of the Fire Hydrants fixed in Charlton Kings had not been indicated by plates or otherwise. Resolved, That the attention of the Charlton Kings Local Board be called thereto. Resolved, That the Brigade be called out for practice on the 8th prox.

4- Hackney Carriages-An application from Charles Green and Charles Piff for the transfer of Green's license to Piff who has purchased his business and his turn-out, was read. Resolved, That on the license now held by Green being given up to be cancelled, a fresh license will be granted to Piff.

An application from Fredk. Jones for a Fly License was read, and a License refused.

An application from W. P. Jones for leave to transfer his License from a Landau to a Phaeton was considered and the application refused.

5-Cab Stand in Imperial Square-A Letter from Miss Abraham, complaining of the nuisance and annoyance caused to her and her tenants in Imperial Square by reason of the cab stand there, was read. Resolved, That the stand be divided, part of it for three cabs to remain on present stand, and the other part for three cabs to be transferred to the westernmost of the two eastern drives of the Square, the Shelter to be placed in front of the last-mentioned position of the Stand.

6-Loitering -The consideration of an alteration in the Byelaw against loitering was further adjourned.

7- Early Closing of Sub Post Offices-Letters from the Postmaster of Cheltenham, stating that the Sub Postmasters had sent in a Memorial as members of the Early Closing Association, asking that they might be allowed to close their offices on Wednesdays at the same hour as that at which they suspend their own business, and that he was desirous of ascertaining if there would be any objection offered on the part of the authorities of the town, was read. Resolved, That this being a matter which affects the convenience of the inhabitants in the neighbourhood of the Sub Offices, and the Council having no means of ascertaining the opinions of such inhabitants, cannot express any opinion on it.

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 27th day of September, 1892-Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Thoyts ; and Councillor Norman (Councillor Norman in the chair)-Chairman-In the absence of the Chairman, Councillor Norman was appointed Chairman at this meeting.

2-Alstone Swimming Bath-The Monthly Report of the Borough Surveyor was read. No of Bathers up to the 24th inst., 12,617. Total receipts, £108 8s. 2 ½ d.

A Letter from E. Hart, the Bath Caretaker, asking for a fortnight's leave, after the closing of the Bath, was read. Resolved, That the same be granted.

3-Accounts-The following accounts were examined and allowed :-

J. Lake, Uniform and Boots for Caretaker of Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground £7 6 6

Gas Company, Gas at Baths 3 0 10

GEORGE NORMAN,

Chairman.

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BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 22nd day of September, 1892—Present: The Mayor ; Councillors Feeney, Moles, Parsonage, and Steel (Councillor Parsonage in the chair)—

1 —Interment of an Infectious Corpse—The Superintendent reported that on the interment, on the 2nd inst., of the body of Albert Leeson, a child who had died at the Delancey Hospital of an infectious disease, the corpse had been conveyed to the Cemetery in a Licensed Hackney Carriage. The Town Clerk further reported that summonses had been issued against the Undertaker, Mr. Allen, for unlawfully using, for the purpose, a conveyance other than a hearse, and against Herbert Sumner, the Proprietor and Driver of the Hackney Carriage, for an offence under the Byelaws in not having at once notified the fact to the Inspector of Nuisances in order to ensure proper disinfection of the vehicle, and that both defendants had been fined 20s and costs.

2—Designs—The following designs were examined and approved :—Headstones to Henry Sparkes, Hannah Hailing, Mary Lucy Ray. Howard Thirlby, Chas. Lewis Hawkins, Charlotte J. Marks, Mary Spackman, Eliza Ward, Alexr. Sargeant Sanders, and Henry Leeds.

3—Burial Fees—Warder—This matter was further considered. Resolved, That under the circumstances the non-parishioners fees be remitted

4—Accounts—The following accounts were examined and allowed:—

W. Balcomb, Repairing Pump. £0 3 6

R. E. & C. Marshall, Water Cans £0 15 6

EDWARD H. PARSONAGE.

Chairman.

ELECTRIC LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 20th day of September, 1892—Present The Mayor ; Alderman Wethered ; Councillors Lawrence, Norman, Waghorne and Woodard (Councillor Norman in the chair)—

1—Electric Lighting—Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor do revise and amend his Report, having regard to the decision of the Committee that the incandescent lights would be unsatisfactory in the Promenade and streets. Also Resolved, That the Committee go to London on the 5th prox., or such other day as may be convenient, to Prof. Ayrton to confer with him, and inspect the St. Pancras and other lighting systems.

GEORGE NORMAN,

Chairman.

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FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 29th day of Sept., 1892—Present : Councillors Feeney, Lawrence, Parsonage, Wm. Heath and Drew (Councillor Lawrence in the Chair)—

1- Loan for £6,454— The Town Clerk reported that he had concluded the arrangements for the borrowing of £4,000, part of the above Loan, from the Corporation of Swansea, at 3 ¼ per cent. for a period of seven years, and afterwards subject to six months' notice, and for investing the same amount of the Loans Fund on mortgage by the Swansea Corporation for the same term, and that the necessary Debentures had been settled and approved by him. Resolved, That the Corporate Seal be affixed to the Debenture to be issued to the Swansea Corporation, and that the date of the above Loan be fixed as the 3rd October next.

2-General District Rate —The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 29th inst., on the collection of this rate, w. read. Amount collected £11,898 5s. 11d., leaving outstanding £982 9s. 1d.

3 -Water Rate —The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 29th inst., on the collection of this Rate, was read. Receipts £7,982 9s. 8d., leaving outstanding £399 17s, 1d.

4-ACCOUNTS.—The Borough Accountant laid before the Committee the Account of Receipts and Expenditure, and of the Accounts and amounts to be paid, amounting to the following sums, viz:

RECEIPTS.—

Borough Fund ..	£24 10 6
Public Library—Revenue	£8 4 0
Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground—Capital ..	£300 0 0
Naunton Recreation Ground—Capital	£100 0 0
Urban Authority—Revenue	£581 17 2
Burial Board—Revenue	£85 16 0
Street Improvements ..	£40 0 0
Waterworks—Revenue	£318 9 5
Waterworks—Capital ..	£1 5 4

ACCOUNTS NOW TO BE PAID --

Borough Fund ..	£875 3 8
Public Library—Revenue	£203 4
Marle Hill Estate—Capital ..	£12 4 8
Montpellier Gardens—Capital	£3 5 8
Urban Authority—Revenue ..	£3782 9 4
Burial Board—Revenue	£51 9 11
Sewage Farms—Capital	£6719 17 7
Abattoir—Capital ..	£56 4 2
Refuse Destructor—Capital	£8 10 1
Naunton Recreation Ground—Capital	£0 12 4
Street Improvements ..	£0 1 8
Waterworks—Revenue	£5013 18 10
Ditto—Capital ..	£136 19 7

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT AT THE BANK—

In hand last month—Current and Interest A/cs	£15088 7 0
Received during the month	<u>£2060 2 5</u>
	£17148 9 5
Paid during the month	<u>£2935 18 11</u>
In hand	£14212 to 6
Sinking Funds :—	
In hand ..	£961 18 1
Loans Fund —	
In hand last month ..	£4304 19 4
By Inland Revenue Stamp Duty	<u>£93 15 0</u>
	£4211 4 4
Received since last month ..	<u>£200 18 7</u>
	£4412 2 11
Investment with Corporation of	
Barrow-in-Furness	<u>£1000 0 0</u>
In hand ..	<u>£3412 2 11</u>
Total in hand ..	£18586 12 4

EDWIN LAWRENCE.

Chairman.

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PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 28th day of September, 1892—Present: The Mayor : Aldermen Ramsay. Thoyts and Wethered ; Councillors Parsonage and Feeney ; Capt. Welch, Baron de Ferrieres, Mr. Thos. Pippett, (Alderman Sir A. Ramsay in the Chair)—

1— Librarian's Report—The usual Monthly Report of the Librarian was read. He also reported that the following gifts had been made to the Library during the past month : —

Anonymous	1 Vol.
Capt. Welch, R.N.	4 Vols.
Sir Brook Kay	1 Vol.
Mr. J. H. Quinn	1 Vol.
Trustees of British Museum	2 Vols. and 7 parts of the catalogue
Mr. J. L. Butler	2 Vols.
Mr. J. C. Salter	3 Vols.
Mr. H. G., English	1 Vol.
Annual Reports from the Libraries at Glasgow, Wimbledon, Leeds, Bristol.	

2 —Type Writer—Resolved, That the Yost Type writer which has been for some time on approval be purchased, two-thirds of the purchase money to be charged to General Account, and one-third to the Technical Book Department.

3—Assistant—The Librarian reported that Assistant Paynter had given notice to leave, expiring on the 8th October.

4—Conference of Librarians at Paris—A Report from the Librarian of his visit to Paris and attendance at this Conference and on points of interest in connection with the Libraries in Paris and the proceedings of the Association, was read. The Librarian also reported that at this meeting he was elected a Member of the Council of the Library Association, and that the Cheltenham Library had been selected as one of the Public Libraries to be represented in the Science and Education Section of the Chicago Exhibition in 1893, and that the Secretary had requested the Librarian to furnish him with Plans of the Library Buildings and Samples of Forms, Reports, &c.

5 -- Accounts -The following Accounts were examined and allowed

Norman, Sawyer & Co., Binding and Numbering	£15 13 1
Ditto, Stationery	£9 6 8
A. C. & S. Billings, Furniture and Fittings	£23 15 0
J. W. Pink, Books	£4 0 0
W. Downing, ditto	£3 4 1
Wm. Glaisher, ditto	£1 8 10
Wm Norton, ditto	£6 17 10
N. Maggs, ditto	£1 8 8
James Webb, ditto	£1 8 0
John Day & Son, ditto	£4 16 0
H Cleaver, ditto	£0 3 6
J J. Banks, ditto	£51 2 10
Ditto, Newspapers and Periodicals	£11 17 7
Ditto, Magazines	£3 1 0
Gas Co., Gas September Quarter	£3 12 3
Librarian, Wages Account for October	£11 0 0

ALEX. E. RAMSAY,
Chairman.

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SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 22nd day of September, 1892 Present : The Mayor ; Aldermen Ramsay and Wethered ; Councillors Parsonage, Steel and Moles (Alderman Wethered in the Chair)—

1-Chairman In the Absence of the Chairman, Alderman Wethered was appointed Chairman at this meeting

2-Local Committees The Minute Books of the various Local Committees were gone through and examined Resolved, That summonses be issued against the parents of the following children for non-attendance of those children :—

Rose Morse, 8, Hungerford Street.
Samuel Mitchell, Rutland Street
Thos. and Chas. Townley, St. Paul's Place if the boys do not now attend
Chas. Barnes, Naunton Crescent} if the boys do not now attend

Also that application be made to send John Collier, of 47, Duke Street to an Industrial School, and that a Distress Warrant be issued in the case of Charles Cook, of Alstone, and if there are no effects then that a warrant of commitment be applied for.

3-Attendance Officers' Reports—The usual monthly Reports of the School Attendance Officers, were read.

E. WETHERED,
Chairman.

Borough of Cheltenham

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, November 4th, 1892.

Sir, You are hereby summoned to attend the Quarterly Meeting of the Council, as such, and Acting as Urban Sanitary Authority and as a Burial Board, to be held in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Offices, on Wednesday, the 9th day of November, inst., of Twelve o'clock at noon, at which Meeting the following business is proposed to be transacted, and any other business that way legally be transacted at such Meeting.

1. To elect the Mayor for the ensuing year.
2. To assign the Aldermen to be the Returning Officers at Ward Elections.
3. To read and sign the Minutes of the last Monthly Meeting.
4. To appoint and fill up vacancies on Committees.
5. To receive any official communications and take measures thereon.
6. To approve or otherwise the proceedings of THE STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.—Gas Inspector's Monthly Report—Proposed Widening of York Passage. (Resolution annexed). PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE. TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.—Analyses of Mineral Waters. (Resolution annexed). WATER COMMITTEE. GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE. BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE. BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE. THE PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE. SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE. " FINANCE COMMITTEE.
7. Notices of Motion.
8. To read the following letters, &c., and pass Resolution thereon, if need be. Charles Hull re L. & N.W.R. Co. and New Street Improvement. General Finlay and others re Cab Stand in Imperial Square. Edward Jewell and others The Town Clerk of Swansea re Uganda. Memorial from Hackney Carriage Proprietors and Drivers re Loitering. William Phelps re Transfer of his Hackney Carriage License.

Yours faithfully,

E. T. BRYDGES, Town Clerk.

Borough of Cheltenham.

MINUTE AND RESOLUTION of Street and Highway Committee of the Town Council, to be submitted Al. approval at the Annual Meeting on the 9th November, 1892.

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 24th day of October, 1892,—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Col. Thoyts ; Councillors Darby, King, Lawrence, and Steel (Alderman Cul. Thoyts in the chair)—

York Passage—Proposed Widening of—The Memorials herein from the Odd Fellows and others, asking the Corporation to consider the question of widening this thoroughfare, read at the last Meeting of the Council, were considered, together with the Letters from the various property owners, naming the prices at which they would be prepared to sell their premises for the purpose, were read. Resolved, That the Committee cannot recommend the Council to undertake this improvement, having regard to the apparently large expenditure which it would involve, but they would recommend the Council to contribute £400 towards the work, if the property necessary to be acquired for the purpose is conveyed to the Corporation.

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

MINUTE AND RESOLUTION of the Town Improvement Committee of the Town Council, to be submitted for approval at the Annual Meeting on the 9th November, 1892.

TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting, of this Committee, held on Monday, the 17th day of October, 1892—Present : The Mayor ; Aldermen nuts and Wethered ; Councillors Drew, Lawrence, Wm. Heath, Norman, Skillicorne and Waghorne (Councillor Waghorne in the chair) —

Analysis of the Mineral Water--The Chairman of the Sub-Committee, Alderman Wethered, reported that the Mayor and himself had had a satisfactory interview with Professor Thorpe on Wednesday last. Resolved, That Professor Thorpe be engaged to make the analyses on the terms mentioned in his letter of the 29th January last, that is to say, for an inclusive fee of 100 guineas, including all travelling and other personal expenses. Resolved, That the Medical Officer of Health and Borough Surveyor do communicate with Professor Thorpe on the state of the Wells, and as to the particular Wells to be analysed, and the means to be adopted for taking the samples and otherwise.

JNO. WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

Borough of Cheltenham.

MINUTES of the Proceedings of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the Annual Meeting of the Council, to be held on Wednesday, the 9th of November, 1892.

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 24th day of October, 1892—Present The Mayor; Alderman ca. Thoyts :- Councillors Darby, King, Lawrence, and Steel (Alderman Col. Thoyts in the chair)—

1-Gas Examiner's Monthly Report —The Monthly Report of the Gas Examiner was read : Average Illuminating Power, 1636 candles. Purity, 10.13 grains of sulphur per 100 cubic feet.

2-Street Projections —The Street Inspector reported that the sign reported last month as having been up by Mr. Pitts, at No. 17, Mountpleasant, had now been removed, but that the lamps of Messrs. Stead and Simpson, ordered to be removed from Nos. 123 and 124, High Street, still remained.

A Letter was read from Messrs. Stead and Simpson, requesting that the matter might stand over a short time to enable their Managing Director to come down and look into it. Resolved, That this case be adjourned for further consideration.

The Inspector also reported that the British and Colonial Meat Company had fixed a gas rail across their shop front at 278, High Street, in contravention of the Byelaws. Resolved, That permission be given to them to keep up the same subject to the right of the Corporation to require its removal at any time they may think fit to do so, but the Company must not hang meat outside the shop so as to project over the footway.

3—Surveyor's Monthly Report, re Highways --The Surveyor reported that the following works had been done in his Department during the past month :

Clee Hill Stone Patching—St. James's Square, Promenade, Manchester Street, Imperial Square, Queen's Road, St. George's Place, Bayshill Road.

Wickwar Stone—Back of Tivoli Place, 230 square yards. Patching: Naunton Crescent, Charlton Lane, Overton Road, All Saint's Road.

Tar Macadam—County Court Street, 321 yards. Curbing, Crossing, and Paving—Overton Road, Montpellier Street (East side) College Road, Sherborne Street, St. George's Road, and Place, Andover Street.

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Footpaths (Asphalte)—Trafalgar Street.

Improvement--The wall, railing, and sign which obstructed the passage from Montpellier Street to Queen's Circus has been removed, the Owner (Mr. E. Davies) having given his consent without requiring any compensation.

New Gullies to replace defective ones—(1) Montpellier Terrace, (1) St. Paul's Road, (1) Northwick Terrace.

Ashes Collected-452 Van Loads, 457 Cart Loads. 609 tons 15 cwts. 3 qrs. consumed at the Destructor,

The following Streets have been re-numbered Russell Street, Great Western Terrace, Marle Hill Road, Carlton Street, Priory Street, Windsor Street, Suffolk Parade.

Private Improvements—Footpaths—(Concrete) Alstone Lane (proceeding). (Clinker) York Terrace (completed), Cloddimore Road (proceeding). (Reflagging) Wellington Street.

4-Lighting of Ewlyn Road—A Memorial from Mr. C. H. Saunders and others calling attention to the want of a Gas Lamp in this Road was read. Resolved, That the matter be adjourned until the question

of the Extension of the Borough Boundaries is settled, when the whole of the Street will be properly lighted.

5—Lighting near Lansdown Hotel—Resolved, That the Lamp in Lansdown Crescent be moved to the corner of Lansdown Terrace, and that the one opposite be moved forward the same distance.

6—York Passage—Proposed Widening of—The Memorials herein from the Oddfellows and others, asking the Corporation to consider the question of widening this thoroughfare, read at the last Meeting of the Council, were considered, together with the Letters from the various property owners, naming the prices at which they would be prepared to sell their premises for the purpose, were read. Resolved, That the Committee cannot recommend the Council to undertake this improvement, having regard to the apparently large expenditure which it would involve, but they would recommend the Council to contribute towards the work, if the property necessary to be acquired for the purpose is conveyed to the Corporation.

7—St. George's Square—Mrs Eamer—A Letter from Mrs. Eamer pointing out the serious injury which had been caused to her house, No. 8, St. George's Square, by the pulling down some years ago of the adjoining house by the Corporation, and which had necessitated continuous repairs at her expense, notwithstanding which she had been compelled to reduce the rent of the house, which was a serious loss to her, and asking the Committee to make her some recompense, was read. Resolved, That Mrs. Eamer be informed the Corporation will Cement the face of the wall next to Ambrose Street.

8— Clare Street—Bath Road—A Letter from Mr George Roberts, an Owner and Occupier of property in Clare Street, calling attention to the insanitary condition and bad repair of this Street, and praying that the same might be put into proper order, was read. Resolved, That the Surveyor do bring up a Specification of the works necessary to be done by the Owners, and that a Name Plate be also put up.

9 —Kew Place—Resolved, That the damage in this Street caused to the Roadway by laying the Water Main be made good by the Water Department.

10—New Street and Building Bye-laws—The Town Clerk reported that he and the Borough Surveyor had been through these Bye-laws again, and had made certain amendments thereof and additions thereto, with a view to meeting the requirements and objections of the Local Government Board. Resolved, That the Bye-laws be again sent to the Local Government Board for their consideration

11 —New Buildings—The Surveyor submitted Notices and Plans received by him from the following persons intending to erect New Buildings, all of which were approved, viz. :—

Mr. Spring for additions to No 1, Kenilworth Villas.

The Theatre and Opera House Company for Engine Room, Dressing Room, &c., at the Theatre.

The Trustees of the Training College for a New Wing to the Male Training College.

Also a Plan from Mr. Robert Steel for alterations to No. 1, Northwick Place, which was adjourned

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

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PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this. Committee, held on Friday, the 21st day of October, 1892—Present: The Mayor; Alderman Wetherell; Councillors Darby, Neale, Norman and Parsonage, (The Mayor in the chair)—

1—Zymotic Disease—The Medical Officer of Health laid before the Committee a Return of the cases of Zymotic Disease which had occurred during the past month.

2—W. C.'s without Flushing Boxes —The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of premises having W. C.'s without Flushing Boxes. Resolved, That notice be given to the owners under Section 28 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them to have their W. C.'s provided with efficient Flushing Boxes.

3—Notices not complied with—The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of cases in which the Notices given by his Department had not been complied with. Resolved, That the cases be referred to the Town Clerk to take the necessary steps applicable to each case to ensure compliance with the Notices.

4—Filthy Houses—It appearing on the Certificate of the Medical Officer of Health that the houses Nos. 4 Ambrose Place and 10 Malvern Street are in such a filthy and unwholesome condition that the health of the inmates thereof is affected or endangered thereby. Resolved, That Notices be given under Section 46 of the Public Health Act to the Occupiers requiring them to whitewash, cleanse or purify their respective houses, and if such Notices are not at once complied with the work be done by the Corporation, and the expenses thereof recovered in manner provided by the Act.

5-- Houses unfit for Habitation —The Medical Officer of Health reported that No. 57 Worcester Street and The Croft, Alstone, are in such a state, so dilapidated, dangerous, and injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation, but that with regard to the last-named house he had been in communication with the Owners, the Midland Railway Company, whose Agent had now written to say that the house would presently be pulled down. Resolved, That the Notices and proceedings prescribed by the Housing of the Working Classes Act, 1890, be given and taken in the case of No. 57, Worcester Street.

6—No. 20 Sherborne Place—On written application from the Inspector of Nuisances stating that the Drains at the above house are a nuisance and injurious to health. Resolved, That authority be given to the Surveyor to open the ground and examine the said Drains, and if they should be found to require amendment, that notice be given to the Owner requiring him to do the necessary works within a reasonable time, to be specified in the Notice.

7--Smoke Nuisance—Bennington Street—The Medical Officer of Health reported that black smoke is emitted from the chimney of a boiler and furnace at Messrs. Page's Electric Lighting Station in Bennington Street in such quantities as to be a nuisance. Resolved, That proceedings be taken under Section 67 of the Public Health Act, in respect of the emission of black smoke, and the non-consumption of smoke.

8—Wells to be closed The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of Wells, the water in which has been found to be too impure for drinking purposes, and which should be closed. Resolved, That steps be taken under Section 70 of the Public Health Act, to ensure the closing of the Wells, excepting with regard to the Cemetery Lodge, as to which it be recommended to the Water Committee for consideration, with a view to the extension thereto of the Water Main.

9- Slaughter House Bye Laws —The Draft Bye Laws prepared by the Town Clerk for the regulation of the Registered Slaughter Houses and the Slaughter Houses in the Public abattoir were considered by the Committee, and the Town Clerk was directed to forward same to the Local Government Board for their approval.

10—Drainage Water from Cemetery—The Medical Officer of Health reported that he had examined this water and found it to be purer than any in Wyman's brook.

11-Steam Disinfectors -The Medical Officer of Health was requested to draw up some Rules and Regulations for the use of the Disinfectors, the charges to be made for the use of it by other Sanitary Authorities and persons, the disinfection of the carriages used for conveying articles to and from the Disinfectors, and for other matters connected therewith.

12—Cholera—The Medical Officer of Health reported that Notices had been received from Gravesend and Southampton as to passengers from Continental Ports infected with Cholera, whose destination was Cheltenham District, and that from enquiries made at the respective addresses all the persons had been found to be in a satisfactory condition.

13 —Ambulance Driver—Ursell—Complaint having been made by the Matron of the Delancey Hospital that the Ambulance Driver had been drunk on a certain day. Resolved, That Ursell be reprimanded and informed that on a repetition of such an offence he will be dismissed.

14 —Wyman's Brook—A Letter from the Clerk to the Rural Sanitary Authority in reply to the Resolution of this Committee of 30th August last, stating that the whole question of the Sewerage of Prestbury is under the consideration of the Authority, and that the particular matters referred to by the Borough Surveyor shall receive immediate attention, adding, however, that from time to time the Authority have kept Wyman's Brook under observation, and although the water may not be suitable for drinking purposes it has always been found fairly clear and free from noxious odour.

15 - Dairies and Cowsheds Regulations—A Letter from the Local Government Board replying to the Resolution of this Committee of 26th August last (urging the Board to amend the existing Order), that they do not propose at present to issue a new Order, but that the representations of the Town Council will receive consideration in the event of any amendments of the Order of 1885 being made, and enquiring whether the Town Council propose to proceed with the Regulations now under discussion, was read. Resolved, That the Local Government Board be informed that as soon as the Order amended the Regulations will be proceeded with.

16—Jenkins—Slaughter House—A Summons having been issued against Mrs. Harriet Jenkins for having used the premises, No. 249 High Street as a Slaughter House, such premises not being licensed for Slaughtering purposes, and Mrs. Jenkins having made an appeal to the Committee to withdraw the Summons. Resolved, That the Summons be allowed to drop, on Mrs. Jenkins agreeing to discontinue the practice, and to use the Public abattoir, and on her paying the costs which have been incurred

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17—Regulations for Sewer Connections—The Borough Surveyor submitted Regulations which he proposed should be made under Section 21 of the Public Health Act, 1875, with regard to the connection of House Drains with the Sewers of the Urban Authority. Resolved, That the same be approved.

18—Accounts--The following Accounts were examined and allowed :—

H. A. Purnell, Medicine for Patients	£1 10 2	
J. H. Bennett, Death Returns	£1 5 8	
J. H. Long, One Month's Salary	£8 6 8	
E. Jones, 5 Weeks' Salary	£6 5 0	
N. Smith & Co., Chemicals	£5 10 0	
Dr. Garrett, Sundries	£0 16 1	
Delancey Hospital, Treatment of Patients	£132 9 6	
" " Extra Nursing	£12 12 0	
Dr. Garrett, Cab Hire	£1 12 10	
Dr. Cocks Johnston, Attending Cases	£26 15 6	
W. Ursell, Horsing Ambulance	£6 10 0	
Griffin & Son, Chemical Apparatus	£40 3 5	
R. E. & C. Marshall, Ironmongery at Abattoir	£11 2 11	
R. E. & C. Marshall, Ironmongery at Disinfectors	£2 3 8	
R. E. & C. Marshall, Ironmongery at Temporary Ward	£25 12 8	
A. Page, Timber for Abattoir	£11 5 6	
Pearce & Sons, Pipes and Fittings	£29 6 2	
T. W. Harvey, Ironmongery	£26 2 7	
Gibbs and Canning, Pipes, &c.	£12 15 0	
G.W. Sadler, Bricks	£7 2 6	
S. Cowley, Repairing Urinals	£0 10 2	
Bourne Brothers, Plumbing	£2 1 0	
F. J. Wright, Ironmongery	£0 14 8½	
Lance & Co., Bedding, &c., for Temporary Ward	£26 3 9½	
G. Hickman, Pipes, &c.	£3 0 5	
R. Strang, Ironmongery	£2 17 0½	
Clemens, Abel & Co., Tumbler Cart	£23 8 0	
E. Weaver, Lime	£0 15 0	
W. J. Newth, Felt for Temporary Ward	£3 0 0	
Thos. Voile & Co., Coal for Abattoir	£0 12 6	
Gough & Edwards, Sheeting	£1 2 6	
J. Fisher, Ironmongery	£0 14 7	
J. Tallboy, Ropes	£7 11 6	
Smith, Bros., Timber	£50 11 2½	
Automatic Tap Syndicate, Taps	£0 18 0	
Tuson's Disinfectants Co., Disinfecting Fluids	£2 0 6	
Gas Co., Coke for Abattoir	£0 13 0	
Lockerbie & Wilkinson, Patent Door Lock	£1 18 0	
Water Department, Maintenance, &c., of Cattle Trough Fittings	£1 0 0	
Water Department, Water at Public Urinals	£18 4 0	
T. W. Stephens, Blinds at Destructor Office	£1 0 0	
Water Department, Flushing Sewers	£19 12 0	
Manlove, Alliot & Co., on Account of New Disinfectors	£350 0 0	
Mark Williams, Dunalley Parade Sewer	£92 0 0	
G. Seward, Plumbing	£2 6 0	
Water Rate for Cattle Troughs	£6 6 0	
H. Wilkins, Sanitas Powder	£5 0 0	
Accounts under 10s each	£1 3 5	

J. C. GRIFFITH,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 28th day of October, 1892—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Wethered ; Councillors Neale, Norman, Parsonage and Darby (The Mayor in the chair)—

19—Delancey Hospital--The Town Clerk presented his Report in pursuance of the Resolution of this Committee of date the 26th August last. The Medical Officer of Health also presented a Report on the same subject. The Reports were read and considered and both Reports were ordered to be printed and sent to the Members of the Council.

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Resolved, That copies of the Reports now presented by the Town Clerk and Medical Officer be forwarded to the Delancey Fever Hospital Trustees for their consideration, and that before taking any steps in the direction indicated by the last paragraph but one of the Town Clerk's Report, a further and urgent appeal be made to the Trustees to come to terms with the Public Health Committee as the Sanitary Authority of the Town under Section 23 of the Improvement Act of 1889, on the basis of an equal representation upon the Management Committee of the Hospital. In the event of terms being come to the Corporation will be prepared to complete the Public Wards, as indicated in the Report of the Medical Officer of Health, at their own expense.

20-Charges for Scarlet Fever Patients—Resolved, That the Delancey Trustees be requested to reconsider the Charges made for the treatment of Patients in the temporary Hospital erected by the Corporation, which this Committee consider to be much too high.

21-Temporary Scarlet Fever Pavilion--The Medical Officer of the Trustees having reported that certain additions are necessary to be made to this building to connect it with the permanent block. Resolved, That the Committee have no alternative but to direct the Borough Surveyor to make them.

22-St. Gregory's Schools—The Medical Officer of Health reported that he had given notice to the Managers of these Schools to close them for 4 weeks, on account of a severe outbreak of Measles, and had reported the facts to the Local Government Board Resolved, That the action of the Medical Officer of Health be approved.

J. C. GRIFFITH,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Saturday, the 5th day of November, 1892—Present ; The Mayor ; Alderman Wethered ; Councillors Hands, Norman and Parsonage—(The Mayor in the chair)—

23—Delancey Hospital—The following letter, received by the Town Clerk this morning, was read :—
Westal, Cheltenham, 4th November, 1892.

DEAR SIR,

When the temporary wooden building was erected by the Corporation at the Delancey Hospital, in August last, it was hoped that the epidemic in the town would cease in a few months, and that the building might therefore afford all the extra accommodation required by the emergency.

Unfortunately, however, the epidemic still continues, and there are now no less than 42 patients in the Hospital, 34 of whom have been sent in by the Corporation.

The Medical Officer of the Hospital now reports that owing to the temporary nature of the building, and from defective means of heating, it is quite unsuitable for the reception of patients during the winter months ; and some further provision must at once be made for the patients now being treated therein.

Under these circumstances, the Trustees desire to draw the immediate attention of the Corporation to the position of the matter. They are anxious to co-operate with the Corporation in every way in dealing with the emergency so far as their accommodation extends, and therefore I am desired to say that the Trustees are prepared—as a temporary expedient and upon the clear understanding that it shall not be held to create a precedent—to receive scarlet fever patients in the permanent small-pox block pending the erection of the new permanent scarlet-fever wards, if the Corporation will undertake to remove the present temporary building to a site upon the grounds of the Hospital to be selected and approved by the Medical Officer of the Hospital, and effect such internal alteration and reconstruction as may be necessary to fit it for the reception of small-pox patients.

As the Trustees are under an obligation to their Subscribers to provide accommodation for small-pox cases at a moment's notice, they would be obliged to make it a condition of the above arrangement that the Corporation shall assume the responsibility of providing accommodation for any case of small-pox which might occur during the time occupied in the removal and re-construction of the present temporary building and the completion of the internal arrangements, and also in the event of the Trustees being prevented, through any unforeseen incident, in placing a small-pox patient in the new building. I understand, however, that the Corporation have accommodation in view, and could undertake such responsibility.

If the Corporation are willing to co-operate with the Trustees as above, I am further instructed to ask that Dr Garrett, as the Medical Officer of Health, shall be requested to confer with the Medical Officer of the Hospital, both as to the site most suitable for the temporary building, and also as to the alterations and additions which will be required to fit it for the reception of small-pox patients in the winter, due attention being paid to the safety of the inmates of the other buildings in the immediate vicinity, and also to the general technical question as to the advisability of treating scarlet-fever patients in a building devoted to, and previously occupied by, small-pox patients.

I am, dear Sir, yours truly,

EDWARD T. WILSON, Honorary Secretary.

E. T. Brydges, Esq., Town Clerk, Cheltenham.

Resolved, That having regard to the fact that the requirements of the Trustees are now made in the midst of an epidemic, on the advice of their responsible Officer, the Committee feel they have no alternative but to accept the proposals of the Trustees for the removal, re-erection, and fitting-up of the temporary building for the reception of small-pox patients. Having agreed to do this, the Committee scarcely see the necessity of their Medical Officer conferring with the Medical

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Officer of the Trustees ; still, as the Trustees have specially requested that he should do so, the Committee make no objection thereto, but as the Council have no voice in the management of the Hospital, they and their Medical Officer can accept no responsibility in the matter.

24-- Laboratory of the Medical Officer of Health--The Medical Officer of Health requiring a Bacteriological Microscope and Apparatus, at a cost of £21, for the use of the Laboratory, Resolved, Resolved, That he be authorised to procure the same.

J. C. GRIFFITH,

Chairman.

TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 17th day of October, 1892—Present The Mayor ; Aldermen Thoyts and Wethered; Councillors Drew, Lawrence, Wm. Heath, Norman, Skillicorne and Waghorne (Councillor Waghorne in the chair)—

1— Analysis of the Mineral Water—The Chairman of the Sub-Committee, Alderman Wethered, reported that the Mayor and himself had had a satisfactory interview with Professor Thorpe on Wednesday last. Resolved, That Professor Thorpe be engaged to make the analyses on the terms mentioned in his letter of the 29th January last, that is to say, for an inclusive fee of 100 guineas, including all travelling and other personal expenses. Resolved, That the Medical Officer of Health and Boroughs Surveyor do communicate with Professor Thorpe on the state of the Wells, and as to the particular Wells to be analyzed, and the means to be adopted for taking the samples and otherwise.

2—Marle Hill—The Town Clerk reported that the purchase of this property will be completed on the 2nd or 3rd proximo, and the Surveyor reported that he had prepared the Specifications for the works of excavation. Resolved, That Tenders for the execution of the works be advertised for in the Examiner, Echo, and Contract Journal.

JNO. WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 26th day of October, 1892 —Present: The Mayor ; Aldermen Thoyts and Wethered ; Councillors Drew, Wm. Heath, Skillicorne, Norman and Waghorne (Councillor Waghorne in the chair) —

3-Mineral Waters —The Town Clerk stated that he had communicated to Prof. Thorpe the terms of the Committee's Resolution of the 17th inst., and a letter from Prof. Thorpe, stating that as soon as the sanction of the Council is given, he will be prepared to visit Cheltenham for the purpose of seeing the wells and of taking away the water for analysis, and that in the meantime he should be glad to be informed what number of wells it is proposed should be analysed, was read.

4—Montpellier Gardens —A Letter from Mr. S. M. Cornelius, adverting to the newspaper report of the recent discussion by the Council relative to the letting of the Gardens to the Athletic Sports Committee, and calling attention to the Annual Lawn Tennis Tournament as being of equal importance to the town, and which he understood the Lawn Tennis Committee would be willing to hold in the Gardens, provided the ground is in a fit and proper state for play, adding that the ground is certainly not in a good state but might be rendered so if taken in hand at once, and that it would be a very un-fortunate matter if the Tournament were taken out of the town, was read. Resolved, That the Surveyor be instructed to take measures, with the permission of the Montpellier Gardens Co., to renovate and prepare the turf in that portion of the Gardens which can be appropriated for the Lawn Tennis Tournament in June next. Promenade Improvement—Resolved, That another

meeting of the Owners and Occupiers be called at the earliest moment allowed by the Act of Parliament to further consider the proposals for laying out the long garden in the Promenade.

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6 ---Proposed Spa—Resolved, That the Medical Officer of Health and the Borough Surveyor be authorised to visit three or four of the best English Spas for the purpose of collecting information upon the subject. Also, That the Spa Medical Society be asked to favour this Committee with suggestions as to the Spa and Baths they would recommend Of Cheltenham.

7-Pittville Pump Room—Repairs—Tenders for the works of repair required to be done at the Pump Room, in accordance with the Specification prepared by the Surveyor, were opened, as follows :—

E. Maisey, All Saint's Road	£309 0 0
C. H. Channon, Elmwood House	£225 0 0
J. M. Smith, Victoria Street	£185 0 0
Chas. Malvern & Sons, Winchcomb Street	£183 10 0

Resolved, That Messrs. Malvern & Son's Tender be accepted.

JOHN WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 26th day of October, 1892—Present The Mayor ; Aldermen Col. Thoyts and Wethered ; Councillor Darby, (Councillor Darby in the chair)—

1—Borough Surveyor's Report —The usual monthly report of the Surveyor, as follows, was read :—
On the 23rd instant, the Springs supplying the Hewletts Reservoirs were yielding 97 Gallons per minute ; the average for the last four years being 232 gallons per minute ; and the quantity of water in store at Hewletts and Leckhampton was 26,914,350 gallons.

On the 23rd instant the depth of water in Dowdeswell Reservoir was 21 feet 2 ½ inches, and the contents 48,813,749 gallons, which gives a total storage of 75,728,099 gallons.

Acting under your instructions that I should examine and report on the practicability and cost of filtering the whole of the water supplied to the Borough, I have made a careful investigation into the cost of forming new filter beds at Hewletts as well as the possibility of filtering the Hewletts Water at Dowdeswell. The present arrangements are, that all the water from the Dowdeswell Reservoir is filtered, and there is storage in covered tanks for about 1 ¼ days supply. The filters are five in number, and they are each capable of filtering in the most efficient manner about 280,000 gallons per day, and as the daily supply of water does not exceed 800,000 gallons, three are sufficient for all purposes, leaving one in case of accident and one being cleaned.

The surface of the filters is 360 feet above Ordnance Datum, and the Hewlett's Reservoirs vary between the top of No. 3. which is 415 feet above Ordnance Datum, to the bottom of No. 4, which is 385 feet above Ordnance Datum, thus giving a head which varies between 55 feet a maximum to 25 feet as a minimum.

The flow into Hewletts Reservoirs averages about equal to two days' supply per week, it will therefore be necessary to provide storage capacity at least as large as at Dowdeswell ; and filters equal to about two 7ths if they are kept constantly at work. If however the water can be delivered to Dowdeswell and filtered there, no additional filters or covered storage will be necessary, and the filters being in constant, as distinguished from intermittent, use, will be kept in a better working state. The supply from Hewletts is through a 12-inch diameter main pipe to and along Hewlett Street into High Street, there is a 9-inch diameter pipe existing from the end of Keynsham Road along the London Road to the gate of Whithorn House: these pipes I propose to connect by a 12-inch pipe along High Street about 350 yards, and to lay a 9-inch diameter pipe from the gate of Whithorn House to the pipe leading into the filters. At the end of Keynsham Road and Greenway Lane, valves will be arranged to control the flow so as to enable a portion of the length of the main to be used for pumping purposes when desired without interfering with the hill water. The cost of the scheme suggested will be about £800, whereas a separate set of filters and storage would cost £5,000 or £6,000 at least."

Kingscote, Hatherley—The existing pipe passes the East end of the road at the back of " The Hatherley Inn," and is within 153 yards from the West end of it. The length of the road is 463 yards, and there are eight houses fronting to it, of the aggregate annual value of £88, as well as several others within a short distance. The annual value of Kingscote House is £10. The cost of the extension will be £80. The Return will therefore not be equal to the required minimum, but the extension will bring the water much nearer The Reddings, where there are many probable consumers. Resolved, That the scheme of filtration recommended by the Surveyor be approved and be carried out without delay. Resolved also, That the extensions of the main to Kingscote House, Hatherley, be made.

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2-Cab Shelter in Imperial Square -A Letter from Mrs Bannerman asking for a gratuitous supply of water to be laid on to this Shelter, referred to by the General Purposes Committee to this Committee, was read. Resolved, That the water be laid on.

3-Appeals -The cases entered in the Appeal Book were considered, and the Rates settled and adjusted.

4-Supply of Water-Applications and agreements for the supply of water for the past month were examined and approved.

J. T. DARBY,

Chairman.

GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 24th day of October, 1892-Present : Alderman Col. Thoys ; Councillors Darby, King, Lawrence Norman, Parsonage, and Waghorne (Alderman Col. Thoys in the chair)-

1-Fire Brigade-The Superintendent reported that the Brigade had been called out to one fire during the month, viz., at 33, Lansdown Crescent, on the 6th inst., estimated damage £15, the bill of expenses incurred by the Brigade, amounting to £2 9s., sent in to the Corporation for payment.

2-- The Rabies Order of 1892-A Print of this Order, which takes effect as and from the first day of November, 1892, was laid before the Committee. The Order points out the duties of Local Authorities with regard to stray dogs found within their district, prescribes the mode of procedure in

cases of diseased animals or of the supposed existence of rabies, and empowers the Local Authority, if they think fit, to make regulations and issue public notices under the Act.

3 -Cab Stand in Imperial Square-Letters from Miss Wallace and Mr. Joseph Radburn, objecting to the removal of this cab stand to the site fixed upon by the Committee at their last meeting, were read. Resolved, That Miss Wallace and Mr. Radburn be informed that it is only a part of the stand which has been moved with a view to lessening any annoyances from the stand, and the Committee trust that none will be experienced

4-Drivers' Licenses-Applications were received from and Licenses to drive Hackney Carriages granted to Thomas Holford, of 23, Sandford Street, and Richard Baylis, of 25, Moorend Street, Leckhampton Also to Wm. Fricker, of 48, Tewkesbury Road, subject to the approval of the Chairman on seeing Fricker.

5-Hackney Carriages--A further application from Fredk. Jones for the transfer to him of Was Phelps' Hackney Carriage License No. 20, and enclosing the License in question, as he understood his application had been refused last month because the license had not been handed in, was read. Resolved, That the Committee cannot recognise the trafficking in Licenses, and the License must be given up unconditionally when the application for a new license will be duly considered, having regard to priority of applications and fitness of the applicant.

6-Wheel Chairs-A License for a Closed Wheel Chair was granted to Henry Daniel Green, of 3, Windsor Street.

7 -Geo. Cleveland-The Street Inspector reported that this Driver had been (on the 17th Oct.) convicted of theft and sentenced to one month's imprisonment with hard labour. Resolved, That Cleveland's License be revoked.

N. B. THOYTS, Chairman.

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BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday., the 25th day of October, 1892—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Col. Thoyts ; Councillors Drew, King and Norman (Councillor King in the chair)—

1--Alstone Swimming Bath—The Monthly Report of the Borough Surveyor was read. No of Bathers up to closing of the Baths, 12,866. Total receipts, £10 10s. 10d.

2-Naunton Recreation Ground• -The Borough Surveyor reported that he had taken possession of this Land, and was proceeding with the levelling and laying the same out.

3—Barrett's Mill—The Surveyor reported that he was proceeding with the clearing of the materials on this site.

4-- Accounts—The following accounts were examined and allowed:—

Sanitary Steam Laundry, Washing Towels	£8 0 10
Water Rate for Recreation Ground	£1 1 0
A. H. Nott, Coal for Baths	£0 9 3
G Hickman, Pavors	£0 2 6
Voile and Co., Coal	£7 10 0
T. W. Harvey, Ironmongery	£0 8 7

James Tallboy, Ropes and Twine	£1 14 11
A. Page, Timber	£1 15 0
R. E. & C. Marshall, Ironmongery	£1 5 6

CHAS. W. KING,
Chairman.

BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 20th day of October, 1892—Present: The Mayor ; Alderman Col. Thoyts ; Councillors Moles and Parsonage, (Councillor Parsonage in the chair)—

1--Designs—The following Designs were examined and approved:—Headstones to Sarah Honeysett, Joice Lane, Henry Leeds, Mary Onslow, John J. Trusted, James Malvern, Mary Ann Underwood, Mary Ann Pearce, and William Reynolds. Tombstone to William Gurner.

2 -Accounts —The following accounts were examined and allowed :--

R. E. & C. Marshall, Water Cans	£0 15 6
J. R. Brown, Repairing Pump, &c	£0 12 8
C. Haidon, Repairing Truck	£1 3 6
W. Gregory, Gravediggers' and Labourer's Wages	£14 6 6
Accounts under 10s each	£0 9 7

EDWARD H. PARSONAGE.
Chairman.

PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 26th day of October, 1892—Present: The Mayor : Aldermen Ramsay. Thoyts and blethered; Councillor Skillicorne ; Baron de Ferrieres, Capt. Welch, R.N. (Alderman Sir A. Ramsay in the Chair)—

1— Librarian's Report —The usual Monthly Report of the Librarian was read. He also reported that the following gifts had been made to the Library during the past month :—Mr. W. Barron 1 Vol. Col. Hill 1 Pamphlet London University 1 Vol. Mrs. C. Roberts 1 Vol. Mr. J. Clarke 1 Vol.

Annual Reports from the Libraries at Newcastle-on-Tyne, Cambridge, Kidderminster, and Westminster.

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3-Debenture. No 300 Carter Deceased--The Borough Accountant reported that he had had offers of the following Loans at 3 ½ per cent., subject to six months' Notice on either side for repayment :-

The Misses Badham	£400
Messrs. Helliwell and Powell	£200
Miss G. E. Horsley	£100

Resolved, That the foregoing amounts be borrowed from the parties named to replace the £700 paid off to Carter's Administratrix, and Debentures be sealed and issued accordingly.

4- ACCOUNTS--The Borough Accountant laid before the Committee the Account of Receipts and Expenditure, and of the Accounts and amounts to be paid, amounting to the following sums, viz :-

RECEIPTS-

Borough Fund ..	£833 0 4
Public Library-Revenue	£8 13 3
Marle Hill Estate-Loan	£4000 0 0
Urban Authority-Revenue	£664 13 6
Burial Board-Revenue	£151 0 6
Waterworks-Revenue..	£315 19 3

ACCOUNTS NOW TO BE PAID-

Borough Fund ..	£296 16 7
Public Library-Revenue ..	£61 0 10
Mineral Water Wells-Capital	£49 13 10
Urban Authority-Revenue ..	£3584 19 0
Burial Board-Revenue	£27 3 11
Abattoir-Capital	£76 12 1
Allotments-Capital ..	£29 15 8
Naunton Recreation Ground-Capital	£8 0 0
Street Improvements ..	£125 0 0
Refuse Destructor-Capital ..	£8 14 9
Disinfecting Chamber—	£358 3 1
Capital Waterworks-Revenue..	£615 3 6
Waterworks-Capital ..	£30 10 1

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT AT THE BANK-

In hand last month (Current & Interest Accounts)	£14212 10 6
Received during the month ..	£ <u>5973 6 10</u>
	£20185 17 4
Paid during the month..	£ <u>16695 8 6</u>
In hand ..	£ 3490 8 10
Sinking Funds:-	
In hand last month ..	£961 18 11
Invested with the	
Corporation of Swansea	£ <u>750 0 0</u>
In hand	£211 18 11
Loan Fund :-	
In hand last month ...	£3412 2 11
Transferred from Current	
Account Interest on Stock	£5484 7 6
Stamp Duty re ditto ...	£ <u>93 15 0</u>
	£8990 5 5
Interest on Stock	£5484 7 6
Invested with the Corporation of Swansea ..	£ <u>3250 0 0</u>
	£8734 7 6
In hand ..	£ <u>255 17 11</u>
Total amount in hand	£3958 5 8

EDWIN LAWRENCE, Chairman.

To the Public Health Committee.

Delancey Hospital Trust.

GENTLEMEN,

In compliance with your Resolution of date the 26th day of August last, directing me to prepare and submit to you a statement of the position of this Trust in relation to its constitution, and to the Corporation as Urban Sanitary Authority of the Borough, I now beg to report to you as follows :-

Upwards of twenty years having elapsed since the death of Miss Delancey, and the decision in the Chancery suit instituted to settle the question of the validity of her gift, it may be useful to recall the facts connected with the origin and foundation of the Trust.

Miss Delancey was attended in her last illness by the late Mr. Clement Hawkins, and she expressed to him a wish to see a Fever Hospital established in Cheltenham, and gave him a cheque for £5,000 for that purpose. This cheque was cashed in Miss Delancey's lifetime, and the proceeds invested with her approbation in the purchase of the sum of £5,738, per cent Consols in the names of Mr. Hawkins and the late Mr. Gwinnett. A Deed or Declaration of Trust was then prepared, and executed by those gentlemen on the 3rd day of April, 1866, declaring that they stood possessed of the said sum and the dividends thereof, for the purpose of the erection (after the decease of the said Susan Delancey), maintenance, and support of a Fever Hospital. Miss Delancey died on the 7th day of April, 1866, Intestate and unaware of the execution of the said Deed. All Miss Delancey's next-of-kin, with the exception of one, i.e., three out of four, were desirous that her wishes should be carried out, but the dissentient insisted on the invalidity of the gift. A suit in Chancery was instituted for the purpose of obtaining a legal decision on the point, and was heard before Vice-Chancellor Malins on the 3rd and 4th days of May, 1870. The Vice-Chancellor held that as the gift did not exclude the acquisition of land, and the Donor having died within 12 months after the execution of the Deed, the gift was invalid.

Notwithstanding this decision, the next-of-kin who were willing that Miss Delancey's intentions should be carried out, expressed their intention of devoting their shares to the intended purpose. A Deed of Endowment dated the 28th day of April, 1871, to which they were parties, was accordingly executed by them, the first Trustees being Messrs. Abercrombie, Agg-Gardner, E. Carrington, H. W. Freeman, The Rev. J. H. L. Gabell, The Rev. F. D. Gilby, W. H. Gwinnett, W. N. Skillicorne, Dr. Thorpe, John Walker, E. T. Wilson, and The Rev. H. Wright. This Deed, after reciting the purchase by the said Trustees " out of moneys subscribed by numerous charitable persons," and the conveyance to them of the site of the present Hospital upon Trust to erect or permit the erection of a building or buildings thereon, and to permit the said Land and Buildings to be for ever thereafter used and occupied as a Fever Hospital according and subject to the rules, regulations, and provisions for the admission (sic qy.. 'administration") and management thereof which were thereafter expressed and contained, and the transfer into the names of 4 of the Trustees of the sum of £4,135 8s. 4d. Consolidated Bank Annuities declared that the Trustees named should stand possessed of the said sum of Consols Upon Trust at the request and under the control of the Trustees thereafter nominated, or of any Committee to be appointed by them, to apply the whole or such Part of the said sum as together with any other moneys which might from time to time be subscribed

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by charitable persons, or otherwise become applicable or be provided for the purpose, should be sufficient to erect on the said Land a Building or Buildings capable and suitable to be used as a Fever

Hospital for the benefit of the Town of Cheltenham and the neighbourhood thereof, and to furnish the said Buildings when erected, and make the same ready for the reception of persons suffering from Fever or other Infectious Diseases. It was also further declared that the Hospital should be called "The Delancey Fever Hospital," and should be under the sole and exclusive management of the before-named Trustees, or other the Trustees for the time being of the Deed. The Trustees are empowered to appoint Committees and Sub-Committees, and from time to time to make such Rules or Bye-laws as they should think proper for the management of the said Hospital, and the admission of persons thereto, and their removal therefrom, or any other purposes relating to the administration and conduct of the said Charity, not inconsistent with the main object and foundation of the said Charity. It is further declared that so much (if any) of the Fund as should not be required for the erection of the Hospital, and making the same ready for the reception of Patients, should be retained as a Fund for the Endowment of the Hospital and the said Endowment Funds, and the income thereof should be applicable in or towards keeping the Hospital in repair or otherwise in carrying into effect the objects of the Foundation. Vacancies in the Trustees are to be filled up, and the appointment of new Trustees made by Deed by the surviving or continuing Trustees or a majority of them.

It will be observed that there are no provisions in the Trust Deed, as in the Rules and Regulations of the General Hospital, for giving Donors or annual Subscribers any voice in the formation of the Rules and Regulations of the Hospital, or in the Election and Appointment of Trustees.

ADMINISTRATION OF THE TRUST.-The first building erected on the Hospital site was the Small Pox block, and from a report issued by the Trustees for the Half-year ending 31st day of December, 1874, it appears to have been completed and formally opened on the 15th day of June in that year. This Report contains an urgent appeal to the public for funds for the erection of a Scarlet Fever block. The Reports for 1875, 1876 and 1877 record the progress and completion of the " Gabell " or Scarlatina block, and in their Report for 1879 the Trustees express a hope they may be able to carry out the original design of adding Wings containing is beds each to the Gabell " block, the cost of which was estimated at about £1,500. In the year 1887-8, a some-what severe outbreak of Typhoid Fever occurred, and as these cases could not be received at the Delancey Hospital, they were treated at the General Hospital.

In November, 1880, the Trustees issued an appeal to the Sanitary Authorities. They therein estimated that at least .500 per annum was required for the maintenance of the Building and Staff, whether full or empty. The Terms are stated to be 21s. per week for each patient treated in the public wards to include medical attendance and all other expenses, and 10s. 6d. per diem for private wards, exclusive of medical attendance, delicacies, and extra nursing. The Trustees say " they are " painfully aware that these terms are high, and in many cases, especially to the poor, absolutely " prohibitory, thus defeating the first object of the Hospital which is to attract all cases of Small Pox " and Scarlet Fever to it immediately on an outbreak, yet under existing circumstances, however " much they may wish to do so, they feel quite unable to reduce them," and in conclusion they point to the advantages conferred on the Town by the Hospital, and they appeal in the interests of the Town, not only as a fashionable watering-place and resort for the young, but also from a mere monetary point of view, to assist in maintaining the Hospital. In the Report for the year 1881, the Trustees acknowledge another munificent donation from Mr. Gabell to the Endowment Fund of £2,000, which enabled them to reduce the terms for admission to the Private Wards from Subscribers of £1 1s., or Donors of £10 10s. one half, and to receive patients into the Public Wards at a uniform charge of 2s. a day instead of 3s. They further say that the space then available would certainly be inadequate if all cases of Scarlet Fever were sent to the Hospital, and " the Trustees are

forced to consider the necessity which may arise in the immediate future for erecting two Wings or " Public Wards which were contemplated in the original plan of the buildings."

In the year 1882, a very valuable Report on the use and influence of Hospitals for Infectious Diseases, prepared by Dr. Thorne, of the Local Government Board, was issued by the Board. This Report contains a very full and exhaustive description of the Delancey Hospital, accompanied by Maps and Plans of the Site and Buildings. Dr. Thorne states that having regard to the special requirements of Cheltenham, the Trustees had determined to erect (a) a detached Small Pox Pavilion,

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containing fourteen beds, inclusive of two in separate rooms, (b) a detached Scarlet Fever Pavilion for forty-two beds, inclusive of eight in separate rooms, and ten in convalescent rooms, (c) a detached Enteric Fever Pavilion, containing ten beds, two of which were to be in separate rooms, (d) a small detached Pavilion for two beds, to act as separation wards' for occasional cases of Typhus, &c., (e) a detached Administrative Building, and (f) Outbuildings consisting of Laundry, Ambulance Shed, Disinfecting Apparatus, Mortuary, &c. At the present date, however, only two of the Pavilions, namely, one for Small Pox and one for Scarlet Fever, together with certain Administrative Buildings, have been erected. To the Scarlet Fever Pavilion it is intended to add certain Wings not yet built."

The cost of the erection and furnishing of the Hospital apart from the purchase of the Site is stated to have been to that time £11,121 2s. 0d. The total number of beds then available is stated to be 32, and the cost per bed is put at £224.

In their Report for the year 1834, the Trustees say that twice during that year one of the Public (Scarlet Fever) Wards was full, and they again refer to the original intention to erect two Public Wards, each containing twelve beds for the poorer classes, observing that " the existing " Wards are soon filled during a commencing epidemic, and the Hospital then becomes powerless to " arrest the spread of the disease, except among those who frequent the Private Wards. Funds, " therefore, are urgently required for these very necessary extensions." The truth of these remarks and of those quoted from the " Appeal " has been most forcibly illustrated by the experience of the past year.

The Report for 1889 refers to seven cases of Diphtheria having been admitted during the year, two of them being unfortunately nurses, and states that the risks attending the treatment of this disease has induced the Trustees to refuse to admit them in future until a separate block can be appropriated for their reception, and it is hoped that the need which exists for such accommodation may induce the Town Council or private individuals to come forward and supply the necessary funds. The Trustees are, however, obliged to receive all cases of Small Pox, Scarlet Fever or Diphtheria, occurring amongst the Patients at the General Hospital, the Hospital having handed over to the Trustees a legacy of £210 which had been left some years previously by the late Mrs. Henney towards the erection of a Fever Hospital in connection with the General Hospital, on condition that they would do so.

These references in the Reports for 1888 and 1889 are the only references I can find relating to the original intention to build a detached Enteric Fever Pavilion, and one for Diphtheria, except a passage in the Report for the year 1890, in which the Trustees express their regret that they have been unable to provide accommodation for Diphtheritic or Typhoid Patients, but are prepared to do so if adequate funds for building and maintenance are provided, either by the Town Council or by the public of Cheltenham.

In May, 1890, in reply to overtures for negotiation of terms, the Trustees informed the Council that as regards provision for cases of Infectious Disease other than Small Pox or Scarlet Fever, they were prepared to provide accommodation for cases of Diphtheria and Typhoid if funds adequate for those purposes were found, either by the Council or by the Public of Cheltenham ; That they were not then prepared to devote any of their capital to building purposes, and that as regards Infectious diseases other than those already mentioned, it was not the intention of the Trustees to provide for them under any circumstances ; That they were not prepared to enter into negotiations with the Council until a sum of '200 (two years' subscription) which they alleged to be due to them—.

*It is here necessary to explain, and as the Trustees in their Report for the year 1891, state, that the charge of so. per day for Patients in the Public Wards had been increased to 3s. 6d. per day in consequence of the Council withholding their annual subsidy of Lion per annum. That in the year 1881 the Trustees entered into an agreement with the Corporation in consideration of the payment of a Subscription by the latter of £100 per annum to admit Patients sent in by the Council at a reduced charge of 2s. per diem, such charge to include food, medical attendance, and everything else then covered by the charge then being made of 3s. per diem. In the year 1887, the Trustees, without any notice to or communication with the Council, altered their Rules by providing that Patients who occupied a Muse rated to the Poor at £25 and upwards should pay for medical attendance. The Trustees contended that the Council was bound by such Rule as regards any Patients sent in by them. The Council respectfully differed, and the Trustees still claiming the right to alter, by their Rules, any agreement come to by them with the Corporation, the Annual Subscription was discontinued.

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had been paid, and that any further reply to the Resolution of the Public Health Committee was unnecessary. The Public Health Committee on this Resolved, "That the overtures made by the Committee having been rejected by the Trustees, negotiations be opened with the General Hospital "for the reception of Typhoid cases." Notwithstanding this abrupt and somewhat discourteous closing of the negotiations by the Trustees, the Public Health Committee again, later on, attempted to renew the negotiations with the Trustees for the reception and treatment by them of all cases of Infectious Disease, and for settling of the annual and other payments to be made by the Council, subject to the vesting of the management of the Hospital in a joint Committee of the Trustees and Members of the Council. The Trustees who had offered to build a block for the reception and treatment of cases of Diphtheria, at an estimated cost, £1,500, if a legally secured payment in perpetuity of £250 per annum was made by the Corporation, declined to entertain any proposition for vesting the management of the Hospital in a joint Committee, and this being an essential element in the Council's proposals, the Committee Resolved, " That, while desirous of entering into an arrangement with the " Trustees, and willing to contribute generously towards the cost of providing for public patients in " the Delancey Hospital, the Committee felt they could not commit the ratepayers to the payment " of a large annual contribution, legally secured ' in perpetuity, unless upon the condition of a representation of the Sanitary Authority upon the Management Committee of the Hospital and, " understanding the Resolution of the Delancey Trustees to mean that this requirement must be " abandoned as a preliminary to any conference between the two Bodies, they reluctantly felt that a " conference would, under the circumstances, be useless."

The circumstances connected with the recent outbreak of Scarlet Fever are too fresh in the recollection of the Members of the Council to render it necessary for me to refer to them at any length. It will suffice to say that in consequence of the inability of the Trustees to provide the requisite accommodation, it became necessary for the Corporation to erect, in connection with the

Scarlet Fever block, and furnish a temporary building capable of containing beds at a cost of £180, and to enter into special arrangements with the Trustees as to payments, &c., and the Hon. Secretary has recently informed the Council that until provision is made for extra cases, a maximum number of 17 Adults or 34 Children only can be admitted to the Public Wards, and when such provision has been made the number must be still further reduced to 12 Adults or 24 Children. The Corporation have also built an Ambulance Shed and provided Ambulances which are used both by the Corporation and the Trustees.

It is abundantly clear from the foregoing facts that the Trustees have, so far as the completion of the Hospital, according to their wishes and intentions and the original designs of the Founders is concerned, confessedly come to an end of their resources, and look to the Corporation to aid and assist them in the extension and completion of the Hospital.

The following Table, compiled from the Tables annexed to the Reports, and brought up to the present time, shews comparatively the use made of the Hospital by the several Local Authorities and the Public.

SMALL POX. The total number of cases of Small Pox treated at the Hospital from the year 1874 to the year 1895 inclusive :—

Treated in Private Wards	4	
Treated in Public Wards :-		
Sent in by the Corporation	10	
" Board of Guardians ...	9	
" Leckhampton Local Board	3	
" Individuals on payment	<u>15</u>	<u>37</u>
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SCARLET FEVER.

Number of cases of Scarlet Fever from the year 1877 to the present time :-

Treated in the Private Wards	126	
"College Sanatorium	30	
" Public Wards :—		
Sent in by the Corporation	372	
" Board of Guardians	58	
" Leckhampton Board	27	
" Charlton Kings Board	9	
" General Hospital ...	5	
" Individuals	247	
Members of Staff	11	<u>689</u>
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DIPHThERIA.

Number of cases of Diphtheria treated at the Hospital from the year 1874 to the year 1891, inclusive

Treated in the Private Wards ...	2
" " Public Wards :—	
Sent in by the Corporation ...	2

"	" Leckhampton Board	3	
"	" Individuals on payment	10	<u>15</u>
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The sums paid by the Corporation to the Trustees from the commencement to the present time amount for Annual Subscriptions for 64 years to £625, and for Patients £1,594 0s. 0d. Of this latter sum, the sum received by the Corporation from Patients in repayment amounts only to £37 11s. 6d.

FINANCIAL POSITION Or THE TRUST.-My Report on this point must be taken subject to correction, as the Capital Accounts of the Trustees issued in their Reports are by no means clear, and in some respects obviously imperfect. From the best information I can obtain, it would seem that from first to last the Trustees have received on Capital Account approximately between £17,000 and £18,000, (£4,500 of which, or thereabouts, belongs to the Endowment Fund). Of this sum £4,000 was contributed by the Delancey heirs, about £9000 by Mr. Gabell, and the remainder by the Public generally. Dr. Thorne states that at the date of his Report (1882), the cost of the erection, &c., of the Hospital apart from the purchase of the land (which cost £1,225) came to £11,121 2s. 0d. Since that date there has been expended on Capital Account for the Lodge, and some other subsidiary Buildings, Boundary Wall, Laying Out Garden, Drainage, &c., &c., about £1,050. The amount invested in Consols is £4,500, and the Capital Account of the Trustees for the year ending 31st December, 1891, shews a Balance on Deposit at the Bank of £2,177 8s. 4d.

The Honorary Secretary, Dr. Wilson, informs me that there " is no Endowment fund strictly speaking," but that the Invested Capital is £6,500, this amount being doubtless made up of the above-mentioned sum on Deposit at the Bank, and the amount invested in Consols. I do not quite understand Dr. Wilson's meaning, but his statement is inconsistent with the facts recorded by the Trustees themselves. The Report for 1878, and Appeal to the Sanitary Authorities records the gift by Mr. Gabell of £1,000 Consols as the commencement of " an Endowment Fund," and in this Appeal the Trustees say they have as yet " as an Endowment Fund only £4,500 Consols." In the Report for 1881, the Trustees acknowledge a gift of £2,000 towards an " Endowment Fund" from Mr. Gabell ; also an Anonymous Donation of £100 through Mr. Skillicorne " towards the Endowment."

The Annual Subscriptions from 1875 to 1891, inclusive, and Donations carried to Income Account have averaged £353 2s. 0d. per annum. One year the amount reached £552 8s. 9d., but this included a Legacy of £200.

The present Trustees are :—W. G. Gurney, Esq. (Hon. Treasurer), E. T. Wilson, Esq., M.B. Hon. Secretary), G. A. Cardew, Esq., Baron de Ferrieres, W. Gardner, Esq., Rev. G. P. Griffiths, Capt. J. C. Griffith, Sir A. E. Ramsay, Burt., Major-Genl. Thomson, R.E., Capt. Welch, R.N., C. Wilson, Esq. and G. B. Wilts, Esq.

The names in Italics are on the Committee of Management.

POWERS OF THE CORPORATION.-The Public Health Act enables Local Authorities to provide Hospitals for the use of the inhabitants of their District, and for that purpose they may build Hospitals or contract for the use of a Hospital or any part thereof, or enter into any agreement with the Managers of any Hospital for the reception of the sick inhabitants of their District on payment of such annual or other sum as may be agreed on.

The policy of legislation with regard to the class of persons suffering from Infectious Disorders who should be sent to Hospitals is indicated by Section 124 of the Public Health Act, 1875, which provides for the removal to a Hospital of persons so suffering who are without proper lodging or

accommodation, and it needs no argument to shew that such persons have a prior claim to Hospital accommodation to those whose circumstances enable them to isolate Infectious cases in their own dwellings, and to effectually disinfect any rooms that have been occupied by persons suffering from the disease.

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The Urban Sanitary Authority are however informed by the Trustees that the largest number of beds in the Scarlet Fever block that can be placed at the disposal of the Authority is 12 and that, after an outlay of between £13,000 and £14,000. The Trustees say, and truly so, that the Corporation are responsible for the health of the Town, but it by no means follows, as they have also suggested, that the Corporation should build another Hospital. It cannot be doubted that the Local Government Board would, under all the circumstances of the case, refuse sanction to a Loan for such a purpose until every possible means of utilising the existing Hospital and Site had been exhausted. A separate Hospital for Infectious diseases would not be tolerated for a moment. Then comes the question whether the Corporation could not erect the necessary buildings for the treatment of Typhoid, Diphtheria, and other Infectious diseases on the existing Site, which it must be borne in mind will shortly be within the Borough, and manage them separately. This course also would seem to be quite out of the question. Two separate administrations on the same ground and in the same buildings would obviously be impracticable, to say nothing of the double expense incurred thereby.

Thus there remains no alternative but to come to some arrangement if possible under Sec. 23 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, empowering the Trustees and the Corporation to vest the management of the Hospital in a joint Committee of the Trustees and Members of the Council, a Section which was inserted in the Act for the express purpose of dealing with the state of things which now exists, and which Section be it observed was not opposed by the Trustees.

The Corporation have accordingly again made overtures to the Trustees for the completion of the Hospital by the Council, according to the original designs, and the erection of other necessary buildings, the management of the Hospital when completed to be vested in a joint Committee consisting of an equal number of the Trustees and of Members of the Council. Having regard to the relative populations of the Borough and the surrounding Districts, and the comparative numbers of Patients sent into the Hospital by the Council and by the other Local Authorities in apportioning the representation, it cannot be said that the representation asked for by the Council is excessive or other than most moderate. The Deed of Endowment states that the Trust is for the benefit of the "Town and neighbourhood." The Trustees construe this to mean the area of the Cheltenham Union, but I should rather take it to mean the Parishes immediately surrounding and adjacent to Cheltenham. Taking however the more extended area, the population that will be within the jurisdiction of the Corporation will be next year about 47,500, and the population of the remaining area will be about 7,200. The principle of the representation of the Local Authorities on the governing bodies of Charities was fully considered in the year 1884 by a Select Committee of the House of Commons appointed to enquire into the operation of the Charitable Trusts Acts, and they (unanimously on this particular point) reported as follows :—

(2.) The Enlargement of the Governing Bodies of Charities." " The older charities, with rare exceptions, are in the hands of a limited number of " co-optative Trustees without any representative element, or are in the hands of ex-officio Trustees, " such as the Vicar or Churchwardens of the Parish. The Charity Commissioners, in framing a new " scheme, as a rule greatly enlarge the number of Trustees, and require that a considerable number " of them shall be representative, i.e., nominated by some existing representative body, such as the " Corporation,

where the Charity is within a Municipal boundary ; and in the case of Rural Parishes, where there is no such representative body, they not unfrequently require that a certain number of " the Trustees shall be elected by the Ratepayers. It is stated that this introduction of the Local " Representative Element has been of comparatively recent date, and has been extended, as experience " has shown that it has given satisfaction. Your Committee are of opinion that it is of great importance to give effect to this principle, and without laying down any specific rule as to the proportion " of such Representative Trustees, think that it will be well to secure in the future a full application " of this principle."

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Now, if it is a right and proper thing to do in cases of charities generally, to secure a full application of the principle of representation, how much more right and proper is it when the body that has to be represented is one having nearly the whole responsibility attaching to the subject matter in respect of which the Charity was established. The foregoing Extract from the Report of the Select Committee indicates the means by which such representation may be secured, viz. :—a new scheme ; but if that should not prove to be feasible, then an application for a Provisional Order to amend Section 23 of the Improvement Act of 1889, or direct application to Parliament might be made.

The reputation of Cheltenham as a health resort stands high, and no efforts should be spared to obtain an efficient control by the governing body of the Town of the means of upholding and extending such reputation.

Yours faithfully,

E. T. BRYDGES,

Town Clerk.

25th October, 1892.

To the Public Health Committee of the Urban Sanitary Authority of Cheltenham.

GENTLEMEN,

In compliance with your request, I have to report upon the requirements of the Town of Cheltenham as to an Isolation Hospital for the treatment of Infectious Diseases, and also as to the accommodation already afforded for the same at the Delancey Fever Hospital. First, as to the character of the Town and its population. Cheltenham is generally looked upon as a first-class residential place. Its better class population is composed largely of Army and Navy retired Officers with their families, as well as of independent civilians, who have settled here for the special advantages offered by the Colleges for educating their children, or from the fact of the district being a pleasant one in which to live on account of its picturesque surroundings, its amplitude of amusements, and its society. Of the large Schools in the Town the chief are the Boys' College and the Ladies' College, which have between them about 1,500 pupils. A considerable proportion of these coming from distant places are located in Boarding Houses, some of which are presided over by the masters and mistresses of the respective Colleges. The Boys' College has made for itself a sufficient provision for isolating Scarlet Fever cases by building a block in connection with the Delancey Fever Hospital, and the further provision of a place for the isolation of Measles, &c., is spoken of at the present time. The Ladies' College has also a Sanatorium which provides accommodation for its pupils. Besides the class of residents already mentioned, there is a surprisingly large population of the very poorest sort, and it is in this population that epidemics are wont to have origin, this

population which supplies the bulk of the cases of Infectious Diseases, and for which the provision of an adequate Isolation Hospital is mainly required.

Taking the Town altogether, and keeping in mind its reputation as a health resort and a collegiate centre, which reputation the Town Council is at this time most anxious to maintain and increase, the accommodation for isolation of Infectious Diseases by the Sanitary Authority should be not less, but rather more, than that provided in other Towns of the same population.

There is no law of compulsion in regard to the removal of Infectious cases to Hospital, unless they be without proper lodging, so that we are dependent in great measure upon the good-will of the people to go into the Hospital when suffering from Infectious Disease, and having regard to their poverty, and the desirability of keeping the streets free of Infectious Diseases by promptly sending all cases, if possible, into Hospital, I am of opinion that the Sanitary Authority of Cheltenham would be acting wisely in making the treatment of all cases in the public wards gratuitous. There should be convenience however for patients who prefer to pay to be nursed and privately.

In considering the numbers of beds required I would first direct your attention particularly to conditions caused by the notification of the chief Infectious Diseases. Previous to the adoption of notification very little use had been made of the Delancey Fever Hospital by the Cheltenham Urban Sanitary Authority. The chief reason of this lay in the fact of the impossibility of discovering existing cases. Judging from the deaths that were registered, it is certain that in each year, very many more cases of Infectious Disease than those that came to the knowledge of the

Medical Officer of Health had existence in the Town. Having no certain means of discovering existing cases the Medical Officer of Health was powerless to send them into Hospital. He now has knowledge of every case that occurs and is anxious to isolate every case from the first, so that the numbers which henceforward will be sent into Hospital are likely to greatly exceed those sent in previous to the adoption of Notification. The main utility of Notification lies in the possibility of Isolation.

I consider that the Sanitary Authority of Cheltenham should have at command such accommodation for the Isolation of Infectious Diseases as indicated below :

30 Beds for Scarlet Fever, with an air space per bed of not less than 1,500 cubic feet.

8 Beds for Small Pox, with an air space per bed of 2,000 cubic feet. The Small Pox Hospital to be detached, and as far removed as convenient from the other Wards.

18 Beds distributed in 3 or 4 separate Wards, with an air space per bed of not less than 1,500 cubic feet. This Hospital to be separated from the Scarlet Fever and Small Pox Hospitals. The use of the Wards of this block not to be assigned, but to be at any time brought into requisition, at the discretion and order of the Medical Officer of Health, for any case of any disease that he requires to isolate.

I have made no mention of the few private wards that are required for paying patients.

The provision for Isolation possessed at this time by the Urban Sanitary Authority of Cheltenham is at the Delancey Fever Hospital, which is situated just outside the Borough Boundary in Leckhampton Parish.

A Small Pox Hospital already exists there which is of sufficient size to meet the requirements of the Town.

The only other disease for which there is provision at the Delancey Hospital is Scarlet Fever, and the total number of beds allotted to the Urban Sanitary Authority is 12. In the grounds however, there is also a temporary wood and galvanized iron structure recently erected at the cost of the Cheltenham Urban Authority with cubic air space sufficient for 9 or 10 beds. This structure is only intended and only fit for temporary use. The Wards of the Delancey Hospital, allotted as above, have been greatly overcrowded with patients during some months of the present year.

The Delancey Hospital is managed by 12 Trustees under a deed, and is independent of the Urban Sanitary Authority of Cheltenham. The Trustees make such charges to the Cheltenham Town Council as they themselves determine for treatment of the cases sent in by the Medical Officer of Health of Cheltenham, and at the present time with full Wards, must be making a handsome profit out of the 3s 6d a day per case that they charge to the Council.

Generally, in Towns where Fever Hospitals have been erected it has been done at the Public cost, and the management is vested in the Sanitary Authority, Cheltenham being an exception to the rule. The Notifications of Infectious Diseases have to be sent to the Medical Officer of Health, who then deals with the cases according to his discretion. He is the only person for the time being who has knowledge of the existence of all the cases. He is responsible to the friends of the patients and to the Town Council for the cases that go into Hospital. He tells the parents, who are often distressed at the idea of their children being removed, that he will take care of them. It is therefore desirable that he should have power in the management of the Fever Hospital as he commonly has in other towns. At present he is in the unfortunate position of having responsibility and no power in regard to the placing and treatment of infectious cases notified to him in his district, and which he sends into Hospital.

The Medical Officer of the Delancey Hospital is not an Officer of the Sanitary Authority, although the Sanitary Authority is responsible for the bulk of the cases placed under his treatment.

The agreement with the Delancey Trustees as to the reception and treatment of Fever cases appears to be very lax, in fact at the present time there is no proper agreement at all. The positions of the Cheltenham Urban Sanitary Authority and the Delancey Trustees should be clearly defined, and I must ask on my own account, as well as on that of the Sanitary Authority, in the event of the Infectious cases being sent to the Delancey Hospital as hitherto, and so placed under the management of the Trustees, that a proper agreement be made and signed by them whereby the entire care and responsibility for all cases sent into the Hospital shall be with them.

The position of matters has become altogether different to what it was when the Delancey Endowment Deed was made. The management of Infectious Diseases is now unnecessarily complicated by the fact of the Cheltenham Fever Hospital being controlled by a body that is not the Sanitary Authority. The proper body to have control of the Fever Hospital is now undoubtedly that which is legally constituted to administer all the laws relating to Public Health, to wit, the Sanitary Authority, as represented by the Public Health Committee.

I am, Gentlemen, Yours faithfully, J. H. GARRETT, Medical Officer of Health.

October 28th, 1892.

Borough of Cheltenham

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, November 30th, 1892.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend the Monthly Meeting) of the Council, as such, and Acting as Urban Sanitary Authority and as a Burial Board, to be held in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Offices, on Monday, the 5th day of December next, at Three o'clock in the afternoon, at which Meeting the following business is proposed to be transacted, and any other business that may legally be transacted at such Meeting.

1. To read and sign the Minutes of the last Meeting.
2. To receive any official communications and take measures thereon.
3. To approve or otherwise the proceedings of THE STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE. PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE. TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE. WATER COMMITTEE. GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE. BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE. BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE. FINANCE COMMITTEE. ELECTRIC LIGHTING COMMITTEE.—And to confirm the Special Report sent herewith.

THE PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE. SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.

4. Councillor Lawrence to move :— " That it is desirable that the fine imposed on Members of the Council on their resignation be reduced".

5. Notices of Motion.

6. To read the following letter, and pass Resolution thereon, if need be. The President of the Local Government Board re Employment of Labour.

Yours faithfully,

E. T. BRYDGES,

Town Clerk.

Borough of Cheltenham

MINUTES of the Proceedings of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the Monthly Meeting of the Council, to be held on Monday, the 5th (f December, 1892.

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 28th day of November, 1892—Present : The Mayor; Aldermen Haddon and Thoyts ; Councillors Darby, Lawrence, Parsonage, Steel, and King (Alderman Col. Thoyts in the chair)—

1-Chairman—Alderman Col. Thoyts was re-appointed Chairman of this Committee during the ensuing year.

2- Gas Examiner's Monthly Report — The Monthly Report of the Gas Examiner was read : Average Illuminating Power, 16.00 candles. Purity, 8.50 grains of sulphur per 100 cubic feet.

3- Gas Inspector's Monthly Report—The Monthly Report of the Gas Inspector was read : Average hourly consumption of Gas per lamp during the month, 4.274 cubic feet

4—Lamp Book—The Book kept at the Police Station was produced and examined. Lamps extinguished, 40 (5 metered). Burning dimly, 67 (5 metered).

2— Street Projections—The Street Inspector reported that the following persons had put up the projections mentioned below in contravention of the Bye Laws, viz. :—

Messrs. Dicks & Sons, three movable ornamental Lamps in font of window on East side of shop entrance, at No. 173, High Street.

Messrs. Gough & Edwards, a movable Gas Rail in front of window on East side of shop entrance, at No. 405, High Street.

Letters were read from Messrs. Dicks & Sons relative to their lamps, and from Mr. G. Stibbs requesting leave to put up a Hairdresser's Pole at No. 3, North Street.

Resolved, That the Lamps of Messrs. Dicks & Sons be allowed, on their being kept seven feet high from the pavement, in the clear ; That Messrs. Gough & Edwards' Gas Rail be permitted to remain ; and that leave be given for the erection of the Hairdressers' Pole at 3, North Street,—the permission granted being in each case subject to the right of the Council to require the removal of the projection if they think fit at any future time The further consideration of Messrs. Stead & Simpson's lamps was again adjourned.

3—Surveyor's Monthly Report, re Highways —The Surveyor reported that the following works had been done in his Department during the past month Repaired with Clee Hill Stone—Promenade 5,066 super yards ; Alstone Lane 2,245 ditto ; St. George's Place 1,575 ditto; St. George's Road 1,416 ditto

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Patching— Bath Road, Regent Street, Depot, Hales Road, Oriel Road, Prestbury Road, Winchcomb Street, St. James's Street, Sherburne Street, Lansdown Terrace, Gloucester Road.

Wickwar Stone Patching—Thirlestaine Road, Naunton Lane, Naunton Crescent, Swindon Road, Millbrook Street, Christ Church Road, County Court Street, All Saints Road, Gas Lane, Western Road, Roman Road, Devonshire Street.

Curbing, Crossing and Flagging—Montpellier Street, St. Paul's Street N., Bath Road, Suffolk Square, Andover Retreat, Priory Terrace, Parabola Road, St. James's Street, High Street, Warwick Place, Queen Street, Tivoli Road, County Court Street, Fauconberg Road, Henrietta Street, New Street, Tewkesbury Road, Carlton Street, Hales Road, Albion Street, St. George's Place, Hewlett Road.

New Crossing laid down in Lansdown Road, at the end of Hatherley Road.

Footpaths: Gravel—Naunton Lane (re-formed from Thirlestaine Road to Naunton Park Terrace), Princes Street

Footpaths : Asphalte—Ambrose Street.

Footpaths : Tariff Repairs—Albion Street, Swindon Road, Monson Avenue, Gloucester Road, St. Paul's Street N.

New Gullies to replace defective ones : 2 in Alstone Lane.

Trees planted : 6 in Christ Church Road, 9 in Queen's Road, 1 in Lansdown Road.

Trees pruned: Cemetery Road, Cleeve Road, Pittville Circus Road, All Saints Road, Hewlett Road, Prestbury Road, Hales Road, Albion Street, College Road, Keynsham Road, Orrisdale Terrace.

Private Improvements—Alstone Lane' and Cloddimore Road, both finished.

Ashes Collected—Van Loads 565 ; Cart Loads 517 ; consumed at the Destructor 850 tons 18 cwt. 2 qrs.

7—Christ Church Road (from Queen's Road to "Trevena,") Clare Street -Footpath by back of Cambray Chapel —Specifications from the Surveyor, of date the 28th inst., of the works required to be done to the above streets, were read and approved. Resolved, That the necessary plans, sections and estimates be prepared, and notices be given under Section 150 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the owners of the premises fronting adjoining, or abutting upon the parts of the said streets, requiring to be severed, levelled, paved, metalled, flagged, channelled, or made good ; requiring them to do the specified works within 28 days; and that, if such notices are not complied with, the Surveyor do proceed to execute the works mentioned or referred to therein ; and that the expenses thereof be recovered in the manner provided by the Act. And further, in the case of Clare Street and the footpath by back of Cambray Chapel, regard be had, in apportioning the expenses of the works, to the greater or less degree of benefit to be derived therefrom by any premises which are benefitted by the works.

8—Great Western Road—A Specification from the Surveyor, of date the 28th instant, of the works required to be done to the above street, was read and approved. Resolved, That Notice be given under Section 44 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1852, to the owners of the premises fronting, adjoining, or abutting upon the parts of the said street, requiring to be drained, levelled, repaired, flagged and channelled requiring them to do the specified works within 28 days ; and that, if such notice is not complied with, the Surveyor do proceed to execute the works mentioned or referred to therein ; and that the expenses thereof be recovered in the manner provided by the Act.

9— Private Improvement Works—Wellington Street, York Terrace, and Glenfall Street—The Surveyor reported that the Private Improvement Works ordered in the above streets had been completed at a cost of £155 1s. 10d., £127 19s. 5d. and £76 10s. 2d. respectively, which sums he had apportioned amongst the various abutting owners, in manner set forth in the apportionments, in the apportionment of the expenses of the works in Glenfall Street, regard being had to the greater or less degree of benefit derived by the premises Nos 5, 7 and 9, Selkirk Street, and No. 33, Glenfall Street. Resolved, That the apportionments be approved and Notice thereof given to the Owners, and demand made for repayment of the sums respectively due from them.

10--Old Bath Road Improvement—The Surveyor submitted an amended Plan of the works proposed to be effected in this road, the cost of which he estimated at £1,500. Resolved, That the Town Clerk do write to the County Council, informing them what it is proposed to do in the matter of the improvement of this road, and enquire if the County Council will be pre-pared to contribute a part of the expense.

11-Damage to No. 3, Suffolk Road—A Letter from Mr Christopher Lane, forwarding a claim for £4 on account of damage alleged to have been done to his property, No 3, Suffolk Road, by the steam roller passing along the street, was read. Resolved, That Mr. Lane be informed the Committee cannot admit any liability in this matter.

12—Accident to Councillor Marshall, J.P., of Leicester—Letters were read from Messrs. Wright, Williams & Wright, solicitors, of Leicester, on behalf of Mr. Councillor Marshall, who is stated to have

injured himself by stumbling over a defective piece of paving in Priory Terrace, on the 31st Oct. last, asking the Corporation to make some proposal on the subject rather than that he should make a definite claim for compensation, a Letter from the Town Clerk to Messrs. Wright and their reply- Resolved, That the Town Clerk do write to Messrs. Wright & Co., expressing the regret of the Corporation at the unfortunate accident which befell Councillor Marshall, but they feel that in face of the recent decision of the House of Lords in the case of Cowley v. The Newmarket Local Board, they cannot create a precedent admitting liability of the Corporation to accidents arising from non-repair of the highway by recognising Councillor Marshall's claim to compensation.

13 -New Street Improvement—London & North Western Railway—A letter from Mr. Chas. Hull, making an offer, on behalf of the London & North Western Railway Company, of £600 for the premises at the corner of New Street and Ambrose Street, including those now leased by and in the occupation of the Company, was read. Resolved, That this offer be accepted, subject to the elevation of the buildings fronting both streets being, to the approval of the Corporation.

14—St. Stephen's Road—Flagging in—A letter from Mr. C. Winstone complaining of being required by the Surveyor to take up a portion of the flagging as not being in accordance with the Specification, was read. Resolved, That Mr. Winstone be required to carry out the specification strictly.

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15- New Buildings—The Surveyor submitted Notices and Plans received by him from the following persons intending to erect new Buildings, all of which were approved, viz. :— Messrs. Norman & Sawyer—Additions to St. George's Hall. Miss E. Baylis—Two Houses in Leighton Road. Mrs. Ormerod for addition to " Wrotham," Hewlett Road.

The Plan submitted by Mr. Robert Steel last month was again considered.

Resolved, That same be approved, and that consent be given to the bringing forward of the Shop front on the ground floor as shown on the plan.

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 25th day of November, 1892—Present: The Mayor; Alderman Wethered ; Councillors Feeney, Hands, Norman, Darby, and Parsonage, (The Mayor in the chair)—

1- Chairman—The Mayor was re-appointed Chairman of this Committee during the ensuing year.

2-Dairies and Cow Sheds Order—An application of William Moulter, Newberry Cottages, Tewkesbury Road, to be Registered as a Purveyor of Milk, and the Report of the Medical Officer of Health thereon was considered. Resolved that Mr. Moulter be Registered as soon as the Corporation Water is laid on to the premises.

3—Regulations under—A letter from the Local Government Board, expressing regret that the Council did not propose to proceed with the making of Regulations under the Order, and that the responsibility of not making them must rest with the Town Council was read, and the further consideration of the matter was adjourned.

4—Zymotic Disease—The Medical Officer of Health reported that there had been 30 new cases of Scarlet Fever and 1 of Diphtheria during the past month and that measles had been epidemic in certain quarters of the town.

5--Closing of Schools—The Medical Officer of Health reported that he had required the Infants' Department of All Saints' School to be closed on the 7th inst., and the Infants' Department of the Ragged School on the 15th inst., both on account of the prevalence of measles, and that he had reported the same to the Local Government Board. Also that the re-opening of St. Gregory's Schools had, on his advice, been postponed for two or three weeks longer.

6—Cholera—The Medical Officer of Health read a Report on this subject which he had been required by the Local Government Board to furnish. A Letter from Mr Clutterbuck, Clerk to the Charlton Kings Local Board, enquiring if in the event of a serious and extensive outbreak of cholera occurring in that neighbourhood, the Council would be willing to join with the Local Board in erecting a temporary hospital for the reception and treatment of persons suffering from that disease, was read. Resolved, That Mr. Clutterbuck be informed that the Committee are not prepared at present to come to any decision on the subject.

7— Houses without a proper Supply of Water—It appearing On the Report of the Surveyor that the houses, No. 35, Stanhope Street, and 23, Albert Street, are without any supply of water, and that such supply can be readily obtained from the Corporation mains at a cost not exceeding the Water Rate authorised by the Corporation Water Acts. Resolved, That notices be given under Sec. 62 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the Owners requiring them to obtain such supply, and that in de-fault thereof the water be laid on and the expenses recovered in manner provided by the Act.

The Medical Officer of Health laid before the Committee a List of Houses the water in the wells whereof is unfit for domestic consumption, and in the closets of which houses flushing boxes should be fixed. Resolved, That notices be given under Sec. 70 of the Public Health Act, 1875, requiring the wells to be closed, and under Sec 28 of the Improvement Act, 1889, requiring flushing boxes to be provided in the water closets of the houses in question.

8—Filthy Houses—The Medical Officer of Health laid before the Committee his Certificate that the houses Nos. 35, 37, and 39, St. James's Street and No. 14, Whitehart Street, are in such a filthy and unwholesome condition that the health of the inmates is endangered thereby. Resolved, That notice be given under Sec. 46 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the occupiers to whitewash, cleanse and purify the said houses, and in default of compliance with the notices, penalties be proceeded for.

9-- Receptacles for Manure— The Medical Officer of Health laid before the Committee a List of 37 cases in which notices to the occupiers, of the Byelaws, had been given, but in which cases the Byelaws had not been complied with. Resolved, That proceedings be taken against the parties for recovery of penalties unless the Byelaws are complied with.

10— Notices not complied with--The Medical Officer of Health laid before the Committee a return of notices served to execute works of repair, trapping drains, &c., which had not been complied with. Resolved, That the same be referred to the Town Clerk to take such proceedings as may be necessary in each particular instance to enforce compliance with the notices.

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11—Naunton Park Road, Sewerage of- Lloyd—A Letter from Mr. T. Lloyd, on the subject of the sewerage of the houses in this road, one of which he was about to build, was read. Mr. Lloyd attended the Committee and explained the position of his house in relation to the sewers in the

neighbourhood Resolved, That the sewer be extended along this road from the sewer in the Old Bath Road for a distance of 50 feet.

12-- Steam Disinfectors—The Medical Officer of Health laid before the Committee Draft of Regulations which he 'proposed to make for the use of the Disinfectors and Table of Charges to be made for the use of it by other Local Authorities and persons residing out of the Borough, and the same were considered and approved as now settled.

13-- Public Slaughter Houses—A Memorial from Mr Frank Laurence and other butchers on the subject of the charges to be made for the use of the Slaughter Houses, was read, and referred to the Borough Surveyor to report thereon.

14 --Minnow Ditch—The Medical Officer of Health called attention to the neglected and filthy state of this water course, near Naunton Crescent, Resolved, That the abutting owners be required to culvert the stream where it is now open.

15--Hewletts Reservoirs—The Medical Officer of Health having reported that he had been for some weeks examining the water in these Reservoirs, and watching the changes therein, and having suggested that he should be allowed to report upon the subject before the works for conveying the water to Dowdeswell were commenced. Resolved, That this Committee approve of the suggestion of the Medical Officer of Health and that this Minute be referred to the Water Committee for their consideration.

16—Delancey Hospital—A Letter from Dr. E. T. Wilson, forwarding copies of Resolutions passed by the Trustees at their meeting on the 21st inst., and a copy of a letter which had at the same meeting been received from the Matron of the Hospital respecting the wooden building erected by the Corporation for scarlet fever cases, was read. Also the Resolutions referred to as follows

Resolved, That the Trustees having already taken steps to complete the Hospital in accordance with the present needs of the Town of Cheltenham and its neighbourhood, cannot now entertain the proposal of the Corporation for effecting the work at their own expense. On the completion of the building the Trustees will be prepared to consider proposals from the Corporation for representation and for payment, by the case or by an annual subscription. It was Resolved, The Trustees are prepared to adopt an inclusive charge for patients, but as the subject requires careful consideration no reply can be given until after the next meeting of the Trustees.

The Matron's letter stated that under existing circumstances the temporary buildings could not be continued to be nursed, and that either the connecting corridor must be put up or proper accommodation provided in it, viz., a kitchen, Nurses' room, &c. The Surveyor reported that the corridor was in progress and would soon be finished.

[At this stage of the proceedings the Mayor vacated the chair, and Ald. Wethered was appointed Chairman for the remainder of the meeting.]

The further consideration of Resolutions of the Delancey Trustees was adjourned to a meeting of the Committee to be held on Friday next, at 11 a m.

17—Factory and Workshops Act —A circular letter from the Local Government Board of date the 19th inst., calling attention to an Order which had been recently issued by the Secretary of State under these Acts requiring lists to be kept of outworkers in the following businesses, viz., The Manufacture of Articles of Wearing Apparel, Cabinet and Furniture Making and Upholstery work, Manufacture of Electro-plate and the manufacture of Files, such Lists being open to inspection by

any officer of a Sanitary Authority, and stating that all practicable means should be taken to make the Order known to all who have to comply with it or are affected by it ; that the Medical Officer of Health and Inspector of Nuisances should be instructed to examine the lists from time to time and inspect the workshops and houses in which out-workers are employed so that any sanitary evils existing in them might be promptly dealt with. Resolved, That Notice of the Order be printed, delivered, and posted, and that the Medical Officer of Health and Inspector of Nuisances be instructed to act as suggested by the Local Government Board.

18—Accounts—The following Accounts were examined and allowed :—

E. Jones, Four Week's Wages	£5 0 0
J. H. Long, One Month's Salary	£8 6 8
Thomas Bros. Eucalyptus Oil	£1 17 9
Knight & Co., Inspectors' Pocket Books	£0 12 0
C. Malvern, Work at Swindon Place	£91 0 0
Delancey Hospital, Extra Nursing	£8 8 0
" " Treatment of Patients	£126 14 0
Medical Officer, Cab Hire	£2 0 4
W. Ursell, Horsing Ambulance	£4 15 0

J. C. GRIFFITH,
Chairman.

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At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 2nd day of December, 1892—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Wethered ; Councillors Darby, Feeney, Hands, Norman, Parsonage, and Williams (The Mayor in the chair)—

19—Delancey Hospital--The Resolutions of the Delancey Trustees, read at the last meeting of the Committee, were further considered. Resolved, That the Committee regret the decision come to by the Trustees. It cannot but fear from the past action and recorded resolutions of the Trustees that their refusal to avail themselves of the assistance of the Corporation in the matter of capital expenditure is dictated by the desire to exclude the Corporation from any voice in the government of the Hospital.

The Committee must again insist that the Corporation are the Body entrusted by the Legislature under the Public Health Acts, and the more recent Infectious Diseases Notification and Infectious Diseases Prevention Acts, with, and are responsible for, the prevention and treatment of Infectious Disease and the health of the town, and they are, therefore, the proper Body to judge of what is in accordance with the " present (and future) needs " of the town, and are prepared to incur whatever expenditure may be necessary for those purposes.

The Committee cannot be a party to the further and indefinite delay indicated in the Trustees' resolution, and seeing that if the Trustees contemplate acceding to the requirements of the Corporation, they could at once enter into an agreement to give it representation without reference to the date at which such agreement should take effect, the Committee again press upon the Trustees for an immediate and definite reply to the demand made for equal representation upon the Board of Trustees.

That the Trustees be respectfully asked to give a reply to this demand not later than the 15th Dec. and that as soon after that date as practicable a special meeting of the Council be called to receive the Trustees' reply, and take action thereon, if in the affirmative, and if no reply has then been received, or if the reply be in the negative, to take such steps as the Council may be advised, before the Charity Commissioners or Parliament, to promote a scheme for the management of the Delancey Trust or otherwise to place the Trust under control of the Sanitary Authority.

J. C. GRIFFITH,

Chairman.

TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 21st day of November, 1892—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Thoys ; Councillors Drew, Heath, Lawrence, Norman and Waghorne (Councillor Waghorne in the chair)—

1-Chairman—Councillor Waghorne was re-appointed Chairman of this Committee during the ensuing year.

2 - Montpellier Gardens—A Letter from-Mr. G. H. Williams, Secretary of the Company, in reply to the Resolution of this Committee of the 26th Oct. last, stating that possession of the gardens might be had at once on the usual terms and the Town Clerk's reply thereto, were read. Resolved, That if possession of the gardens is given for the purpose referred to in the Committee's Resolution and for laying out, planting and other similar purposes, £5,500 be paid as a deposit in part of the purchase money without prejudice to any question of title or conveyance.

3—Great Western Railway Station—A Letter front Mr. Nelson, solicitor to the Great Western Railway Co., in reply to a Letter from the Town Clerk, stating that a Tender for the erection of the new Station was accepted on the 30th August last, but that in consequence of some modifications therein the execution of the contract had been delayed, and that it was now in course of signature, and that the contract for the station, yard, &c., was signed and dated 28th Sept. last, was read.

The Town Clerk read a correspondence he had had with Mr. Knight in which the latter denied that he was the cause of the delay in the commencement of the erection of the new station or that he had had any correspondence with anyone about the new station.

4-Borough Boundaries—Extension of—A Letter of date the 9th inst., from the Local Government Board, stating that, having regard to the alterations of dates and other matters which it would be necessary to make in the existing order to adapt it to the altered circumstances caused by the postponement of the extension till November next, it appeared to be preferable to rescind the existing Order and issue a corrected one, and they had accordingly sent two prints of the Order so altered and requesting the necessary corrections as regards the liabilities which will be outstanding on the 9th Nov. next, to be made, was read The Town Clerk stated that he was in course of obtaining the necessary information from the Clerks to the Local Boards of Leckhampton and Chariton Kings, and would return the Order as soon as he was able to make the necessary corrections therein.

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5-Pittville Estate--A Letter from Messrs. Olive requesting permission to take a tricycle for delivery of goods through the gardens round the back of the Pump Room from one side to the other, was read. Resolved, That Messrs. Olive be informed that the use of tricycles in the gardens is prohibited by the

Byelaws, and that if such permission is given to one subscriber it must be accorded to all who ask for it, and this the Committee are not prepared to do.

JNO. WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

TRAIN SERVICE SUB-COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 8th day of November, 1892—Present The Mayor ; Alderman Wethered ; Councillor Lawrence. Also the following Gentlemen :—J. T. Agg Gardner, Esq., Member for the Borough. Dr. E. T. Wilson, representing the Medical Profession. A. A. Hunter, Esq., representing the College. E. W. Brereton, Esq., representing the Ladies' College. Mr. Councillor Norman, representing the Press.

(The Mayor in the chair)-

6 -Great Western Train Service--Letters from Mr. Lambert, Manager of the Great Western Railway, Miss Beale, Mr. Agg-Gardner, M.P., and others, were read. The subject having been fully discussed, Resolved, That it be represented to the Directors of the Great Western Railway

(1) That Cheltenham ought to, as it can, be placed within 21 hours of London by rail.

(2) That there should be, at least, two fast trains each way in the day between Cheltenham and Oxford, in connection with the fast trains via Oxford to London

(3) That there is a great want not only of quicker communication with London but also with Oxford in connection with the Educational establishments of Cheltenham

(4) That a re-arrangement and improvement of the Local train service between Cheltenham and Gloucester is much needed. Resolved, further, that the foregoing Resolutions be forwarded to the Directors of the Company, and that they be asked to appoint an early day to receive the Committee, and give them an opportunity of placing their views and suggestions on the subject before the Directors.

J. C. GRIFFITH,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 30th day of November, 1892 — Present: The Mayor ; Alderman Wethered ; Councillors Drew, Heath, Lawrence, Skillicorne and Waghorne (Councillor Waghorne in the chair)—

7 –Spa Medical Committee—A Letter from Dr. Ward Humphreys, acknowledging the receipt of the letter of the Town Clerk, conveying to him the resolution passed at the last monthly meeting of this Committee, and suggesting that in order to further ill the scheme for the development of the Spa, a Conference between the two Committees should be held, at which the matter could be informally discussed, was read. Resolved, That this Committee accept the proposal of the Spa Medical Committee, and will endeavour to arrange a date which will meet the convenience of both bodies.

8—Mineral Water Wells—The following interim Report of the Borough Surveyor with reference to the cleaning out of the Mineral Water Wells, was read. Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, November 30th, 1892

Gentlemen,—

MINERAL WATER WELLS.

The examination has proceeded so far that the well in Well Place, commonly called Chadnor Villa Well, the well at the back of 22, Lansdown Terrace, and the Cottage well in open land near Christ Church Road, have all been cleaned out, the pumps repaired and put in thorough order, and they are now being pumped from regularly. At Pittville, in addition to the wells which have been known by the covers being visible, or by there being tunnels leading to them from a shaft under the Pump Room, other wells, to the number of five, have been discovered, some of which contain mineral water, and some are for the purpose of preventing surface water percolating into the mineral water wells,

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The pumps are being repaired and search is still being continued for two other water mineral wells which are known to exist, as water can be pumped from them : but this may prove to be a somewhat tedious undertaking, as the clues to the situation are very slight and of doubtful value.

Samples from all the wells have been submitted to Dr. Garrett to ascertain whether there is any variation in the quality of the water. The temperatures of the wells are being taken regularly at short intervals.

I hope to report with full particulars next month.

Your obedient servant,

JOSEPH HALL, Borough Surveyor.

To the Town Improvement Committee.

9.--Sub-Committee—It was Resolved, That the following gentlemen be appointed a Sub-Committee to be called " The Mineral Waters" Sub-Committee, viz., the Mayor, the Chairman of this Committee, Aldermen Thoyts and Wethered, and Councillor Norman.

10-Old Tramway, Gloucester Road—The Town Clerk was instructed to ascertain from Mr. Butt upon what terms he would grant, the Corporation a lease of the site of the old tramway along the Gloucester Road, with a view to its being improved and laid out by the Council as a galloping ground.

JNO. WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 2nd day of December, 1892—Present The Mayor ; Alderman Wethered ; Councillors Lawrence, Norman. Skillicorne and Waghorne (Councillor Waghorne in the chair,)—

11- Marle Hill Land—The following Tenders, being all that had been received in response to the advertisement for works of excavation, &c., at Marle Hill Lake, and for the Tunnel of communication between the Marle Hill Land and the Pittville Gardens, were opened.

	Lake.	Tunnel.
J. K. Baker, Cromer, Norfolk*	£1552 10 0	£437 6 6
Mark Williams, Cheltenham	£1784 0 0	
Chas Braddock, Wigan	£3022 10 0	£337 3 2
Jno. Strachan, Cardiff	£1650 0 0	£340 0 0
Malvern & Son, Cheltenham		£345 0 0
Jas. Cruwys, Gloucester	£1982 5 7	£392 13 0
C. Bullough & Co., Ulverston	£2213 5 0	£345 19 0
Brown, Phillips & Co., Liverpool	£2722 10 0	
Chas. Young, Cheltenham	£857 1 8	£98 10 0

* Letters to be addressed Mr. J. K. Baker, 3, Warwick ST., Oxton Rd., Birkenhead

Resolved, That the Tender of Mr. J. K. Baker for the Lake, and the Tender of Mr. John Strachan for the Tunnel, be accepted subject to the approval, by the Committee, of the sureties proposed by the parties tendering

JOHN WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

WATER COMMITTEE.

At Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 21st day of November, 1892—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Col. Thoyts ; Councillors Darby, Hands, Lenthall, Goodwin, King, and Waghorne (Councillor Darby in the chair)—

1 -Chairman—Councillor Darby was re-appointed Chairman of this Committee during the ensuing year.

J. T. DARBY,

Chairman.

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At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 29th day of November, 1892—Present The Mayor ; Alderman Wetherell ; Councillors Darby, Hands, Lenthall, and Waghorne (Councillor Darby in the chair)—

2— Borough Surveyor's Report —The usual monthly report of the Surveyor, as follows, was read :—

" On the 27th instant, the Springs supplying the Hewletts Reservoirs were yielding 208 Gallons per minute ; the average for the last four years being 238 gallons per minute ; and the quantity of water in store at Hewletts and Leckhampton was 29,791,435 gallons.

On the 27th instant the depth of water in Dowdeswell Reservoir was 24 feet and the contents 61,264,610 gallons, which gives a total storage of 91,056,045 gallons.

For some time past I have had a systematic observation of the pressure on the mains in various parts of the district, and finding that the pressure in the district of St. Paul's indicated an excessive flow, I had the Deacon Meter removed from Tewkesbury, and fixed upon the service at the Training College—it was immediately found that the flow into the College was continuous night and day at the rate of 300 gallons per hour, in addition to the quantities drawn for use during the day. The

charge for water is now £30 0 0 per annum and includes the supply to the College, to two Masters' Houses, and to the St. Paul's School. The Committee have arranged for a separate supply to the School by meter, upon the same terms as other Schools in the Borough--i.e.—10s. per half year, with an allowance of 8,000 gallons ; all additional water to be paid for at the rate of 1s. 3d. per 1,000 gallons.

I consider that the charge should be £14 0 0 per half year ; with an allowance of 224,000 gallons, and all extra to be charged at the rate of 1s. 3d. per 1,000 gallons. This will allow them an ample supply for all Sanitary requirements ; and by having a meter it will check any tendency to waste."

Resolved that the recommendations in the Surveyor's Report be approved and carried out.

3- Hewletts Reservoirs. Filtration of Water in—The Minute of the Public Health Committee on this subject, referred to this Committee, was read and considered. The Medical Officer attended the Committee and explained his reasons for the suggestion he made to the Public Health Committee. Resolved that the execution of the work authorised to be executed at the last Meeting of this Committee be deferred until the Medical Officer of Health has made a further report, and the Board Surveyor has further considered the matter.

4—Mythe Bridge Land—The Town Clerk reported that Mr. Gardom, the Deputy Clerk of the County Council, had called on him and read a letter he had written to Mr. Gardom, and the reply of the latter thereto. Resolved that the Committee cannot recommend the Council to waive any of the rights of the Corporation as claimed by the Town Clerk's letter.

5—Appeals—The cases entered in the Appeal Book were considered, and the Rates settled and adjusted.

6—Supply of Water—Applications and agreements for the supply of water for the past month were examined and approved.

J. T. DARBY, Chairman.

GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 28th day of November, 1892—Present . The Mayor ; Alderman Col. Thoyts ; Councillors Darby, King, Lawrence Norman, Parsonage, and Waghorne (Alderman Col. Thoyts in the chair)—

1—Chairman--Alderman Col. Thoyts was re-appointed Chairman of this Council during the ensuing year.

2— Swine Fever—A letter from the Deputy Clerk of the Peace stating that the Executive Committee of the County Council did not propose to continue the present prohibitory resolutions after the month of November, was read. And the decision of the Executive Committee concurred in so far as Cheltenham is concerned,

3-Fire Brigade—The Superintendant reported that the Phoenix Fire Insurance Company had paid £3 3 0 for the use of the Fire Engine &c. at the recent Fire at Prestbury ; that the Surveyor's Department had had eight lengths of Leather Hose, for use at the Mineral Water Wells, most of which is no longer of use for Fire purposes, it having contracted in size from 2i inches to one inch, but that, cut into lengths, it would serve for filling Water Carts, The Superintendent requested to be allowed to order 150 yds. of Rob Roy Canvas Hose to replace the above, with four patent couplings from Messrs. Morris and Sons Salford. Resolved, That this matter be adjourned for further consideration.

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4—Hackney Carriages—An application from Newman Gibbard of Duke Street, for a Hackney Carriage License was read, and a license refused. An application from George Stokes to be permitted to transfer his license No. 3 to a better carriage, was read. Resolved, That the transfer be allowed, subject to the Carriage being inspected and approved. A further application from Frederick Jones for the transfer to him of Wm. Phelps's license was read, when the Town Clerk reported that since the last meeting Mr. Phelps had applied to have his license returned to him. Resolved, That the Committee see no reason to alter their previous resolution upon the subject.

5—Wheel Chairs—Henry Hazell applied to be allowed to transfer his wheel chair license to an improved chair, and permission was granted subject to the Chair being approved on inspection.

6—Cabmen's Shelters—A letter from Mrs. Banner man requesting leave to place a Cabmen's Shelter at the corner of Berkeley Street and High Street, and stating that the householders opposite the proposed site had given their approval to the proposal, was read. Resolved, That permission be given to place the Shelter at the Belle Vue Stand, subject to its being properly managed and being removable at any time when required by the Council.

7—Stand and Shelter in Imperial Square—A Memorial from General Finlay and other members of the New Club, remonstrating against the removal of the Shelter from the position it originally occupied to its present one, also against the reduction in the number of vehicles on the Cab Stand ; and a Memorial from Mr. Edwd. Jewell and others, asking the Committee to remove the Stand and Rest from their present position, were read. Resolved, That the Committee consider the present position and arrangement of the Shelter and Cabs is the least objectionable to all parties and appears to work well, and are, therefore, not prepared to recommend any alteration.

8—Committee Meetings —Resolved, That the Meetings of the several Committees during the ensuing year be fixed as follows, commencing, (except as to the Public Health Committee,) each month on the Thursday next but one preceding the Monthly Council Meeting :

Wednesday—Week after Council Meeting—Public Health (No 1) at 12 at noon.

Thursday—School Attendance at 3 p.m. ; Burial Board at 4 p.m.

Friday—Public Health (No. 2) at 11 a.m. ; Street and Highway (view) at 2.30 p.m.

Monday--Street and Highway at 11 a.m. ; General Purposes and Watch at 4 p.m.

Tuesday-Baths and Recreation Grounds at 2.30 p.m.; Water at 3.30 p.m.

Wednesday—Public Library at 11 a.m. ; Town Improvement at 4 p.m.

Thursday—Finance at 3 p.m.

The Electric Lighting Committee to meet when required.

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 21st day of November, 1892—Present : The Mayor ; Councillors Drew, Feeney, Goodwin, Lenthall, Moles, Norman. Woodard, and King (Councillor King in the chair)—

1—Chairman—Councillor King was re-appointed Chairman of this Committee during the ensuing year.

CHAS. W. KING,

Chairman.

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At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 29th day of November, 1892—Present : The Mayor ; Councillors Drew, Feeney, Lenthall, King, Moles, and Norman (Councillor King in the chair)--

2-Naunton Park Recreation Ground—The Surveyor reported that he was proceeding with the levelling and laying out of this ground.

3- Accounts--The following Accounts were examined and allowed:

Poor Rate on Naunton Recreation Ground	£1 10 0
" " Agg-Gardener	£1 11 6
" " Alstone Baths	£2 19 6

CHAS. W. KING,

Chairman.

BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 24th day of November, 1892—Present The Mayor ; Aldermen Rogers and Haddon Councillors Feeney, Moles, Steel, Parsonage and Williams, (Councillor Parsonage in the chair)—

1—Superintendent's Report—The Superintendent reported that he had paid £4 13s 0d into the Treasurer's Account, cash received for sale of 62 loads of grass.

2 --Designs—The following Designs were examined and approved :—Headstones to Mary Ann Gilbert, Thomas Bellew, Emma Maria Livy. Application was also made for leave to erect an Iron Railing round the grave of A. J. Cummings according to sketch submitted, Resolved. That in the case of Alexander Jno. Cumming, deceased, the grave not being a brick-grave or Vault, the Iron Railing cannot, under the rules, be allowed.

18—Accounts—The following Accounts were examined and allowed :—

Gas Co., Coke	1 9 0
" Examiner", Advertising re Unpurchased Graves	0 15 0
" Free Press", " " "	0 10 6
W. Gregory, Labourer's Wages	7 6 0
" " Gravediggers' Wages	7 17 0

EDWARD H. PARSONAGE. Chairman.

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FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 21st day of November, 1892—Present The Mayor ; Alderman Thoyts ; Councillors Darby, Drew, Wm: Heath, Feeney, Waghorne, Parsonage, and Lawrence (Councillor Lawrence in the Chair)—

1 —Chairman—Councillor Lawrence was re-appointed Chairman of this Committee during the ensuing year.

EDWIN LAWRENCE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 1st day of December, 1892—Present The Mayor ; Councillors Darby, Drew, Lawrence, and Parsonage, (Councillor Lawrence in the chair)—

2-General District Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 1st inst. on the collection of this Rate was read. Amount collected, £2912 ; leaving outstanding £9949 14s. 1 ½ d.

3- Water Rate —The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 1st inst on the collection of this Rate was read. Receipts, £2678 4s 8d., leaving outstanding £5,643 8s 6d.

4---Sewage Farm Loan, £6666 —Resolved, That an advertisement be inserted in the local papers, inviting offers of this money at interest not exceeding 3 ½ per cent. per annum for a term of ten years certain, and afterwards subject to six months' notice on either side.

5-- Borough Accountant's Salary—The application heretofore made by Mr. Minett and now renewed, for an allowance for past work in connection with the creation and issue of the Corporation Stock, and for the revision of his salary, was further considered. Resolved, That having regard to the increase of the work in the Borough Accountant's Department and expected further increase on the extension of the Borough Boundaries, the salary of the Borough Accountant be fixed at £400 per annum, the present gross amount, and that he be allowed 2 Clerks at salaries not exceeding in the aggregate £100 per annum, such salaries to be paid by the Corporation, but the Clerks to be engaged, subject to the approval of the Council, by the Borough Accountant, and be dismissible by him, he to be responsible for them. Resolved, further, That the Chairman give the necessary notice, at the next monthly meeting, of alteration of the Resolution of the Council fixing the salary of the Borough Accountant.

6 - Borough Rate--The period for which the Borough Rate of £3,300 was made having expired on the 9th of Nov. last, and it appearing that the Borough Fund is insufficient for the several purposes to which the same is applicable, and it having been estimated that the sum of £2,000 will, in addition to the Borough Fund, be sufficient for those purposes, including therein the expenses of carrying into execution the Public Libraries Acts, for the period ending the 25th March next. Resolved, That an Order be made at the meeting of the Council on the 5th inst., for a Borough Rate for the sum of £2,000, payable by two instalments, one of £1,000 forthwith, and the remaining instalment of £1,000 on or before the 1st day of February next.

7-ACCOUNTS—The Borough Accountant laid before the Committee the Account of Receipts for the past month, and the Balances on each Account, as well as the list of Accounts to be paid. The General Statement is as follows

Amount in hand last month	£3958 5 8
Received during the month	<u>£6911 17</u>
	£10870 2 9
Paid during the month	£6509 16 10
In hand	£4360 5 11
General Account	£3882 9 1
Sinking and Loans Funds	<u>£467 16 10</u>
	£4360 5 11

EDWIN LAWRENCE.

Chairman.

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ELECTRIC LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 14th day of November, 1892—Present: The Mayor; Aldermen Thoyts and Wethered ; Councillors Lawrence, Norman, Parsonage and Woodard (Councillor Norman in the chair)-

1—Chairman— Councillor Norman was appointed Chairman of this Committee during the ensuing year The Preliminary Report of Prof. Ayrton of date the 11th, May last ; The Borough Surveyor's Report of the 1st instant ; and Prof Ayrton's further reports of the 25th Oct. and 9th instant were read and considered. The further consideration of the matter was adjourned.

GEORGE NORMAN,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 25th day of November, 1892,—Present : Alderman Wethered ; Councillors Norman, Parsonage, and Woodard---(Councillor Norman in the chair

2-A Draft of the Report of the Committee was considered and settled, and the further consideration of the matter was adjourned to a Meeting of the Committee to be held on Monday next, at 3 p.m.

GEORGE NORMAN,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 28th day of November, 1892 — Present : The Mayor ; Aldermen Thoyts and Wethered ; Councillors King, Lawrence, Norman and Parsonage (Councillor Norman in the chair)-

3 - The following Report and Resolutions were finally agreed to

(N.B. —The Report and Resolutions have already been sent to the Members of the Council.)

GEORGE NORMAN,

Chairman.

PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 8th day of November, 1892 : Present Aldermen Ramsay and Wethered, Councillors Drew and Neale, Mr. T. Pippett (Alderman Sir A. Ramsay in the chair)—

Supplementary Catalogue The following Tenders for printing 2,000 copies of the New Supplementary Catalogue were opened.

Horace Edwards .. 10s. per page.

Norman Sawyer & Co., 8s. 9d. per page.

Resolved, That Messrs. Norman Sawyer & Co.'s Tender be accepted.

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The following letter from Mr. J. T. Norman, who had been invited to tender, was read.

November 7th, 1892,

Memorandum to The Library Committee, From John T. Norman, Steam Printer, Bennington Street, Cheltenham.

Gentleman, After the experience gained the last time I tendered for your work, I consider it would be a farce to do, no now. It is well known who the work will be given to.

Yours truly, JOHN T. NORMAN.

Resolved, That Mr J. T. Norman be not again asked to tender for any of the work of the Library.

ALEX. E. RAMSAY,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 30th day of November, 1892—Present: The Mayor : Aldermen Haddon, Ramsay, and Wethered ; Councillors Drew, Feeney, Neale and Parsonage (Alderman Sir A. Ramsay in the Chair)

2- Chairman—It was Resolved, That Alderman Sir Alex. Ramsay, Bart., be re-appointed Chairman of this Committee for the ensuing year

3—Librarian's Report—The usual Monthly Report of the Librarian was read. He also reported that the following gifts had been made to the Library during the past month :—

Agent-General for Western Australia	1 Vol
Ehrenfacter	1 Vol.
Dr. A. C. Fryer	2 Vols.
G. H. Bayley	3 Vols
Messrs. Boyle & Co	2 Pamphlets
Messrs. Backhouse & Tyler	1 Vol.
J. Sawyer 1 Pamphlet Anonymous	1 Vol.
F. Cliffe	1 Vol.
B. H. Soulsby	23 Vols.
F. A. Hyett Vol.	32 Pamphlets

Annual Reports from the Libraries at Bolton, Bradford, Buxton, Leamington, Derby, Sheffield, South Shields, Wolverhampton, Cardiff, Folkestone, Birkenhead, and Manchester.

4—Annual Report—The Annual Report of the Committee prepared by the Librarian, and settled by the Sub-Committee, was read. Resolved, That the same be approved and that 500 copies thereof be printed. The Librarian laid before the Committee Tenders for printing same. Resolved, That the Tender of Mr. G. F. Poole at £2 15 be accepted.

5—School of Art Notice Board —A Letter from Dr. Wilson, stating that the question of affixing a notice board outside the School of Art has never yet been settled, and requesting to be informed if a Notice Board can be fixed, was read. Resolved, That the School of Art Committee be informed that if they and the Committee of the School of Science will agree upon a uniform pattern of board to be placed outside their respective schools, this Committee will endeavour to meet their wishes in the matter.

6—Accounts—The following accounts were examined and allowed:—

J. W. Pink, Technical Books	£3 5 0
Ditto Books	£1 17 0
Gas Co., Coke	£0 1 10
Yost Typewriter Co., Stationery	£0 10 6
J. W. Pink, Books	£0 15 0
J. Webb, Technical Books	£1 15 0
W. Jones, Wages Account	£9 8 0
C. Boyle, Cleaning Materials	£0 10 0
W. Downing, Technical Books	£2 2 0
Kelley & Co., Books	£1 5 0
Poor Rate on Public Library	£7 8 9
Accounts under 10s each	£0 3 3

ALEX. E. RAMSAY, Chairman.

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SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 24th day of November, 1892 —Present: The Mayor ; Alderman Rogers ; Councillors Hands, Heath, Parsonage, and Steel (Councillor Parsonage in the chair) —

1-Chairman--Councillor Hands was re-appointed Chairman of this Committee during the ensuing year.

2--Local Committees—The Minute Books of the several Local Committees were gone through and examined. Resolved that application be made to the Justices for an Order to send Charles O'Hagan, of Queen Street, to an Industrial School, with the assistance of the Lumb Trustees. Resolved further that application be made for Distress Warrants, and, in default of Distress, Warrants of Commitment against James Williams, Christopher Cowles, and Thomas Lawrence, for non-payment of Fines

3—Half Timers—Resolved that Labour Certificates be granted to the following children at the Workhouse, viz.--Henry Turberfield, Henry Graham, James Marshall, and Alexander Dumas.

WILLIAM HANDS, Chairman.